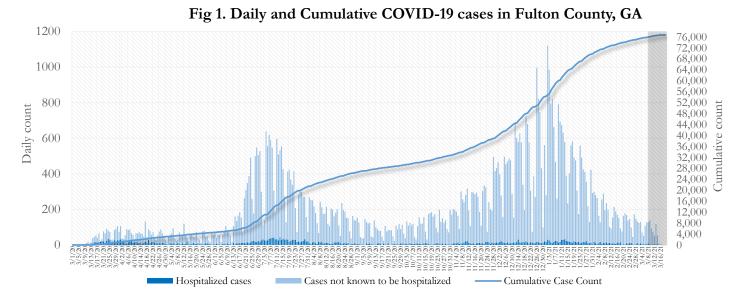


# Fulton County Board of Health Epidemiology Report

COVID-19 Cases - 3/19/2021

#### **SUMMARY**

- As of March 19, 2021, Fulton County has recorded 76,740 cases of the 2019 novel coronavirus (COVID-19) and 1,144 confirmed COVID-19 deaths. 129 deaths are currently being reviewed by GA DPH to confirm cause of death.
- Of 1,696 new diagnoses made between February 27 and March 12, the central portion of the county (Atlanta) accounted for 47% while the northern and southern parts accounted for 31% and 18% respectively.
- By city, new COVID-19 case rates range from 91.2 per 100,000 persons (Hapeville) to 230.6 per 100,000 persons (College Park). [Fulton County Diagnoses Rates (per 100,000 persons): Cumulative – 6981.6; Incidence –154.3]. See map showing incident case rate by ZIP code on Pg.12.
- Among all persons diagnosed with COVID-19 in Fulton County since August 1, 4.1% required hospitalization and 1.2% died.
- Of all testing done in Fulton County between March 1 and March 14, the percent positivity rate was 4.4%.



\*Counts shown reflect the number of confirmed cases as of 9:00 pm on 3/18/21 using the date of first positive sample collection. Where date of sample collection was not available or missing, the date of report creation in GA SENDSS was used instead. Note: Delays in data reporting may cause changes in data counts, particularly in the shaded portion. Data throughout this report are preliminary and subject to ongoing data cleaning processes, and thus are subject to change. For reporting on probable (antigen) cases, visit the DPH Daily Status Report here.

#### DISTRIBUTION OF COVID-19 CASES BY REGION

New cases: 47% of the new COVID-19 cases in the past 2 weeks occurred in Atlanta while 31% and 18% occurred in the Northern and Southern regions of the county respectively.

| Fulton Region          | % Cumulative | % New  |  |
|------------------------|--------------|--------|--|
|                        | count        | cases* |  |
| Atlanta                | 42.5%        | 46.8%  |  |
| North <sup>1</sup>     | 34.2%        | 31.1%  |  |
| South <sup>2</sup>     | 19.6%        | 18.1%  |  |
| Unincorporated/Unknown | 3.7%         | 4.0%   |  |

<sup>1</sup>Includes all Fulton County cities north of Atlanta (Alpharetta, Johns Creek, Milton, Mountain Park, Roswell, Sandy Springs,) | Includes all cities south

South Fulton, and Union City) \*New cases: Cases diagnosed in the past 2 weeks only (between 2/24/21 - 3/9/21).

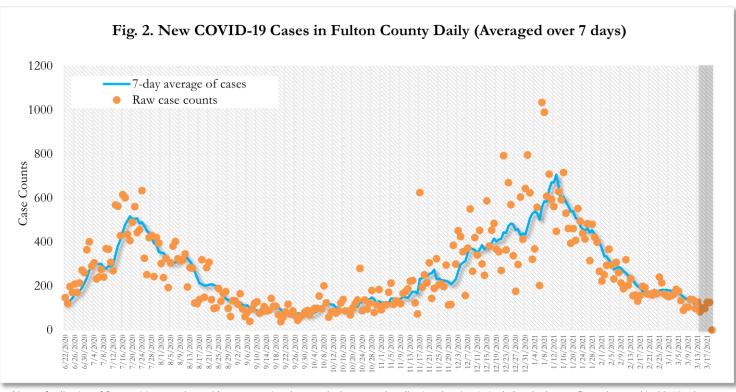
of Atlanta (Chattahoochee Hills, College Park, East Point, Fairburn, Hapeville, Palmetto,

In the recent two week reporting period (2/27-3/12), there were fewer new cases of **COVID-19** in Fulton County than the previous two weeks (2/13-2/26).

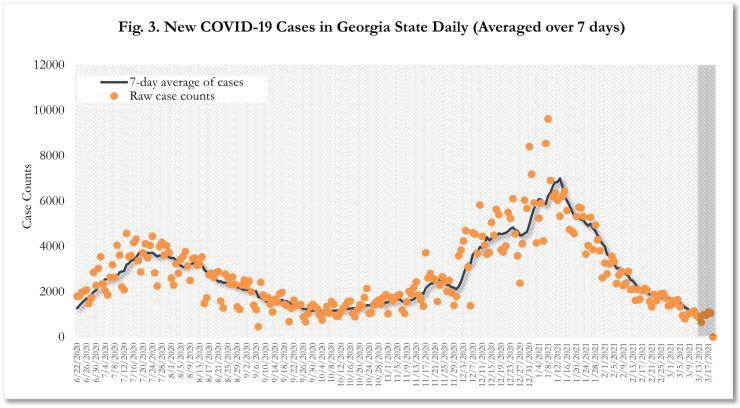


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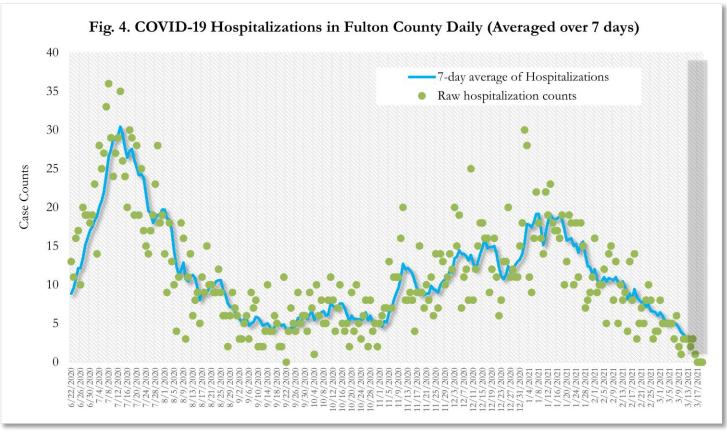
### TRENDS IN COVID-19 CASES, HOSPITALIZATIONS AND DEATHS (7-DAY MOVING AVE.)



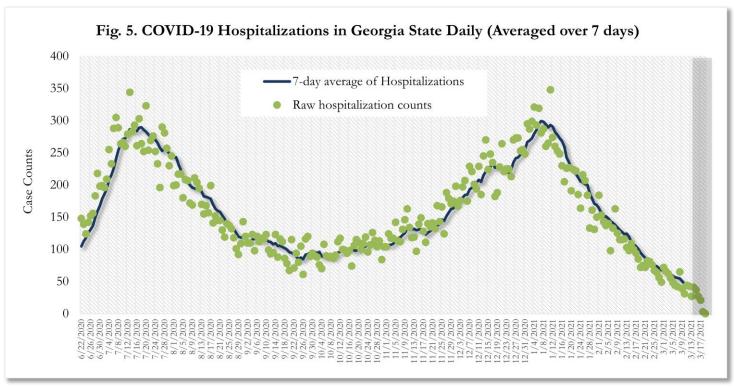
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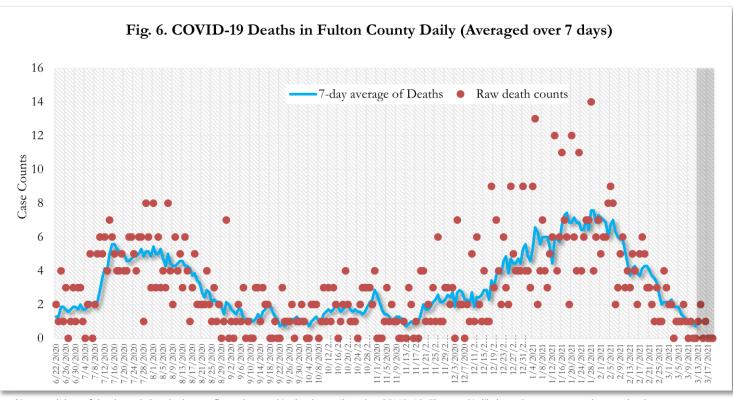
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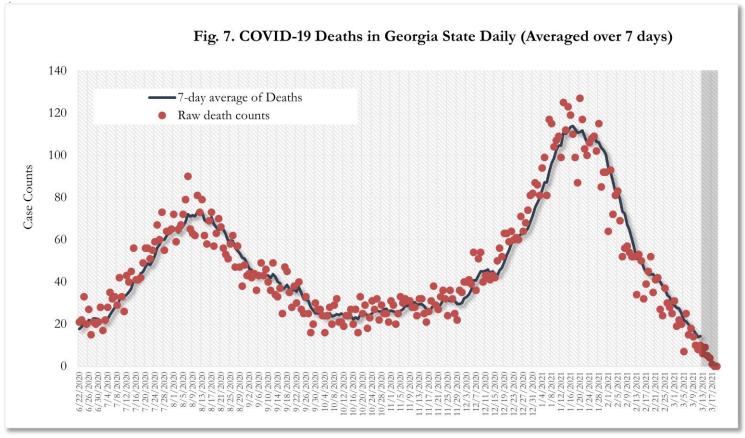
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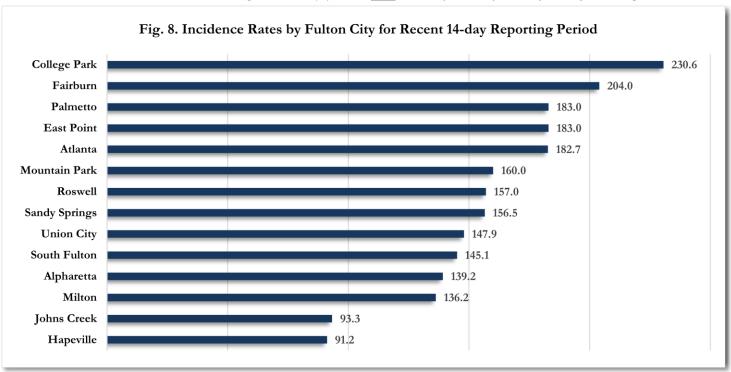


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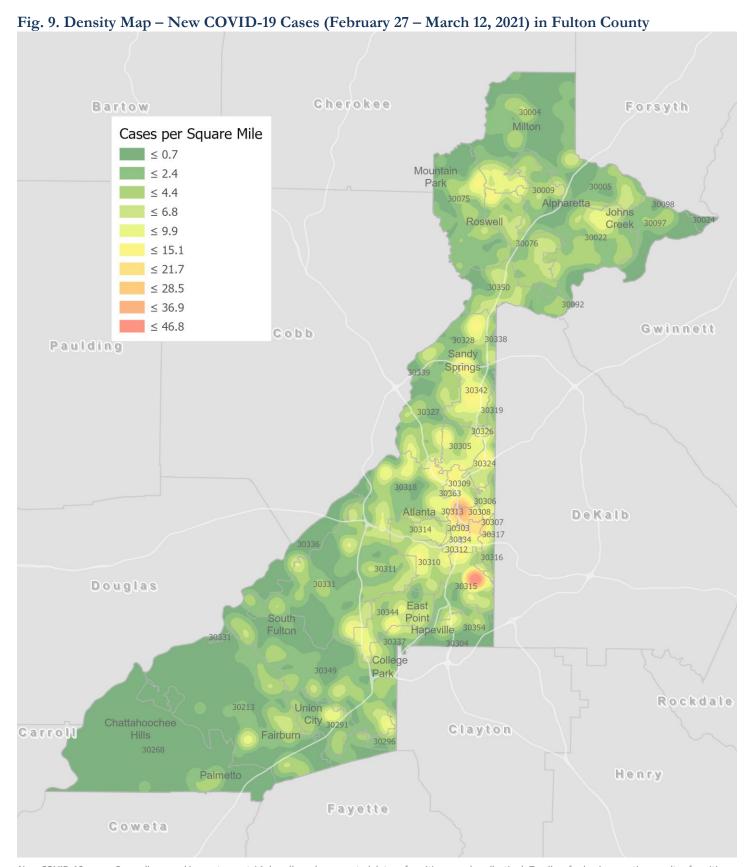
### **COVID-19 CASE COUNTS AND RATES BY CITY**

|                     | Recent 14-day<br>reporting period <sup>1</sup> | Preceding 14-day reporting period | % Change from preceding<br>14 days (%) <sup>2</sup> | Incidence<br>Rate <sup>3</sup> |
|---------------------|------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
|                     | 2/27-3/12                                      | 2/13-2/26                         |                                                     |                                |
| Alpharetta          | 90                                             | 155                               | ↓ 41.9%                                             | 139.2                          |
| Atlanta             | 806                                            | 892                               | ↓ 9.6%                                              | 182.7                          |
| Chattahoochee Hills | 0                                              | <10                               | -                                                   | -                              |
| College Park        | 32                                             | 29                                | ↑ 10.3%                                             | 230.6                          |
| East Point          | 64                                             | 76                                | ↓ 15.8%                                             | 183.0                          |
| Fairburn            | 30                                             | 33                                | ↓ 9.1%                                              | 204.0                          |
| Hapeville           | <10                                            | <10                               | ↓ 14.3%                                             | 91.2                           |
| Johns Creek         | 78                                             | 115                               | ↓ 32.2%                                             | 93.3                           |
| Milton              | 52                                             | 93                                | ↓ 44.1%                                             | 136.2                          |
| Mountain Park       | <10                                            | <10                               | ↓ 66.7%                                             | 160.0                          |
| Palmetto            | <10                                            | 13                                | ↓ 38.5%                                             | 183.0                          |
| Roswell             | 148                                            | 144                               | ↑ 2.8%                                              | 157.0                          |
| Sandy Springs       | 165                                            | 187                               | ↓ 11.8%                                             | 156.5                          |
| South Fulton        | 138                                            | 227                               | ↓ 39.2%                                             | 145.1                          |
| Union City          | 31                                             | 57                                | ↓ 45.6%                                             | 147.9                          |
| Unknown             | 47                                             | 48                                | -                                                   | -                              |

\*New cases: Cases diagnosed in most recent 14 days (based on reported dates of positive sample collection). To allow for lag in reporting results of new diagnoses from samples collected in the most recent week, data used for incident diagnoses analyses were moved back by one week. \*\* Change: These reflect the percentage increase or decrease in new diagnoses between the 14 days preceding the most recent 7 days and the 14 days preceding that. \*\* (Incidence) Rate: Rate of new diagnoses in the last 14 day period preceding the immediate past week. \*\* Data cleaning (either during case interviews or address geo-coding) may lead to reassignment of few cases from one territory to another based on their corrected addresses. These may appear as "decreases" when compared to the previous counts. These do not reflect errors in the data collection or analysis process but only reflect the minor day-to-day fluctuations in case counts that arise in an evolving public health database like COVID's. \*Incidence rate is skewed high due to small population.. Note: All data reported are preliminary and subject to change.

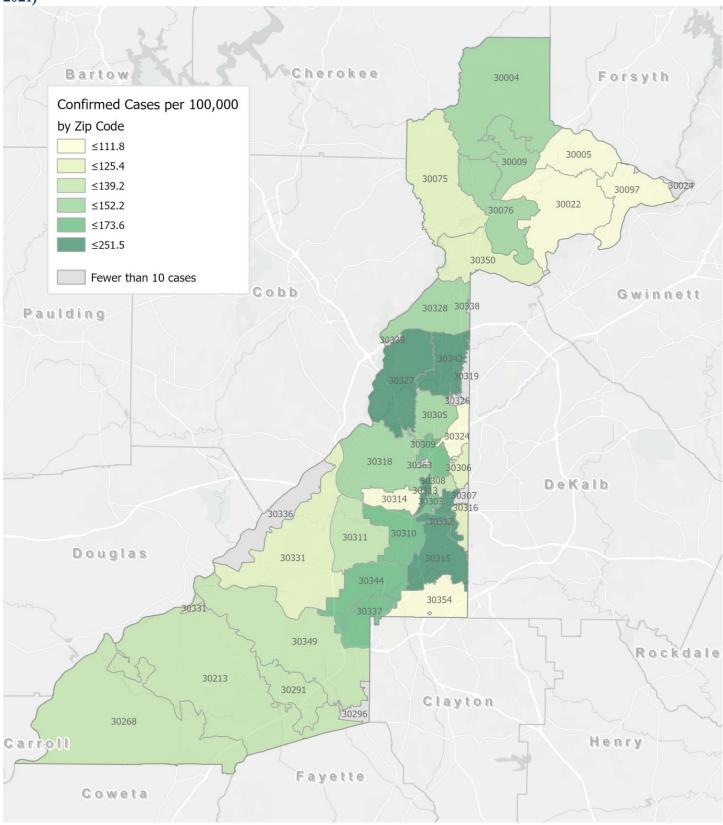


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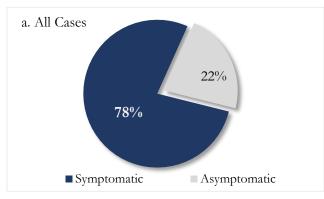
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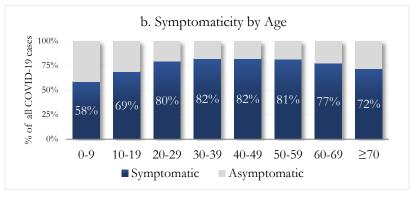
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### REPORTING SYMPTOMS AMONG PERSONS WITH COVID-19 IN FULTON

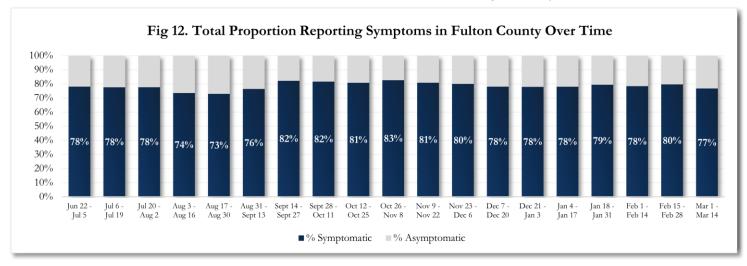
People with COVID-19 have reported a wide range of symptoms ranging from mild symptoms to severe illness. Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus. Symptoms reported include: cough, shortness of breath/difficulty breathing, fever, chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, congestion, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea, fatigue, or new loss of taste or smell – Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) – Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html">https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html</a>

Fig. 11a & b. Total Proportion Reporting Symptoms in Fulton

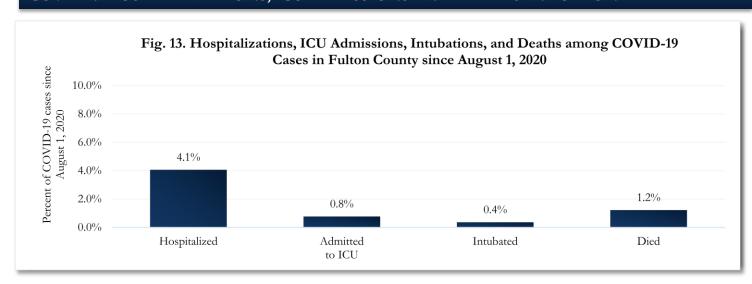




\*\*\*COVID-19 cases who have been case interviewed or had medical charts reviewed as of 3/19/21 only. n = 45,401\*\*\*



### COVID-19 HOSPITALIZATIONS, ICU ADMISSIONS AND DEATHS IN FULTON



### **DEMOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTIONS – COVID-19 CASES AND DEATHS**

A. Distribution of COVID-19 cases by gender, age, and race in Fulton County by Fulton Region in the past 28 days (2/13-3/12)

|                      | North Fulton Cities <sup>1</sup> | Atlanta   | South Fulton Cities <sup>2</sup> | Unknown City | All Fulton |
|----------------------|----------------------------------|-----------|----------------------------------|--------------|------------|
|                      | Count (%)                        | Count (%) | Count (%)                        | Count (%)    | Count (%)  |
| Total COVID-19 cases | 1158                             | 1601      | 717                              | 114          | 3590       |
| Gender: Female       | 613 (53%)                        | 836 (52%) | 384 (54%)                        | 55 (48%)     | 1888 (53%) |
| Male                 | 538 (46%)                        | 754 (47%) | 330 (46%)                        | 56 (49%)     | 1678 (47%) |
| Unknown*             | <10                              | 11 (1%)   | <10                              | <10          | 24 (1%)    |
| <b>Age:</b> 0-9      | 69 (6%)                          | 88 (5%)   | 38 (5%)                          | <10          | 198 (6%)   |
| 10-19                | 168 (15%)                        | 228 (14%) | 102 (14%)                        | 23 (20%)     | 521 (15%)  |
| 20-29                | 203 (18%)                        | 296 (18%) | 129 (18%)                        | 23 (20%)     | 651 (18%)  |
| 30-39                | 209 (18%)                        | 292 (18%) | 138 (19%)                        | 21 (18%)     | 660 (18%)  |
| 40-49                | 165 (14%)                        | 246 (15%) | 110 (15%)                        | 16 (14%)     | 537 (15%)  |
| 50-59                | 169 (15%)                        | 221 (14%) | 96 (13%)                         | 15 (13%)     | 501 (14%)  |
| 60-69                | 90 (8%)                          | 123 (8%)  | 57 (8%)                          | 10 (9%)      | 280 (8%)   |
| ≥70                  | 81 (7%)                          | 103 (6%)  | 47 (7%)                          | <10          | 234 (7%)   |
| Unknown*             | <10                              | <10       | <10                              | <10          | 8 (0%)     |
| Race: Asian, NH      | 44 (4%)                          | 61 (4%)   | 31 (4%)                          | <10          | 140 (4%)   |
| Black, NH            | 452 (39%)                        | 616 (38%) | 285 (40%)                        | 38 (33%)     | 1391 (39%) |
| White, NH            | 316 (27%)                        | 438 (27%) | 196 (27%)                        | 38 (33%)     | 988 (28%)  |
| Hispanic             | 108 (9%)                         | 127 (8%)  | 59 (8%)                          | 11 (10%)     | 305 (8%)   |
| Other, NH            | 56 (5%)                          | 90 (6%)   | 44 (6%)                          | <10          | 194 (5%)   |
| Unknown*             | 182 (16%)                        | 269 (17%) | 102 (14%)                        | 19 (17%)     | 572 (16%)  |

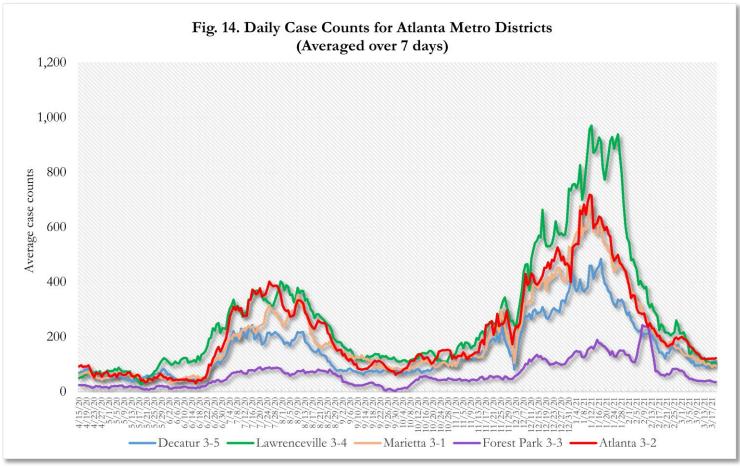
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B. Distribution of COVID-19 deaths by gender, age, and race in Fulton County in the past 28 days (2/13 - 3/12)

|                       | Count of New Deaths | % of New Deaths |
|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| Total COVID-19 deaths | 10                  | 100%            |

<u>Note:</u> Ten deaths were reported in the past 28 day reporting period and cannot be broken down to demographic level (numbers under 10 are not presented). Death data is often lagged while cause of death is confirmed. See the cumulative report for total mortality distribution.

### COVID-19 CASE TRENDS IN FULTON AND SURROUNDING DISTRICTS



<sup>\*</sup>Graph shows the average number of cases calculated from the daily cumulative case counts in the metro Atlanta districts. Increases in daily cumulative case counts may include cases diagnosed earlier during the pandemic but were only recently reported to the state as cases diagnosed belonging to these districts.

Hall Forsyth Cherokee Bartow Milton Jackson Polk Alpharetta Acworth Kennesaw Johns Barrow Gwinnett Marietta Lawrenceville **Paulding** Sandy Cobb **Springs** Doraville Oconee Powder Springs Chamblee Lilburn Austell Clarkston Stone Walton Mountain DeKalb Atlanta Villa Fulton Rica Douglasville Douglas Point Hapeville Conyers Fulton Rockdale Park City Morgan Riverdale Morrow Fairburn Clayton Newton Carroll Palmetto Jonesboro -Henry Fayette Health Districts Cases per Square Mile ≤1.3 Jasper ≤3.9 ts ≤6.9 3-4 Spalding ≤9.8 3-1 3-5 ≤13.1 ≤17.1 ≤22.6 Trou ≤36.1 Monroe Pike ≤58.4 Jones ≤83.7

Fig. 15. COVID-19 Cases in Fulton County and Surrounding Districts (February 27 – March 12, 2021)

# COVID-19 NEW CASE¹ COUNTS BY ZIP CODE

| Zip Code   | Recent 14-<br>day<br>reporting<br>period<br>(2/27 – 3/12) | Previous<br>14-day<br>reporting<br>period<br>(2/13-2/26) | % Change<br>between<br>reporting<br>periods <sup>2</sup> |
|------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| All Fulton | 1698                                                      | 2092                                                     | ↓ 18.8%                                                  |
| 30004      | 90                                                        | 112                                                      | ↓ 19.6%                                                  |
| 30005      | 33                                                        | 63                                                       | ↓ 47.6%                                                  |
| 30009      | 35                                                        | 39                                                       | ↓ 10.3%                                                  |
| 30022      | 76                                                        | 112                                                      | ↓ 32.1%                                                  |
| 30023      | 0                                                         | 0                                                        | -                                                        |
| 30024      | 0                                                         | <10                                                      | ↓ 100.0%                                                 |
| 30075      | 65                                                        | 66                                                       | ↓ 1.5%                                                   |
| 30076      | 69                                                        | 67                                                       | ↑ 3.0%                                                   |
| 30080      | 0                                                         | 0                                                        | -                                                        |
| 30097      | 16                                                        | 34                                                       | ↓ 52.9%                                                  |
| 30098      | 0                                                         | 0                                                        | -                                                        |
| 30135      | 0                                                         | 0                                                        | -                                                        |
| 30138      | 0                                                         | 0                                                        | -                                                        |
| 30139      | 0                                                         | 0                                                        | -                                                        |
| 30213      | 66                                                        | 87                                                       | ↓ 24.1%                                                  |
| 30268      | 13                                                        | 15                                                       | ↓ 13.3%                                                  |
| 30291      | 36                                                        | 50                                                       | ↓ 28.0%                                                  |
| 30296      | <10                                                       | <10                                                      | -                                                        |
| 30301      | <10                                                       | <10                                                      | -                                                        |
| 30303      | 12                                                        | 17                                                       | ↓ 29.4%                                                  |
| 30305      | 44                                                        | 52                                                       | ↓ 15.4%                                                  |
| 30306      | 20                                                        | 19                                                       | ↑ 5.3%                                                   |
| 30307      | <10                                                       | 10                                                       | ↓ 40.0%                                                  |
| 30308      | 30                                                        | 39                                                       | ↓ 23.1%                                                  |
| 30309      | 51                                                        | 77                                                       | ↓ 33.8%                                                  |
| 30310      | 55                                                        | 69                                                       | ↓ 20.3%                                                  |
| 30311      | 49                                                        | 74                                                       | ↓ 33.8%                                                  |
| 30312      | 50                                                        | 50                                                       | -                                                        |
| 30313      | 27                                                        | 18                                                       | ↑ 50.0%                                                  |
| 30314      | 33                                                        | 38                                                       | ↓ 13.2%                                                  |
| 30315      | 87                                                        | 71                                                       | ↑ 22.5%                                                  |
| 30316      | 19                                                        | 19                                                       | -                                                        |
| 30318      | 116                                                       | 136                                                      | ↓ 14.7%                                                  |
| 30319      | <10                                                       | <10                                                      | -                                                        |
| 30321      | 0                                                         | <10                                                      | ↓ 100.0%                                                 |
| 30324      | 36                                                        | 38                                                       | ↓ 5.3%                                                   |
| 30326      | <10                                                       | 18                                                       | ↓ 61.1%                                                  |
| 30327      | 53                                                        | 40                                                       | ↑ 32.5%                                                  |
| 30328      | 63                                                        | 63                                                       | -                                                        |
| 30331      | 79                                                        | 123                                                      | ↓ 35.8%                                                  |
| 30334      | 0                                                         | <10                                                      | ↓ 100.0%                                                 |
| 30336      | <10                                                       | <10                                                      | -                                                        |
| 30337      | 23                                                        | 30                                                       | ↓ 23.3%                                                  |

| Zip Code | Recent 14-<br>day<br>reporting<br>period<br>(2/27-3/12) | Previous<br>14-day<br>reporting<br>period<br>(2/13-2/26) | % Change<br>between<br>reporting<br>periods |
|----------|---------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| 30338    | <10                                                     | <10                                                      | -                                           |
| 30339    | <10                                                     | <10                                                      | -                                           |
| 30340    | <10                                                     | 0                                                        | -                                           |
| 30341    | 0                                                       | 0                                                        | -                                           |
| 30342    | 73                                                      | 87                                                       | ↓ 16.1%                                     |
| 30344    | 62                                                      | 62                                                       | -                                           |
| 30345    | 0                                                       | 0                                                        | -                                           |
| 30349    | 85                                                      | 139                                                      | ↓ 38.8%                                     |
| 30350    | 46                                                      | 67                                                       | ↓ 31.3%                                     |
| 30354    | 22                                                      | 39                                                       | ↓ 43.6%                                     |
| 30358    | 0                                                       | 0                                                        | -                                           |
| 30363    | <10                                                     | <10                                                      | -                                           |
| 30374    | 0                                                       | 0                                                        | -                                           |
| 30606    | 0                                                       | 0                                                        | -                                           |
| 31131    | 0                                                       | 0                                                        | -                                           |
| 31150    | 0                                                       | 0                                                        | -                                           |
| Unknown  | 21                                                      | 18                                                       | -                                           |

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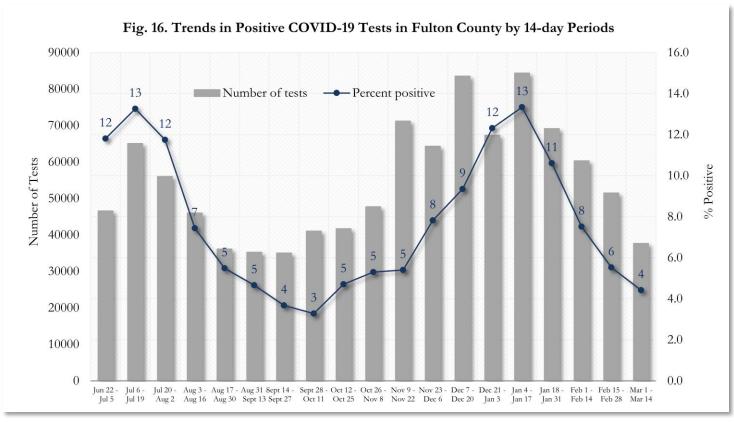
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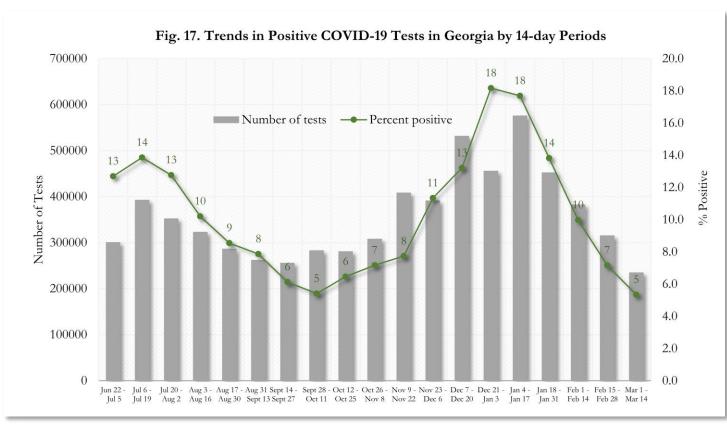
In the interest of keeping the reports concise and useful, the cumulative counts updated on a monthly basis can now be viewed between updates at the Fulton County Board of Health website <a href="here.">here.</a>

Please visit the Georgia Department of Public Health Daily Status Report <a href="here">here</a> for cumulative daily counts.

## COVID-19 TESTING AND POSITIVITY IN FULTON COUNTY AND GEORGIA

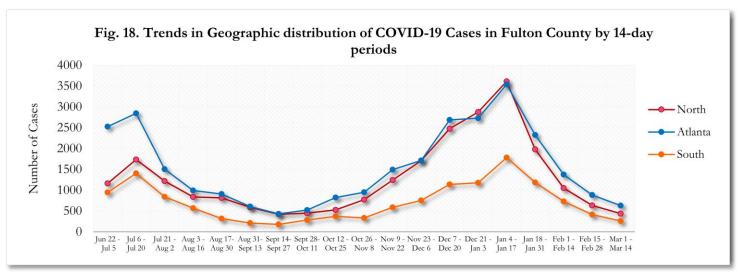


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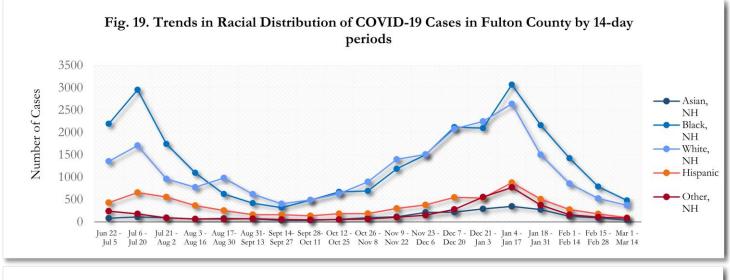
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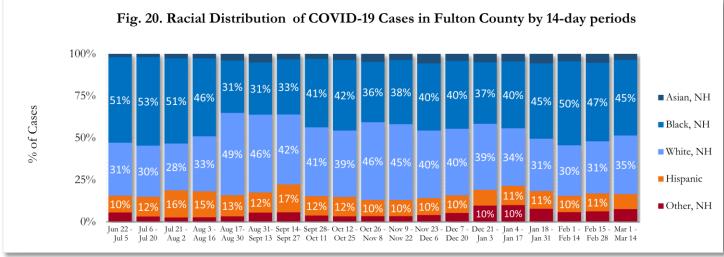
### TRENDS IN COVID-19 CASES AMONG DEMOGRAPHIC GROUPS (14 DAY PERIODS)



In the past two weeks, the city of Atlanta has accounted for the majority of new cases.

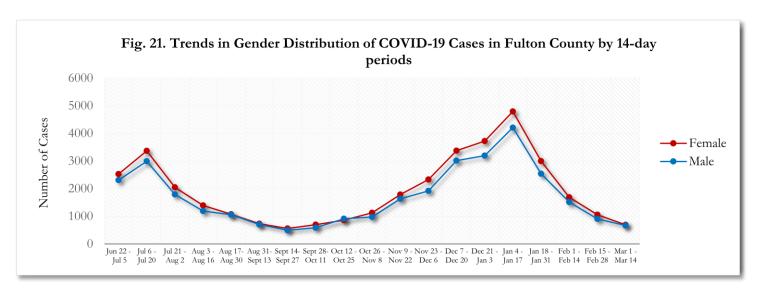
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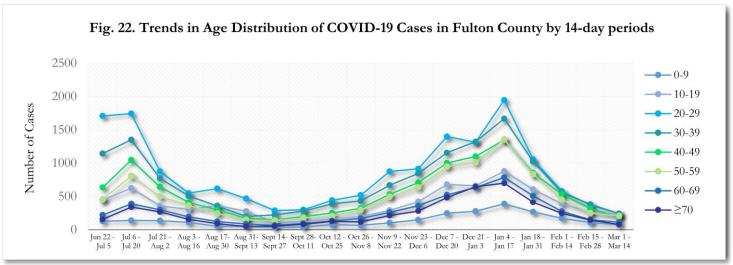




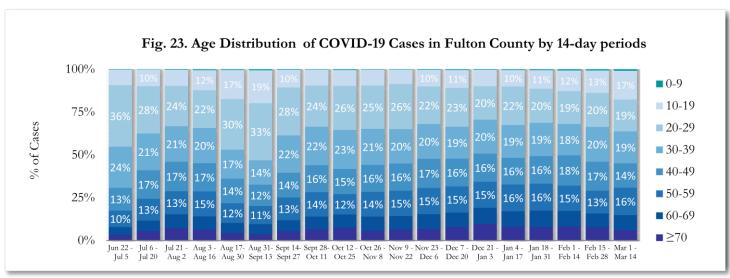
About 13% of all Fulton County COVID cases are missing data on patient race and ethnicity and in the past two weeks, about 22% of cases are missing this data.

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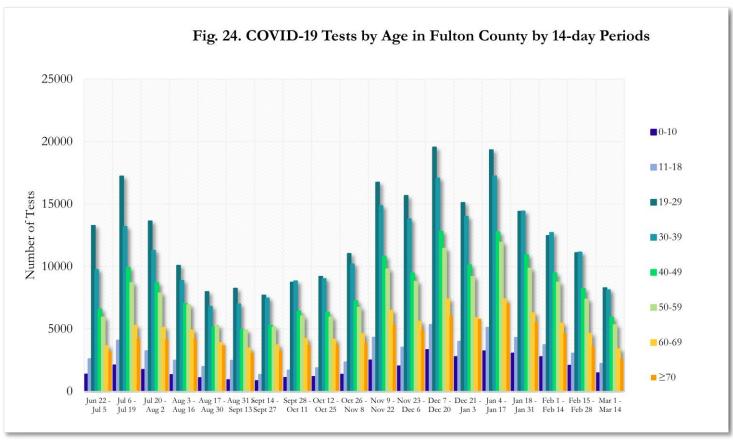


In the most recent two weeks, 20-29 year olds and 30-39 year olds accounted for the majority of new cases.

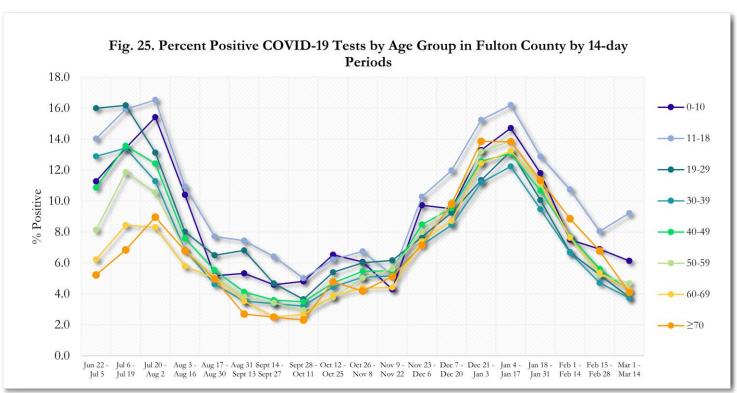


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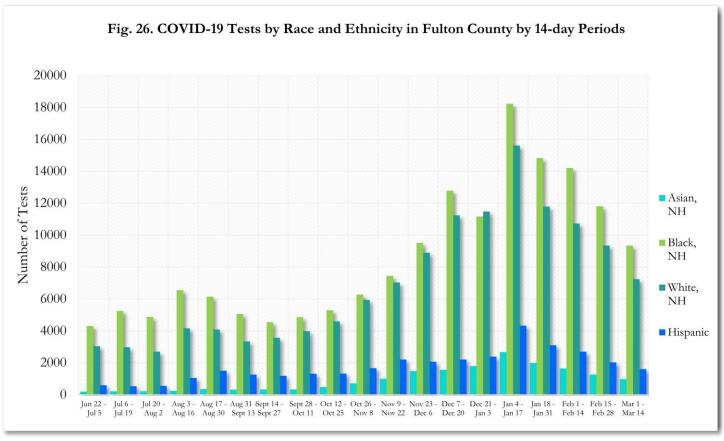
## COVID-19 TESTING AND POSITIVITY IN FULTON COUNTY BY AGE AND RACE



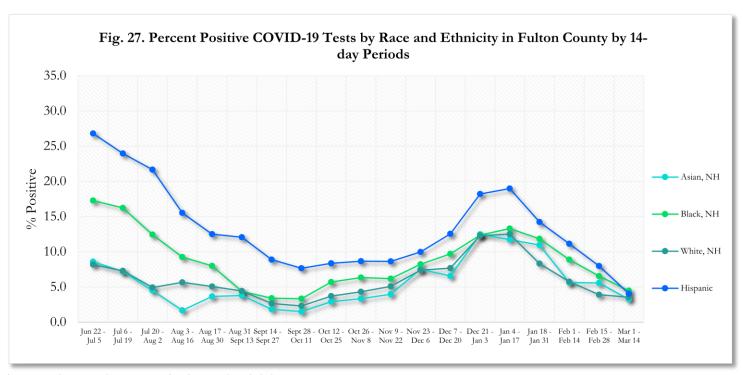
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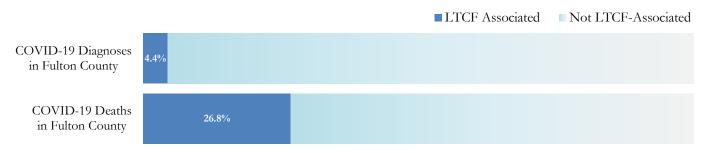
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### COVID-19 IN LONG-TERM CARE FACILITIES IN FULTON COUNTY

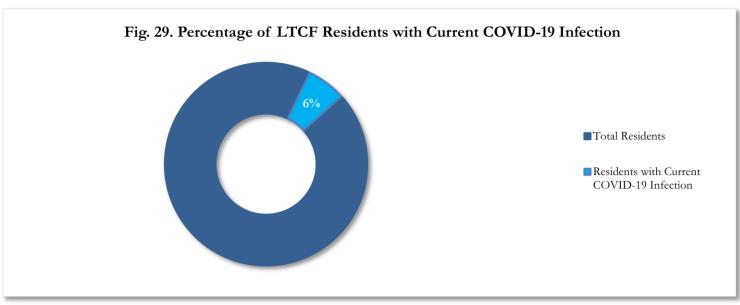
Older persons (aged 65 years and older) and persons who live in nursing homes or other long-term care facilities seem to be at higher risk for developing more serious complications from COVID-19. Extra precautions are recommended for individuals within this risk groups – Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC 2020) <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/need-extra-precautions/people-at-higher-risk.html">https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/need-extra-precautions/people-at-higher-risk.html</a>

Fig. 28. Cumulative COVID-19 Diagnoses and Deaths in Fulton County Associated with Long-Term Care Facilities



\*\*\*LTCF → Long-term Care Facility (Incudes residents and Staff)\*\*\*

### **CURRENT COVID-19 POSITIVITY:**



<sup>\*</sup>This data comes from facilities self-reporting to DPH and is thus subject to change as more facilities report or provide updated counts. Current total resident count = 4,183