





Weekly Summary of Vermont COVID-19 Data

Reflecting cases identified between March 5 – July 15, 2020

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Common Terms and Data Sources

This document contains information about people who have tested positive for COVID-19 in Vermont. You will find data presented in a few different ways throughout this document:

- Count: the number of people who have tested positive for COVID-19 (overall or in a particular group)
- Rate: the number of people who have tested positive for COVID-19 in a particular group, divided by the total number of people in that group. Using rates allows for more direct comparisons between groups.
- Growth rate: a measure of the percent change in COVID-19 cases over time; this tells us how quickly or slowly the disease is spreading in Vermont
- Week: for the purposes of this document, "this week" is defined as July 8 through July 15

For geographic information, please see the <u>COVID-19 Data Dashboard</u> or <u>Town Map</u>. For more information on data sources, please see our <u>Data Notes</u> document.

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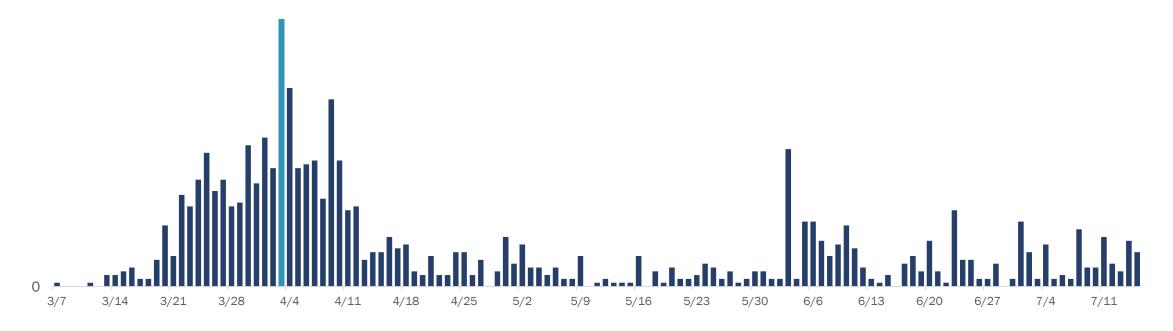
Weekly Spotlight

COVID-19 in Vermont

An overview of our number of cases and laboratory testing to date.

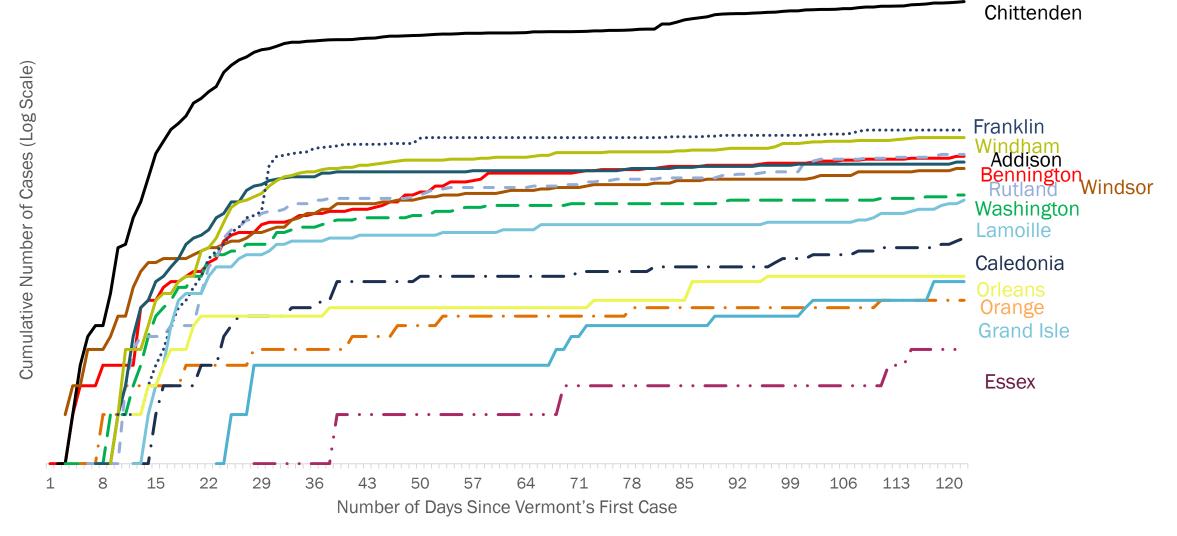
Total Number of Cases in Vermont: 1,325

80 The daily number of COVID-19 cases in Vermont peaked on April 3.

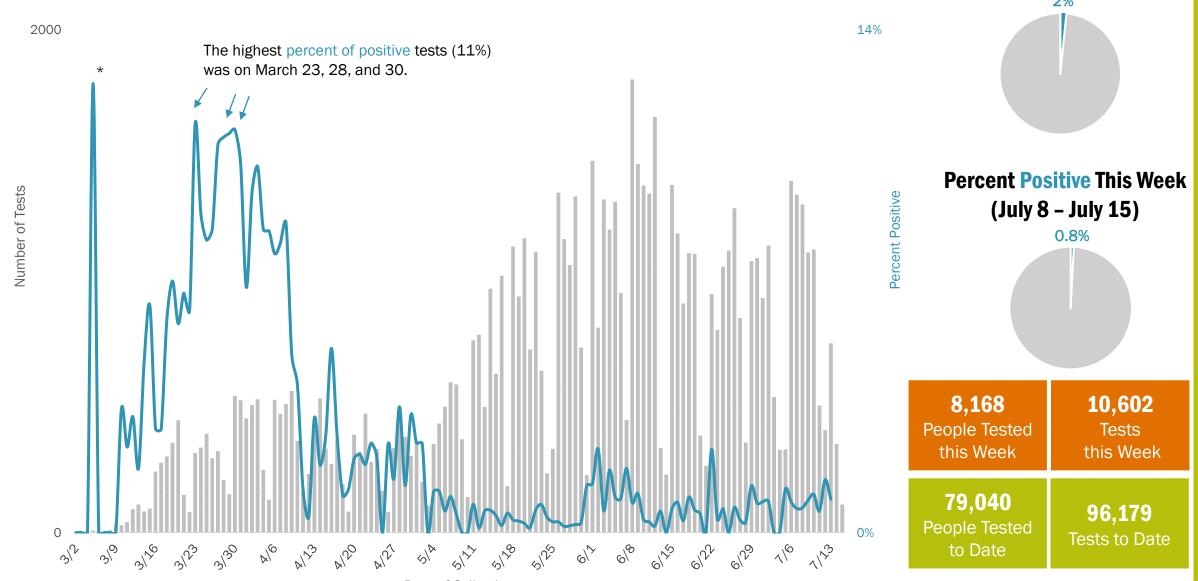


Most counties have reached a plateau in the number of new cases.

Growth over time by county (n=1,320)



Percent of positive COVID-19 tests may indicate how prevalent the disease is in the population.



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The **number of people tested** reflects the number of individual people who have had confirmatory testing for COVID-19 in Vermont. Each person is only counted once. The **number of tests** reflects the number of specimens that have had confirmatory for COVID-19 in Vermont. This number may include multiple specimens for one person, the same person tested multiple times, etc. Neither of these numbers include serology testing.

Percent Positive to Date

Date of Collection

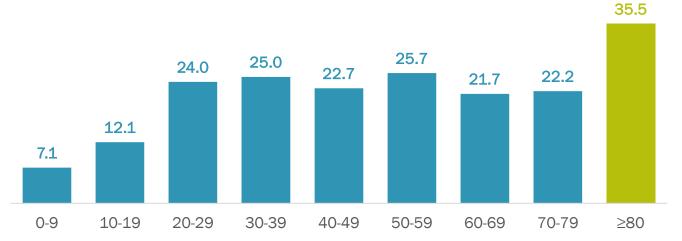
^{*}Not a stable estimate due to small numbers. There were 8 total tests and 1 was positive.

Case Demographics

Who has been impacted by COVID-19 in Vermont?

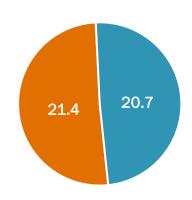
Rates of COVID-19 are disproportionately high among Vermonters 80 years and older.

Rate per 10,000 Vermonters



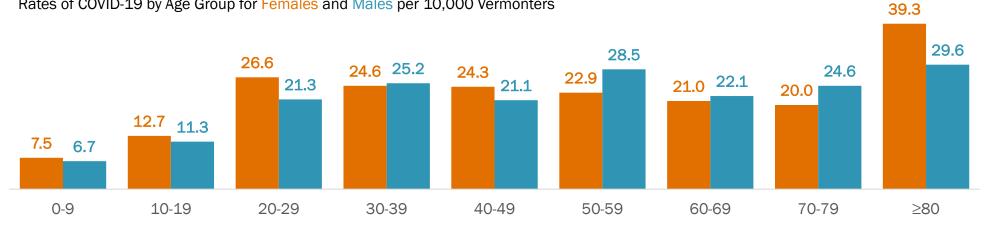
Females and males have similar rates of COVID-19.

Rate per 10,000 Vermonters



There are differences in age and sex of Vermonters with COVID-19.

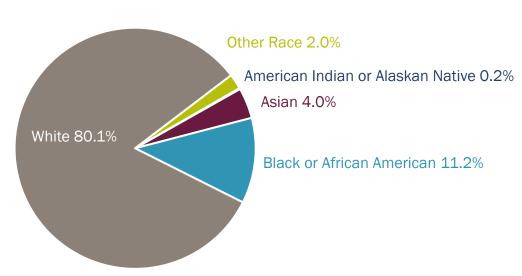
Rates of COVID-19 by Age Group for Females and Males per 10,000 Vermonters

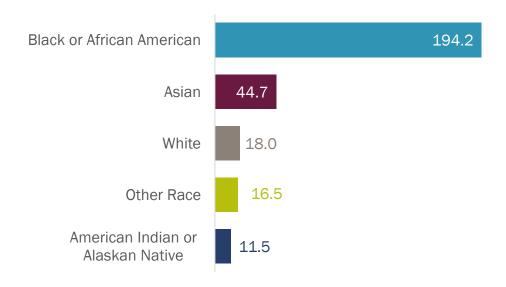


Case Demographics

White Vermonters represent the majority of COVID-19 cases. African American Vermonters have the highest rate.

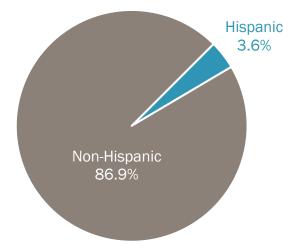
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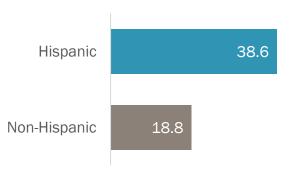




Non-Hispanic Vermonters represent the majority of COVID-19 cases. Hispanic Vermonters have the higher rate.

Rate per 10,000 Vermonters





Other Race includes people who identify as two or more races, or a race other than White, Asian, African American or Black, and American Indian or Alaskan Native.

Note: Race is unknown in 3% of cases (n = 35) and ethnicity is unknown in 10% of cases (n = 125).

Approximately 58% of people* with COVID-19 have a pre-existing condition.

*of the 1,022 people that the Health Department has pre-existing condition data for.

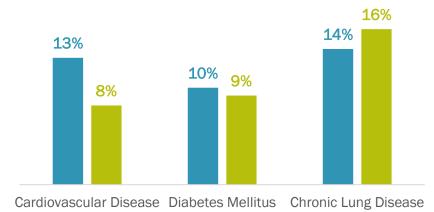
Condition	Count	Percentage
Heart Disease	131	13%
Chronic Lung Disease (includes asthma and COPD)	140	14%
Chronic Liver Disease	9	1%
Chronic Kidney Disease	27	3%
Current/Former Smoker	234	23%
Diabetes	100	10%
Immunocompromised Condition	48	5%
Neurologic Condition/Intellectual Disability	34	3%
Other Chronic Condition**	284	28%
Pregnant	9	1%

46% of people with a pre-existing condition have two or more conditions.

The Health Department has information about pre-existing conditions in 77% (1,022) of 1,325 total COVID-19 cases.

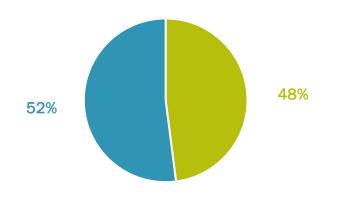
^{**}Not mutually exclusive, includes things like arthritis, thyroid conditions, multiple free text entries.

Prevalence of select conditions in COVID-19 patients and Vermont adults.

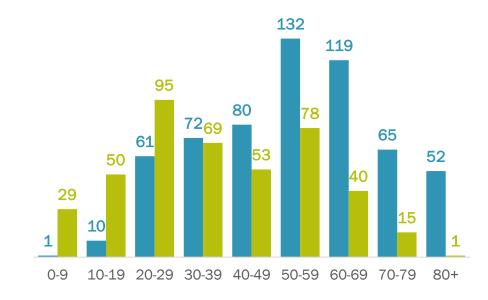


Data Source: Cardiovascular disease and diabetes, BRFSS 2018 annual report. Chronic lung disease, 3-4-50 Community profile (2016-2017 BRFSS).

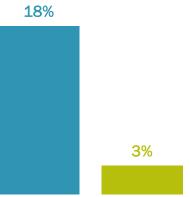
Prevalence of pre-existing conditions is approximately equal between female and male COVID-19 patients.



COVID-19 patients with pre-existing conditions tend to be older than those without pre-existing conditions.



A higher percentage of COVID-19 patients with pre-existing conditions have been hospitalized than those without pre-existing conditions.



Number of New Health Care Worker and All Cases by Day

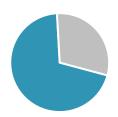
Health care worker cases peaked on April 4.

1 in 6 Vermonters with COVID-19 are health care workers.



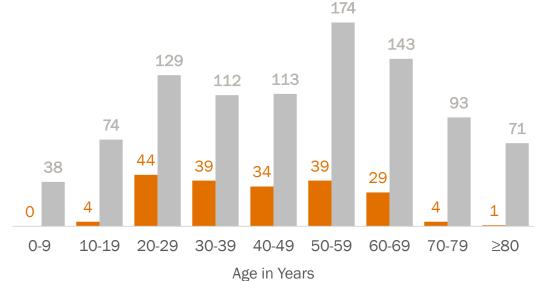
Health care workers with COVID-19 tend to be younger than non-health care workers with COVID-19.



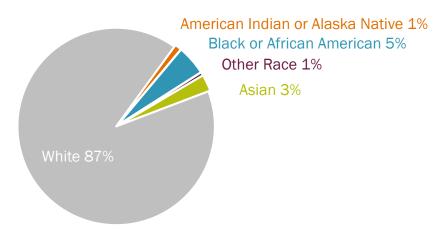


33% of health care workers with COVID-19 are associated with an outbreak.





White Vermonters represent the majority of health care workers with COVID-19.

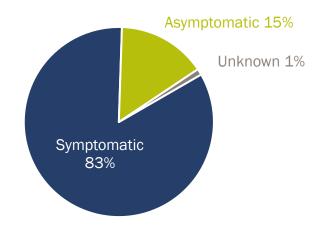


Most health care workers with COVID-19 are not hospitalized.



There are no reported deaths among health care workers.

Most health care workers with COVID-19 have symptoms.

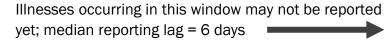


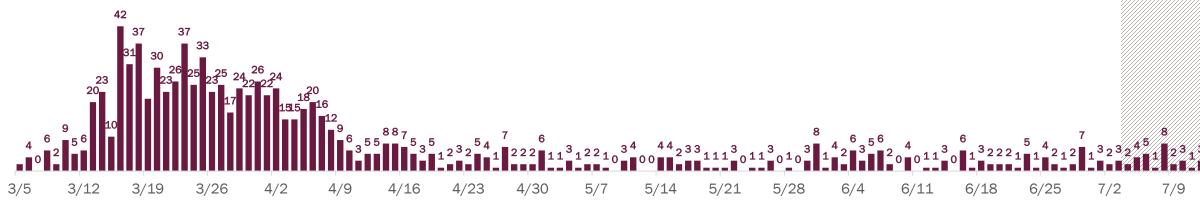
Sign or Symptom among Health Care Workers with COVID-19	Percent of Symptomatic Cases
Cough	73%
Fatigue	65%
Headache	60%
Loss of Smell or Taste	54%
Muscle Pain	52%
Runny nose	47%
Chills	44%
Fever	42%

Clinical Course

What symptoms have Vermonters experienced? How many have been hospitalized? How many have died?



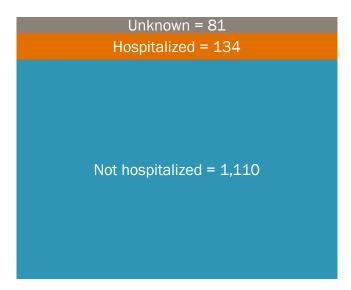




Note: Date of symptom onset is not always known.

14 daysAverage illness duration

Sign or Symptom	Percent of Symptomatic Cases
Cough	71%
Fatigue	67%
Headache	53%
Muscle Pain	52%
Fever	51%

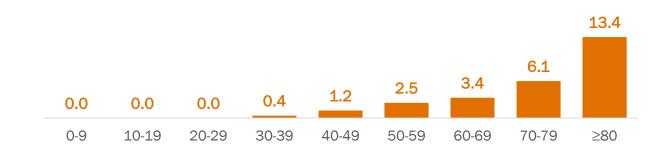


16%Of those hospitalized were on a ventilator

34%Of those hospitalized were in the ICU

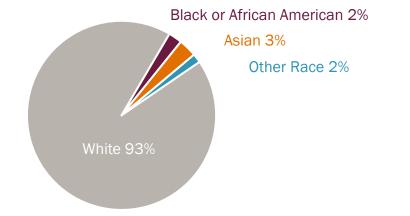
9 daysAverage hospital stay
(range: 0-43 days)

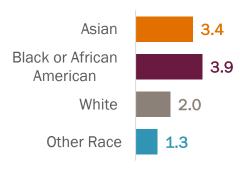
Vermonters 80 years and older are more likely to be hospitalized for COVID-19.Rate per 10,000 Vermonters



White Vermonters represent a majority of hospitalized COVID-19 cases. Hospitalization rates by race are similar.

Rate per 10,000 Vermonters





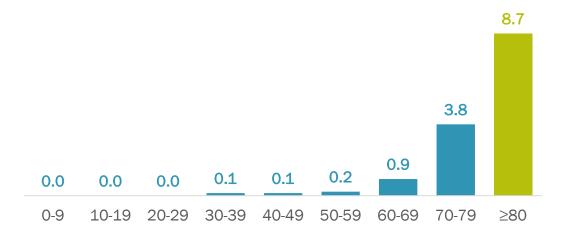
Please note 5 hospitalized persons are missing race information.

^{*}The number of Asian, Black, and persons in the other race category is less than 5.

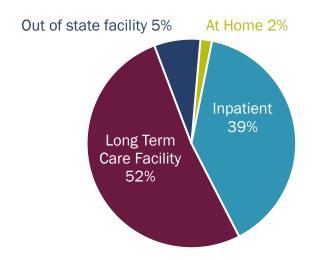
Clinical Course

Vermonters 80 years and older have higher rates of COVID-19 death than other age groups.

Rate per 10,000 Vermonters

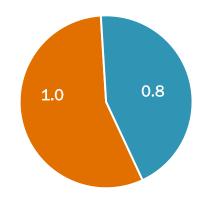


Most COVID-19 deaths occurred in an inpatient hospital setting or a long-term care facility.



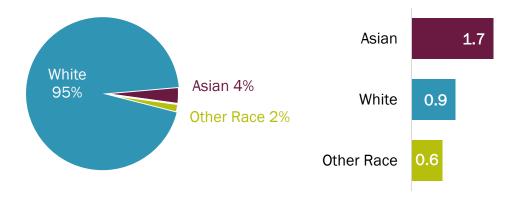
Males and females have similar rates of COVID-19 death.

Rate per 10,000 Vermonters



White Vermonters represent a majority of COVID-19 deaths. Death rates by race are similar.

Rate per 10,000 Vermonters



Note: No deaths have identified as Hispanic or Latino.

Outbreaks

How is COVID-19 impacting group settings?

Outbreaks can occur in many types of places. Here is what outbreak means in these places:

Community Settings

3 or more COVID-19 cases involving more than one family or household where the cases:

- have an illness start date or positive test within 14 days, and
- · are linked through contact or location, and
- · are not linked to another outbreak, and
- there is no other more likely source of exposure.

Educational Settings

2 or more COVID-19 cases among students or teachers/staff with known connections in the educational setting, where the cases are connected by:

- having an illness start date or a positive test within 14 days, and
- not living together or having close contact with each other in another setting, and
- there is no other more likely source of exposure.



Congregate Care or Living Settings*

One resident or staff member with COVID-19, and one or more residents or staff with whom they had contact with respiratory illness.

or

Two or more facility residents and/or staff with an illness start date or positive test within 14 days.

*Examples include long-term care and other residential care facilities, correctional facilities and homeless shelters.

Workplaces

2 or more COVID-19 cases among employees at the same workplace, where the cases are connected by:

- having contact with each other, and
- an illness start date or positive test within 14 days, and
- not living together or having close contact with each other in another setting, and
- there is no other more likely source of exposure.



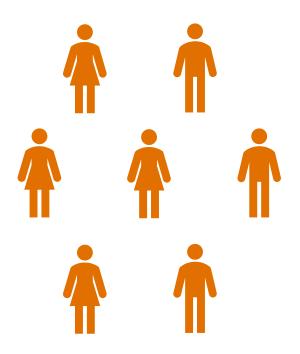
31% of COVID-19 cases are associated with an outbreak



304 cases among residents



103 cases among facility staff

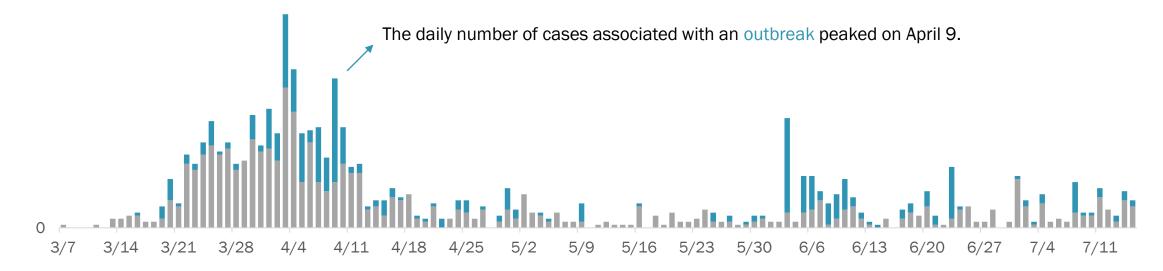


Outbreaks

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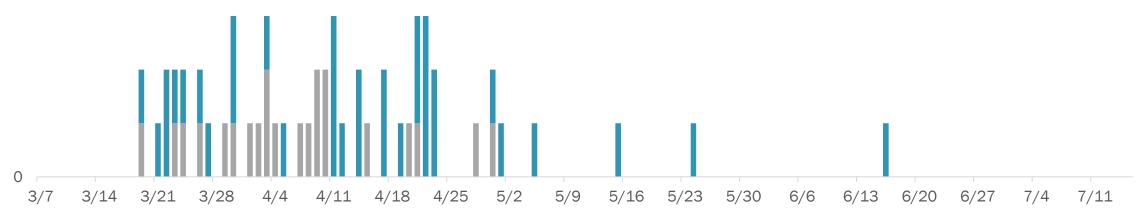
10 Resolved*

*Outbreaks where it has been >28 days since the last known exposure to a confirmed COVID-19 case, with no new cases OR 2 rounds of negative facility-wide testing one week apart.



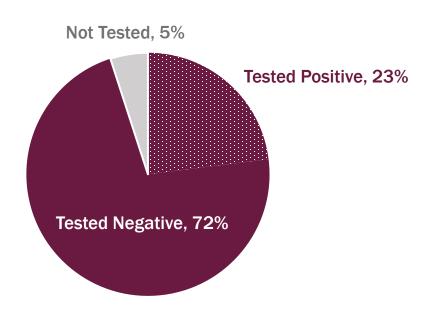
Vermont COVID-19 Deaths Associated with an Outbreak Over Time

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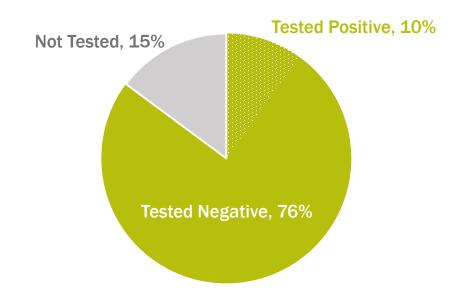


12 of 17 outbreaks have occurred within facilities.

In facilities with outbreaks, 95% of residents# have been tested.



In facilities with outbreaks, 85% of staff* have been tested.



Source: Vermont Department of Health Reflects confirmed data as of 7/15/2020.

Values in these charts are rounded to the nearest whole number and therefore may not always add to 100%.

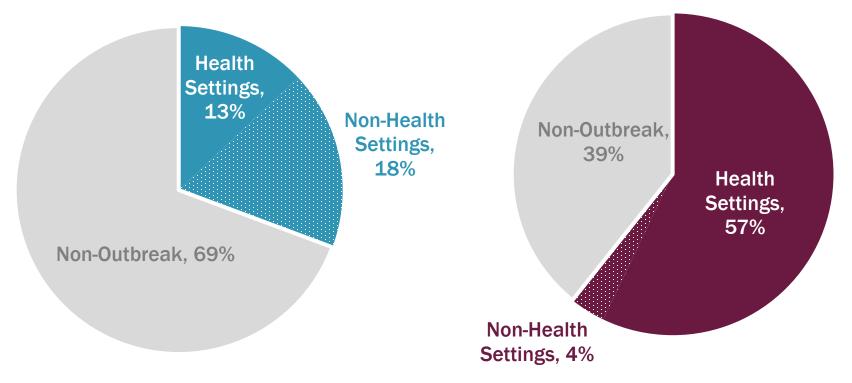
Percentages by testing status are rounded to the whole number, but combined totals take into account the full percentages.

#Some facilities are excluded from this analysis due to missing information.

Examples of facilities include long-term care and other skilled nursing facilities, correctional facilities, and workplaces.

Community outbreaks, including those occurring in senior independent living communities, are not represented on this slide.

While only 31% of all COVID-19 cases are associated with outbreaks, more than half of COVID-19-related deaths occur in outbreak settings.



Values in these charts are rounded to the nearest whole number and therefore may not always add to 100% due to error introduced in rounding.

Source: Vermont Department of Health Reflects confirmed data as of 7/15/2020.

Note: Examples of a health setting include long term care or assisted living facilities, therapeutic treatment centers, and behavioral health institutions. Examples of a non-health setting include correctional facilities, senior housing communities, businesses, and homeless shelters. Vermont has not experienced an outbreak in all health and non-health settings.

The percentage of females and males with COVID-19 that are associated with an outbreak is about even.

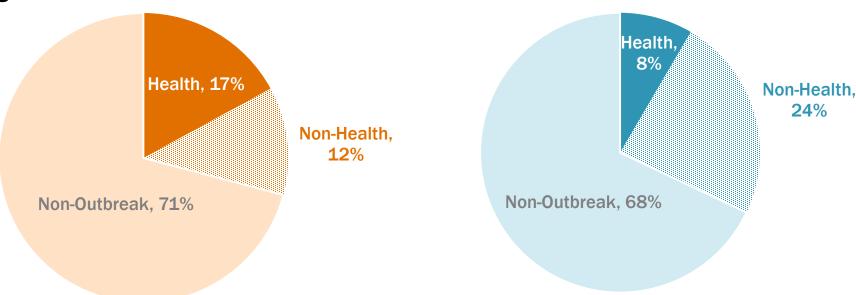


29% of females with COVID-19 are associated with an outbreak.



32% of males with COVID-19 are associated with an outbreak.

But in <u>outbreak settings</u>, <u>females</u> with COVID-19 are more likely to be associated with a health setting than non-health settings.

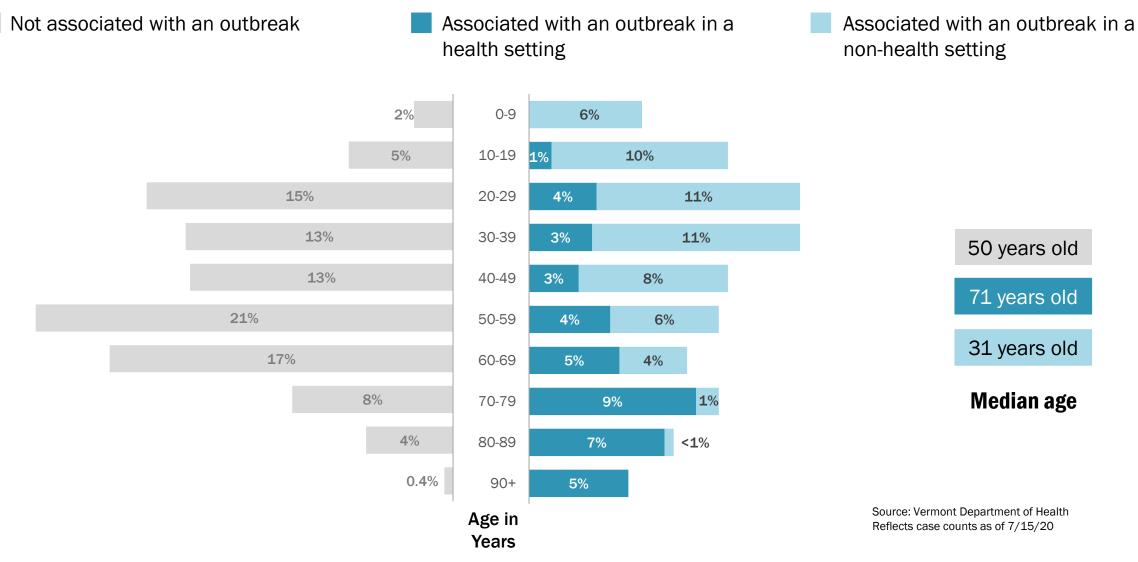


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Source: Vermont Department of Health Reflects case counts as of 7/15/20

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Percent of Cases by Outbreak Status and Age



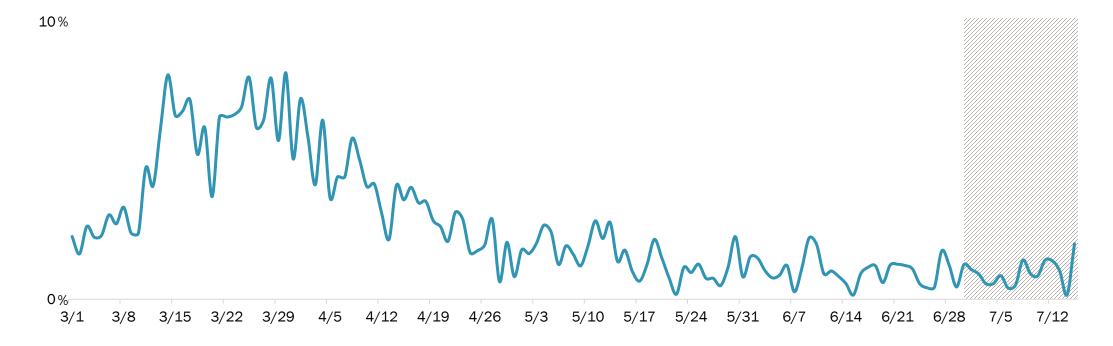
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Syndromic Surveillance

What we can learn from emergency room and urgent care centers?

The percent of emergent care visits for COVID-19-like illness remains steady.

Syndromic surveillance from 13 of 14 Vermont hospitals and 2 urgent care centers. Monitoring this data acts as an early indicator of potential spikes of COVID-19 in the community.



Interpret with caution, there is a chance for over or underestimation given the lag in reporting.

COVID-19-like illness diagnosis is determined using the patient's chief complaint and/or discharge diagnosis.

COVID-19-like illness is the presence of a fever with the addition of shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, or cough.

COVID-19-like illness excludes patients with an influenza discharge diagnosis.

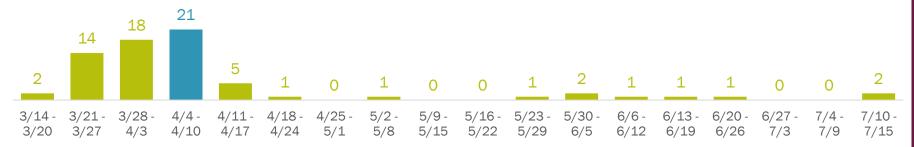
^{*}Please note: the query used to identify COVID-19-like illness in syndromic surveillance data changed on 5/28. This was to be consistent with the most up-to-date national definition provided by the CDC.

Weekly Spotlight: County Profiles

This section focuses on county-specific COVID-19 data in Vermont.

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COVID-19 cases in Addison County peaked in early April.

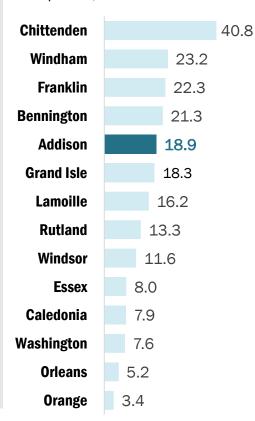


County Snapshot

Cases in Addison County 70 69 **Cases among Addison County** Residents 5% **Percent of Total Cases in** Vermont **Hospitalizations** 11 **Deaths** 2 4% **Percent of Total COVID-19 Deaths in Vermont Current Outbreaks** 0 **Resolved Outbreaks** 0 **Total Tested** 4,342

Rate of COVID-19

Rate per 10,000 Vermonters

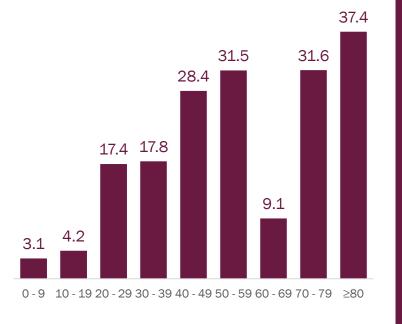


97% of cases are white

98% of cases are non-Hispanic

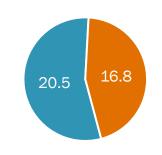
Rates of COVID-19 among Addison County residents vary by age group

Rate per 10,000 Addison County Residents



Females have a higher rate of COVID-19 than males

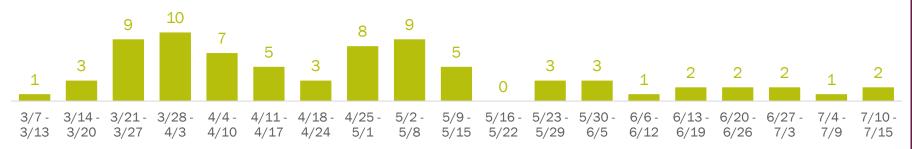
Rate per 10,000 Addison County Residents



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COVID-19 cases in Bennington County have been decreasing since mid-May.

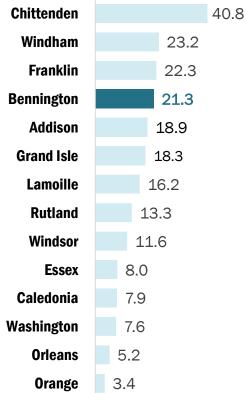


County Snapshot

76 **Cases in Bennington County Cases among Bennington** 53 **County Residents Percent of Total Cases in** 6% Vermont 18 **Hospitalizations Deaths** 1 Percent of Total COVID-19 2% **Deaths in Vermont Current Outbreaks** 0 **Resolved Outbreaks** 2 **Total Tested** 3,322

Rate of COVID-19

Rate per 10,000 Vermonters

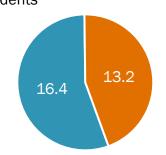


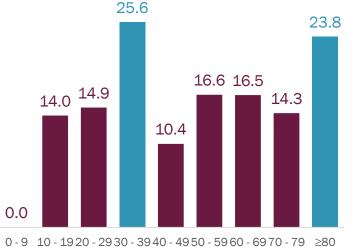
94% of cases are white
98% of cases are nonHispanic

Rates of COVID-19 among Bennington County residents are highest among those 80 years and older and those 30 to 39-years old.
Rate per 10,000 Bennington County Residents



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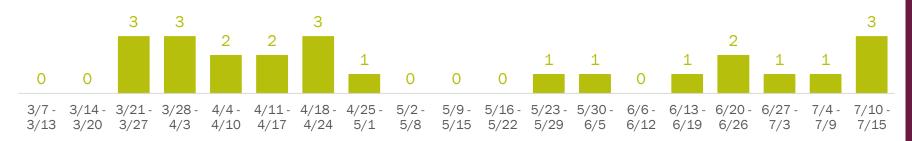




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Most COVID-19 cases in Caledonia County occurred in March and April.



County Snapshot

Cases in Caledonia County

Cases among Caledonia 24
County Residents

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Percent of Total Cases in 2% Vermont

Hospitalizations <6

Deaths 0

Percent of Total COVID-19 0% Deaths in Vermont

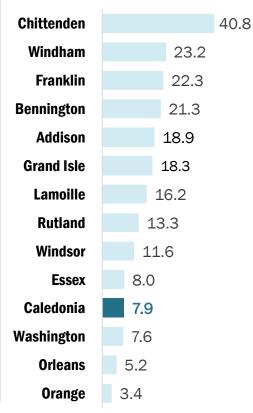
Current Outbreaks 0

Resolved Outbreaks 0

Total Tested 2,998

Rate of COVID-19

Rate per 10,000 Vermonters



96% of cases are white

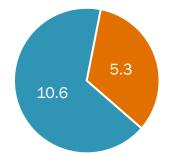
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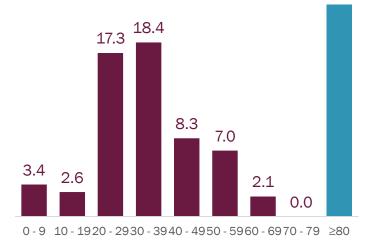
Rates of COVID-19 among Caledonia County residents are highest among those 80 years and older.

Rate per 10,000 Caledonia County Residents



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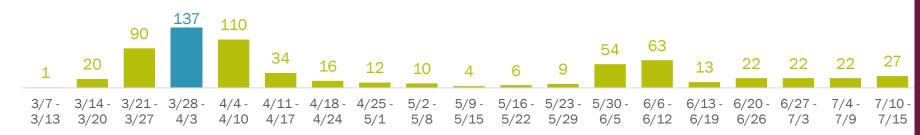


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COVID-19 cases in Chittenden County peaked in late March and early April.

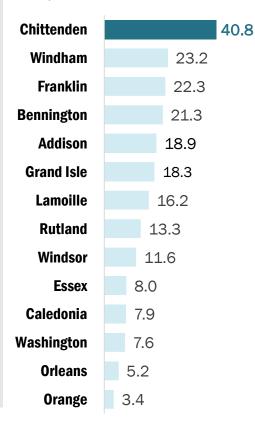


County Snapshot

Cases in Chittenden County 672 **Cases among Chittenden** 637 **County Residents Percent of Total Cases in 51% Vermont Hospitalizations** 51 **Deaths** 39 **Percent of Total COVID-19** 70% **Deaths in Vermont** 5 **Current Outbreaks Resolved Outbreaks** 4 **Total Tested** 25,246

Rate of COVID-19

Rate per 10,000 Vermonters



and 19% of cases are Black or African American

72% of cases are white

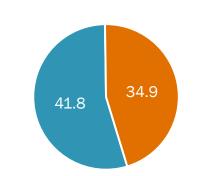
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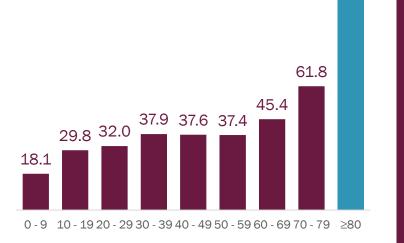
Rates of COVID-19 among Chittenden County residents are highest among those 80 years and older.

Rate per 10,000 Chittenden County Residents

Females have a higher rate of **COVID-19 than males**

Rate per 10,000 Chittenden County Residents





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107.7

2



5

5

0.4%

<6

0

0%

0

0

465

Cases in Essex County

Residents

Vermont

Deaths

Hospitalizations

Cases among Essex County

Percent of Total Cases in

Percent of Total COVID-19

Deaths in Vermont

Current Outbreaks

Resolved Outbreaks

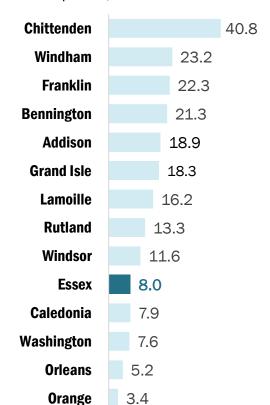
Total Tested

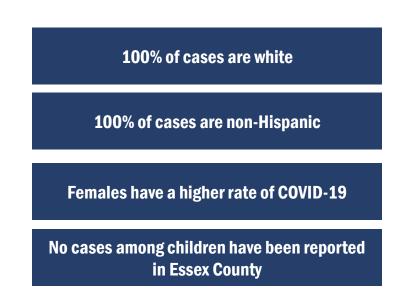
Essex County has had very few COVID-19 cases.

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Rate of COVID-19

Rate per 10,000 Vermonters

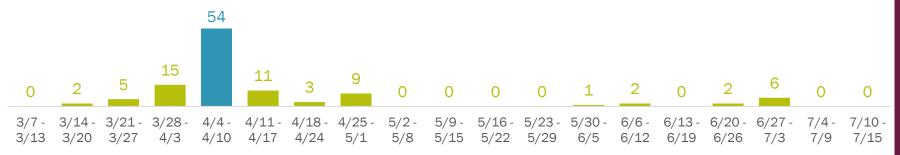




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COVID-19 cases in Franklin County peaked in early April due to an outbreak.

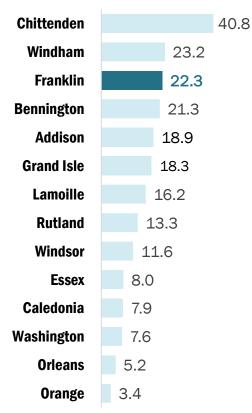


County Snapshot

Cases in Franklin County 110 **Cases among Franklin County** 105 Residents **Percent of Total Cases in** 8% Vermont **Hospitalizations** 12 6 **Deaths Percent of Total COVID-19** 11% **Deaths in Vermont Current Outbreaks** 0 **Resolved Outbreaks** 3 **Total Tested** 4,909

Rate of COVID-19

Rate per 10,000 Vermonters

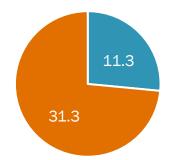


97% of cases are non-Hispanic

91% of cases are white

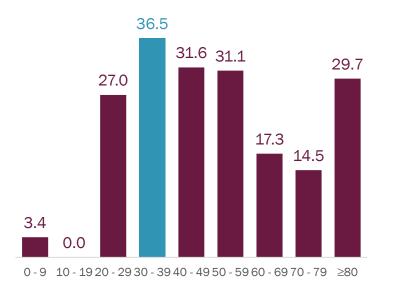
Males have a higher rate of COVID-19 than females

Rate per 10,000 Franklin County Residents



Rates of COVID-19 among Franklin County residents are highest among those 30 to 39 years old.

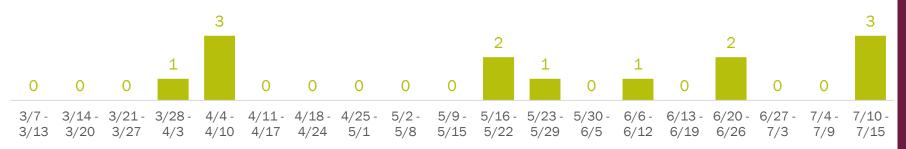
Rate per 10,000 Franklin County Residents



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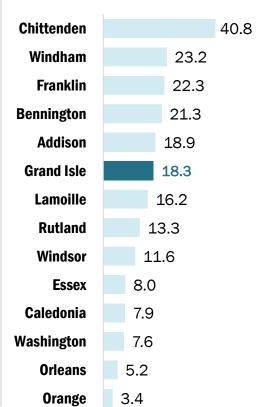
County Snapshot Cases in Grand Isle County 13 **Cases among Grand Isle** 12 **County Residents Percent of Total Cases in** 1% **Vermont Hospitalizations** <6 **Deaths** 0 **Percent of Total COVID-19** 0% **Deaths in Vermont Current Outbreaks** 0 **Resolved Outbreaks** 0 **Total Tested** 946

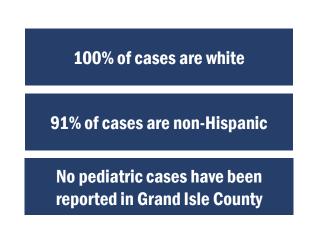
Grand Isle County has had very few COVID-19 cases.



Rate of COVID-19

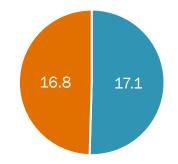
Rate per 10,000 Vermonters





Males and females have a similar rate of COVID-19.

Rate per 10,000 Grand Isle County Residents



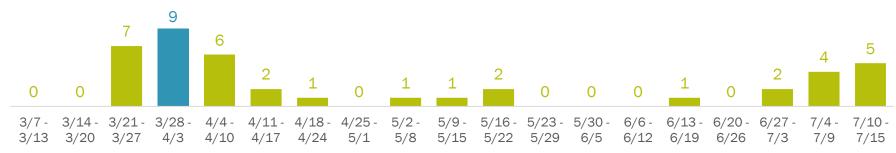
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COVID-19 cases in Lamoille County peaked in late March and early April.



County Snapshot

Cases in Lamoille County

Cases among Lamoille County 37
Residents

Percent of Total Cases in 3%

Vermont

Hospitalizations <6

Deaths 1

Percent of Total COVID-19 2%
Deaths in Vermont

Current Outbreaks 0

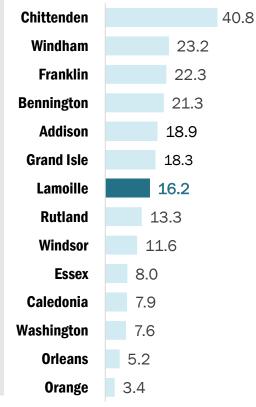
Resolved Outbreaks 1

Total Tested 2,797

Rate of COVID-19

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Rate per 10,000 Vermonters



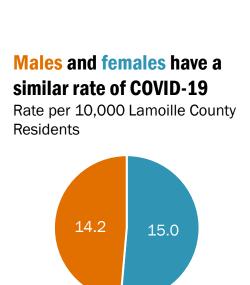
89% of cases are white

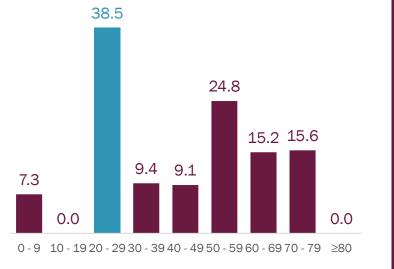
85% of cases are nonHispanic

Rates of COVID-19 among Lamoille County residents are highest among those 20 to 29 years old.

Pate per 10,000 Lamoille County Residents

Rate per 10,000 Lamoille County Residents



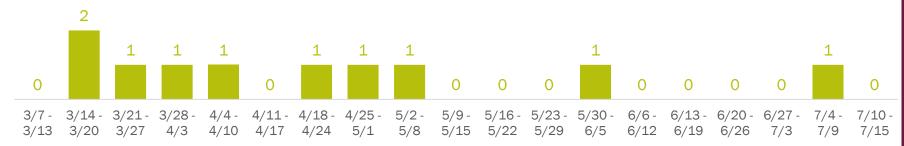




County Snapshot

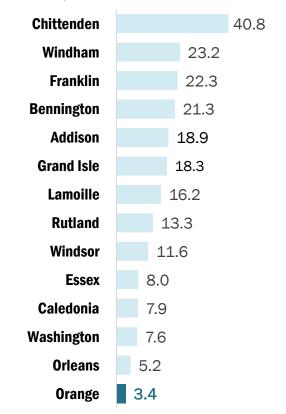
Cases in Orange County 10 **Cases among Orange County** 10 Residents **Percent of Total Cases in** 1% Vermont **Hospitalizations** <6 **Deaths** 0 **Percent of Total COVID-19** 0% **Deaths in Vermont Current Outbreaks** 0 **Resolved Outbreaks** 0 **Total Tested** 2,446

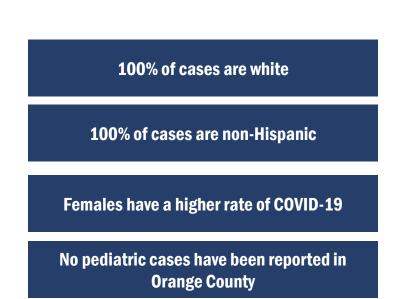
Most COVID-19 cases in Orange County occurred in March and April.



Rate of COVID-19

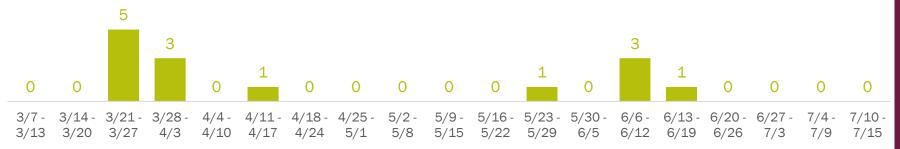
Rate per 10,000 Vermonters





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Orleans County has had very few COVID-19 cases.



County Snapshot

Cases in Orleans County 14

Cases among Orleans County 14

Residents

Percent of Total Cases in 1%
Vermont

Hospitalizations <6

Deaths 0

Percent of Total COVID-19 0%
Deaths in Vermont

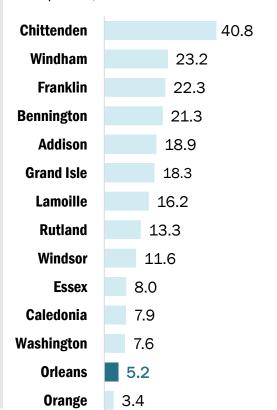
Current Outbreaks 0

Resolved Outbreaks 0

Total Tested 2,762

Rate of COVID-19

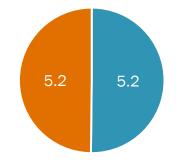
Rate per 10,000 Vermonters



93% of cases are white
93% of cases are non-Hispanic
No cases among children have been reported in Orleans County

Males and females have the same rate of COVID-19

Rate per 10,000 Orleans County Residents



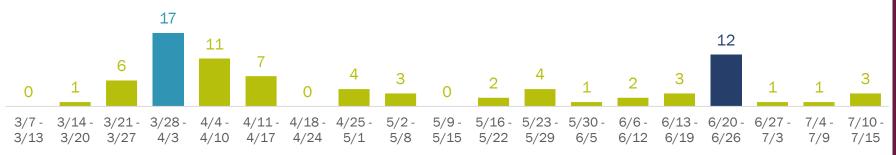
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COVID-19 cases in Rutland County peaked in late March and early April and spiked again in mid-June.



County Snapshot

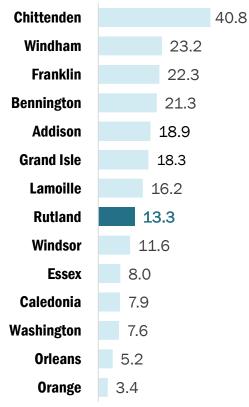
Total Tested

78 Cases in Rutland County 59 **Cases among Rutland County** Residents **Percent of Total Cases in** 6% **Vermont** 6 **Hospitalizations Deaths** 1 **Percent of Total COVID-19** 2% **Deaths in Vermont Current Outbreaks** 1 **Resolved Outbreaks** 0

6,228

Rate of COVID-19

Rate per 10,000 Vermonters



98% of cases are non-Hispanic

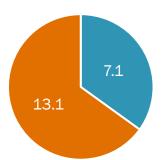
93% of cases are white

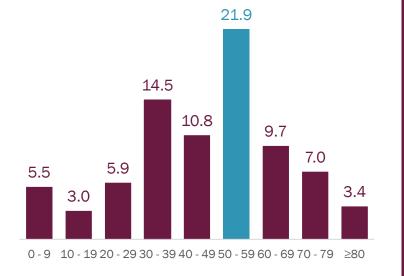
Rates of COVID-19 among Rutland County residents are highest among those 50 to 59 years old.

Rate per 10,000 Rutland County Residents

Rate per 10,000 Rutland County Residents

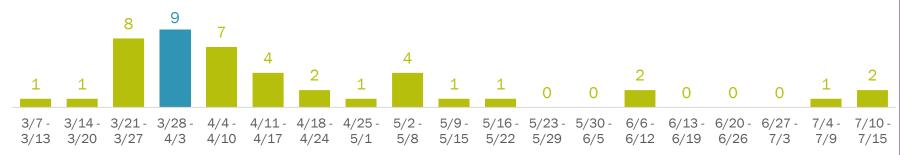
Males have a higher rate of COVID-19 than females Rate per 10,000 Rutland County Residents





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COVID-19 cases in Washington County peaked in late March and early April.



County Snapshot

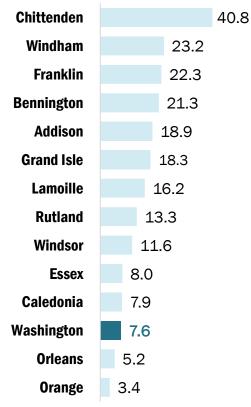
Total Tested

44 **Cases in Washington County Cases among Washington** 42 **County Residents Percent of Total Cases in** 3% Vermont **Hospitalizations** 10 **Deaths** 1 **Percent of Total COVID-19** 2% **Deaths in Vermont Current Outbreaks** 0 **Resolved Outbreaks** 0

6,033

Rate of COVID-19

Rate per 10,000 Vermonters



98% of cases are white

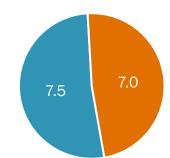
100% of cases are non-Hispanic

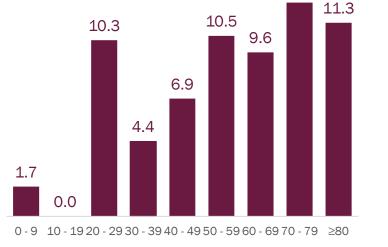
Rates of COVID-19 among Washington County residents vary among age groups.

Rate per 10,000 Washington County Residents



Rate per 10,000 Washington County Residents



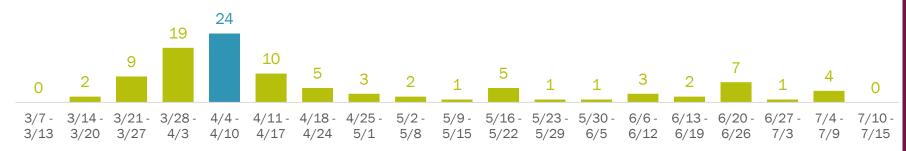


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COVID-19 cases in Windham County peaked in early April.



County Snapshot

Resolved Outbreaks

Total Tested

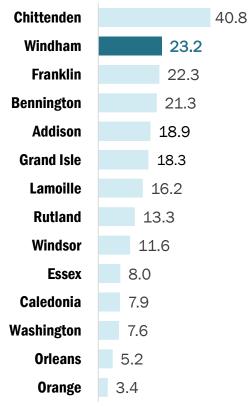
99 **Cases in Windham County Cases among Windham County** 88 **Residents Percent of Total Cases in** 7% Vermont **Hospitalizations** 10 **Deaths** 3 **5**% **Percent of Total COVID-19 Deaths in Vermont Current Outbreaks** 1

0

4,796

Rate of COVID-19

Rate per 10,000 Vermonters



92% of cases are white

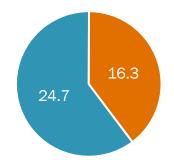
96% of cases are non-Hispanic

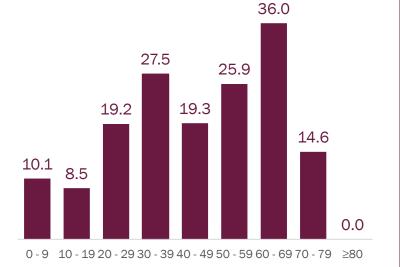
Rates of COVID-19 among Windham County residents vary among age groups.

Rate per 10,000 Windham County Residents



Rate per 10,000 Windham County Residents



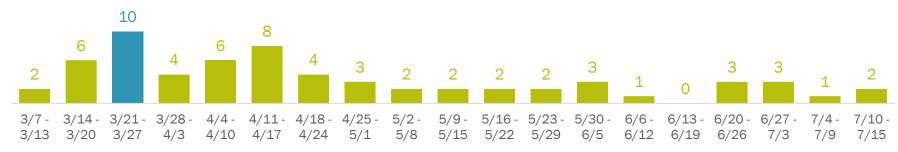




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COVID-19 cases in Windsor County peaked in late March.



County Snapshot

Cases in Windsor County 64

Cases among Windsor County 58
Residents

Percent of Total Cases in 5% Vermont

Hospitalizations 8

Deaths 2

Percent of Total COVID-19 4%
Deaths in Vermont

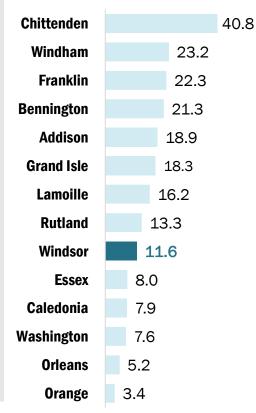
Current Outbreaks 0

Resolved Outbreaks 0

Total Tested 5,500

Rate of COVID-19

Rate per 10,000 Vermonters



93% of cases are white

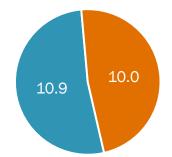
92% of cases are nonHispanic

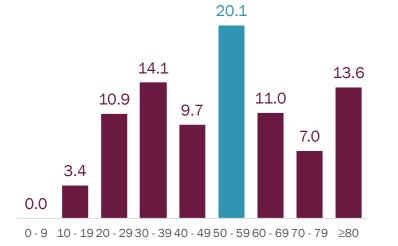
Rates of COVID-19 among Windsor County residents are highest among those 50 to 59 years old.

Rate per 10,000 Windsor County Residents

Females and males have a similar rate of COVID-19.

Rate per 10,000 Windsor County Residents







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