

Fulton County Board of Health Epidemiology Report

COVID-19 Cases - 3/30/2021

SUMMARY

- As of March 30, 2021, Fulton County has recorded 78,168 confirmed cases and 13,455 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 March 30, 2021, Fulton County has recorded 1,182 confirmed COVID-19 deaths. 116 deaths are currently under review by GA DPH to confirm cause of death.
- By city, new confirmed COVID-19 case rates range from 76.0 per 100,000 persons (Hapeville) to 320.0 per 100,000 persons (Mountain Park). [Fulton County Diagnoses Rates (per 100,000 persons): Cumulative 7111.5; Incidence –152.8]. See map showing incident case rate by ZIP code on Pg.12.
- Among all confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Fulton County since August 1, 4.2% required hospitalization and 1.3% died.
- Of all PCR testing done in Fulton County between March 15 and March 28, the percent positivity rate was 4.9%.

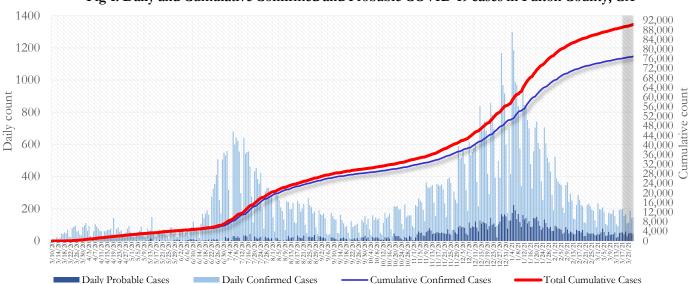


Fig 1. Daily and Cumulative Confirmed and Probable COVID-19 cases in Fulton County, GA

Counts shown reflect the number of cases as of 9:00 pm on 3/29/21 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: 40% of the new COVID-19 cases in the past 2 weeks occurred in Atlanta while 36% and 21% occurred in the Northern and Southern regions of the county respectively.

Fulton Region	% Cumulative	% New	
Tulion Region	count	cases*	
Atlanta	42.5%	39.7%	
North ¹	34.2%	36.1%	
South ²	19.7%	21.2%	
Unincorporated/Unknown	3.6%	3.0%	

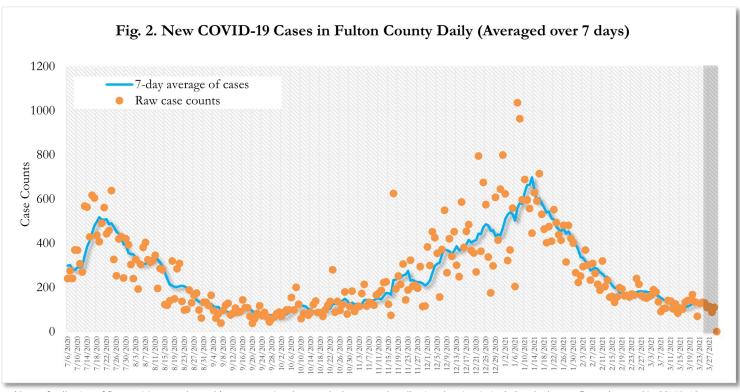
¹Includes all Fulton County cities north of Atlanta (Alpharetta, Johns Creek, Milton, Mountain Park, Roswell, Sandy Springs,) | ²Includes all cities south of Atlanta (Chattahoochee Hills, College Park, East Point, Fairburn, Hapeville, Palmetto, South Fulton, and Union City) *New cases: Cases diagnosed in the past 2 weeks only (between 3/10/21 – 3/23/21).

In the recent two week reporting period (3/10-3/23), there were fewer new cases of COVID-19 in Fulton County than the previous two weeks (2/24-3/9).

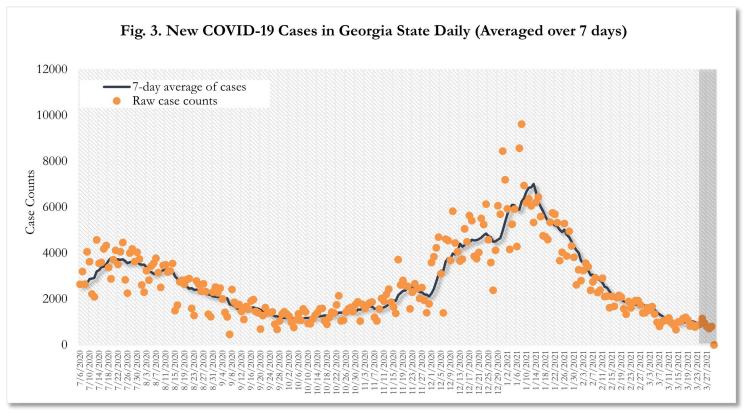


*Delayed a week to account for testing results turnaround time.

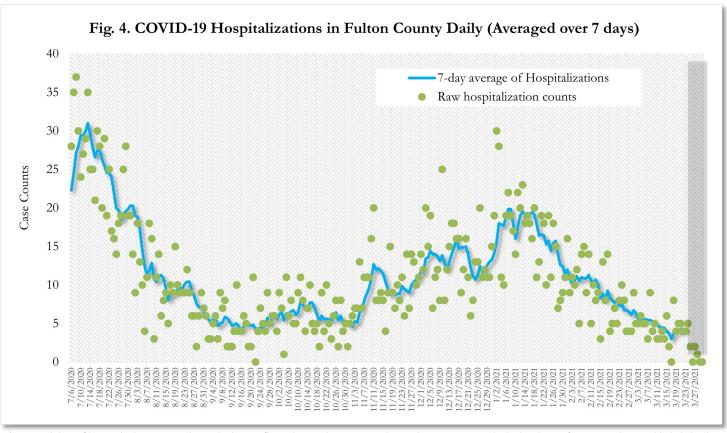
TRENDS IN COVID-19 CASES, HOSPITALIZATIONS AND DEATHS (7-DAY MOVING AVE.)



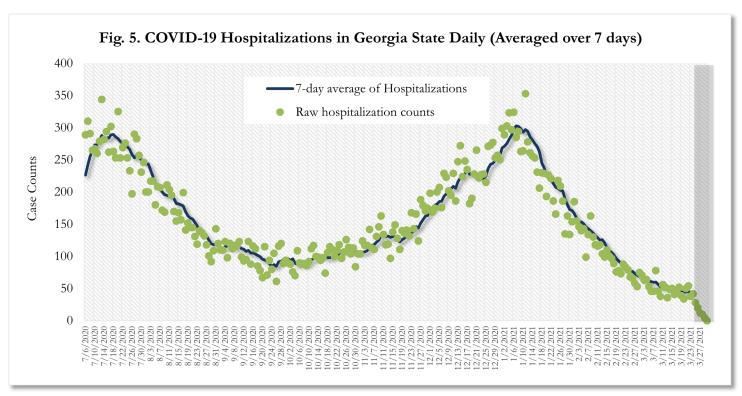
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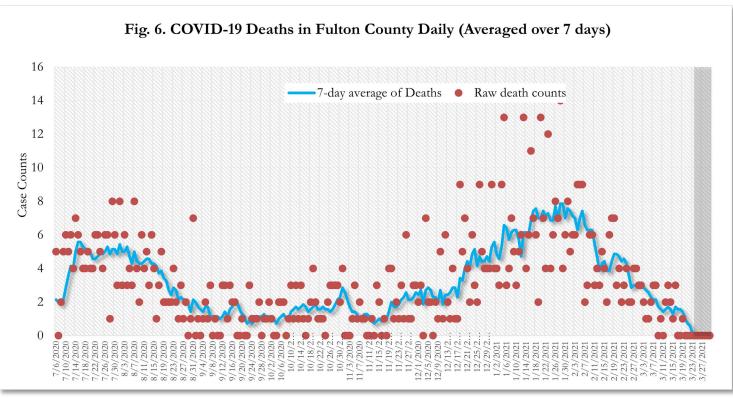
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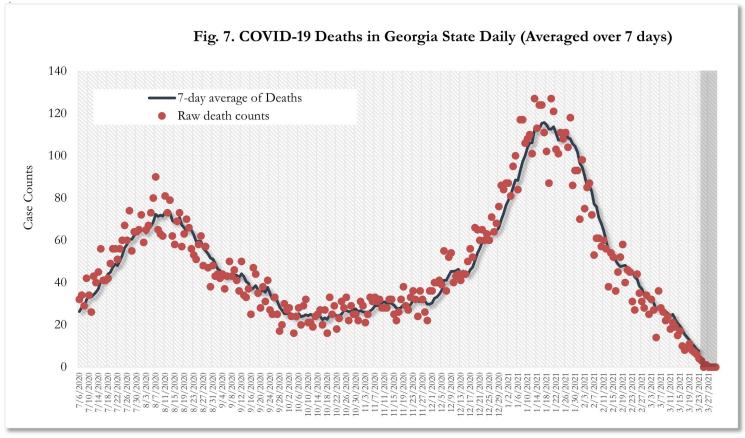
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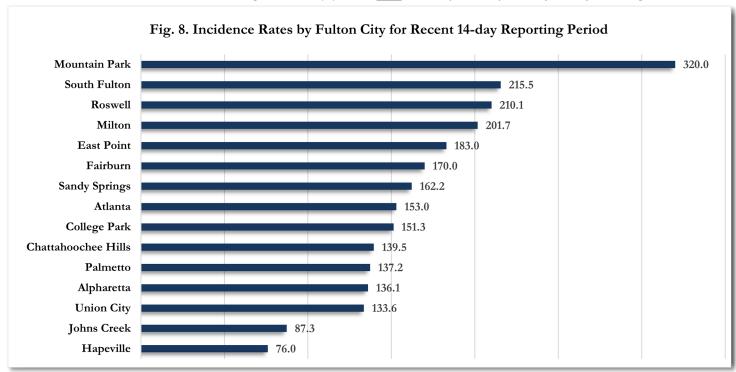


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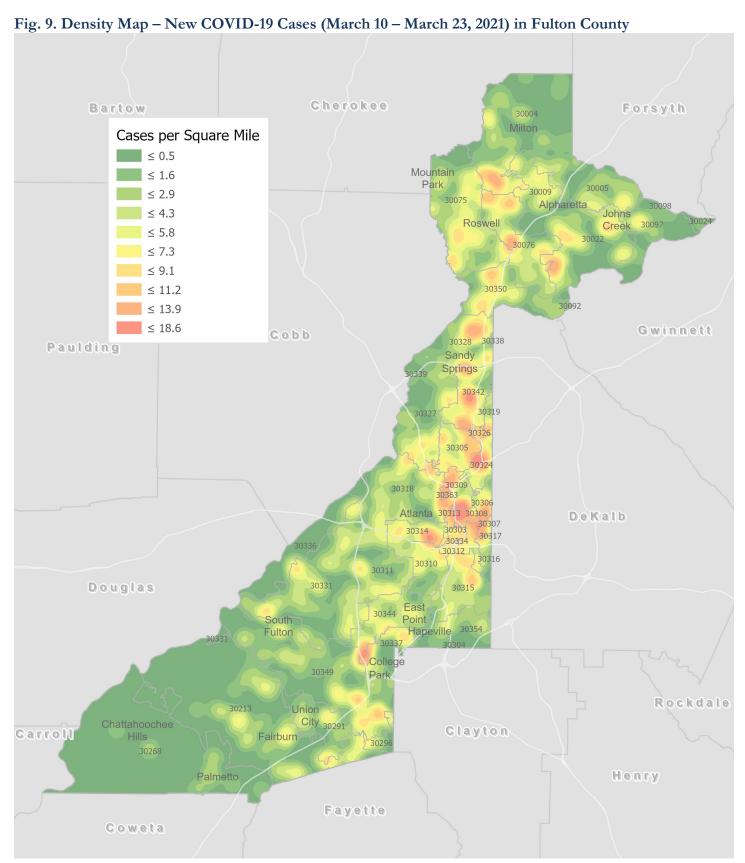
COVID-19 CASE COUNTS AND RATES BY CITY

	Recent 14-day reporting period ¹	Preceding 14-day reporting period	% Change from preceding 14 days (%) ²	Incidence Rate ³
	3/10-3/23	2/24-3/9	11 days (70)	
Alpharetta	88	99	↓ 11.1%	136.1
Atlanta	675	819	↓ 17.6%	153.0
Chattahoochee Hills	<10	<10	† 33.3%	139.5
College Park	21	31	↓ 32.3%	151.3
East Point	64	65	↓ 1.5%	183.0
Fairburn	25	31	↓ 19.4%	170.0
Hapeville	<10	<10	↓ 37.5%	76.0
Johns Creek	73	76	↓ 3.9%	87.3
Milton	77	57	↑ 35.1%	201.7
Mountain Park	<10	-	-	320.04
Palmetto	<10	18	↓ 66.7%	137.2
Roswell	198	122	↑ 62.3%	210.1
Sandy Springs	171	187	↓ 8.6%	162.2
South Fulton	205	177	↑ 15.8%	215.5
Union City	28	42	↓ 33.3%	133.6
Unknown	37	38	-	-

*New cases: Cases diagnosed in most recent 14 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. *% 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. *3(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 counts. 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. *Incidence rate is skewed high due to small population.. Note: All data reported are preliminary and subject to change.

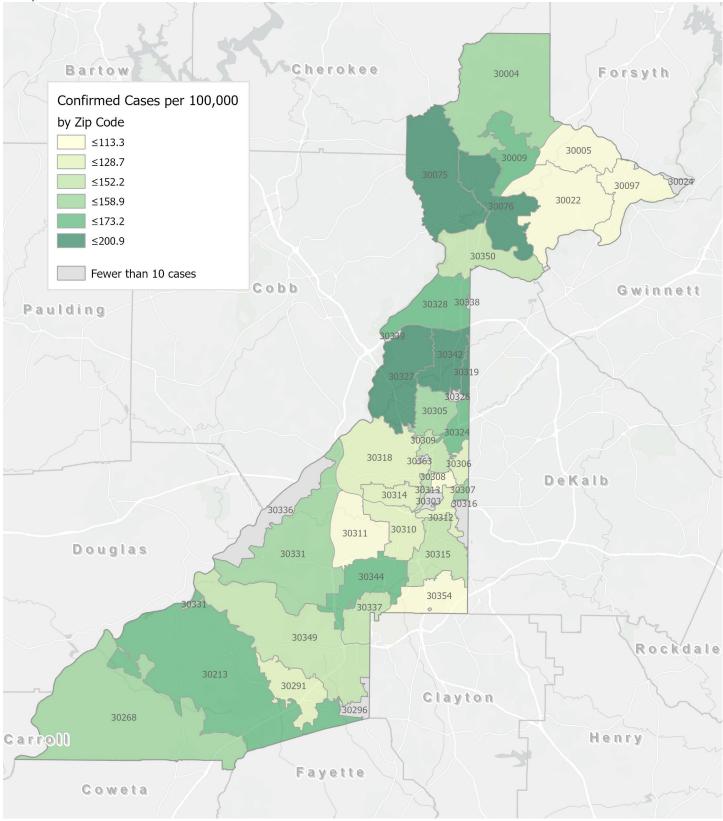


^{*}Rates shown are per 100,000 persons | All data shown are preliminary and are subject to change as testing results get updated.



<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 Mar 10th and Mar 23rd, 2021 across Fulton County, excluding LTCF cases.





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COVID-19 NEW CASE¹ COUNTS BY ZIP CODE

Zip Code	Recent 14- day reporting period (3/10-3/23)	Previous 14-day reporting period (2/24-3/9)	% Change between reporting periods ²
All Fulton	1679	1773	↓ 5.3%
30004	96	85	↑ 12.9%
30005	36	35	↑ 2.9%
30009	35	37	↓ 5.4%
30022	72	81	↓ 11.1%
30023	0	0	-
30024	<10	0	_
30075	99	59	↑ 67.8%
30076	92	56	↑ 64.3%
30080	0	0	-
30097	17	15	↑ 13.3%
30098	0	0	-
30135	0	0	_
30138	0	0	_
30139	0	0	_
30213	74	65	↑ 13.8%
30268	14	20	↓ 30.0%
30291	26	45	↓ 42.2%
30296	<10	<10	-
30301	0	<10	↓ 100.0%
30303	<10	13	↓ 46.2%
30305	53	47	† 12.8%
30306	18	18	-
30307	11	<10	↑ 57.1%
30308	23	40	↓ 42.5%
30309	45	68	↓ 33.8%
30310	41	59	↓ 30.5%
30311	40	61	↓ 34.4%
30312	35	51	↓ 31.4%
30313	16	28	↓ 42.9%
30314	34	34	-
30315	59	76	↓ 22.4%
30316	11	21	↓ 47.6%
30318	85	129	↓ 34.1%
30319	18	<10	↑ 125.0%
30321	<10	0	-
30324	46	30	↑ 53.3%
30326	<10	11	↓ 36.4%
30327	52	48	↑ 8.3%
30328	62	64	↓ 3.1%
30331	111	75	↑ 48.0%
30334	<10	0	-
30336	<10	<10	-
30337	19	27	↓ 29.6%

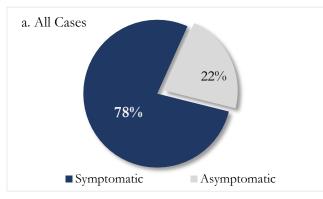
Zip Code	Recent 14- day reporting period (3/10-3/23)	Previous 14-day reporting period (2/24-3/9)	% Change between reporting periods
30338	<10	<10	-
30339	<10	<10	-
30340	0	0	-
30341	0	0	-
30342	70	72	↓ 2.8%
30344	59	61	↓ 3.3%
30345	0	0	-
30349	98	110	↓ 10.9%
30350	55	58	↓ 5.2%
30354	15	20	↓ 25.0%
30358	0	0	-
30363	<10	<10	_
30374	0	0	-
30606	0	0	-
31131	0	0	-
31150	0	0	-
Unknown	<10	17	-

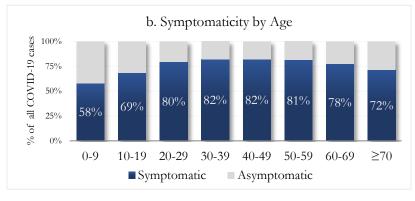
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REPORTING SYMPTOMS AMONG PERSONS WITH COVID-19 IN FULTON

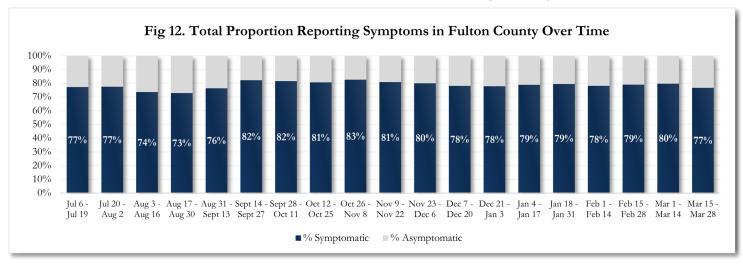
People with COVID-19 have reported a wide range of symptoms ranging from mild symptoms to severe illness. Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus. Symptoms reported include: cough, shortness of breath/difficulty breathing, fever, chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, congestion, 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) https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html

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

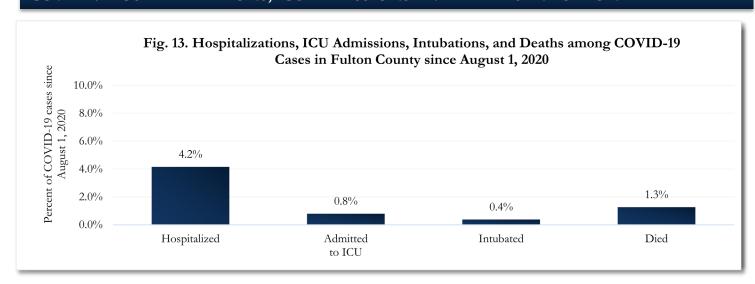




COVID-19 cases who have been case interviewed or had medical charts reviewed as of 3/30/21 only. n = 46,932



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 in the past 28 days (2/24-3/23)

	North Fulton Cities ¹	Atlanta	South Fulton Cities ²	Unknown City	All Fulton
	Count (%)	Count (%)	Count (%)	Count (%)	Count (%)
Total COVID-19 cases	1091	1395	689	94	3269
Gender: Female	579 (53%)	708 (51%)	389 (56%)	48 (51%)	1724 (53%)
Male	508 (47%)	677 (49%)	296 (43%)	40 (43%)	1521 (47%)
Unknown*	<10	10 (<1%)	<10	<10	24 (<1%)
Age: 0-9	60 (5%)	57 (4%)	39 (6%)	<10	161 (5%)
10-19	258 (24%)	177 (13%)	84 (12%)	<10	524 (16%)
20-29	146 (13%)	355 (25%)	102 (15%)	19 (20%)	622 (19%)
30-39	154 (14%)	291 (21%)	123 (18%)	19 (20%)	587 (18%)
40-49	189 (17%)	171 (12%)	112 (16%)	15 (16%)	487 (15%)
50-59	170 (16%)	166 (12%)	121 (18%)	13 (14%)	470 (14%)
60-69	73 (7%)	87 (6%)	73 (11%)	10 (11%)	243 (7%)
≥70	41 (4%)	88 (6%)	32 (5%)	<10	168 (5%)
Unknown*	<10	<10	<10	<10	<10
Race: Asian, NH	77 (7%)	26 (2%)	<10	<10	110 (3%)
Black, NH	146 (13%)	555 (40%)	516 (75%)	30 (32%)	1247 (38%)
White, NH	475 (44%)	388 (28%)	35 (5%)	30 (32%)	928 (28%)
Hispanic	122 (11%)	91 (7%)	42 (6%)	<10	261 (8%)
Other, NH	75 (7%)	78 (6%)	18 (3%)	<10	176 (5%)
Unknown*	196 (18%)	257 (18%)	74 (11%)	20 (21%)	547 (17%)

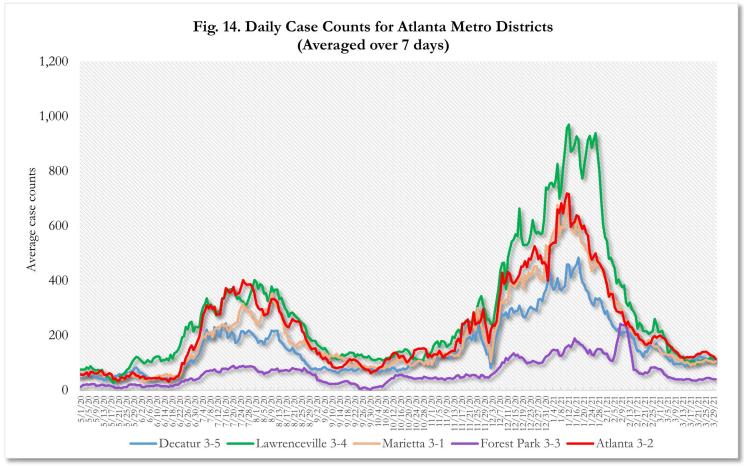
^{*}Unknown includes cases not yet interviewed. 28 days delayed by seven to account for lag in reporting lab results. ¹Includes all Fulton County cities north of Atlanta (Alpharetta, Johns Creek, Milton, Mountain Park, Roswell, Sandy Springs). ²Includes all cities south of Atlanta (Chattahoochee Hills, College Park, East Point, Fairburn, Hapeville, Palmetto, South Fulton, and Union City)

B. Distribution of COVID-19 deaths by gender, age, and race in Fulton County in the past 28 days (2/24 - 3/23)

	Count of New Deaths	% of New Deaths
Total COVID-19 deaths	47	
Gender: Female	25	53%
Male	22	47%
Unknown	<u>-</u>	-
Age: ≤ 29	-	-
30-39	<10	2%
40-49	<10	4%
50-59	<10	9%
60-69	11	23%
≥70	29	62%
Unknown	<10	<1%
Race: Asian, NH	<10	2%
Black, NH	34	72%
White, NH	10	21%
Hispanic	<10	4%
Other, NH	<u>-</u>	-
Unknown	<u>-</u>	-

This table was previously showing deaths among those who have tested positive in the past 28 days, but is now showing <u>ALL</u> 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 in the past 28 days).

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 Cherokee Bartow Jackson POIK Barrow Gwinnett Marietta Lawrenceville Paulding Cobb Oconee Pov Clarkston Stone Walton Decatur DeKalb Villa Fulton Douglas Rockdale City Morgan Riverdale Morrow Clayton Newton Carroll Palmetto Henry Fayette Health Districts Cases per Square Mile ≤ 0.7 Jasper ≤ 2.1 ts ≤ 3.8 3-4 Spalding ≤ 5.6 3-1 ≤ 7.6 3-5 ≤ 10.1 ≤ 13.2 Trou ≤ 18.5 Monroe Pike ≤ 28.6 Jones ≤ 42.2

Fig. 15. COVID-19 Cases in Fulton County and Surrounding Districts (March 10 – March 23, 2021)

The following data are updated every two weeks.

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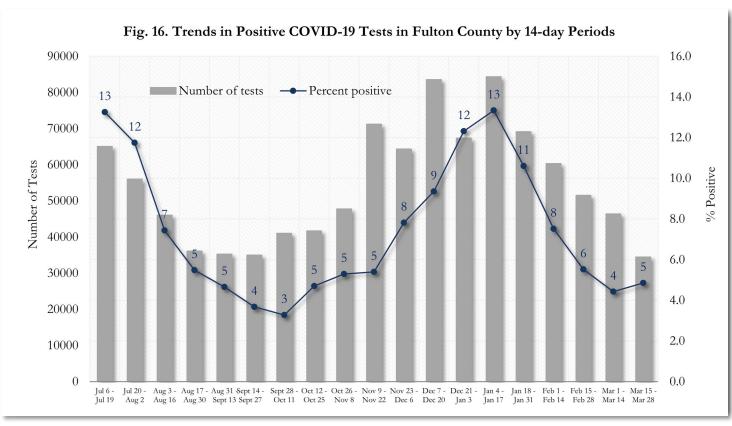
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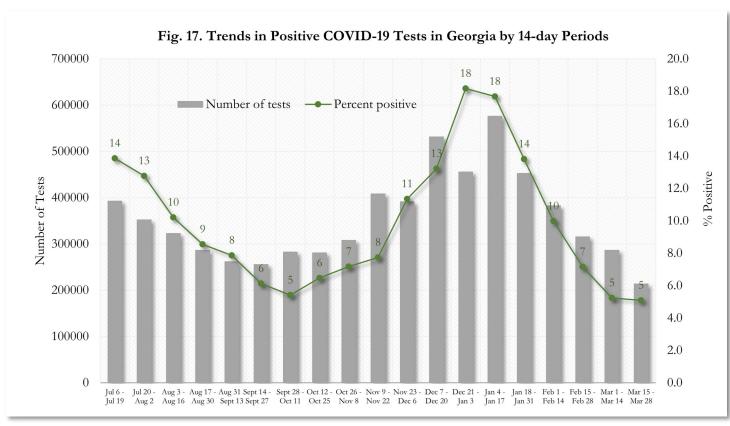
In the interest of keeping the reports concise and useful, the cumulative counts updated on a monthly basis can now be viewed between updates at the Fulton County Board of Health website here.

Please visit the Georgia Department of Public Health Daily Status Report here for cumulative daily counts.

COVID-19 TESTING AND POSITIVITY IN FULTON COUNTY AND GEORGIA

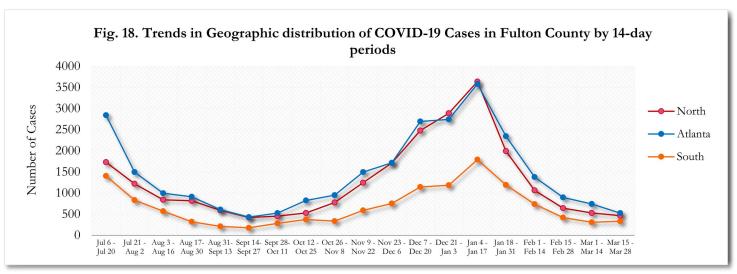


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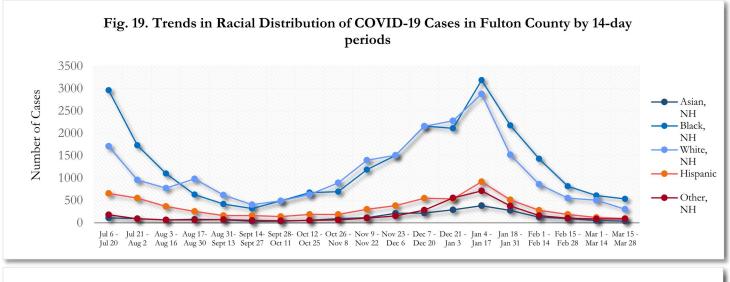
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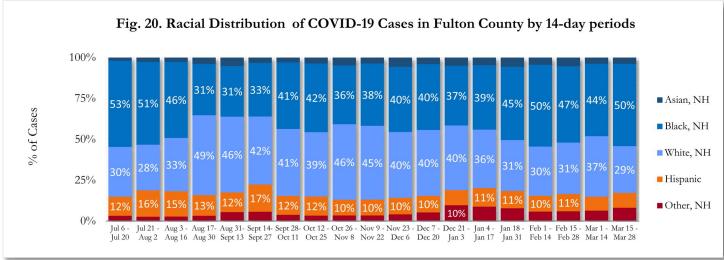
TRENDS IN COVID-19 CASES AMONG DEMOGRAPHIC GROUPS (14 DAY PERIODS)



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

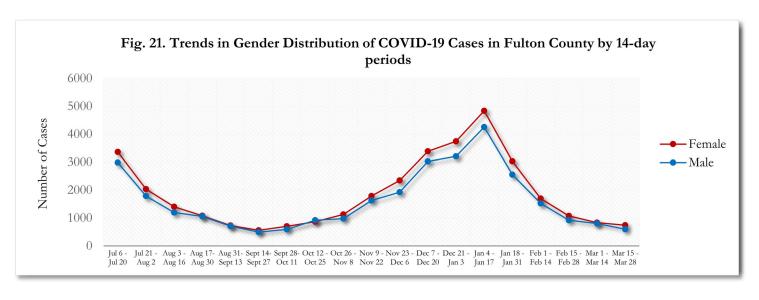
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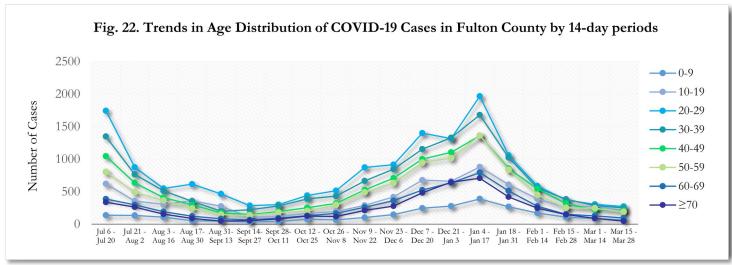




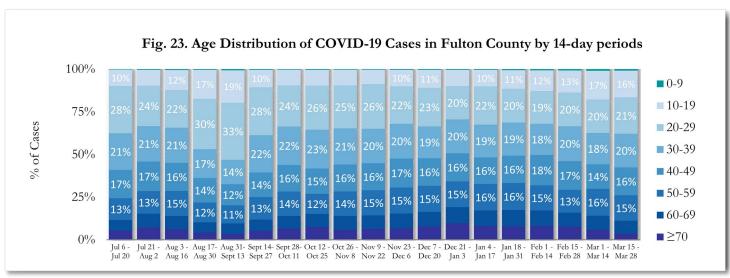
About 13% of all Fulton County COVID cases are missing data on patient race and ethnicity and in the past two weeks, about 22% of cases are missing this data.

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



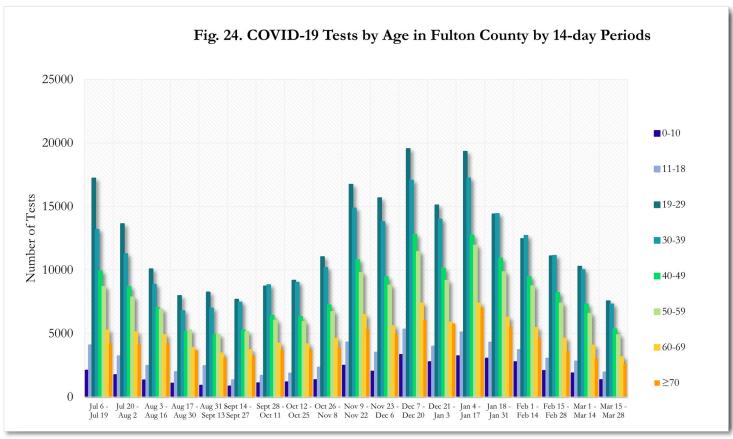


In the most recent two weeks, 20-29 year olds and 30-39 year olds accounted for the majority of new cases.

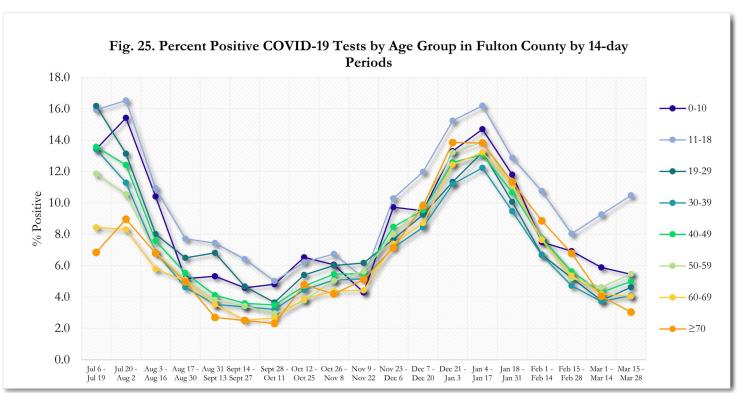


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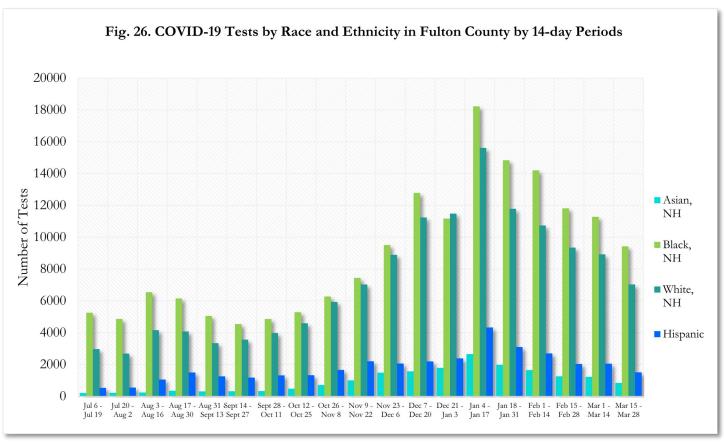
COVID-19 TESTING AND POSITIVITY IN FULTON COUNTY BY AGE AND RACE



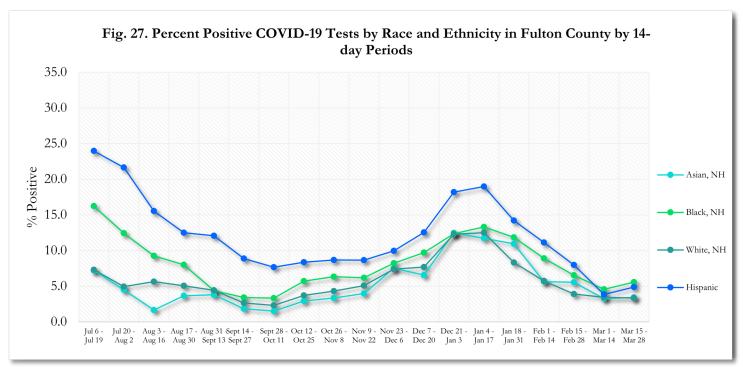
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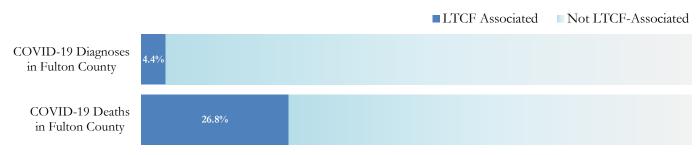
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COVID-19 IN LONG-TERM CARE FACILITIES IN FULTON COUNTY

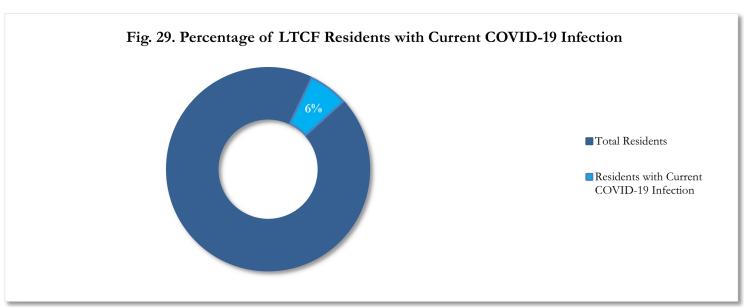
Older persons (aged 65 years and older) and persons who live in nursing homes or other long-term care facilities seem to be at higher risk for developing more serious complications from COVID-19. Extra precautions are recommended for individuals within this risk groups – Centers for Disease Control and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

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



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

CURRENT COVID-19 POSITIVITY:



^{*}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 = 4,183