

ALLEGANY COUNTY, MARYLAND

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ALLEGANY COUNTY COVID-19 DATA IN BRIEF

August 20, 2020

DATA SUMMARY:

The first laboratory-confirmed case of COVID-19 in an Allegany County, Maryland resident occurred on April 1, 2020.

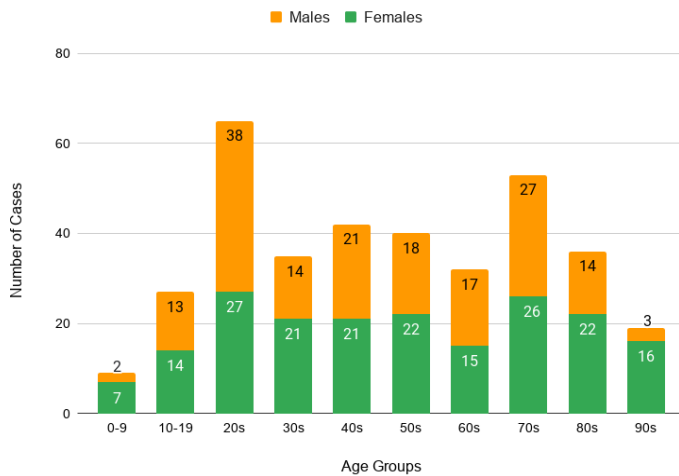
As of August 19, 2020, 14,290 Allegany County residents had been tested for COVID-19 and received results (20.3% of the total population, based on a 2019 count of 70,416 people living in the county). Cumulative total case counts for Allegany County at that time were 358 positive tests and 22 deaths. Currently, there are 36 individuals isolating, and 300 individuals are now out of isolation.

The chart to the right shows county statistics as compared to the state as a whole.

TESTING DATA:	ALLEGANY COUNTY As of 8/19/2020	STATE OF MARYLAND As of 8/21/2020
Total Residents Tested	14,290	1,693,571
Tested Positive (% of total)	358 (2.5%)	102,229 (3.3%)
Tested Negative (% of total)	13,932 (97.5%)	1,085,447 (96.7%)
Deaths (% of positive cases)	22 (6.1%)	3,531 (3.5%)

Allegany County COVID-19 Cases by Age Group and Sex

Data as of August 19, 2020 (Total Cases = 358)



DEMOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN OF CASES:

Between April 1 and June 1, cases were largely skewed toward older residents, primarily due to outbreaks within local nursing homes which accounted for about 70% of early cases. However, of the 358 positives in the county since April 1, nursing homes account for just 36% of cases. In fact, 61% of all Allegany County COVID-19 cases have been in persons under age 60, with the highest rate of illness among individuals in their 20s.

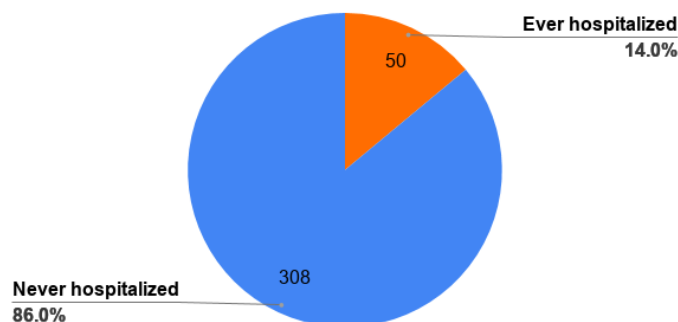
When viewed by sex, rates of illness are slightly higher in women than in men. Men account for 47% of Allegany County's COVID-19 cases, while women account for 53%.

In terms of racial and ethnic breakdown, COVID-19 cases in Allegany County are generally representative of county demographics, with no over-representation of any minority groups.

Of the total number of COVID-19 cases in Allegany County, the majority have been able to isolate and recover at home. On average, 14% of all cases have required hospitalization, as shown in the pie chart to the left. Hospitalization rates dropped from 22% of cases between April 1 and May 26 to just 7% of cases between May 27 and August 18.

Allegany County COVID-19 Hospitalization Rate

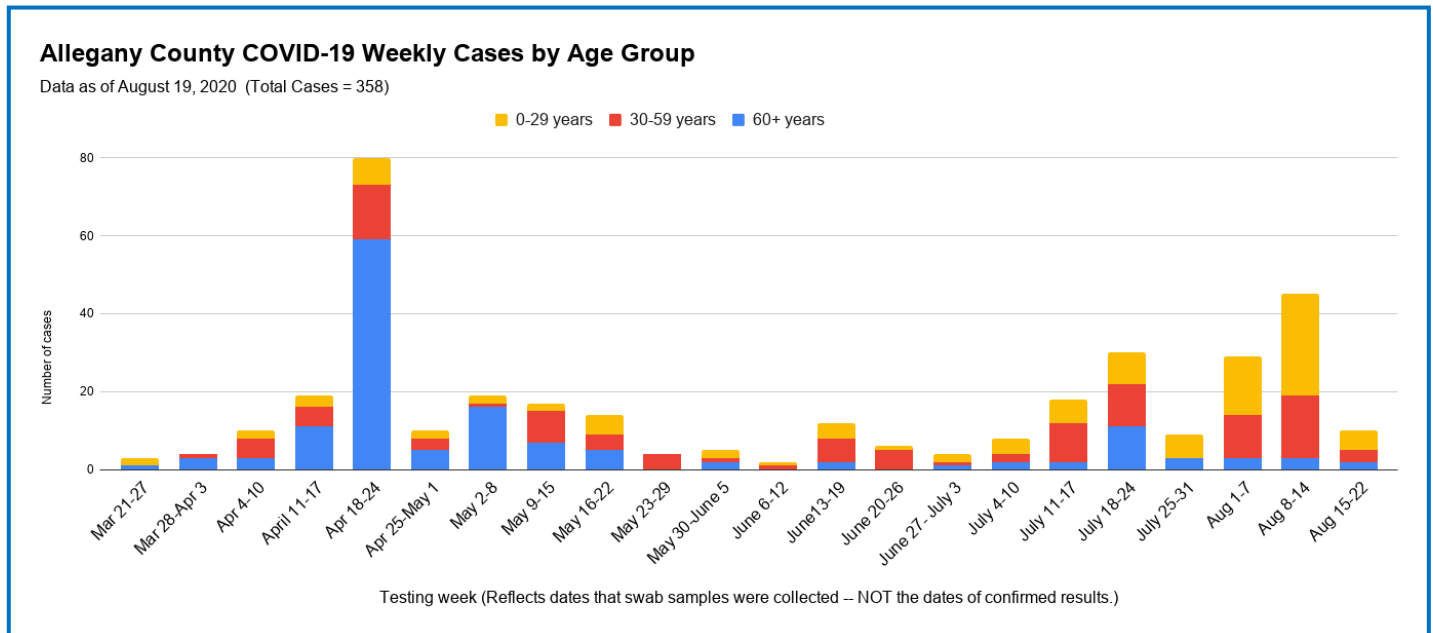
April 1- August 19, 2020 *Source: RedCap



WEEKLY CASES BY AGE GROUP:

The bar graph below shows the breakdown of COVID-19 cases by age category on a weekly basis between March 21 and August 19 (partial week). The largest spike in cases occurred the

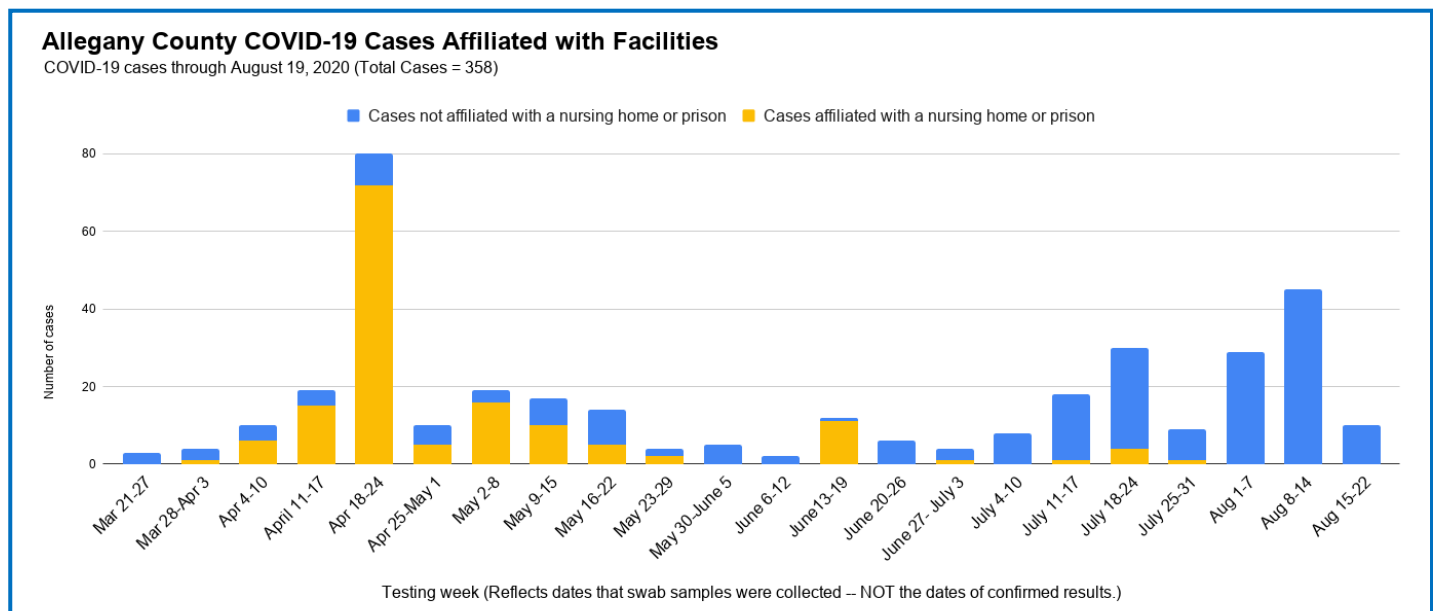
week of April 18, coinciding with a major nursing home outbreak of COVID-19. While nursing homes and older individuals accounted for the majority of cases in the early months of the pandemic, most of the cases since late May have been community transmission involving individuals under age 60.



CASES BY FACILITY AFFILIATION:

The next chart provides a visual of the weekly proportion of cases which were community-transmission (blue) versus affiliated with an outbreak involving congregate living

environments such as a nursing home or correctional facility (yellow). Again, since late May, a shift can be seen from a majority of cases occurring in congregate living situations to nearly all new cases involving community transmission.



All data presented in this document reflect the most recent information available on COVID-19 in Allegany County, Maryland as of August 19, 2020. All data are preliminary and subject to change.

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