

## WEEKLY REPORT FOR DEATHS ATTRIBUTED TO COVID-19 ISSUED DECEMBER 4, 2020

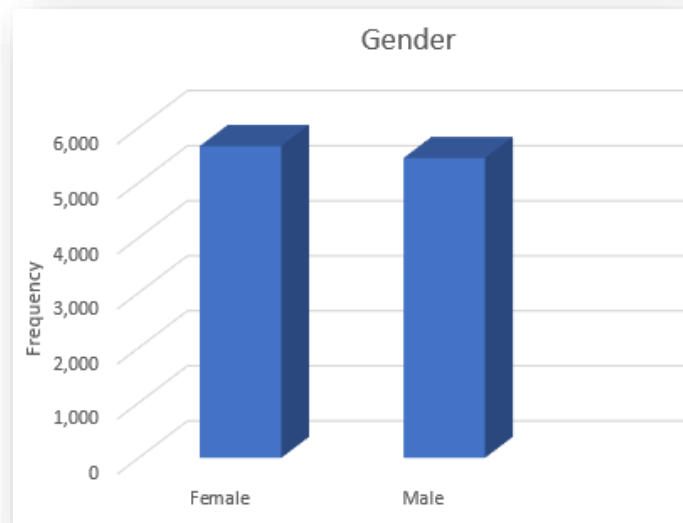
**DEATHS REGISTERED:** 11,113

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 5, 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	5,665
Male	5,448



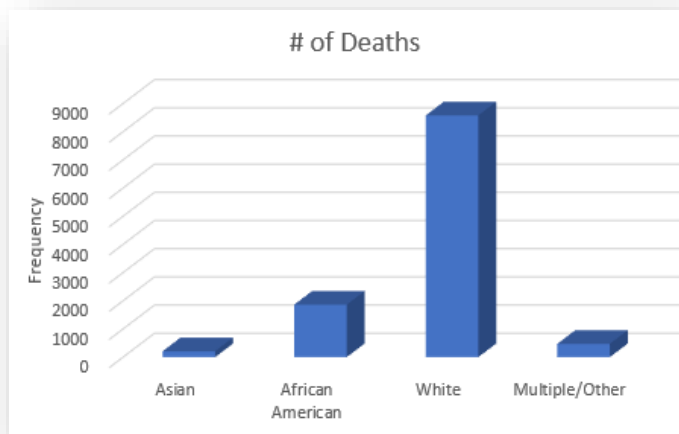
<sup>1</sup> [https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nvss/vsrr/covid19/tech\\_notes.htm](https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nvss/vsrr/covid19/tech_notes.htm)

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.

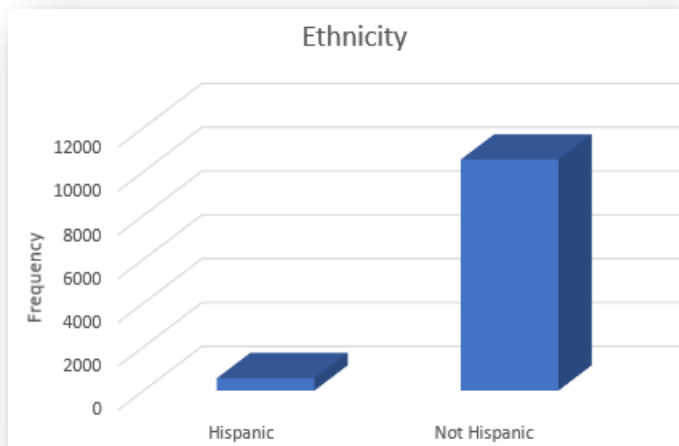
**RACE**

<b>Race</b>	<b># of Deaths</b>
Asian	207
African American	1,860
White	8,576
Multiple/Other	470



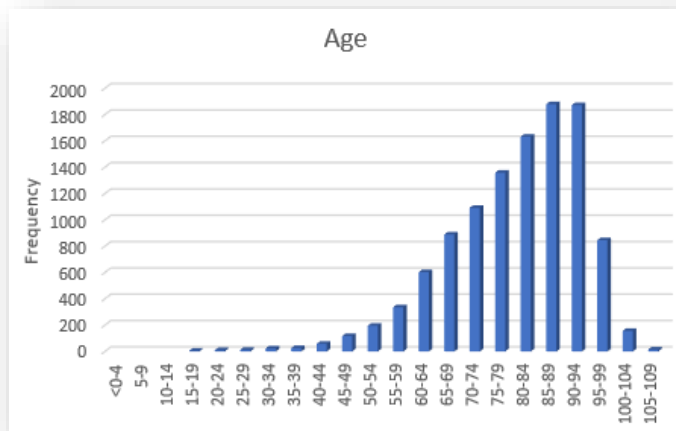
**ETHNICITY**

<b>Ethnicity</b>	<b># of Deaths</b>
Hispanic	567
Not Hispanic	10,546



**AGE**

Age	# of Deaths
<0-4	*
5-9	*
10-14	*
15-19	5
20-24	9
25-29	11
30-34	22
35-39	25
40-44	58
45-49	117
50-54	195
55-59	335
60-64	602
65-69	888
70-74	1091
75-79	1358
80-84	1632
85-89	1879
90-94	1871
95-99	845
100-104	156
105-109	14

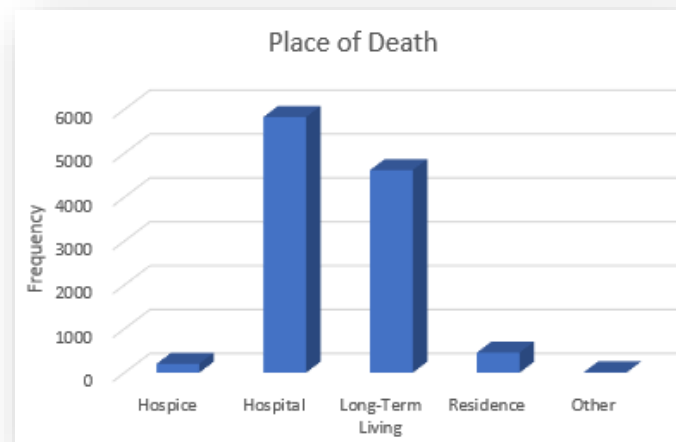


\*Counts less than 5 are suppressed.

**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	203
Hospital	5,825
Long-Term Living	4,617
Residence	459
Other	9



## **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	526
Cardio: Congestive Heart Failure	766
Coronary Artery Disease	853
Hypertension	1,953
Immuno: HIV	15
Organ Transplant	26
Kidney: Chronic	743
End-Stage Renal	220
Liver: Chronic	12
Cirrhosis	58
Metabolic: Diabetes	1,328
Obesity	247
Neuro: Dementia	2,277
Parkinson's	259
Respiratory: Asthma	81
COPD	853
Sleep Apnea	87

<b>Comorbidities in Descending Order</b>	
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