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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IN BAY COUNTY PROVIDES COVID-19 UPDATE, ANNOUNCES 56 CONFIRMED CASES OF COVID-19



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Panama City, Fla.— The Florida Department of Health in Bay County (DOH-Bay) received confirmation of 56 additional cases of COVID-19, bringing the total cases to 940 including 905 residents and 35 non-residents. Five Bay County residents, or 1 percent of all positive Bay County cases, have died from COVID-19. A total of 44 Bay County residents, or 5 percent of all cases, have been hospitalized with COVID-19. Bay County's overall COVID-19 positive testing rate is 10 percent. Of the 9,893 tests processed, 8,929 tests are negative.

Demographics for today's confirmed cases: Female (28), Female (54), Female (21), Female (50), Female (39), Male (29), Female (32), Female (55), Male (73), Male (44), Male (44), Male (46), Male (46), Male (62), Male (34), Male (36), Male (25), Female (31), Male (37), Female (33), Female (29), Female (56), Female (38), Male (78), Female (22), Female (46), Female (46), Female (56), Female (23), Male (21), Female (48), Female (26), Male (35), Female (61), Female (62), Male (58), Female (53), Female (68), Female (19), Female (54), Female (50), Female (31), Female (49), Male (30), Male (25), Male (46), Female (35), Male (28), Female (35), Male (31), Male (38), Male (59), Male (34), Male (34), Male (32), and Male (33). There are six new hospitalizations. Seven cases are correctional facility resident/staff.

Cities of Bay County cases based on patient's ZIP Code: Panama City (617), Panama City Beach (143), Lynn Haven (84), Youngstown (15), Southport (14), Missing (10), Callaway (7), Fountain (6), Tyndall Air Force Base (3), Bayou George (1), Parker (1), Inlet Beach (2), Seacrest (1), and Watersound (1).

Prevention

Protect the vulnerable by avoiding the Three Cs: Closed Spaces, Crowded Places and Close-Contact Settings and by wearing a mask in public:

1. **Closed Spaces.** Avoid closed spaces with poor ventilation that could allow contagious droplets to linger in the air.
2. **Crowded Places.** Avoid crowded places with many people nearby; the greater the number of individuals in an area, the greater the chances of COVID-19 spreading from person-to-person.
3. **Close-Contact Settings.** Avoid close-range conversations and stay at least six-feet from others.

Testing

DOH-Bay is now testing anyone with symptoms of COVID-19. For screening, please call DOH-Bay at (850) 872-4455 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and follow the prompts. Testing is by appointment only. Symptoms of COVID-19 include fever, cough, shortness of breath, chills, muscle pain, new loss of taste or smell, vomiting or diarrhea, and/or sore throat. The CDC has a symptom checker available at [CDC.gov/coronavirus](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus). For additional testing options and information, visit [Bay.FloridaHealth.gov](https://www.Bay.FloridaHealth.gov).

COVID-19 Question of the Day

Where are the recovery number or what are the active number of cases?

The state is developing new efforts daily as we respond to COVID-19 to keep Floridians and visitors safe and informed about the status of the virus. Currently, there are multiple ways for recovered cases to be recorded and several methods are used by different countries and states. Some states and countries

measure a case as recovered when a person has had COVID-19 for more than 14 days, while others upon hospital discharge data – neither of which completely capture recovery of the full COVID positive population. The Florida Department of Health will continue to provide information on hospitalizations and deaths to keep the public informed about the threat of the virus.

Additional Data

The state provides a report detailing surveillance data for every Florida county, which is available [here](#).

In order to make the daily COVID-19 report easier to download and more accessible, the daily report will now separate case line data in a separate PDF. Both reports will continue to be updated daily. The case line data report is available [here](#).

Florida long-term care facility data:

- The list of long-term care facilities with active COVID-19 cases is available [here](#).
- The list of long-term care facilities with deaths is available [here](#), which is updated weekly.

The antibody COVID-19 test results report will be provided once a week and contains county, race and lab information on antibody COVID-19 tests conducted in Florida. The report for antibody tests conducted by private health care providers is available [here](#) and the report for antibody tests conducted at state-supported COVID-19 testing sites is available [here](#).

More information on a case-by-case basis can also be found [here](#).

For more Information on COVID-19

For text alert updates from the Florida Department of Health in Bay County, text “bayhealth” to 888-777. For additional information specific to Bay County, visit <http://bay.floridahealth.gov/> or BayHealthCOVID19.com. Contact the Citizens Information Center seven days a week from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at (850) 248-6090, or email ask@baycountyfl.gov.

To find the most up-to-date information and guidance on COVID-19, please visit the Department of Health’s dedicated COVID-19 website at FloridaHealthCOVID19.gov. For any other questions related to COVID-19 in Florida, call (866) 779-6121. The Call Center is available 24 hours per day or email COVID-19@flhealth.gov.

The free *StrongerThanC19* app is available to both iOS and Android users and can be downloaded from the Apple or Google app stores. The *StrongerThanC19* app and [website](#) are designed to gather information to help the Department of Health track and slow the spread of COVID-19 in Florida; they are not intended to be used as a symptom checker designed to dispense medical advice.

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COVID-19: summary for Bay County

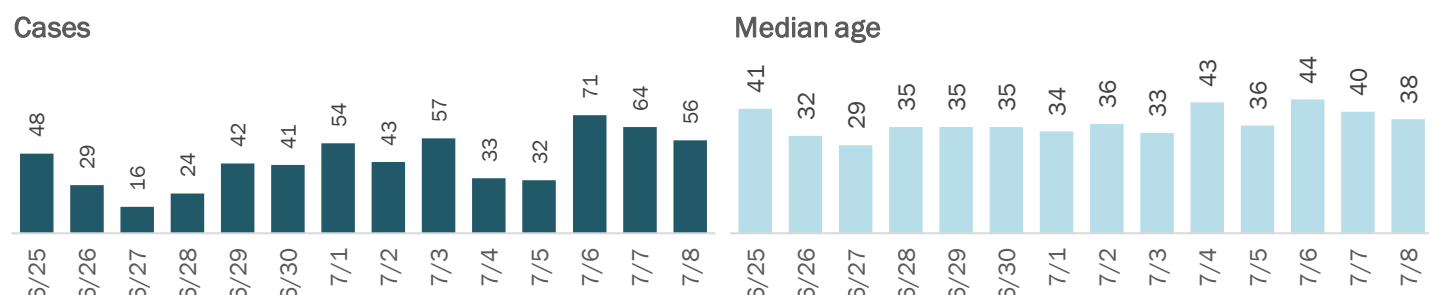
Data through Jul 8, 2020 verified as of Jul 9, 2020 at 09:25 AM

Data in this report are provisional and subject to change.

Cases: people with positive PCR or antigen test result

Total cases	940
Florida residents	905
Non-Florida residents	35
Gender for Florida residents	
Men	429
Women	474
Unknown	2
Age for Florida residents	
Range	0 - 95
Median age	38

Cases in Florida residents by date case confirmed



Race, ethnicity	Cases	Hospitalizations	Deaths
White	564 (62%)	29 (66%)	4 (80%)
Hispanic	128 (14%)	8 (18%)	0 (0%)
Non-Hispanic	419 (46%)	20 (45%)	4 (80%)
Unknown ethnicity	17 (2%)	1 (2%)	0 (0%)
Black	115 (13%)	8 (18%)	0 (0%)
Hispanic	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Non-Hispanic	99 (11%)	8 (18%)	0 (0%)
Unknown ethnicity	16 (2%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Other	51 (6%)	6 (14%)	1 (20%)
Hispanic	19 (2%)	6 (14%)	1 (20%)
Non-Hispanic	27 (3%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Unknown ethnicity	5 (1%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Unknown race	175 (19%)	1 (2%)	0 (0%)
Hispanic	2 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Non-Hispanic	3 (0%)	1 (2%)	0 (0%)
Unknown ethnicity	170 (19%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Total	905	44	5

Outcomes for Florida residents

Bay		
Hospitalizations	44	(5% of all cases)
Deaths	5	(1% of all cases)

Statewide

Hospitalizations	17,167	(7% of all cases)
Deaths	4,009	(2% of all cases)

Cases in facility staff/residents

Bay		
Long-term care	54	(6% of all cases)
Correctional	13	(1% of all cases)

Statewide

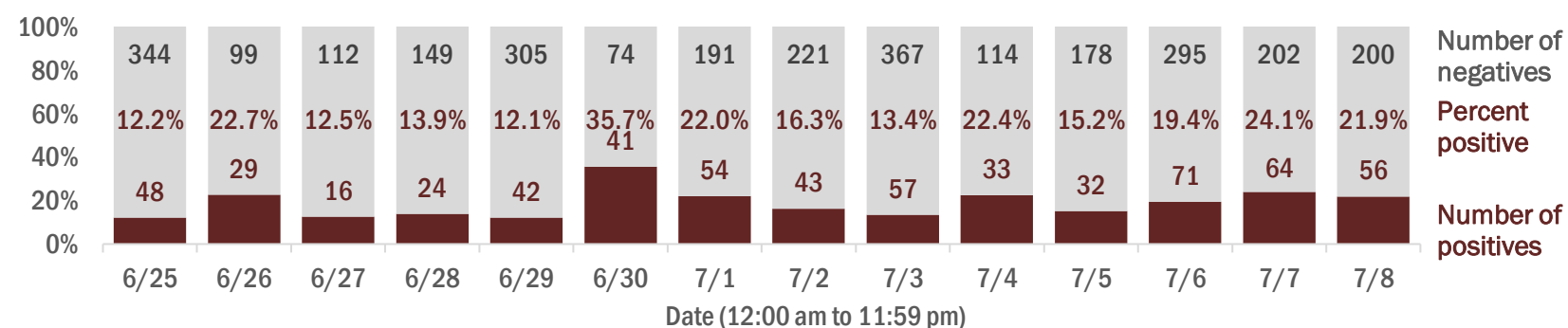
Long-term care	15,428	(7% of all cases)
Correctional	4,391	(2% of all cases)

Hospitalization counts include anyone who was hospitalized at some point during their illness. It does not reflect the number of people currently hospitalized.
Other race includes any person with a race of American Indian/Alaskan native, Asian, native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander, or other.

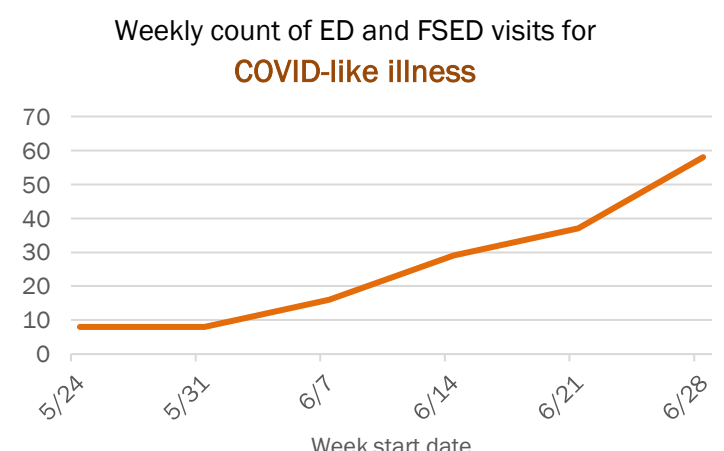
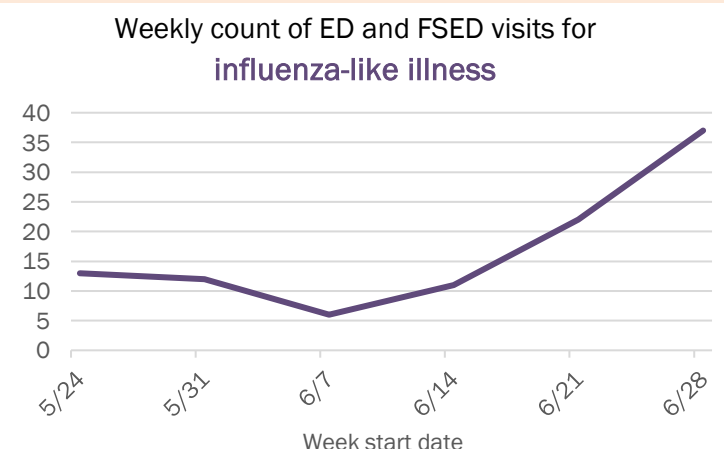
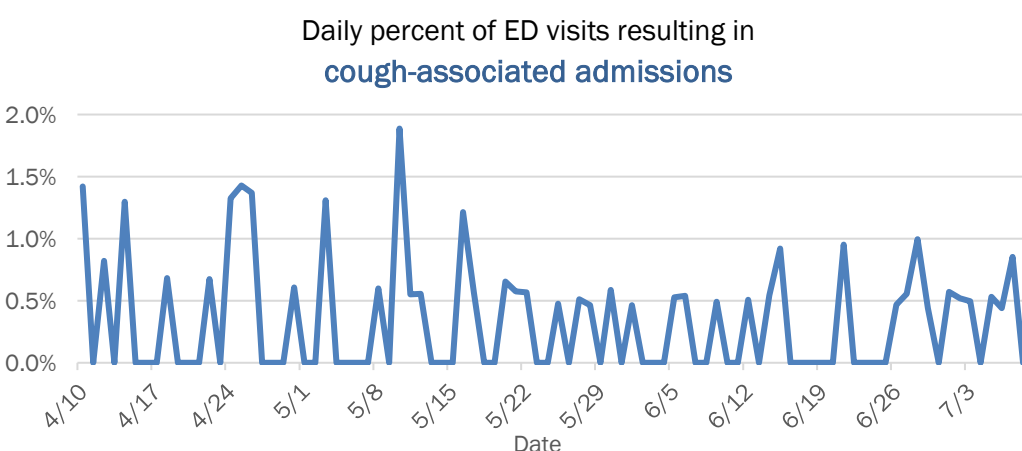
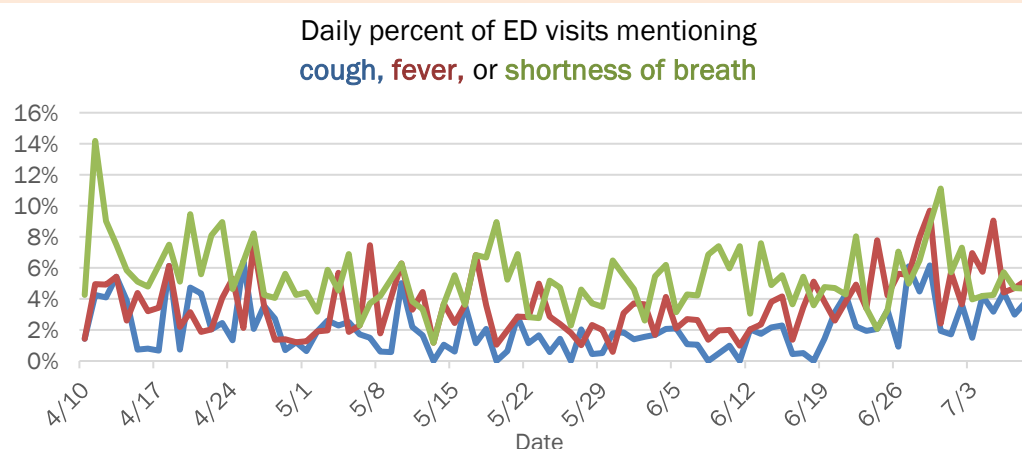
Laboratory testing for Florida residents and non-Florida residents over the past 2 weeks

Percent positivity for new cases

These counts include the number of people for whom the department received PCR or antigen laboratory results by day. This percent is the number of people who test positive for the first time divided by all the people tested that day, excluding people who have previously tested positive.



Emergency department (ED) and freestanding ED (FSED) chief complaint and admission data for Bay County



The Electronic Surveillance System for the Early Notification of Community-Based Epidemics (ESSENCE-FL) includes chief complaint data from 211 of 212 Florida EDs and 77 of 80 Florida FSEDs. Data are transmitted electronically to ESSENCE-FL daily or hourly.