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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 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, August 18, 2020:

- Since yesterday, there are no new positive cases in Norwalk, and the total positive reported cases remains 2,153. There were no new deaths reported.
- Today, August 18, the State of Connecticut added Alaska and Delaware to the Regional Travel Advisory, and removed Washington state. States with a daily positive test rate higher than 10 per 100,000 residents or a 10% or higher positivity rate on a 7-day rolling average are added to the Advisory. Travelers from identified states must fill out a travel health form upon arriving in Connecticut. Visit the [CT Travel Advisory](#) page for more information.
- Periodic health assessments are required of all students enrolled in Norwalk Public Schools. Students need to be in compliance whether they are enrolled in distance learning or in-person school. More information on updated health forms and requirements for students can be found at norwalkps.org.
- Tomorrow, August 19, there will be free items on the steps of the SoNo Branch Library, 10 Washington Street, from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Items include books, dvds, and more. Those who arrive to the library are asked to wear face coverings and socially distance.
- The State of Connecticut has received an interim report on COVID-19 in long-term care facilities from Mathematica Policy Research. Mathematica was retained to conduct a thorough review of the preparation and response to COVID-19 in Connecticut nursing homes and assisted living facilities after Governor Lamont ordered the independent, third-party review on June 8, 2020. The interim report can be found [online](#). Mathematica's final report is due September 30, 2020.

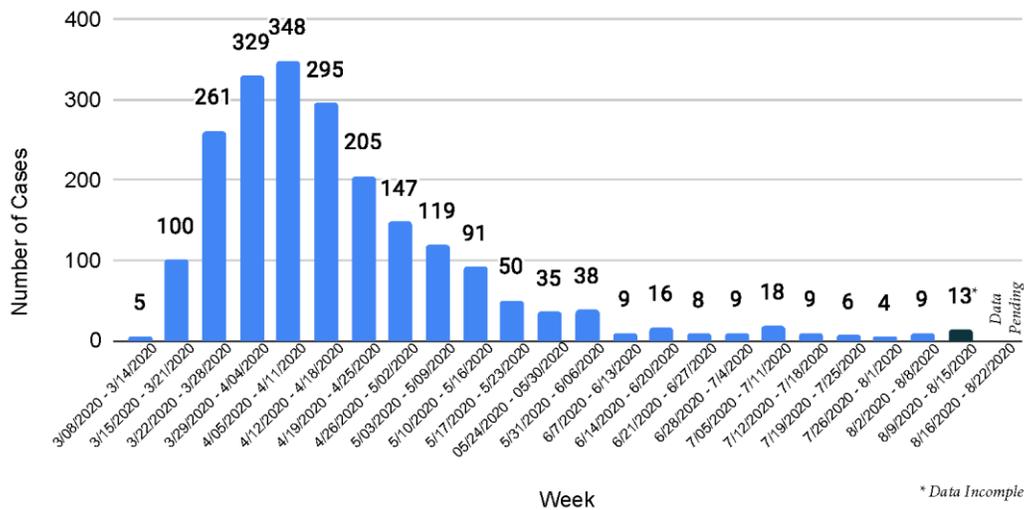
“I know the state has been enforcing the Travel Advisory, and issuing \$1,000 fines to those who are not filling out the required forms, quarantining, and following the guidelines. Connecticut is in a stronger place than other states because a majority of the public is adhering to public health guidelines,” Mayor Rilling said. “With schools set to reopen in the coming weeks, it is critically important that we remain vigilant in our efforts to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 in Connecticut. Please continue to wear face coverings, practice social distancing, and follow the latest guidelines. These combined efforts will help protect the health and safety of the Norwalk community.”

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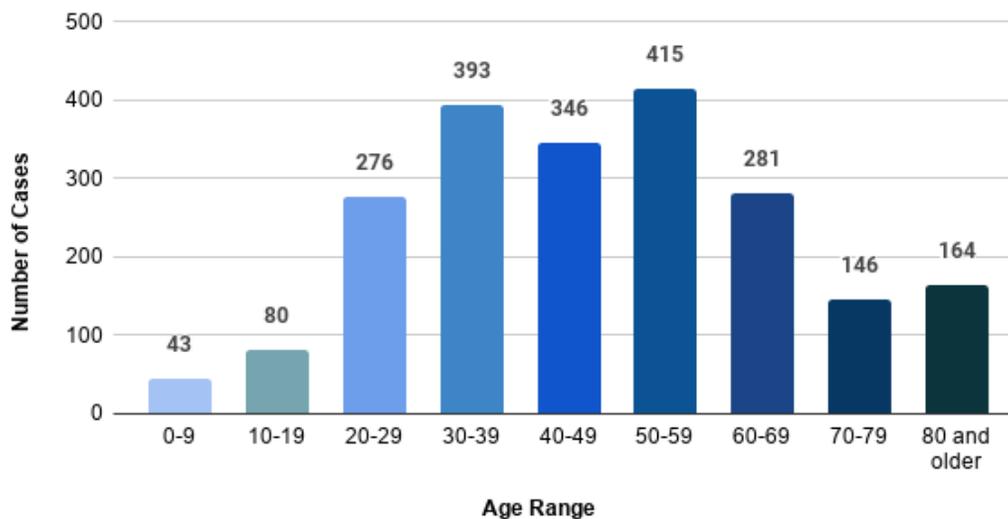
Number of Norwalk COVID-19 Cases by Date of Specimen Collection

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



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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