

# Fulton County Board of Health Epidemiology Report

COVID-19 Cases - 5/7/2021

#### **SUMMARY**

- As of May 7, 2021, Fulton County has recorded 82,215 confirmed cases and 14,883 probable cases of COVID-19.
- Figure 1 shows both confirmed and probable case counts but the ensuing tables and figures use data from **confirmed cases** only.
- As of April 20, 2021, Fulton County has recorded 1,280 confirmed COVID-19 deaths. 109 deaths are currently under review by GA DPH to confirm cause of death.
- By city, new confirmed COVID-19 case rates range from 57.4 per 100,000 persons (Johns Creek) to 251.3 per 100,000 persons (South Fulton). [Fulton County Diagnoses Rates (per 100,000 persons): Cumulative 7320.2; Incidence –123.4]. See map showing incident case rate by ZIP code on Pg.12.
- Among all confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Fulton County since Sept. 1, 4.5% required hospitalization and 1.3% died.
- Of all PCR testing done in Fulton County between April 12 and April 25, the percent positivity rate was 5.2%.

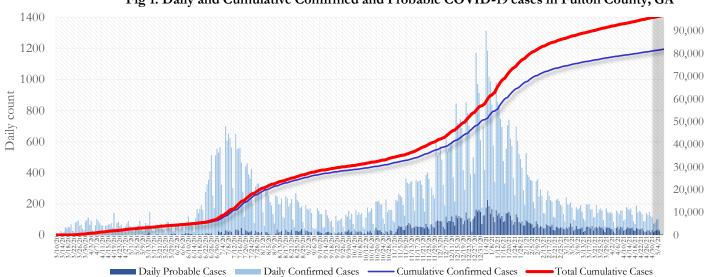


Fig 1. Daily and Cumulative Confirmed and Probable COVID-19 cases in Fulton County, GA

Counts shown reflect the number of cases as of 9:00 pm on 5/6/21 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. The Georgia Department of Health defines a confirmed cases as someone with a positive molecular test, also known as PCR. A probable case is defined as a positive antigen test, though probable cases are still considered positive cases and individuals who tested positive through an antigen test should follow all DPH isolation and quarantine guidance. 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.

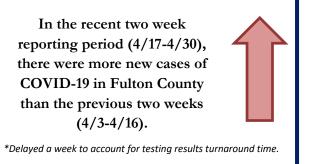
#### THE FOLLOWING ANALYSES (PAGES 1-19) ARE USING DATA ON CONFIRMED CASES ONLY.

#### DISTRIBUTION OF COVID-19 CASES BY REGION

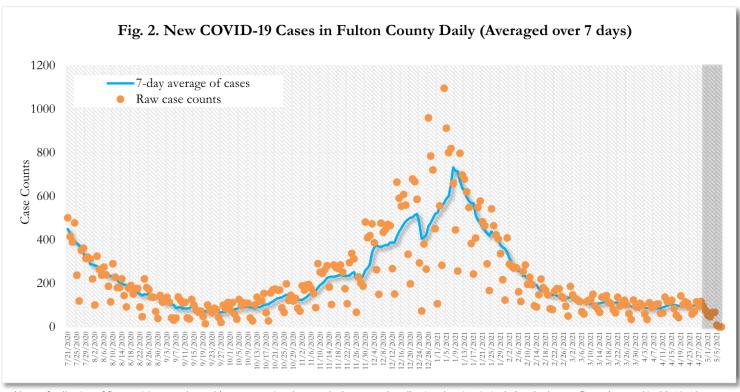
New cases: 45% of the new COVID-19 cases in the past 2 weeks occurred in Atlanta while 24% and 30% occurred in the Northern and Southern regions of the county respectively.

Fulton Region	% Cumulative	% New	
- untoli Region	count	cases*	
Atlanta	42.6%	44.5%	
North <sup>1</sup>	33.9%	23.7%	
South <sup>2</sup>	20.0%	30.1%	
Unincorporated/Unknown	3.5%	1.6%	

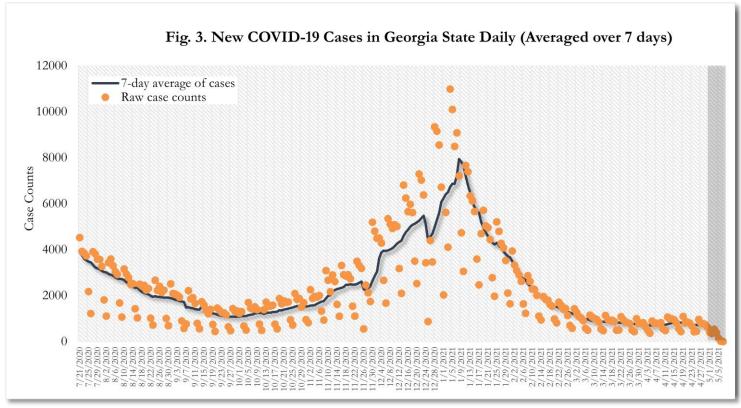
<sup>1</sup>Includes all Fulton County cities north of Atlanta (Alpharetta, Johns Creek, Milton, Mountain Park, Roswell, Sandy Springs,) | <sup>2</sup>Includes all cities south of Atlanta (Chattahoochee Hills, College Park, East Point, Fairburn, Hapeville, Palmetto, South Fulton, and Union City) \*New cases: Cases diagnosed in the past 2 weeks only (between 4/17/21 - 4/30/21).



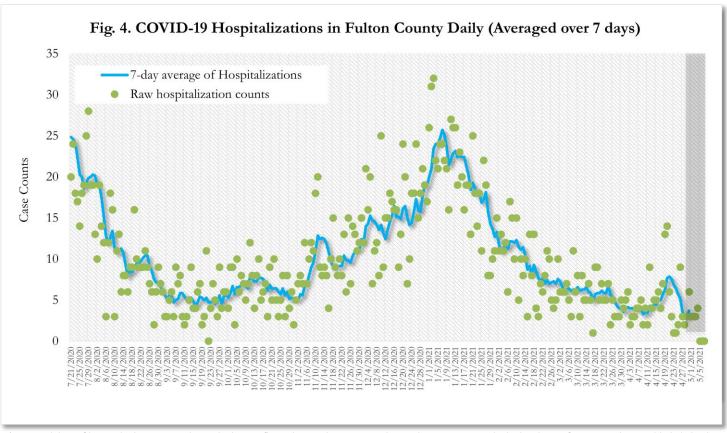
## TRENDS IN COVID-19 CASES, HOSPITALIZATIONS AND DEATHS (7-DAY MOVING AVE.)



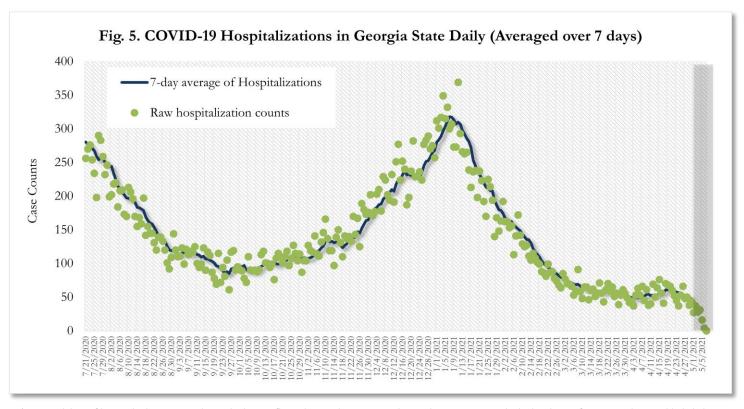
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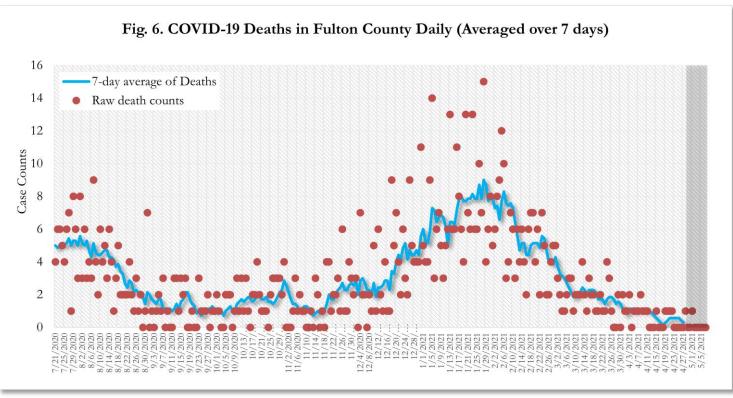
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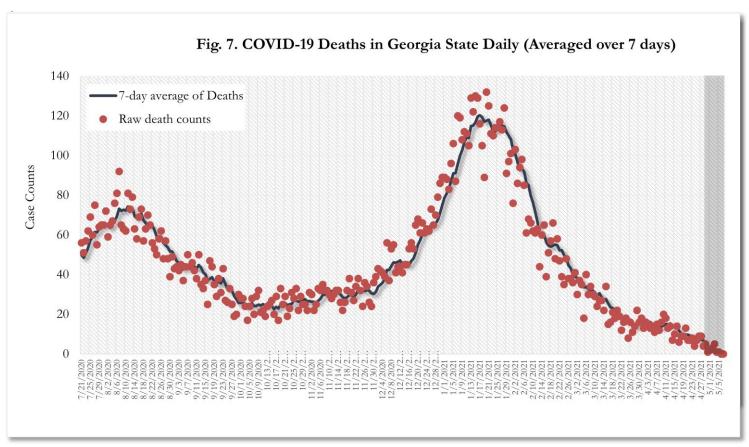
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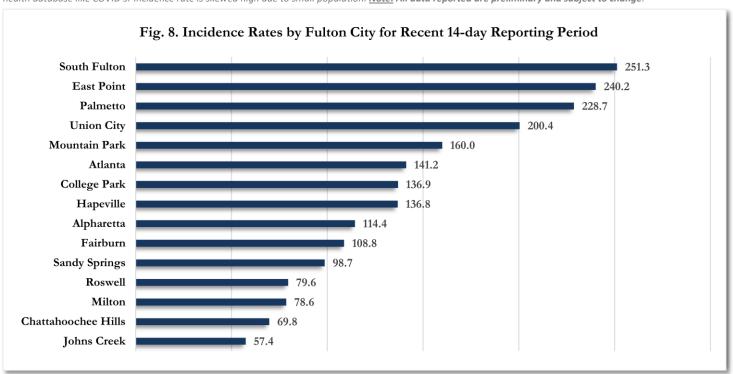


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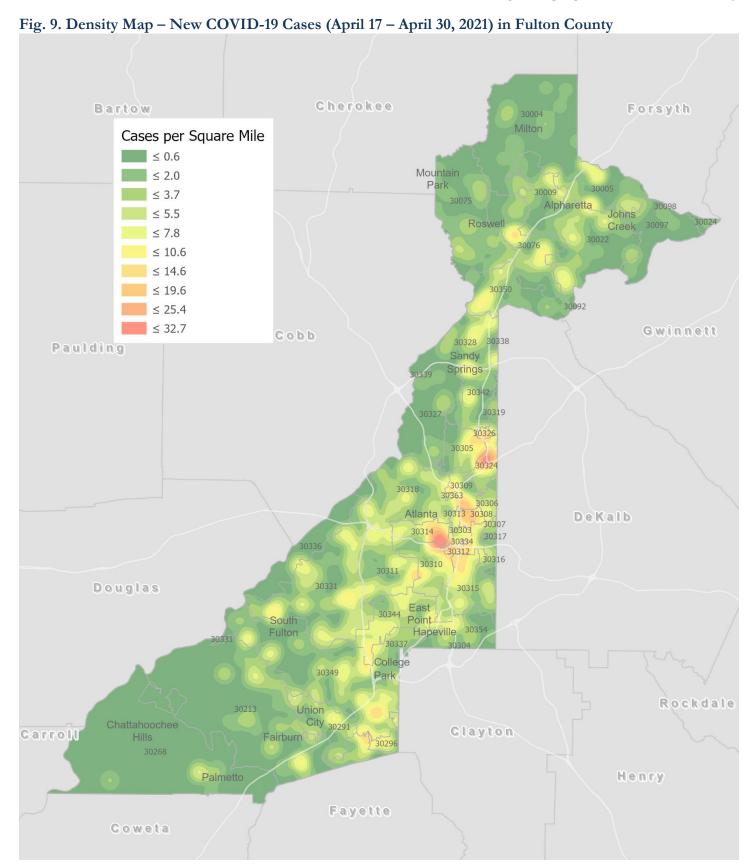
## **COVID-19 CASE COUNTS AND RATES BY CITY**

	Recent 14-day reporting period <sup>1</sup>	Preceding 14-day reporting period	% Change from preceding 14 days (%) <sup>2</sup>	Incidence Rate <sup>3</sup>
	4/17-4/30	4/3-4/16		
Alpharetta	74	67	↑ 10.4%	114.4
Atlanta	623	628	↓ 0.8%	141.2
Chattahoochee Hills	<10	<10	↓ 33.3%	69.8
College Park	19	19	-	136.9
East Point	84	82	↑ 2.4%	240.2
Fairburn	16	27	↓ 40.7%	108.8
Hapeville	<10	<10	<b>12.5%</b>	136.8
Johns Creek	48	69	↓ 30.4%	57.4
Milton	30	35	↓ 14.3%	78.6
Mountain Park	<10	<10	-	160.0
Palmetto	10	<10	↑ 100.0%	228.7
Roswell	75	91	↓ 17.6%	79.6
Sandy Springs	104	90	<b>↑</b> 15.6%	98.7
South Fulton	239	152	↑ 57.2%	251.3
Union City	42	46	↓ 8.7%	200.4
Unknown	23	19	-	-

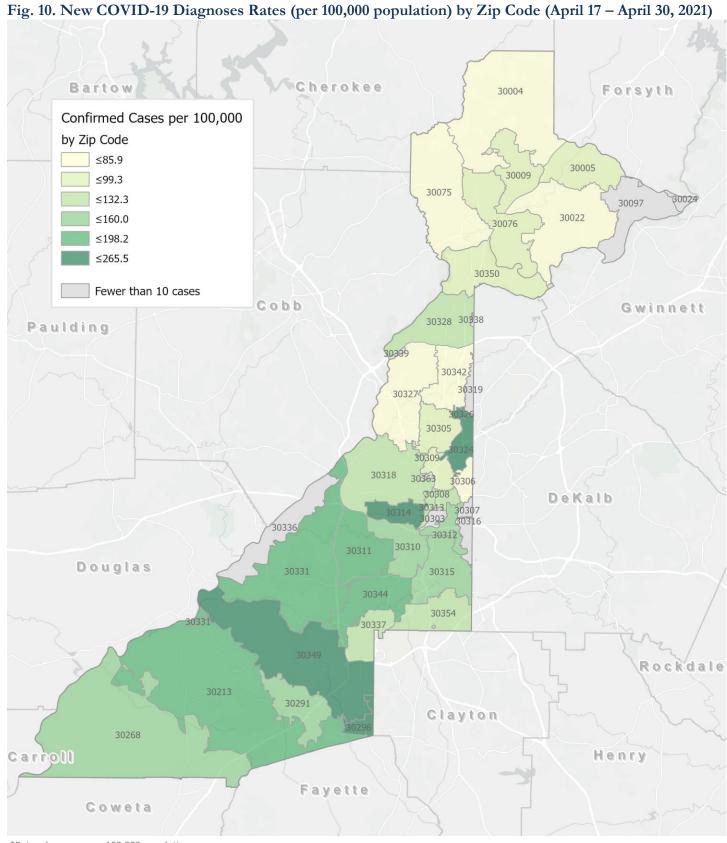
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<sup>\*</sup>Rates shown are per 100,000 persons | All data shown are preliminary and are subject to change as testing results get updated.



<u>New COVID-19 cases:</u> Cases diagnosed in most recent 14 days (based on reported dates of positive sample collection). To allow for lag in reporting results of positive cases from samples collected in the immediate past 7 days, data used for incident diagnoses analyses are moved back by one week. Map reflects new COVID-19 cases diagnosed between Apr 17<sup>th</sup> and Apr 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021 across Fulton County, excluding LTCF cases.



New COVID-19 cases: Cases diagnosed in most recent 14 days (based on reported dates of positive sample collection). To allow for lag in reporting results of positive cases from samples collected in the immediate past7 days, data used for incident diagnoses analyses are moved back by one week. Data used excludes outbreak-related cases at long-term care facilities and map shown reflects only the new non-LTCF cases diagnosed between the dates shown in map title. See page 12 for zip code break down table.

<sup>\*</sup>Rates shown are per 100,000 populations.

## COVID-19 NEW CASE¹ COUNTS BY ZIP CODE

Zip Code	Recent 14- day reporting period (4/17-4/30)	Previous 14-day reporting period (4/3-4/16)	% Change between reporting periods <sup>2</sup>	
All Fulton	1399	1344	↑ <b>4.1</b> %	
30004	31	48	↓ 35.4%	
30004	42	43	•	
			↓ 2.3%	
30009	16	17 63	↓ 5.9%	
30022	58		↓ 7.9%	
30023	0 <10	0	-	
30024	34	44	-	
30075	44		↓ 22.7% ↑ 2.3%	
30076		43	2.3%	
30080	0 <10	0 11	-   54 E0/	
30097			↓ 54.5%	
30098	0	0	-	
30135	0	0	-	
30138	0	0	-	
30139	0	0	-	
30213	70	58	↑ 20.7%	
30268	12	13	↓ 7.7%	
30291	31	42	↓ 26.2%	
30296	15	11	↑ 36.4%	
30301	<10	0	-	
30303	<10	11	↓ 45.5%	
30305	29	36	↓ 19.4%	
30306	13	<10	↑ 85.7%	
30307	<10	<10	-	
30308	27	24	↑ 12.5%	
30309	29	29	-	
30310	42	49	↓ 14.3%	
30311	67	44	↑ 52.3%	
30312	37	39	↓ 5.1%	
30313	12	13	↓ 7.7%	
30314	62	69	↓ 10.1%	
30315	62	68	↓ 8.8%	
30316	<10	12	↓ 50.0%	
30318	74	69	↑ 7.2%	
30319	<10	<10	-	
30321	0	0	-	
30324	55	41	↑ 34.1%	
30326	11	<10	↑ 37.5%	
30327	11	13	↓ 15.4%	
30328	40	38	↑ 5.3%	
30331	124	87	↑ 42.5%	
30334	<10	0	-	
30336	<10	<10	-	
30337	17	20	↓ 15.0%	

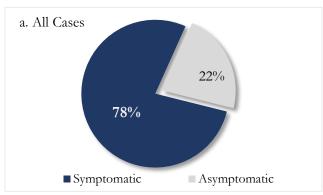
Zip Code	Recent 14- day reporting period (4/17-4/30)	Previous 14-day reporting period (4/3-4/16)	% Change between reporting periods
30338	0	0	-
30339	<10	<10	-
30340	0	0	-
30341	0	0	-
30342	27	32	↓ 15.6%
30344	77	73	↑ 5.5%
30345	0	0	-
30349	117	92	↑ 27.2%
30350	37	31	↑ 19.4%
30354	20	23	↓ 13.0%
30358	0	0	-
30363	<10	<10	_
30374	0	0	-
30606	0	0	-
31131	0	0	_
31150	0	0	-
Unknown	<10	<10	-

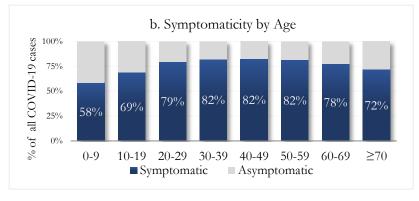
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#### REPORTING SYMPTOMS AMONG PERSONS WITH COVID-19 IN FULTON

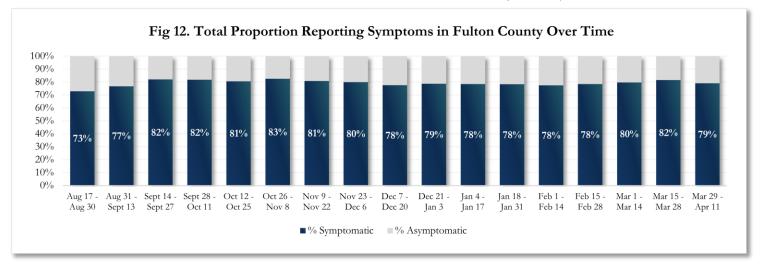
People with COVID-19 have reported a wide range of symptoms ranging from mild symptoms to severe illness. Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus. Symptoms reported include: cough, shortness of breath/difficulty breathing, fever, chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, congestion,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

Fig. 11a & b. Total Proportion Reporting Symptoms in Fulton

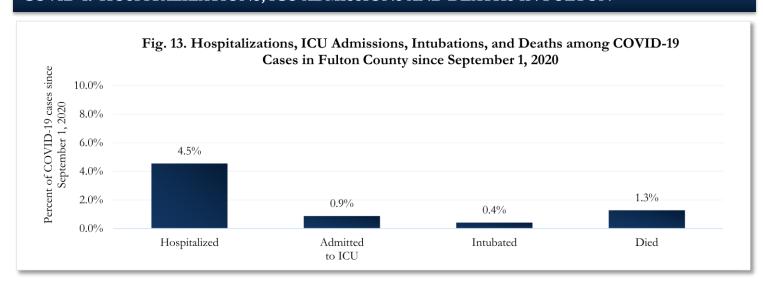




\*\*\*COVID-19 cases who have been case interviewed or had medical charts reviewed as of 5/7/21 only. n = 52,227\*\*\*



#### COVID-19 HOSPITALIZATIONS, ICU ADMISSIONS AND DEATHS IN FULTON



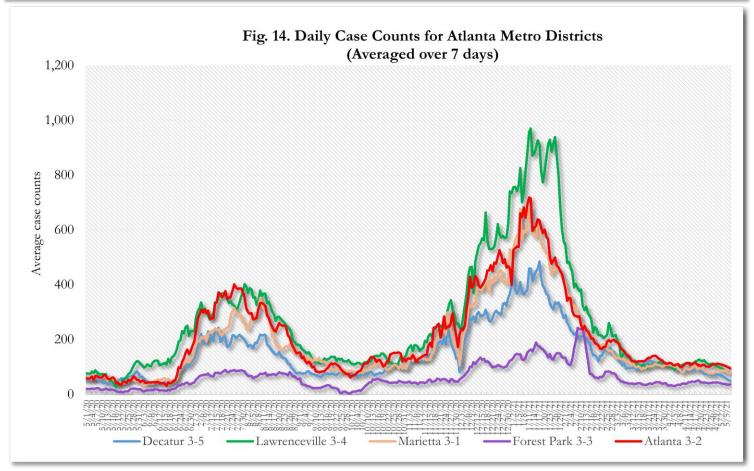
## DEMOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTIONS – COVID-19 CASES AND DEATHS

**Table A** - Cumulative and recent confirmed COVID-19 case and death counts by gender, age, and race/ethnicity in Fulton County, Georgia. Past 28 day period refers to April 3 – April 30, 2021

	Total Confirmed Cases	% of Total Cases	Confirmed Cases past 28 days	% of Confirmed Cases past 28 days	Total Confirmed Deaths	% of Total Deaths	Confirmed Deaths past 28 days	% of Confirmed Deaths past 28 days
TOTAL	82215		2642		1280		17	
Female	43288	52.7%	1425	53.9%	604	47.2%	11	64.7%
Male	38472	46.8%	1203	45.5%	675	52.7%	6	35.3%
Unknown*	455	<1%	13	<1%	<10	<1%	0	-
0-9	3021	3.7%	161	6.1%	0	-	0	-
10-19	8486	10.3%	395	15.0%	<10	<1%	0	-
20-29	18535	22.5%	548	20.7%	<10	<1%	0	-
30-39	15785	19.2%	547	20.7%	23	1.8%	0	5.9%
40-49	12558	15.3%	396	15.0%	39	3.0%	0	5.9%
50-59	11213	13.6%	350	13.2%	110	8.6%	<10	11.8%
60-69	6560	8.0%	152	5.8%	234	18.3%	<10	11.8%
>70	5947	7.2%	90	3.4%	868	67.8%	11	64.7%
Unknown*	110	<1%	<10	<1%	<10	<1%	<10	<1%
Asian, NH	2932	3.6%	112	4.2%	20	1.6%	<10	11.8%
Black, NH	33224	40.4%	1484	56.2%	790	61.7%	12	70.6%
White, NH	26495	32.2%	421	15.9%	407	31.8%	<10	17.6%
Hispanic, all races	8365	10.2%	202	7.6%	53	4.1%	<10	<1%
Other, NH	3812	4.6%	86	3.3%	<10	<1%	<10	<1%
Unknown*	7387	9.0%	337	12.8%	<10	<1%	<10	<1%

<sup>\*</sup>Unknown includes cases not yet interviewed. 28 days delayed by seven to account for lag in reporting lab results. Deaths refer to all persons who had a positive PCR test result for Covid-19 and there is evidence that COVID-19 was the cause of death or a significant contributor to their death.

## COVID-19 CASE TRENDS IN FULTON AND SURROUNDING DISTRICTS



<sup>\*</sup>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 Cherokee Bartow Milton Jackson OK. Barrow Gwinnett Marietta Lawrenceville Paulding Sandy Cobb Springs -Oconee Pov Clarkston Stone Walton Decatur DeKalb Villa Fulton Douglasville Douglas South Fulton Rockdale Covington Morgan Riverdale Morrow Fairbum Clayton Newton Carroll Palmetto Jonesboro Henry Fayette Health Districts Cases per Square Mile ≤0.7 Jasper ≤2.2 ts ≤3.9 3-4 Spalding ≤5.7 3-1 3-5 ≤7.9 ≤10.8 ≤14.5 Trou ≤19.9 Monroe Pike ≤29.8 Jones ≤43.1

Fig. 15. COVID-19 Cases in Fulton County and Surrounding Districts (April 17 – April 30, 2021)

# The following data are updated every two weeks.

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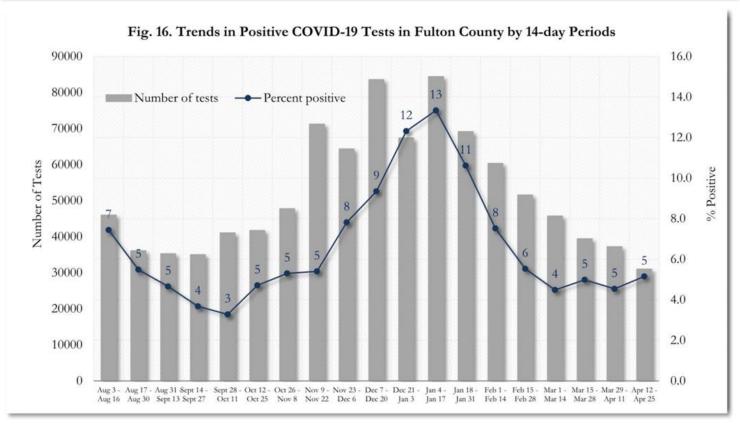
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These data are generated using a fixed start date and counted forward in 14-day intervals. Using these time blocks allows for the stability in trends over time and accounts for delays in reporting lab results.

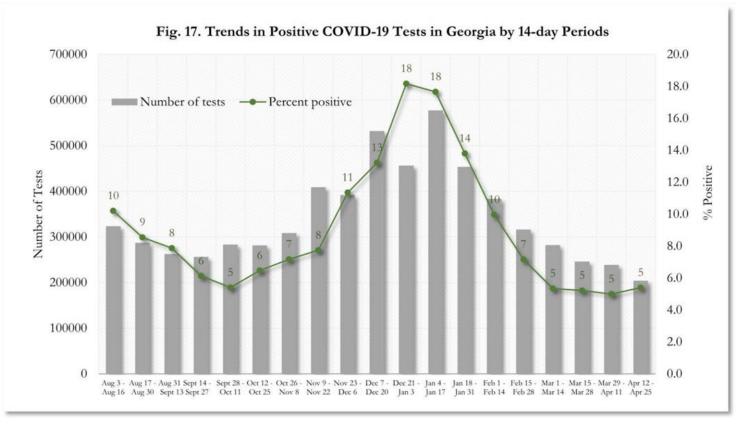
In the interest of keeping the reports concise and useful, the cumulative counts updated on a monthly basis can now be viewed between updates at the Fulton County Board of Health website <a href="here.">here.</a>

Please visit the Georgia Department of Public Health Daily Status Report <a href="here">here</a> for cumulative daily counts.

## COVID-19 TESTING AND POSITIVITY IN FULTON COUNTY AND GEORGIA

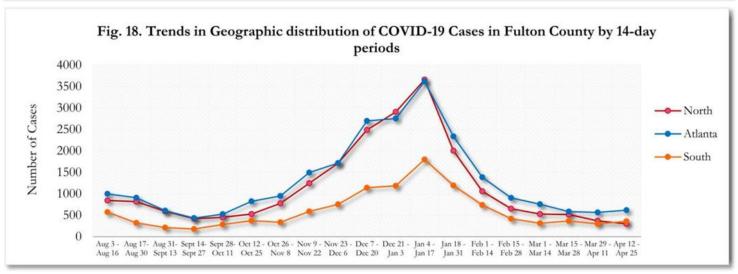


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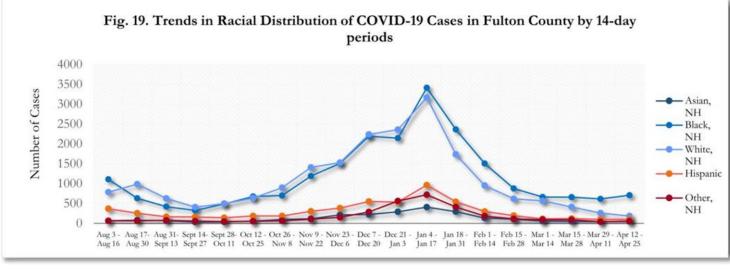
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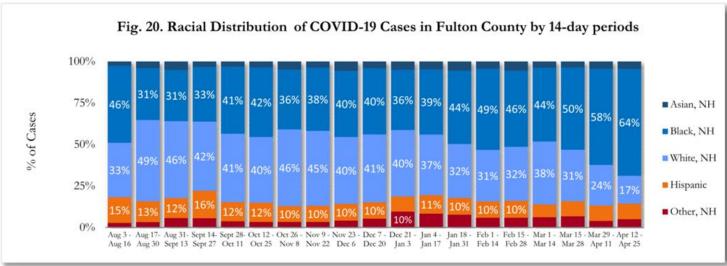
## TRENDS IN COVID-19 CASES AMONG DEMOGRAPHIC GROUPS (14 DAY PERIODS)



In the past two weeks, the city of Atlanta has accounted for the majority of new cases.

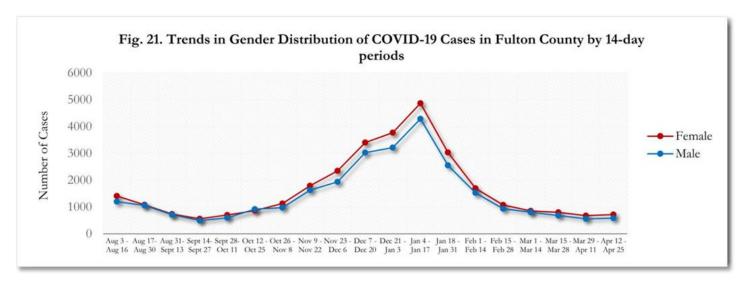
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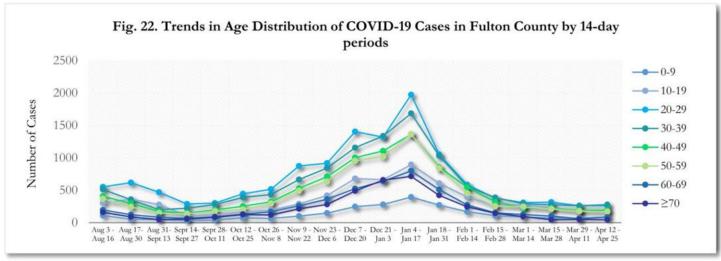




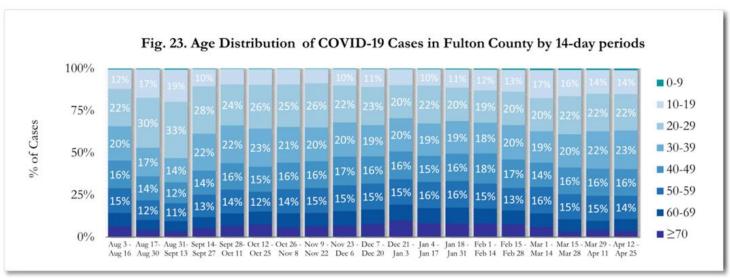
About 9% of all Fulton County COVID cases are missing data on patient race and ethnicity and in the past two weeks, about 16% of cases are missing this data.

<sup>\*</sup>North -Includes all Fulton cities north of Atlanta (Alpharetta, Johns Creek, Milton, Mountain Park, Roswell, Sandy Springs)



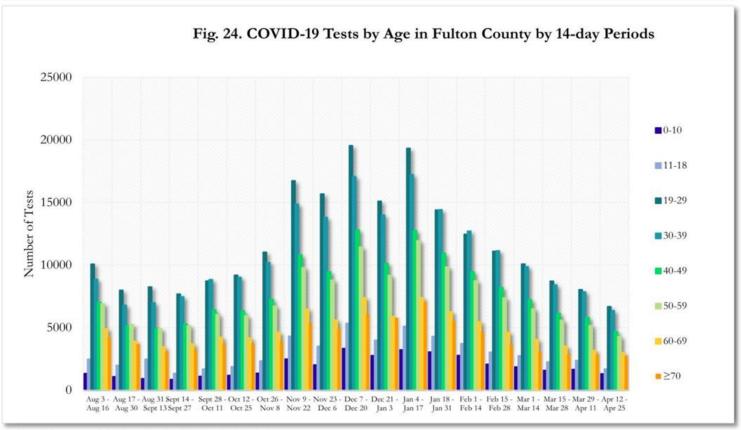


In the most recent two weeks, 20-29 year olds and 30-39 year olds accounted for the majority of new cases.

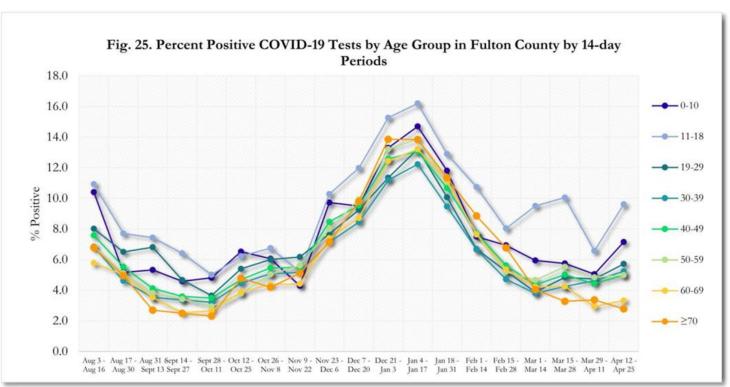


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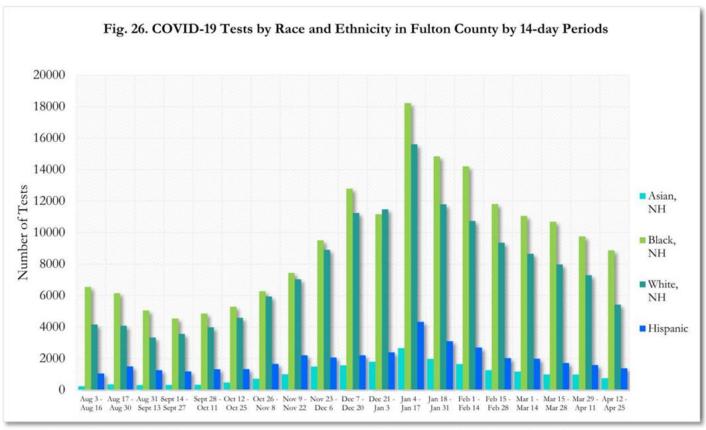
## COVID-19 TESTING AND POSITIVITY IN FULTON COUNTY BY AGE AND RACE



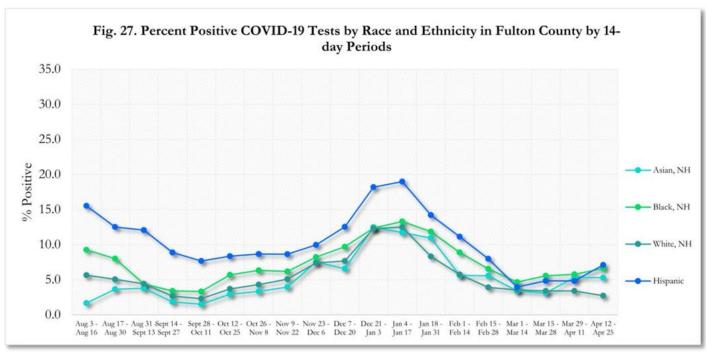
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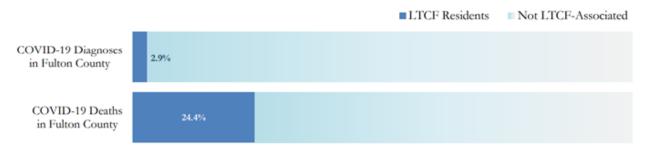


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## COVID-19 IN LONG-TERM CARE FACILITIES IN FULTON COUNTY

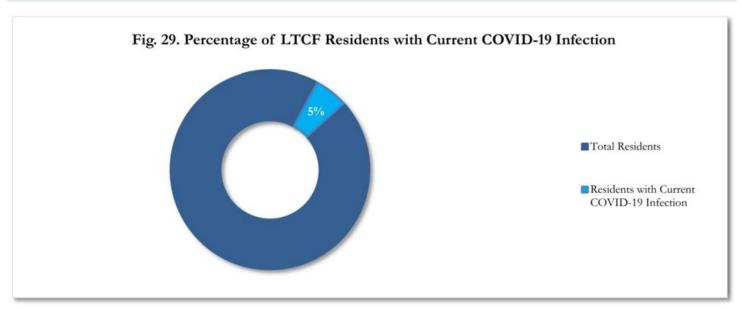
Older persons (aged 65 years and older) and persons who live in nursing homes or other long-term care facilities seem to be at higher risk for developing more serious complications from COVID-19. Extra precautions are recommended for individuals within this risk groups – Centers for Disease Control and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

Fig. 28. Cumulative COVID-19 Diagnoses and Deaths in Fulton County Associated with Long-Term Care Facilities



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

#### **CURRENT COVID-19 POSITIVITY:**



<sup>\*</sup>This data comes from facilities self-reporting to DPH and is thus subject to change as more facilities report or provide updated counts. Current total resident count = 4,348