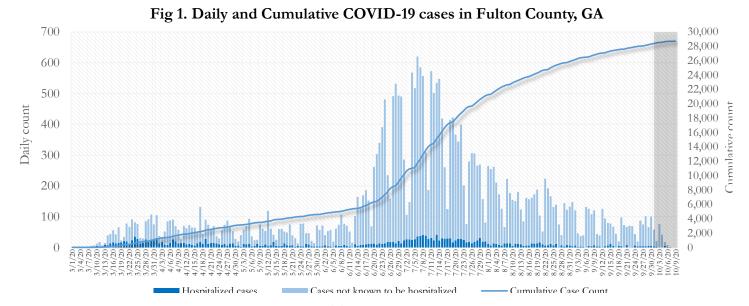


Fulton County Board of Health Epidemiology Report

COVID-19 Cases - 10/9/2020

SUMMARY

- As of October 9, 2020, Fulton County has recorded **28,675** cases of the **2019** novel coronavirus (COVID-19) and **588** confirmed **COVID-19** deaths. 71 deaths are currently being reviewed by GaDPH to confirm cause of death.
- Of 1,005 new diagnoses made between September 18 and October 2, the central portion of the county (Atlanta metro) accounted for 40% while the northern and southern parts accounted for 39% and 18% respectively.
- By city, new COVID-19 case rates range from 43.2 per 100,000 persons (College Park) to 274.5 per 100,000 persons (Palmetto). [Fulton County Diagnoses Rates (per 100,000 persons): Cumulative 2695.2; Incidence –94.5]. See map showing incident case rate by ZIP code on Pg.17.
- Among all persons diagnosed with COVID-19 in Fulton County since June 1, 6.3% required hospitalization and 1.6% died.
- Of all testing done in Fulton County between September 14 and September 27, the percent positivity rate was 3.93%.



*Counts shown reflect the number of confirmed cases as of 7:00 pm on 10/8/20 using the date of first positive sample collection. Where date of sample collection was not available or missing, the date of report creation in GA SENDSS was used instead. **Note:** Delays in data reporting may cause changes in data counts, particularly in the shaded portion. Data throughout this report are preliminary and subject to ongoing data cleaning processes, and thus are subject to change.

DISTRIBUTION OF COVID-19 CASES BY REGION

New cases: 40% of the new COVID-19 cases in the past 2 weeks occurred in Atlanta while 39% and 18% occurred in the Northern and Southern regions of the county respectively.

Fulton Docion	% Cumulative	% New	
Fulton Region	count	cases*	
Atlanta	43.6%	39.6%	
North ¹	28.4%	38.5%	
South ²	20.3%	18.3%	
Unincorporated/Unknown	7.8%	3.6%	

Includes all Fulton County cities north of Atlanta metro (Alpharetta, Milton, Johns Creek, Roswell, Sandy Springs, Mountain Park) $|^2$ Includes all cities south of Atlanta (College Park, Chattahoochee Hills, East Point, Hapeville, Palmetto, South Fulton, Fairburn, and Union City) *New cases: Cases diagnosed in the past 2 weeks only (between 9/18/20 – 10/2/20).

In the past two weeks (9/18-10/2), there were fewer new cases of COVID-19 in Fulton County than the previous two weeks (9/3-9/17).

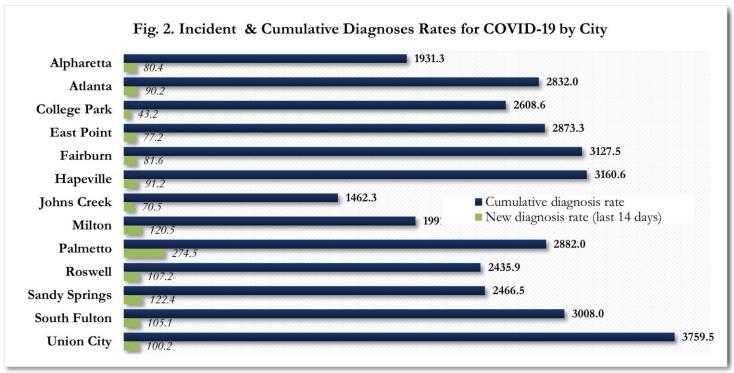


*Delayed a week to account for testing results turnaround time.

COVID-19 CASE COUNTS AND RATES BY CITY

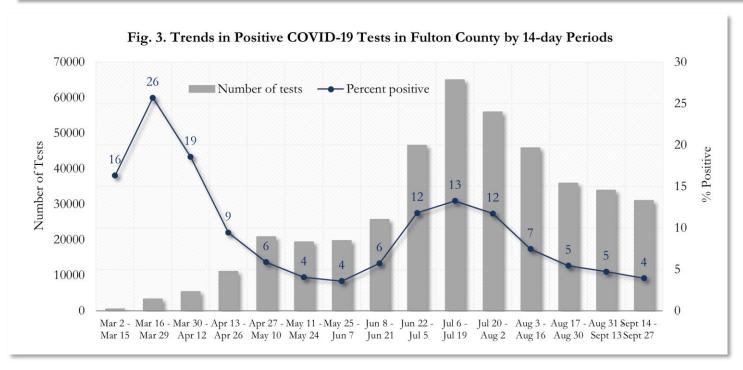
	Prior (10/6/20)	Current Total (10/9/20)			New Cases (Period: 9/3/20 – 10/2/20) ¹				
	Count	Count	%	Cum. Rate ²	1 st 14 d. (9/3– 9/17)	Last 14 d. (9/18– 10/2)	% change³	Rate ⁴ (Last 14 d).	
Alpharetta	1230	1249	4.4%	1931.3	99	52	↓ 47.5%	80.4	
Atlanta	12184	12494	43.6%	2832.0	474	398	↓ 16.0%	90.2	
Chattahoochee Hills	1	1	0.0%	-	0	0	-	0.0	
College Park	360	362	1.3%	2608.6	11	<10	↓ 45.5%	43.2	
East Point	991	1005	3.5%	2873.3	23	27	↑ 17.4%	77.2	
Fairburn	454	460	1.6%	3127.5	18	12	↓ 33.3%	81.6	
Hapeville	208	208	0.7%	3160.6	<10	<10	↑ 50.0%	91.2	
Johns Creek	1203	1223	4.3%	1462.3	81	59	↓ 27.2%	70.5	
Milton	749	760	2.7%	1991.0	50	46	↓ 8.0%	120.5	
Mountain Park	6	6	0.0%	960.0	<10	0	-	-	
Palmetto	126	126	0.4%	2882.0	<10	12	† 140.0%	274.5	
Roswell	2260	2296	8.0%	2435.9	154	101	↓ 34.4%	107.2	
Sandy Springs	2557	2600	9.1%	2466.5	107	129	↑ 20.6%	122.4	
South Fulton	2824	2861	10.0%	3008.0	97	100	↑ 3.1%	105.1	
Union City	779	788	2.7%	3759.5	26	21	↓ 19.2%	100.2	
Unknown	2743	2236	7.8%	-	37	34	-		

*New cases: Cases diagnosed in most recent 28 days (based on reported dates of positive sample collection). To allow for lag in reporting results of new diagnoses from samples collected in the most recent week, data used for incident diagnoses analyses were moved back by one week. *Cumulative diagnosis rate: Population estimates from US Census Bureau used to calculate cumulative diagnoses rate. All rates shown are per 100,000 persons. *3% change: These reflect the percentage increase or decrease in new diagnoses between the 14 days preceding the most recent 7 days and the 14 days preceding that. Changes in cities with less than 10 cases in both 2 week intervals are not reported *(Incidence) Rate: Rate of new diagnoses in the last 14 day period preceding the immediate past week. **Data cleaning (either during case interviews or address geo-coding) may lead to reassignment of few cases from one territory to another based on their corrected addresses. These may appear as "decreases" when compared to the previous day's count. These do not reflect errors in the data collection or analysis process but only reflect the minor day-to-day fluctuations in case counts that arise in an evolving public health database like COVID's. Note: All data reported are preliminary and subject to change.

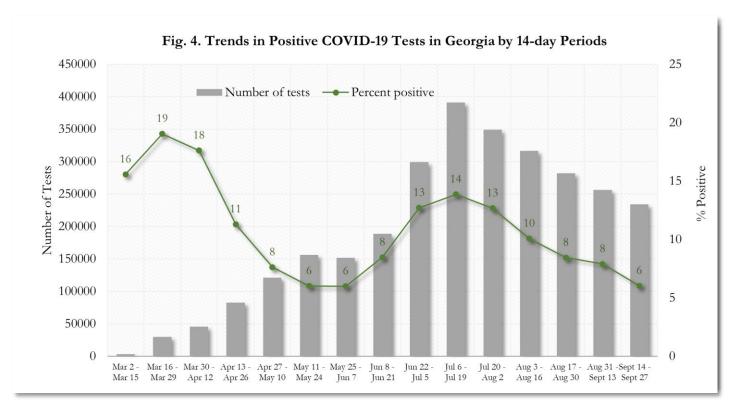


^{*}Rates shown are per 100,000 persons | **Note:** Mass testing in specific locations (e.g. long term care facilities) may cause sharp increases in the cumulative rate of COVID-19 diagnosis in those territories. All data shown are preliminary and are subject to change as testing results get updated.

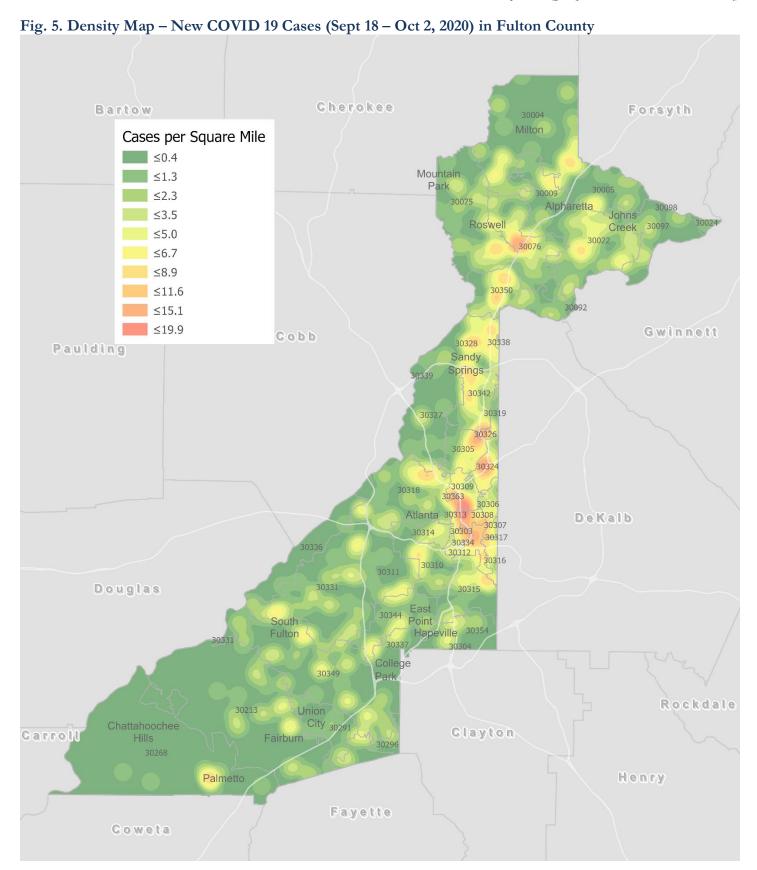
COVID-19 TESTING AND POSITIVITY IN FULTON COUNTY AND GEORGIA



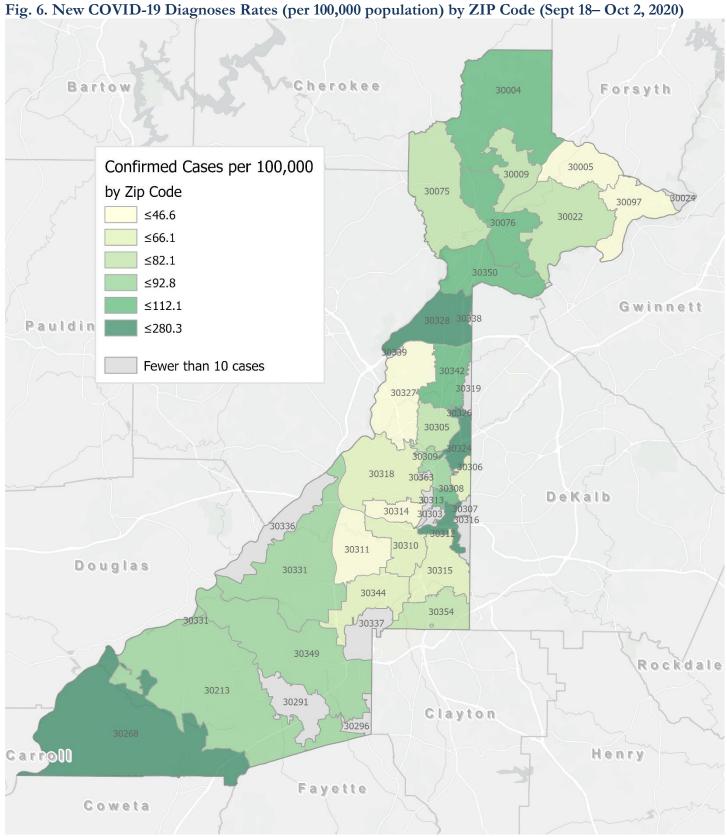
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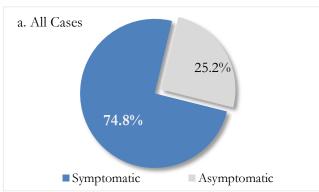


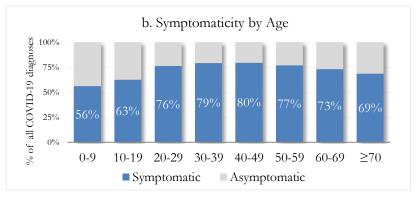
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REPORTING SYMPTOMS AMONG PERSONS WITH COVID-19 IN FULTON

People with COVID-19 have reported a wide range of symptoms ranging from mild symptoms to severe illness. Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus. Symptoms reported include: cough, shortness of breath/difficulty breathing, fever, chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, congestion, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea, or new loss of taste or smell – Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html

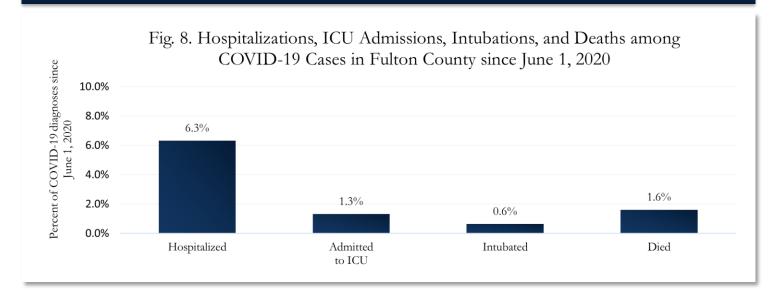
Fig. 7a & b. Total Proportion Reporting Symptoms in Fulton County





^{***}COVID-19 cases who have been case interviewed or had medical charts reviewed as of 10/8/20 only. n = 19,035 ***

COVID-19 HOSPITALIZATIONS, ICU ADMISSIONS AND DEATHS IN FULTON



DEMOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTIONS – COVID 19 CASES AND DEATHS

A. Distribution of COVID-19 cases by gender, age, and race in Fulton County by Fulton Region

		North Fulton Cities ¹	Atlanta	South Fulton Cities ²	Unknown City	All Fulton
		Count (%)	Count (%)	Count (%)	Count (%)	Count (%)
Total (COVID-19 cases	8134	12494	5811	2236	28675
Gende	r: Female	4131 (50.8%)	6085 (48.7%)	3229 (55.6%)	1094 (48.9%)	14539 (50.7%)
	Male	3830 (47.1%)	5952 (47.6%)	2419 (41.6%)	1064 (47.6%)	13265 (46.3%)
	Unknown*	173 (2.1%)	457 (3.7%)	163 (2.8%)	78 (3.5%)	871 (3.0%)
Age:	0-9	272 (3.3%)	227 (1.8%)	178 (3.1%)	58 (2.6%)	735 (2.6%)
	10-19	1211 (14.9%)	933 (7.5%)	401 (6.9%)	160 (7.2%)	2705 (9.4%)
	20-29	1789 (22.0%)	3751 (30.0%)	1126 (19.4%)	588 (26.3%)	7254 (25.3%)
	30-39	1253 (15.4%)	2681 (21.5%)	1211 (20.8%)	495 (22.1%)	5640 (19.7%)
	40-49	1267 (15.6%)	1615 (12.9%)	1080 (18.6%)	359 (16.1%)	4321 (15.1%)
	50-59	1178 (14.5%)	1332 (10.7%)	793 (13.6%)	272 (12.2%)	3575 (12.5%)
	60-69	600 (7.4%)	892 (7.1%)	526 (9.1%)	168 (7.5%)	2186 (7.6%)
	≥70	557 (6.8%)	1017 (8.1%)	493 (8.5%)	128 (5.7%)	2195 (7.7%)
	Unknown*	<10	46 (0.4%)	<10	<10	64 (0.2%)
Race:	Asian, NH	280 (3.4%)	218 (1.7%)	20 (0.3%)	43 (1.9%)	561 (2.0%)
	Black, NH	848 (10.4%)	5479 (43.9%)	3934 (67.7%)	732 (32.7%)	10993 (38.3%)
	White, NH	3198 (39.3%)	2862 (22.9%)	262 (4.5%)	513 (22.9%)	6835 (23.8%)
	Hispanic	1592 (19.6%)	801 (6.4%)	482 (8.3%)	257 (11.5%)	3132 (10.9%)
	Other, NH	308 (3.8%)	447 (3.6%)	156 (2.7%)	90 (4.0%)	1001 (3.5%)
	Unknown*	1908 (23.5%)	2687 (21.5%)	957 (16.5%)	601 (26.9%)	6153 (21.5%)

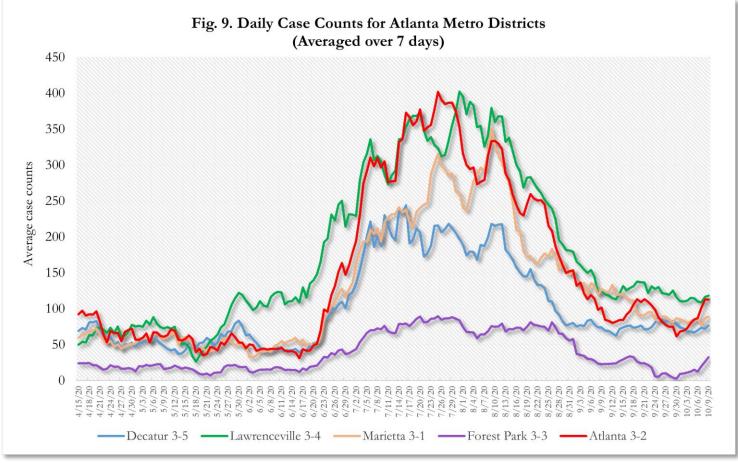
^{*}Unknown included cases not yet interviewed.

B. Distribution of COVID-19 deaths by gender, age, and race in Fulton County by Fulton Region

		North Fulton Cities ¹ Count (%)	Atlanta Count (%)	South Fulton Cities ² Count (%)	Unknown City Count (%)	All Fulton Count (%)
Total	COVID-19 deaths	128	285	157	18	588
Gende	er: Female	57 (44.5%)	127 (44.6%)	84 (53.5%)	<10	276 (46.9%)
	Male	71 (55.5%)	158 (55.4%)	73 (46.5%)	10 (55.6%)	312 (53.1%)
	Unknown	0	0	0	0	0
Age:	≤ 29	0	<10	<10	0	<10
	30-39	<10	<10	<10	<10	13 (2.2%)
	40-49	<10	<10	<10	<10	25 (4.3%)
	50-59	<10	24 (8.4%)	18 (11.5%)	<10	49 (8.3%)
	60-69	16 (12.5%)	52 (18.2%)	34 (21.7%)	<10	103 (17.5%)
	≥70	100 (78.1%)	188 (66.0%)	92 (58.6%)	13 (72.2%)	393 (66.8%)
	Unknown	0	<10	0	0	<10
Race:	Asian, NH	<10	<10	<10	0	10 (1.7%)
	Black, NH	22 (17.2%)	243 (85.3%)	131 (83.4%)	<10	403 (68.5%)
	White, NH	90 (70.3%)	32 (11.2%)	18 (11.5%)	10 (55.6%)	150 (25.5%)
	Hispanic	11 (8.6%)	<10	<10	<10	21 (3.6%)
	Other, NH	0	<10	<10	0	<10
	Unknown	<10	<10	0	0	<10

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COVID-19 CASE TRENDS IN FULTON AND SURROUNDING DISTRICTS

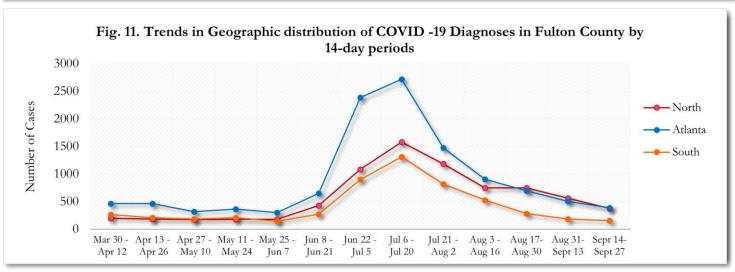


^{*}Graph shows the average number of cases calculated from the daily cumulative case counts in the metro Atlanta districts. Increases in daily cumulative case counts may include cases diagnosed earlier during the pandemic but were only recently reported to the state as cases diagnosed belonging to these districts.

Hall Forsyth Bartow Cherokee Jackson ₩ K Barrow Paulding Gwinnett Oconec anville Walton Fulton DeKalb Douglas Rockdale Morgan Clayton Newton Carroll Henry Favette Cases per Square Mile **Health Districts** ≤0.4 ≤1.3 Jasper ≤2.3 Spalding 3-4 ≤3.6 3-1 ≤5.1 3-5 ≤6.8 ≤9.0 ≤12.1 Troup ≤16.7 Pike Jones Ionroe ≤25.4 Upsan

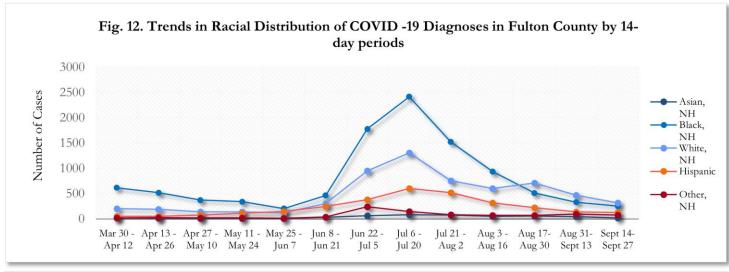
Fig. 10. COVID-19 Cases in Fulton County and Surrounding Districts (Sept 15 – Oct 2, 2020)

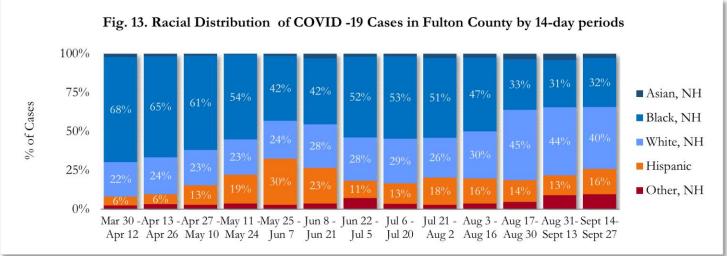
TRENDS IN COVID-19 CASES AMONG DEMOGRAPHIC GROUPS (14 DAY PERIODS)



In the past two weeks, the city of Atlanta and the Northern region have accounted for almost equal amounts of new cases.

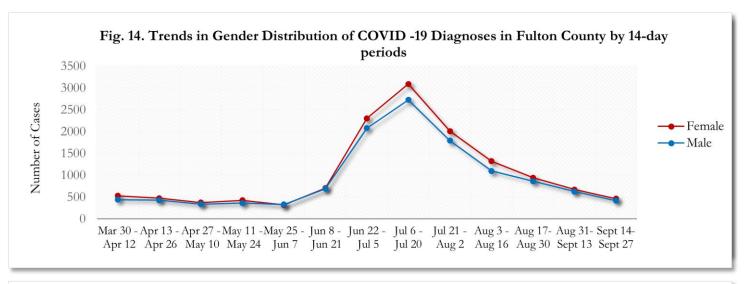
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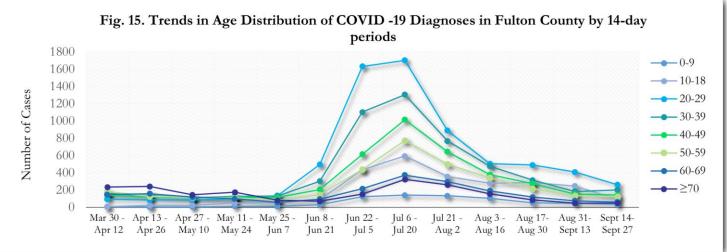




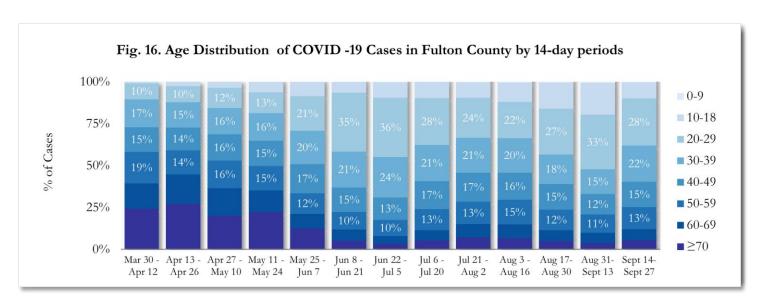
About 23% of COVID cases are missing data on patient race and ethnicity. The majority of diagnoses made in the past two weeks were White-NH (40%).

^{*}North -Includes all Fulton cities north of Atlanta (Alpharetta, Milton, Johns Creek, Roswell, Sandy Springs, Mountain Park)

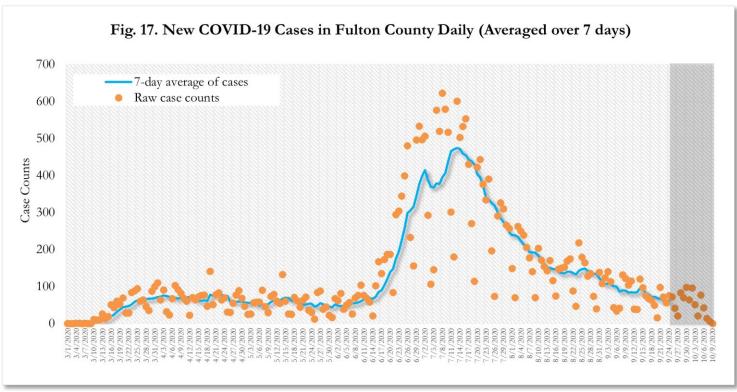




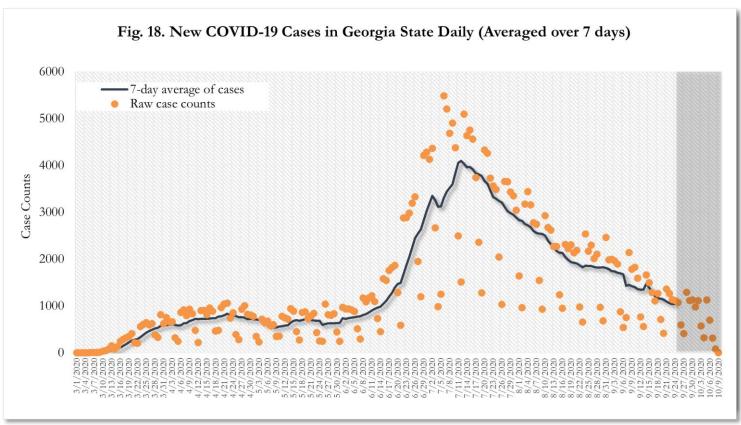
Earlier (March-May 2020) large proportions of reported cases were among persons aged 60 and older. However, starting in June, a higher number of cases were among persons aged between 20-29 years.



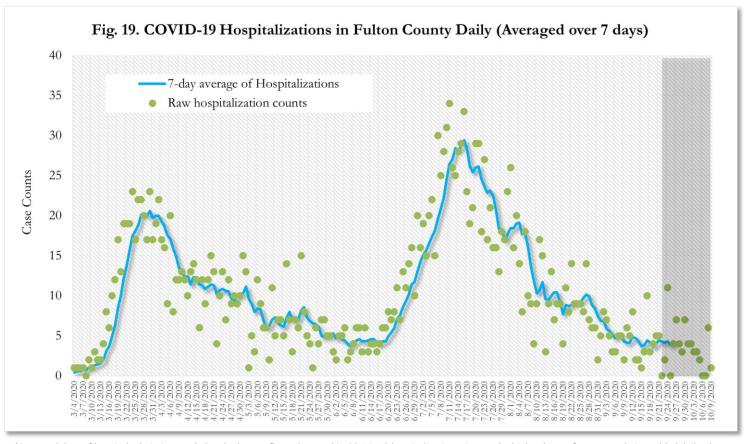
TRENDS IN COVID-19 CASES, HOSPITALIZATIONS AND DEATHS (7-DAY MOVING AVE.)



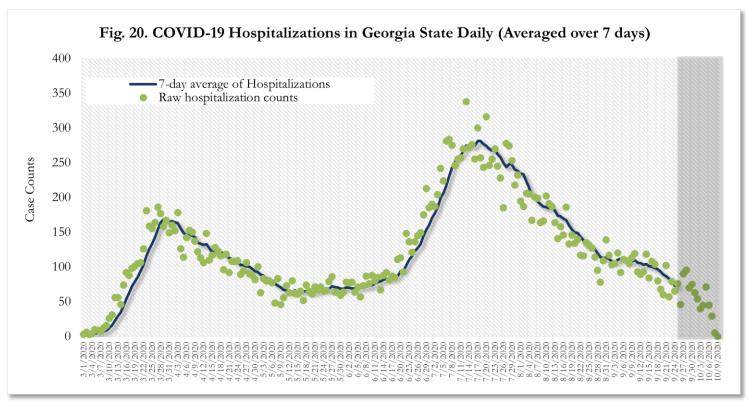
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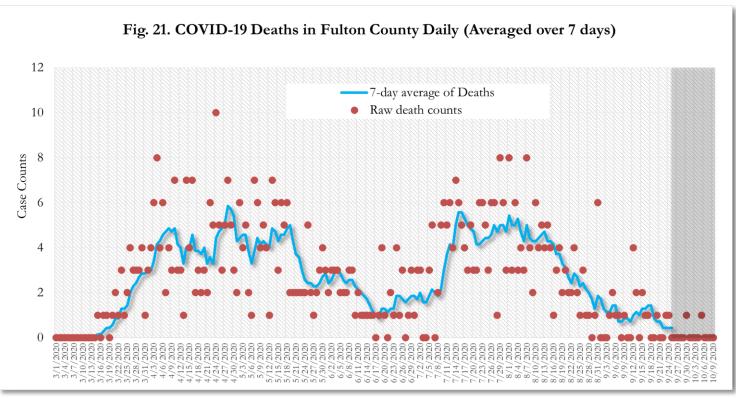
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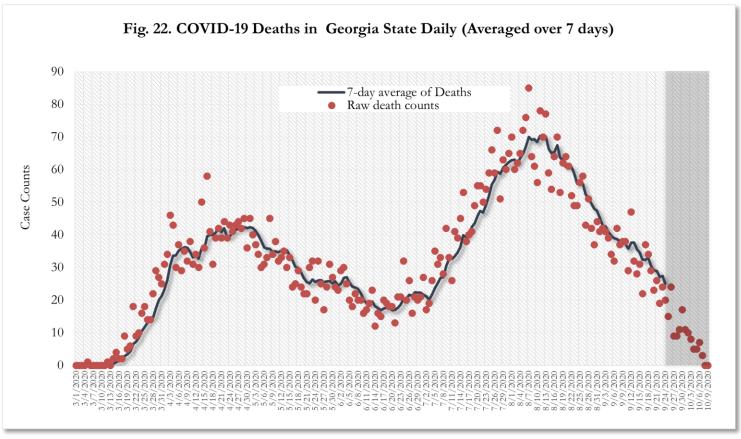
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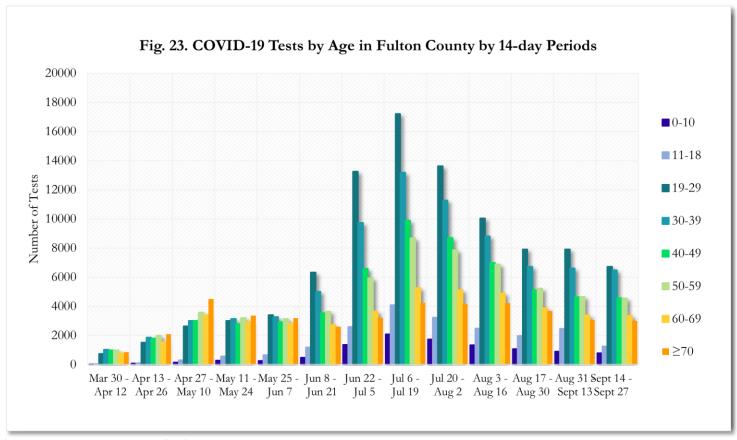


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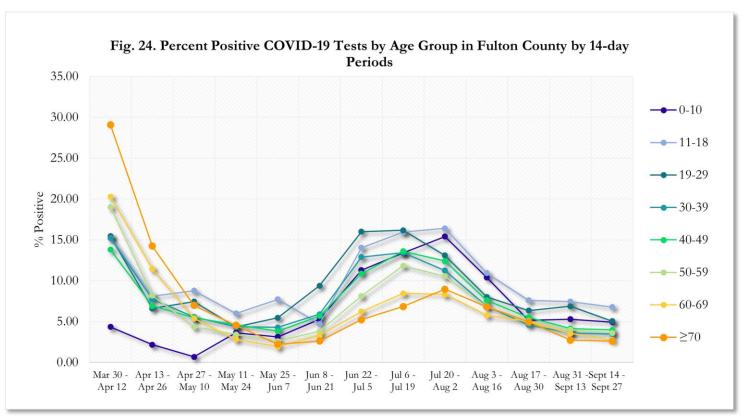


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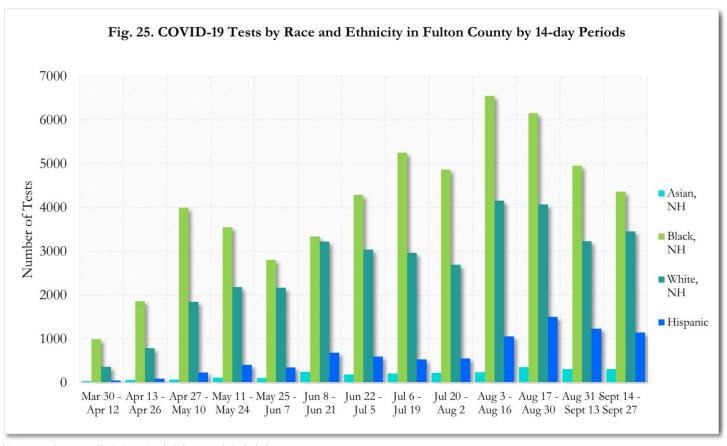
COVID-19 TESTING AND POSITIVITY IN FULTON COUNTY BY AGE AND RACE



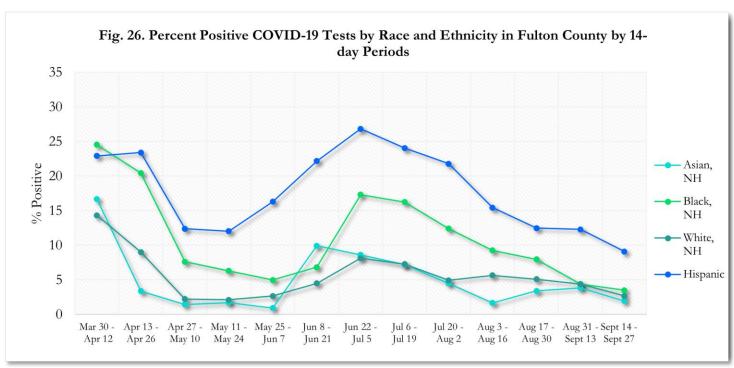
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COVID-19 CASE COUNTS BY ZIP CODE

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	Prior (10/6/20)		tal (10/9/20)	New Case 1st 14 days	s (Period: 9/3/20 - Last 14 d.	, ,
	Count	Count	%	(Sept 3– Sept 17)	(Sept 18– Oct 2)	% change ²
All Fulton	28242	28675	100%	1187	1005	↓ 15.3%
30004	946	951	3.32%	61	58	↓ 4.9%
30005	525	532	1.86%	46	19	↓ 58.7%
30009	476	481	1.68%	50	21	↓ 58.0%
30022	1221	1253	1.04%	65	62	↓ 4.6%
30023	<10	<10	<0.1%	0	0	-
30024	17	16	<0.1%	0	<10	-
30075	1100	1112	3.88%	67	40	↓ 40.3%
30076	1099	1113	3.88%	76	59	↓ 22.4%
30080	<10	<10	<0.1%	0	0	-
30097	282	281	0.98%	29	10	↓ 65.5%
30098	-	-	-	0	0	-
30135	11	<10	<0.1%	<10	0	↓ 100.0%
30138	<10	<10	<0.1%	0	0	-
30139	-	-	-	0	0	-
30213	1077	1094	3.82%	35	38	↑ 8.6%
30268	205	203	0.71%	<10	15	↑ 150.0%
30291	769	778	2.71%	30	16	↓ 46.7%
30296	54	54	0.19%	<10	<10	-
30301	10 373	11	<0.1%	<10 <10	0	↓ 100.0%
30303 30305	788	374 799	1.30% 2.79%		<10	- 1
30305	342	347	1.21%	24 11	28 10	↑ 16.7% ↓ 9.1%
30307	197	196	0.68%	<10	<10	↓ 9.1 /0
30308	530	565	1.97%	30	25	↓ 16.7%
30309	808	826	2.88%	44	31	↓ 29.5%
30310	739	748	2.61%	23	20	↓ 13.0%
30311	784	786	2.74%	21	15	↓ 28.6%
30312	798	810	2.82%	20	31	↑ 55.0%
30313	245	299	1.04%	23	10	↓ 56.5%
30314	564	573	2.00%	15	11	J 26.7%
30315	869	883	3.08%	28	25	↓ 10.7%
30316	390	389	1.36%	11	12	† 9.1%
30318	1700	1753	6.11%	66	47	↓ 28.8%
30319	145	147	0.51%	10	<10	↓ 50.0%
30321	10	10	<0.1%	0	0	-
30324	933	934	3.26%	41	35	↓ 14.6%
30326	243	246	0.86%	15	16	↑ 6.7%
30327	555	562	1.96%	27	12	↓ 55.6%
30328	832	846	2.95%	40	45	↑ 12.5%
30331	1764	1792	6.25%	50	63	† 26.0%
30334	13	14	<0.1%	0	<10	-
30336	85	85	0.30%	<10	<10	-
30337	341	343	1.20%	12	<10	↓ 50.0%
30338	149	142	0.50%	0	<10	-
30339	276	265	0.92%	<10	<10	-
30340	35	35	0.12%	0	<10	-
30341	34	33	0.12%	0	0	- 11 00/
30342	1215	1232	4.30%	42	47	† 11.9%
30344	906	920	3.21%	23	23	-
30345	28	27	<0.1%	0	0	-

30349	1817	1825	6.36%	51	55	↑ 7.8%
30350	628	644	2.25%	34	42	↑ 23.5%
30354	425	430	1.50%	<10	11	↑ 37.5%
30358	<10	<10	<0.1%	0	0	-
30363	64	64	0.22%	<10	<10	-
30374	31	31	0.11%	0	0	-
30606	<10	<10	<0.1%	0	0	-
31131	<10	<10	<0.1%	0	0	-
31150	<10	<10	<0.1%	0	0	-
Unknown	1199	787	2.74%	24	15	-

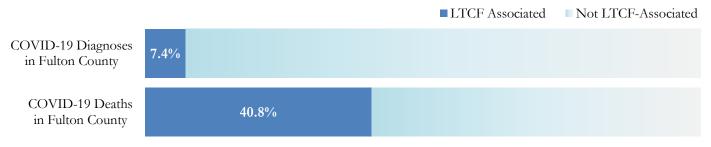
<u>New cases:</u> Cases diagnosed in most recent 28 days (based on reported dates of positive sample collection). To allow for lag in reporting results of new diagnoses from samples collected in the most recent week, data used for incident diagnoses analyses were moved back by one week. <u>Percent change:</u> These reflect the percentage increase or decrease of new diagnoses between the 14 days preceding the past 7 days and the 14 days preceding that. Changes in ZIP codes with less than 10 cases in <u>both</u> 2 week intervals are not reported**Data cleaning (either during case interviews or address geo-coding) may lead to reassignment of few cases from one territory to another based on their corrected addresses. These may appear as "decreases" when compared to the previous day's count. These do not reflect errors in the data collection or analysis process but only reflect the minor day-to-day fluctuations in case counts that arise in an evolving public health database like COVID's.

<u>Note:</u> Sharp increases in territorial COVID case counts often reflect new cases diagnosed at long term care facilities located in those territories during facility-wide /mass screening events AII data reported are preliminary and subject to change.

COVID-19 IN LONG-TERM CARE FACILITIES IN FULTON COUNTY

Older persons (aged 65 years and older) and persons who live in nursing homes or other long-term care facilities seem to be at higher risk for developing more serious complications from COVID-19. Extra precautions are recommended for individuals within this risk groups – Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC 2020) https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/need-extra-precautions/people-at-higher-risk.html

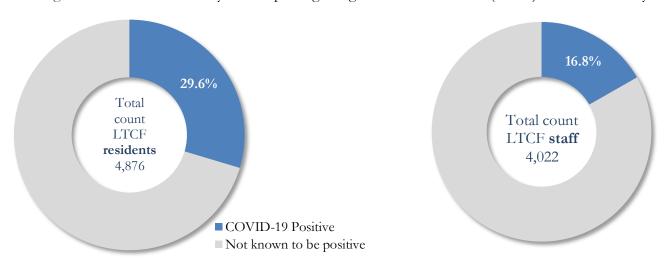
Fig. 27. COVID-19 Diagnoses and Deaths in Fulton County Associated with Long-Term Care Facilities



LTCF \rightarrow Long-term Care Facility (Incudes residents and Staff)

COVID-19 POSITIVITY:

Fig. 28. COVID-19 Positivity at 64 reporting Long-Term Care Facilities (LTCF) in Fulton County



COVID-19 Cases, Hospitalizations, and Deaths among 64 reporting Long-Term Care Facilities in Fulton County

	LTO	CF Residents (n=4,	876)	LTCF Staff (n=4,022)			
	Cases	Hospitalizations	Deaths	Cases	Hospitalizations	Deaths	
Average (count per fac.)1	23	5	4	11	1	< 0.1	
Median (count per fac.)1	10	2	1	8	0	0	
Lowest counts	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Highest counts	138	48	30	66	8	2	
Total Count	1444 (29.6%) ^a	310 (21.5%)b	235 (16.3%)b	674 (16.8%)a	32 (4.7%)b	5 (<1.0%)b	

^a Percentage shown reflects proportion of total residents/staff tested who were positive (i.e. COVID-19 Positivity). | ^b Percentages shown are proportions of persons residents/staff diagnosed with COVID-19 who were hospitalized or died after diagnoses.