

WEEKLY REPORT FOR DEATHS ATTRIBUTED TO COVID-19 ISSUED JANUARY 8, 2021

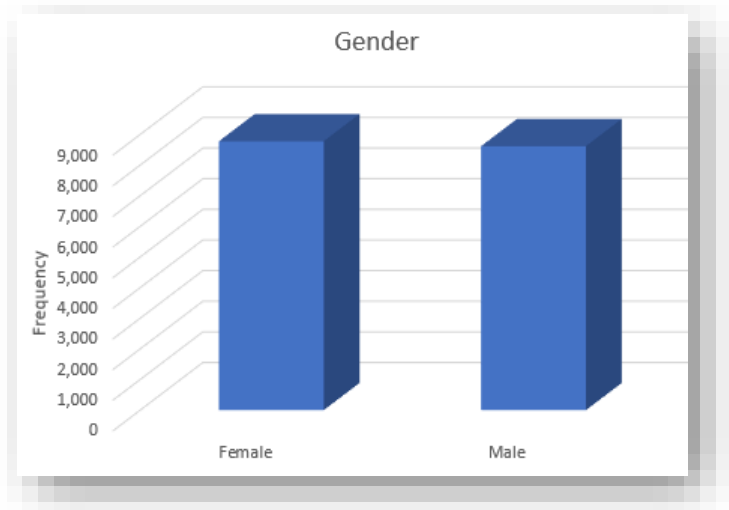
DEATHS REGISTERED: 17,394

This report is based on COVID-19 deaths that occurred in Pennsylvania. This information has been extracted from death records registered with the Department’s Vital Records Program as of 11:59 pm on December 17, 2020. Please see [State Registrar Notice \(SRN\) 2020-13](#) for detailed information regarding the reporting of these deaths. These deaths meet the CDC’s National Center for Health Statistics guidance.¹ Death records included in this report include laboratory confirmed COVID-19 deaths and clinically confirmed COVID-19 deaths.²

This death data information is considered provisional information. Due to the time associated with reporting deaths, recent death data is incomplete and only reflected in the figures below if the death record is complete. Death data will continue to be updated as additional COVID-19 deaths are registered and amended with the Vital Records Program.

GENDER

Gender	# of Deaths
Female	8,777
Male	8,617



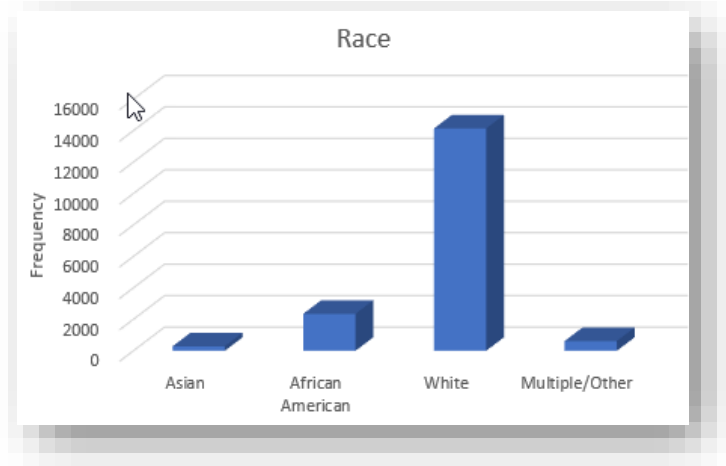
¹ https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nvss/vsrr/covid19/tech_notes.htm

Coronavirus disease deaths are identified when coronavirus disease 2019 or COVID-19 are reported as a cause that contributed to death on the death record. These can include laboratory confirmed cases, as well as cases without laboratory confirmation.

² This report only includes deaths among individuals who may have tested positive for COVID-19 if the death record meets the criteria listed in footnote 1 above.

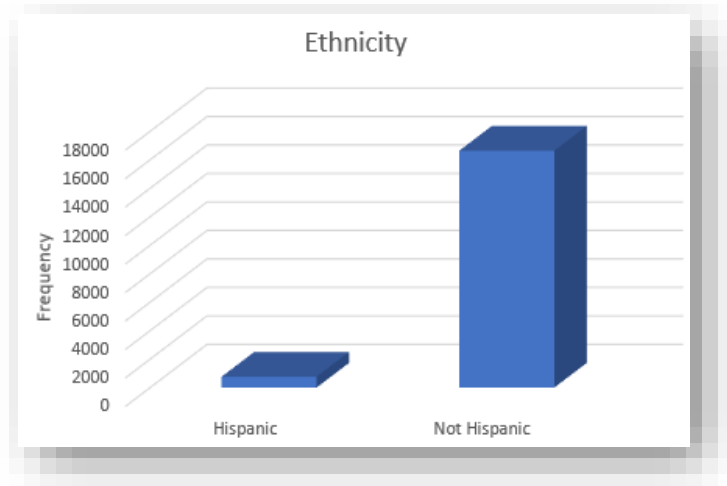
RACE

Race	# of Deaths
Asian	286
African American	2,352
White	14,137
Multiple/Other	619



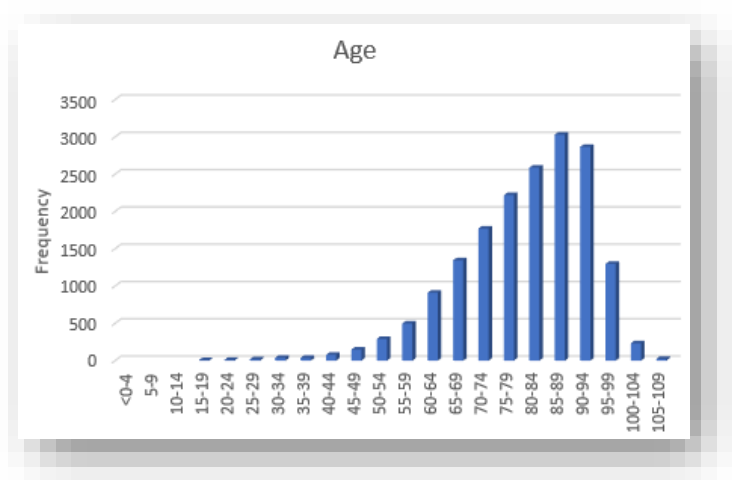
ETHNICITY

Ethnicity	# of Deaths
Hispanic	758
Not Hispanic	16,636



AGE

Age	# of Deaths
<0-4	*
5-9	*
10-14	*
15-19	6
20-24	9
25-29	17
30-34	37
35-39	36
40-44	78
45-49	148
50-54	290
55-59	497
60-64	910
65-69	1,344
70-74	1,771
75-79	2,220
80-84	2,587
85-89	3,029
90-94	2,864
95-99	1,296
100-104	233
105-109	22

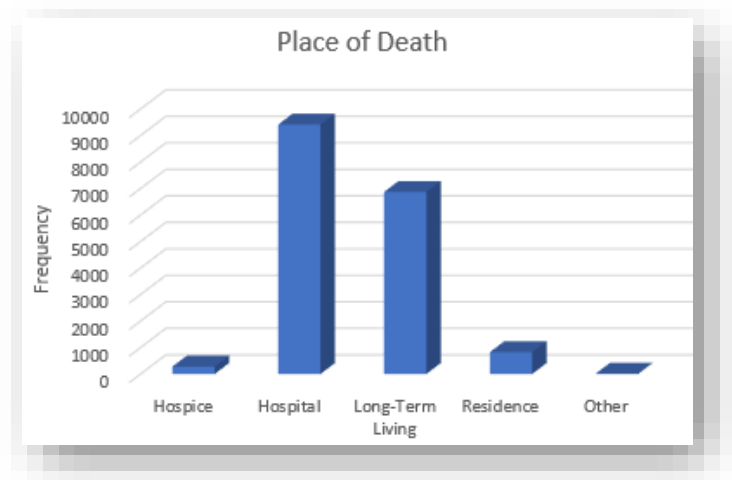


*Counts less than 5 are suppressed.

PLACE OF DEATH

Based on national standards, the place of death is categorized as shown above. The place of death of the decedent is reported by the medical certifier, such as a physician, CRNP, or coroner, based on the physical location where the death occurred.

Place of Death	# of Deaths
Hospice	279
Hospital	9,412
Long-Term Living	6,867
Residence	823
Other	13



COMORBIDITIES

Due to the novel nature of COVID-19, this is a list of comorbidities currently being tracked in Pennsylvania. This subset of comorbidities should not be interpreted as a list of conditions that caused an individual to be more susceptible to the disease. Since an individual may have multiple comorbidities, this count is not mutually exclusive. For instance, a decedent with hypertension and diabetes will be counted in both comorbidity types.

At the time of this reporting, approximately 37% of death records did not include comorbidity data. While medical certifiers are encouraged to include comorbidities that significantly contributed to the death, medical certifiers often underreport comorbidity data.

Comorbidities Grouped by Classification	
Cancer	796
Cardio: Congestive Heart Failure	1,088
Coronary Artery Disease	1,215
Hypertension	2,645
Immuno: HIV	19
Organ Transplant	33
Kidney: Chronic	1,084
End-Stage Renal	286
Liver: Chronic	16
Cirrhosis	88
Metabolic: Diabetes	1,895
Obesity	382
Neuro: Dementia	3,066
Parkinson's	358
Respiratory: Asthma	120
COPD	1,212
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