

WEEKLY REPORT FOR DEATHS ATTRIBUTED TO COVID-19 ISSUED OCTOBER 16, 2020

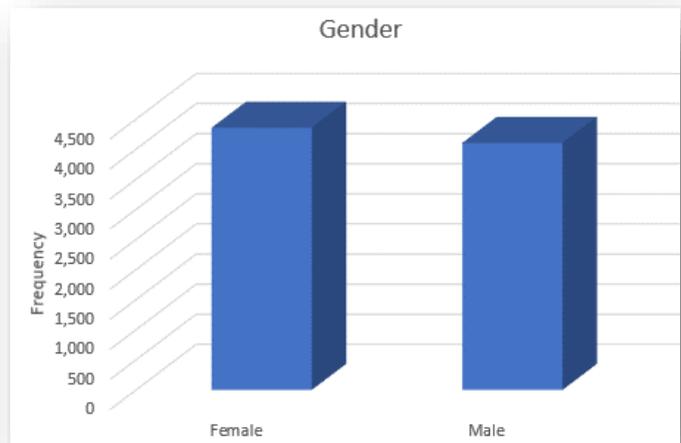
DEATHS REGISTERED: 8,457

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 15, 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	4,354
Male	4,103



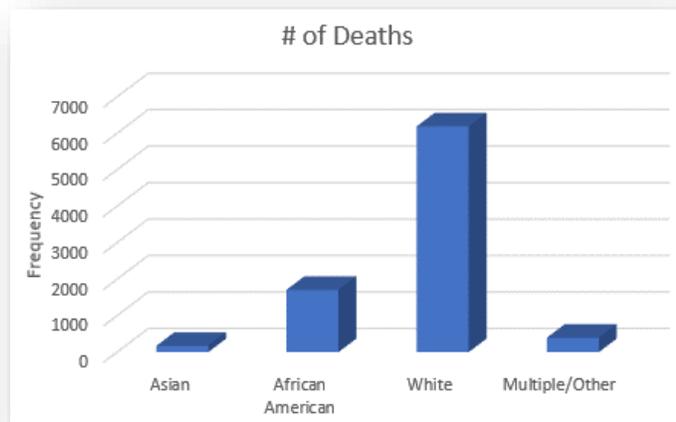
¹ https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nvss/vsrr/covid19/tech_notes.htm

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.

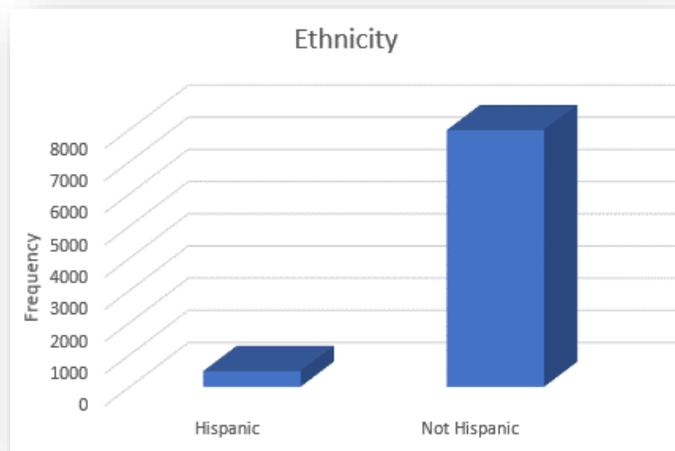
RACE

Race	# of Deaths
Asian	169
African American	1,707
White	6,187
Multiple/Other	394



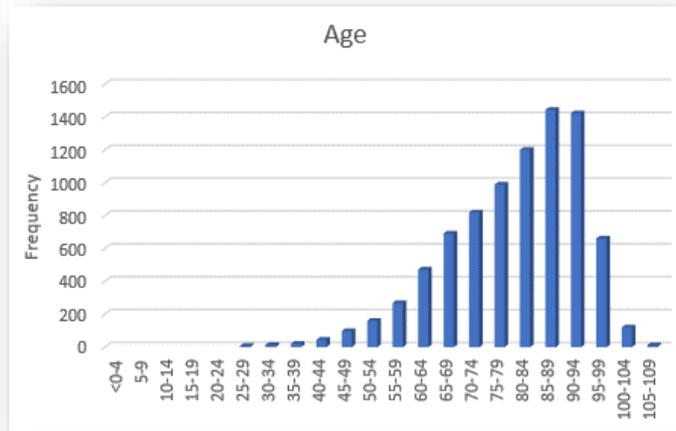
ETHNICITY

Ethnicity	# of Deaths
Hispanic	485
Not Hispanic	7,972



AGE

Age	# of Deaths
<0-4	*
5-9	*
10-14	*
15-19	*
20-24	*
25-29	8
30-34	14
35-39	20
40-44	45
45-49	98
50-54	160
55-59	268
60-64	472
65-69	691
70-74	819
75-79	989
80-84	1,201
85-89	1,444
90-94	1,423
95-99	661
100-104	120
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	181
Hospital	4,320
Long-Term Living	3,645
Residence	307
Other	4



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	396
Cardio: Congestive Heart Failure	583
Coronary Artery Disease	658
Hypertension	1,613
Immuno: HIV	14
Organ Transplant	17
Kidney: Chronic	548
End-Stage Renal	183
Liver: Chronic	9
Cirrhosis	40
Metabolic: Diabetes	1,036
Obesity	186
Neuro: Dementia	1,798
Parkinson's	205
Respiratory: Asthma	66
COPD	664
Sleep Apnea	68

Comorbidities in Descending Order	
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