

## WEEKLY REPORT FOR DEATHS ATTRIBUTED TO COVID-19 ISSUED OCTOBER 30, 2020

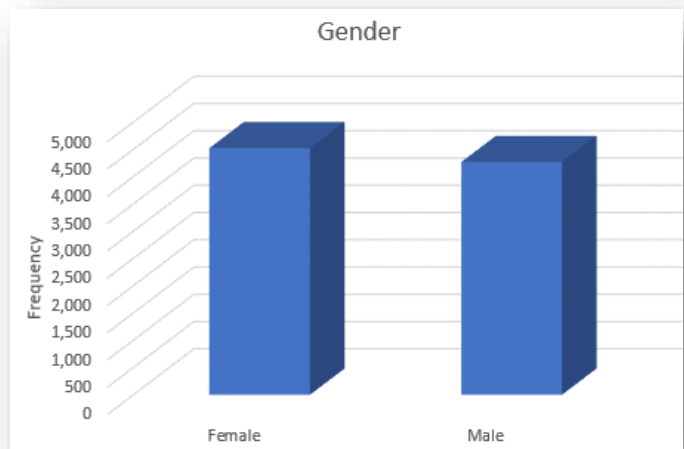
**DEATHS REGISTERED:** 8,784

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 29, 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.<sup>1</sup> Death records included in this report include laboratory confirmed COVID-19 deaths and clinically confirmed COVID-19 deaths.<sup>2</sup>

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	4,519
Male	4,265



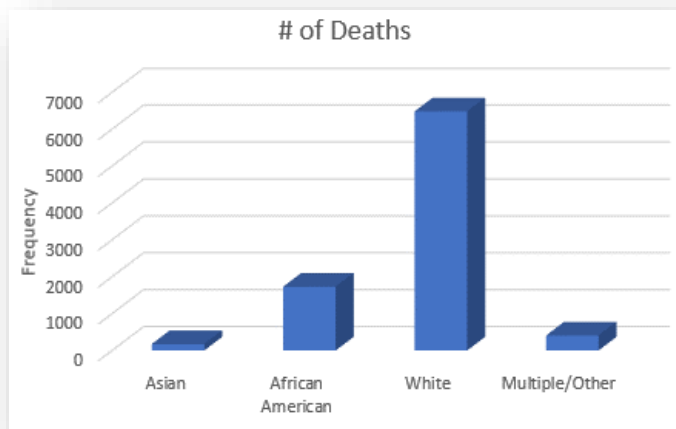
<sup>1</sup> [https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nvss/vsrr/covid19/tech\\_notes.htm](https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nvss/vsrr/covid19/tech_notes.htm)

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.

<sup>2</sup> 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.

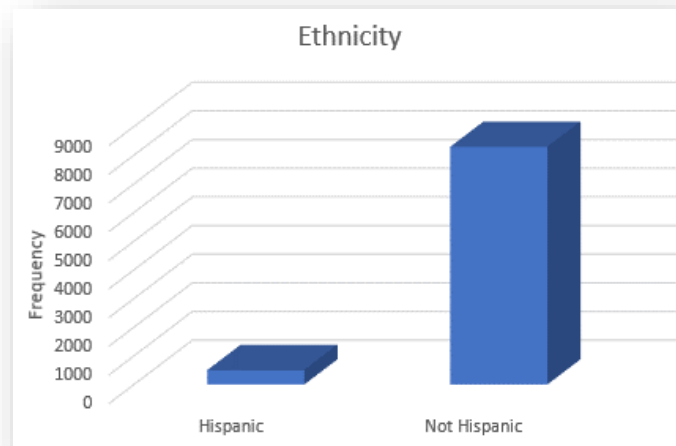
**RACE**

<b>Race</b>	<b># of Deaths</b>
Asian	173
African American	1,728
White	6,479
Multiple/Other	404



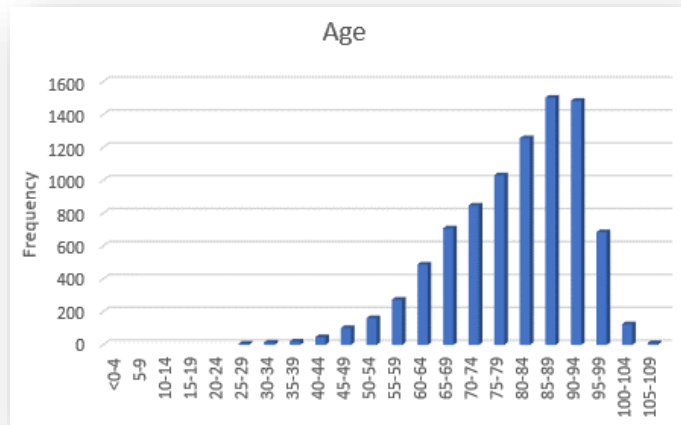
**ETHNICITY**

<b>Ethnicity</b>	<b># of Deaths</b>
Hispanic	497
Not Hispanic	8,287



**AGE**

Age	# of Deaths
<0-4	*
5-9	*
10-14	*
15-19	*
20-24	*
25-29	8
30-34	15
35-39	21
40-44	47
45-49	102
50-54	163
55-59	275
60-64	489
65-69	708
70-74	847
75-79	1,031
80-84	1,256
85-89	1,503
90-94	1,484
95-99	685
100-104	126
105-109	11

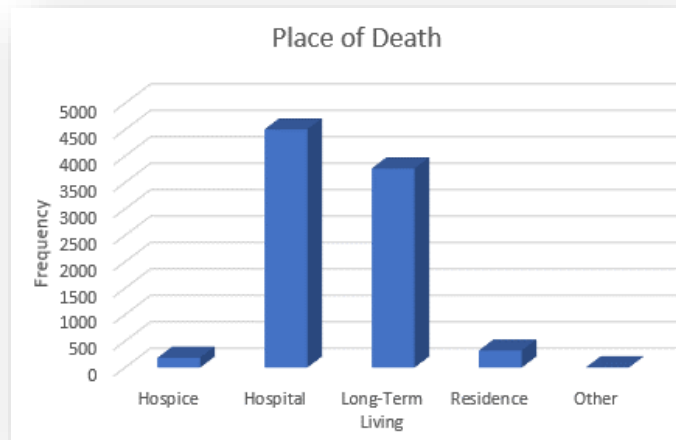


\*Counts less than 5 are suppressed.

**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	184
Hospital	4,505
Long-Term Living	3,767
Residence	323
Other	5



## **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.

<b>Comorbidities Grouped by Classification</b>	
Cancer	416
Cardio: Congestive Heart Failure	601
Coronary Artery Disease	683
Hypertension	1,651
Immuno: HIV	14
Organ Transplant	19
Kidney: Chronic	571
End-Stage Renal	188
Liver: Chronic	9
Cirrhosis	40
Metabolic: Diabetes	1,066
Obesity	188
Neuro: Dementia	1,864
Parkinson's	213
Respiratory: Asthma	67
COPD	683
Sleep Apnea	68

<b>Comorbidities in Descending Order</b>	
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