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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 30, 2020:

- Since yesterday, there are five new positive cases in Norwalk, bringing the total positive reported cases to 2,173. There were no new deaths reported.
- 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 64.7%, and in Connecticut, 68.9%. In Norwalk, the response rate is at 67.8%. View results as they come in or complete the Census online at 2020census.gov.
- On Monday, August 31, Superintendent of Schools Dr. Alexandra Estrella will hold virtual forums for middle school and high school students in Norwalk. Students are invited to meet with Dr. Estrella to learn more about the upcoming school year and ask questions. The forums will be held on Zoom from 4:30 p.m. - 5:15 p.m. for middle school students and 5:30 p.m. - 6:15 p.m. for high school students. More details can be found at norwalkps.org.
- Conditions have been extremely dry this summer, and without significant rain accumulation, Norwalk is nearing drought conditions. City officials are in contact with South Norwalk Electric and Water and First District Water Department and are monitoring this situation closely. Residents and businesses can help by making efforts to conserve water where possible.
- City officials remind residents of the state's travel advisory which currently applies to more than 30 states and territories, including popular travel destinations such as California, Florida, Texas, and South Carolina. Those who arrive from an area on the travel advisory must quarantine for 14 days to help slow the spread of COVID-19. Testing negative for COVID-19 does not remove the quarantine requirement. Testing negative will only allow someone to leave quarantine for very specific reasons, such as attending a funeral or assisting with end of life care. For more information visit ct.gov.

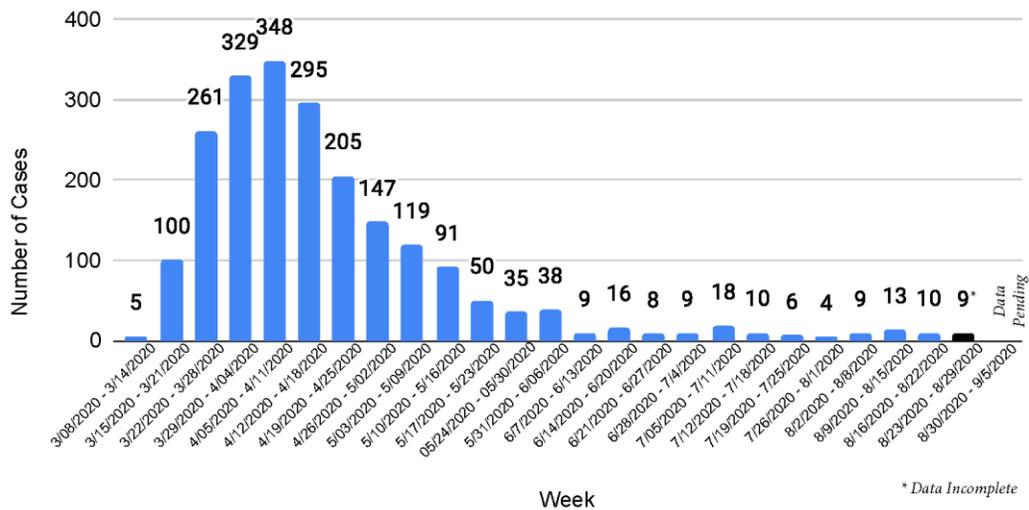
“The state's travel advisory changes weekly depending on health conditions around the country. It is so important that residents follow this closely, especially with school starting next week. I encourage residents to stay close to home in this final week of summer and follow these guidelines closely,” Mayor Rilling said. “I ask that all people living in Norwalk complete the 2020 Census. We have all certainly been preoccupied the last few months with the COVID-19 crisis, but the census shapes the next 10 years of our community. Please, if you have not already done so, take a few minutes today to complete the 2020 Census. It will make a difference.”

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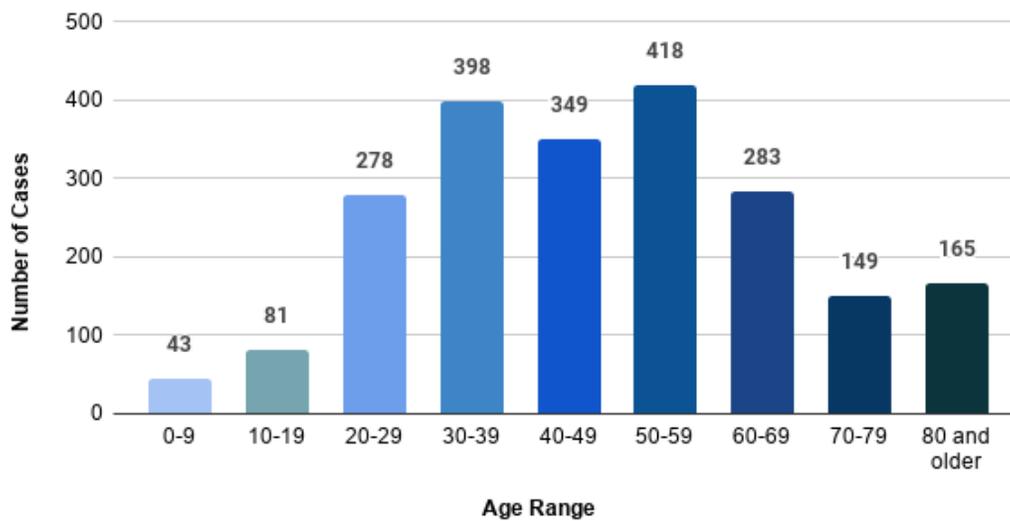
Number of Norwalk COVID-19 Cases by Date of Specimen Collection

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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