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WEEKLY REPORT FOR
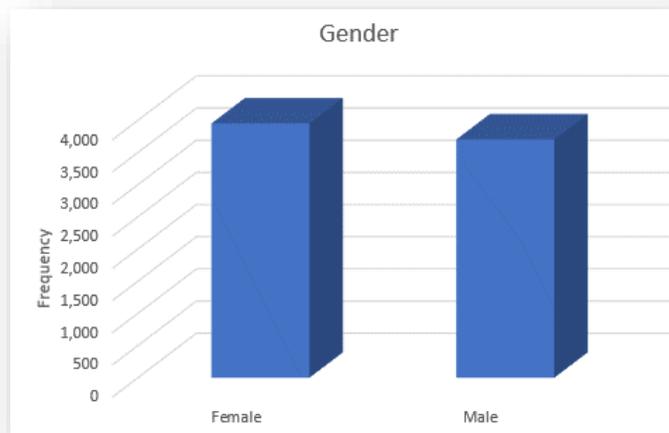# DEATHS ATTRIBUTED TO COVID-19
ISSUED AUGUST 28, 2020

DEATHS REGISTERED: 7,655

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 August 27, 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	3,952
Male	3,703

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[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.
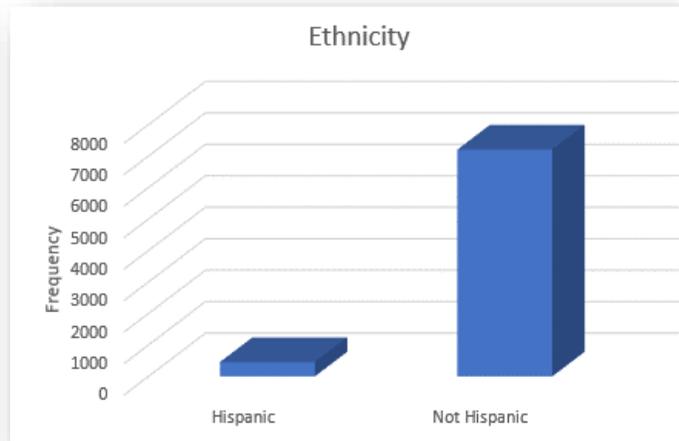
RACE

Race	# of Deaths
Asian	162
African American	1,608
White	5,520
Multiple/Other	365
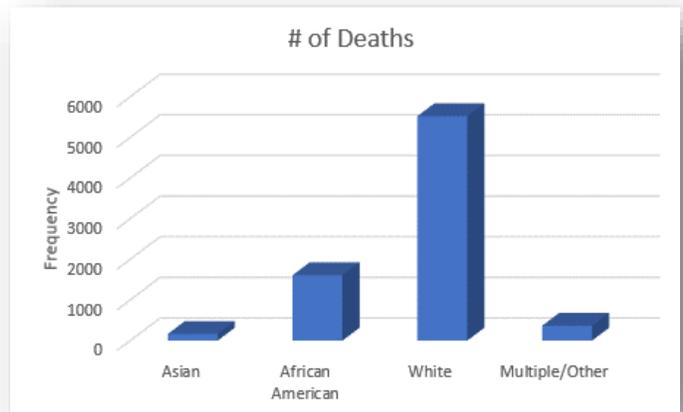
ETHNICITY

Ethnicity	# of Deaths
Hispanic	453
Not Hispanic	7,202

AGE

Age	# of Deaths
<0-4	*
5-9	*
10-14	*
15-19	*
20-24	*
25-29	6
30-34	13
35-39	15
40-44	38
45-49	87
50-54	148
55-59	243
60-64	434
65-69	628
70-74	754
75-79	897
80-84	1077
85-89	1311
90-94	1271
95-99	607
100-104	106
105-109	11
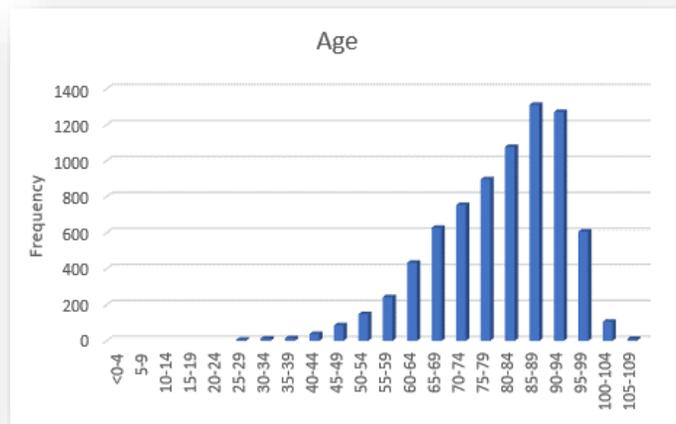
*Counts less than 5 are suppressed.

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	171
Hospital	3,916
Long-Term Living	3,303
Residence	262
Other	3

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 suspectable 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	344
Cardio: Congestive Heart Failure	512
Coronary Artery Disease	581
Hypertension	1,488
Immuno: HIV	14
Organ Transplant	13
Kidney: Chronic	491
End-Stage Renal	165
Liver: Chronic	8
Cirrhosis	36
Metabolic: Diabetes	938
Obesity	161
Neuro: Dementia	1,609
Parkinson's	183
Respiratory: Asthma	60
COPD	603
Sleep Apnea	60

Comorbidities in Descending Order	
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