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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 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 23, 2020:

- Since yesterday, there are three new positive cases in Norwalk, bringing the total positive reported cases to 2,160. There were no new deaths reported.
- The City of Norwalk will be providing a one-time collection for storm debris related to Tropical Storm Isaias on Monday, August 31. All materials must be placed curbside by 7 a.m. as trucks only pass each street once. Residents may also dispose of materials at the Yard Waste Site, open Monday - Friday 7:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. and Saturday 7:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. The Site is closed on Sunday. A [Disposal Pass](#) is required.
- The U.S. Census Bureau is conducting in-person visits for those who have not yet responded to the 2020 Census. Census takers are following CDC guidelines during these visits, including maintaining six-feet of physical distance, wearing a face covering, and not entering a person's home. To date, the national response rate is 64.2%, and in Connecticut, 68.2%. In Norwalk, the response rate is at 66.7%. View results as they come in or complete the Census online at 2020census.gov.
- Governor Lamont announced that the State of Connecticut [submitted its application](#) for federal funding to establish a temporary program that will provide a \$300 weekly wage supplement to existing unemployment benefits in response to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. The Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA) has been authorized to use up to \$44 billion in Stafford Act disaster relief funds to assist workers who have lost their income due to the impact of COVID-19. The State anticipates disbursement in mid-September and expects about 250,000 claimants will be eligible for the federal benefit.

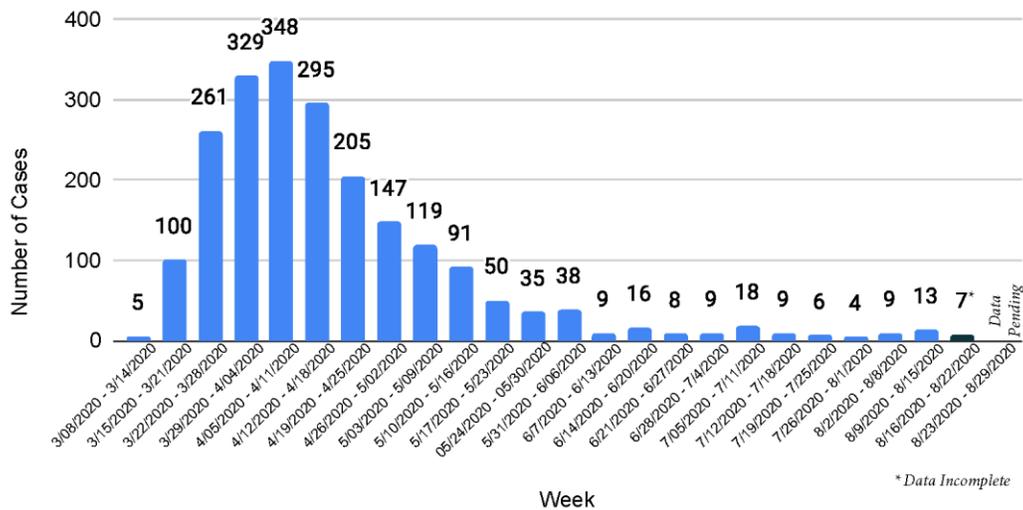
“So many in our state and community have lost their jobs or wages as a result of COVID-19. This temporary program will add much-needed assistance and hopefully bridge the gap for thousands of residents during these difficult times. I remain hopeful additional funding will become available for even more residents,” Mayor Rilling said. “I am pleased to see Norwalk is ahead of the national census response rate, but we are trailing the overall state average. A complete and accurate count of residents will help our community receive adequate funds and services. I ask that everyone living in Norwalk to fill out the 2020 Census. It only takes a few minutes, but its impact will be felt over the next decade.”

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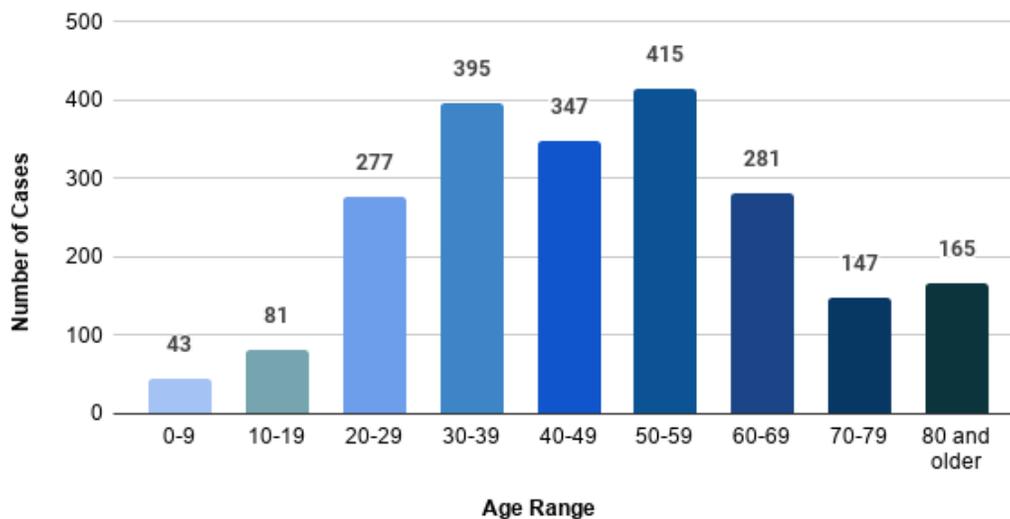
Number of Norwalk COVID-19 Cases by Date of Specimen Collection

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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