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Mayor Rilling Provides Local Update on Coronavirus

(Norwalk, Conn.) - City officials are working closely with partners at the state and federal levels, as well as partners in Norwalk, to monitor and respond to COVID-19, the 2019 novel Coronavirus. Statewide updates can be found online at ct.gov/coronavirus. Mayor Rilling provided the following Norwalk-area specific updates regarding COVID-19 coronavirus as of 4:30 p.m. on Friday, July 24, 2020:

- Since yesterday, there are five new positive cases in Norwalk, bringing the total positive reported cases to 2,121. Four of these cases are from late June and early July, and reflect ongoing data cleanup and analysis. There were no new deaths reported
- Governor Lamont signed an executive order strengthening workers' compensation claims for essential workers who have been impacted by COVID-19. Workers who contracted COVID-19 on the job are eligible for workers' compensation benefits. More details at ct.gov.
- Keep Norwalk Beautiful will be holding a SoNo cleanup event tomorrow, Saturday, July 25, beginning at 9 a.m. at Ryan Park. Litter cleanup tools will be provided. Due to COVID-19, volunteers are asked to work in small teams from within their own homes, wear face coverings, and socially distance.
- Mayor Rilling has opened the Community Room at the Norwalk Police Department as a cooling center through Tuesday, July 28. Anyone entering the building must wear a face covering, and when in the Community Room must socially distance from those outside of their household. For heat safety tips, please visit norwalkct.org.
- With hot and sunny weather in the forecast the next few days, beaches in Norwalk and across the region are expected to reach capacity. The City will post on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/CityofNorwalk) (@CityofNorwalk) and [Twitter](https://twitter.com/norwalk_ct) (@norwalk_ct) if parks and beaches in Norwalk reach capacity and are closed. The public can also call the beach hotline at 203-854-7938 for recent updates.

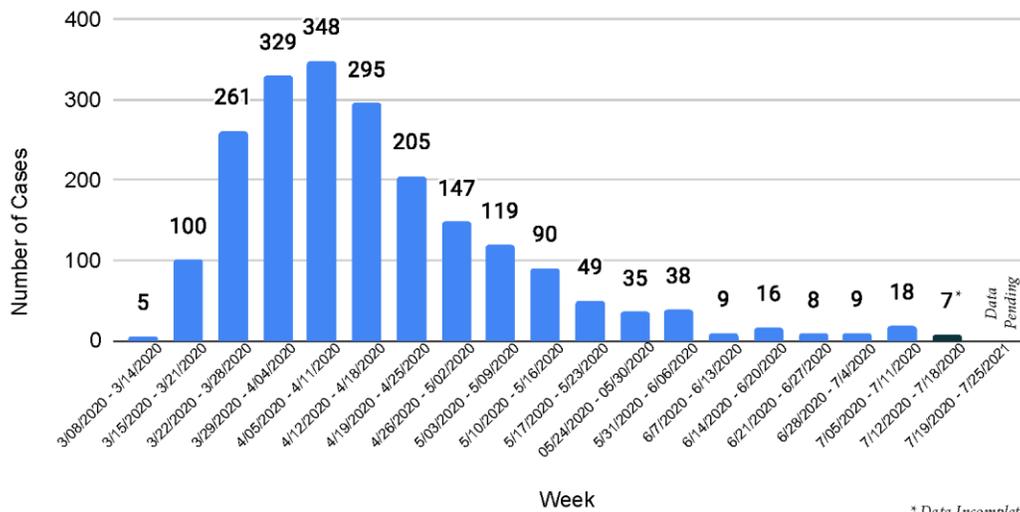
"I am pleased Governor Lamont and the State of Connecticut are providing frontline workers an opportunity to claim the benefits which they are due. These essential workers were out there each and every day throughout the height of the pandemic, and I am thankful for the critical roles they played for our residents," Mayor Rilling said. "With temperatures reaching the 90s over the next few days, we can expect the beach to be busy. We are still operating with reduced capacity due to COVID-19 and will be monitoring the situation closely. It is a possibility that we may have to close due to overcrowding. I ask residents to check online or call ahead before going to the beach, and have alternate plans in place. Stay safe, stay hydrated, and don't forget to wear a face covering. Have a great weekend, Norwalk."

Members of the public are encouraged to sign-up for the City's CodeRED Emergency Alert Notification System at norwalkct.org/codered. Updates on City services, hours, and community resources will be routinely published at norwalkct.org/citynews. The latest health updates can be found at norwalkct.org/coronavirus.

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Number of Norwalk COVID-19 Cases by Date of Specimen Collection

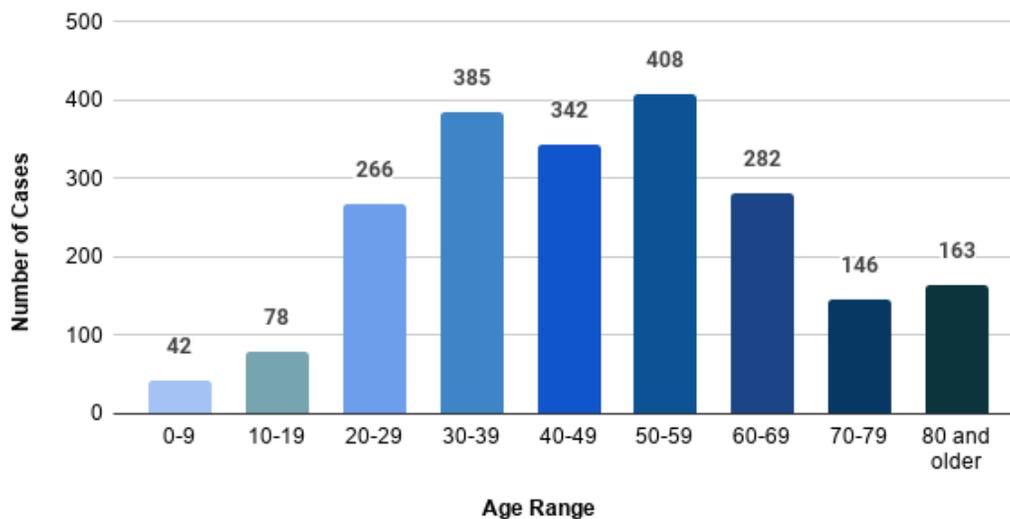
Test results may be reported several days after collection. Does not include cases with missing specimen collection



* Data Incomplete

Number of Positive COVID-19 Norwalk Cases per Age Group

Data are preliminary & subject to change. May not add up to total case count as demographic data may be missing.



Number of COVID-19 Norwalk Deaths per Age Group

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