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WEEKLY REPORT FOR
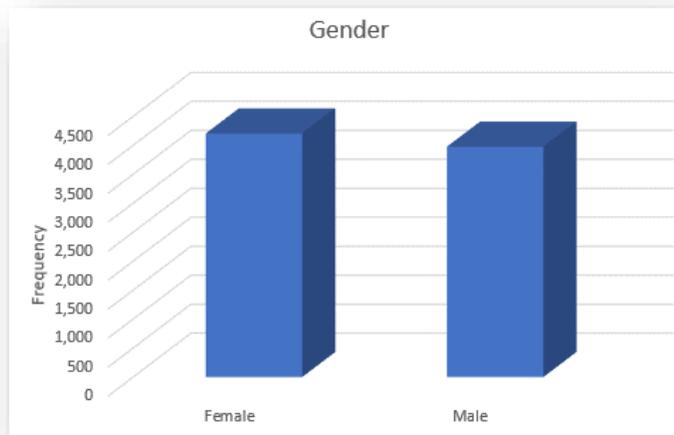# DEATHS ATTRIBUTED TO COVID-19
ISSUED OCTOBER 2, 2020

DEATHS REGISTERED: 8,179

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 October 1, 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	4,203
Male	3,976

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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.
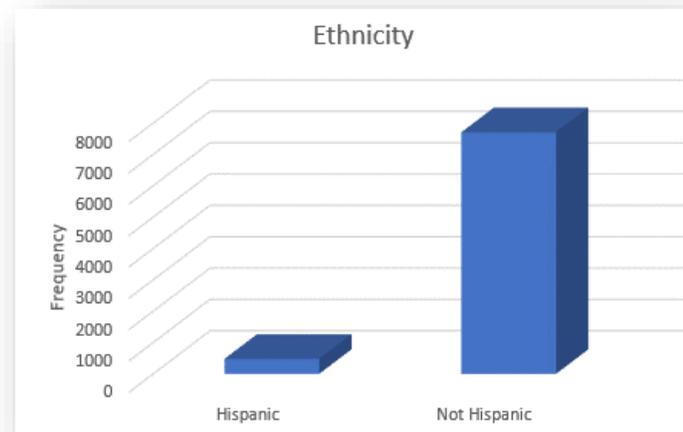
RACE

Race	# of Deaths
Asian	168
African American	1,679
White	5,946
Multiple/Other	386
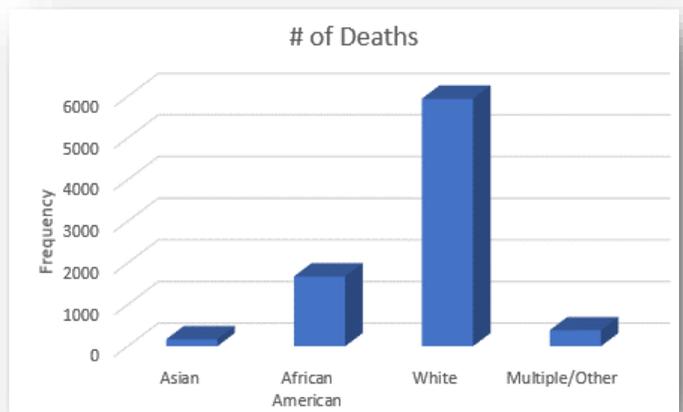
ETHNICITY

Ethnicity	# of Deaths
Hispanic	476
Not Hispanic	7,703

AGE

Age	# of Deaths
<0-4	*
5-9	*
10-14	*
15-19	*
20-24	*
25-29	7
30-34	13
35-39	17
40-44	41
45-49	94
50-54	160
55-59	261
60-64	457
65-69	670
70-74	797
75-79	963
80-84	1,156
85-89	1,399
90-94	1,362
95-99	644
100-104	115
105-109	11
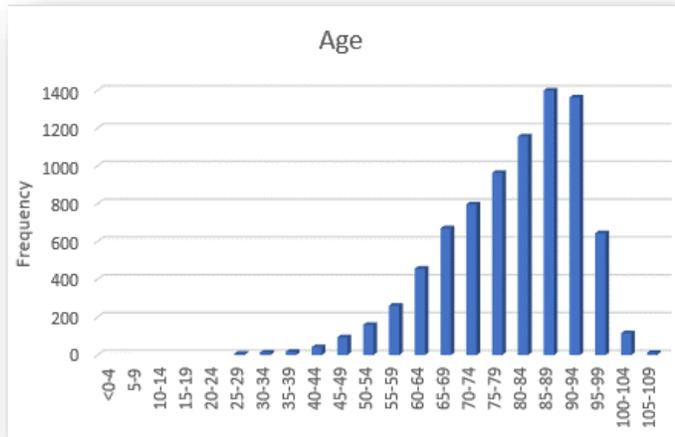
*Counts less than 5 are suppressed.

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	178
Hospital	4,173
Long-Term Living	3,533
Residence	292
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	381
Cardio: Congestive Heart Failure	558
Coronary Artery Disease	633
Hypertension	1,568
Immuno: HIV	14
Organ Transplant	16
Kidney: Chronic	526
End-Stage Renal	179
Liver: Chronic	8
Cirrhosis	39
Metabolic: Diabetes	997
Obesity	175
Neuro: Dementia	1,744
Parkinson's	201
Respiratory: Asthma	63
COPD	646
Sleep Apnea	67

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