Weekly Chatham Health District Status Report
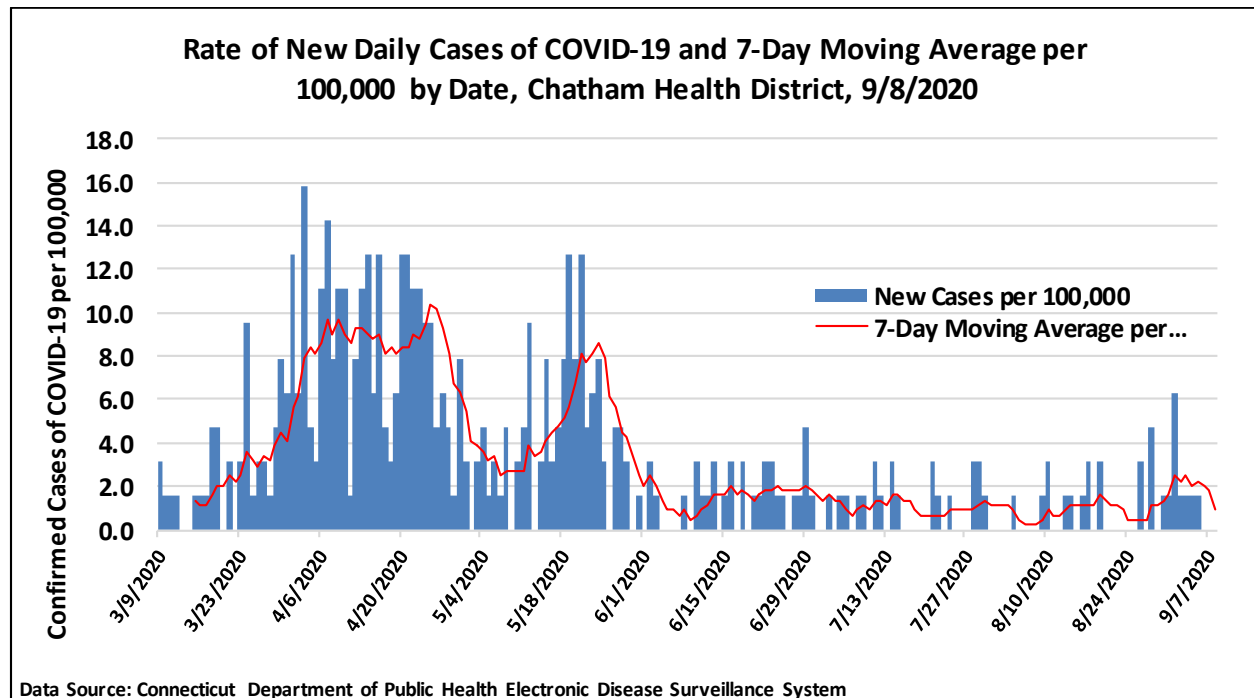
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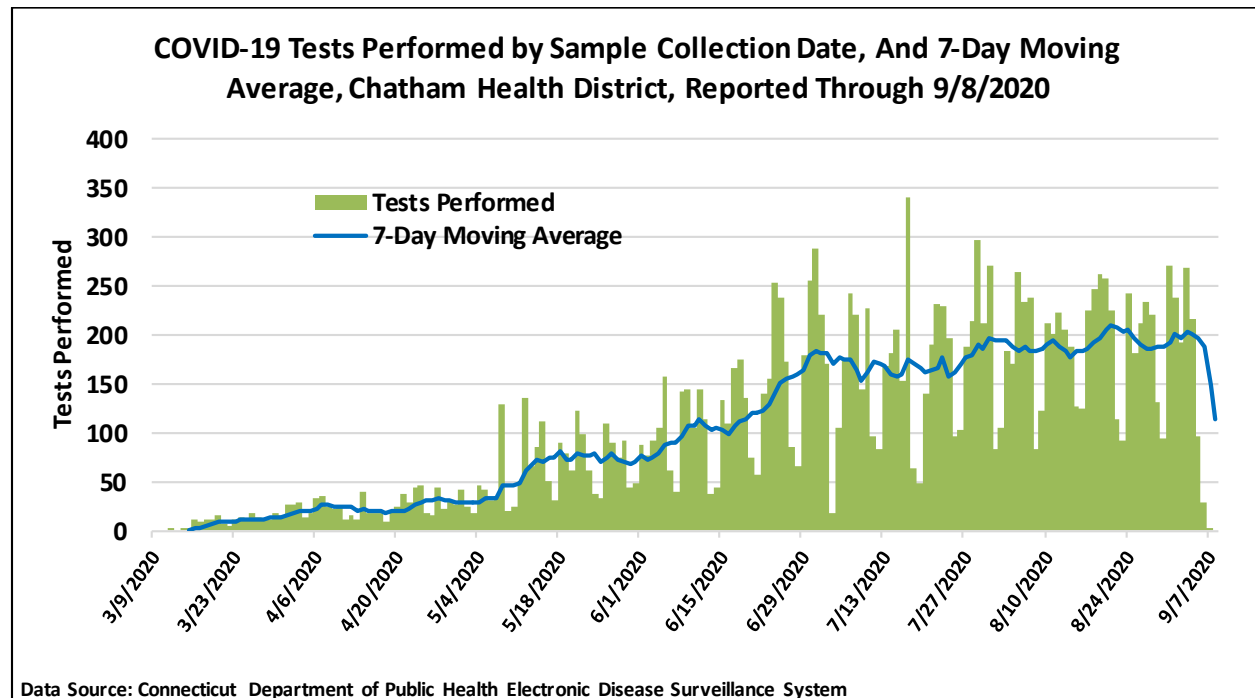| Cumulative COVID-19 Cases as of 9/8/2020							
	Male	Female	Median Age	Max Age	Min Age	Total Cases*	Deaths
Colchester	58%	42%	47	69	1	53	1
East Haddam	67%	33%	50	77	4	30	1
East Hampton	35%	65%	46	94	19	62	3
Hebron	38%	62%	53	82	20	37	2
Marlborough	36%	64%	71	99	9	103	20
Portland	44%	56%	73	101	20	80	14
Total CHD	44%	56%	56	101	1	365	41

*Case numbers may be different from those reported by the State of Connecticut due to lag in reporting and surveillance system inconsistencies.

Chatham Health District is reporting case numbers weekly on Mondays. For the most current reports of case counts by town on other days, please visit https://portal.ct.gov/coronavirus and click on "Connecticut COVID-19 Data Tracker".

Data Source: Connecticut Department of Public Health Electronic Disease Surveillance System

Community transmission continues to be minimal across Chatham health District. The 7-day moving average of cases inched above 2 per 100,000 during the first week of September, the first time since June. Most new cases continue to report out-of-state travel-related exposures, with the small increase

in cases being attributed to incoming college students being tested. Though few new cases are being found, each case is identifying more contacts during contact tracing than during the peak of April when most residents were staying home. Personal protective measures continue to be the best way to prevent transmission – wear a mask, avoid crowds, stay 6 feet away from others as much as possible, wash your hands frequently, and stay home when sick.

COVID-19 Tests Performed by Sample Collection Date, And 7-Day Moving Average, Chatham Health District, Reported Through 9/8/2020

Data Source: Connecticut Department of Public Health Electronic Disease Surveillance System

SARS-CoV-2 Tests (PCR Viral Detection, and Antigen) and % Positive as of 9/8/2020

	March		April		May		June		July		August		Sep to Date	
	Tests	Positive	Tests	Positive	Tests	Positive	Tests	Positive	Tests	Positive	Tests	Positive	Tests	Positive
Colchester	45	11.1%	218	10.1%	629	2.4%	1187	0.6%	1733	0.1%	1557	0.3%	240	1.7%
East Haddam	27	18.5%	61	8.2%	204	3.9%	434	0.7%	614	0.3%	648	1.4%	125	1.6%
East Hampton	43	11.6%	162	21.0%	365	5.2%	670	1.2%	997	0.6%	1115	0.5%	216	1.4%
Hebron	26	19.2%	77	14.3%	266	4.1%	457	0.4%	653	0.5%	773	0.1%	142	2.1%
Marlborough	31	16.1%	122	31.1%	219	22.4%	416	4.3%	587	0.5%	630	0.3%	136	0.0%
Portland	38	26.3%	128	36.7%	310	6.5%	599	2.0%	947	1.1%	1061	0.6%	186	0.0%
All CHD Towns	210	16.7%	768	20.6%	1993	6.2%	3763	1.3%	5531	0.5%	5784	0.5%	1045	1.1%

Testing of residents in Chatham Health District has remained consistent since July. The most common method used is viral detection (PCR) tests, but antigen tests have also been used frequently in recent weeks. Both types of tests detect current infections, and are the only test data reported in this analysis. **The percentage of those test results that are positive is currently below 5% in each town, indicating that testing levels are sufficient to identify cases of COVID-19 in the community.**

Surveillance for nursing home and assisted living facilities can be found at:
https://portal.ct.gov/Coronavirus/Nursing-Homes-and-Assisted-Living-Facilities

The latest school reopening indicators can be found at:

https://data.ct.gov/stories/s/CT-School-Reopening/ddy2-ijgu/

CHD Call Volume: Heavy. School reopening guidance. Outdoor recreation and event guidance. Routine land use. COVID-19 Social distancing and business compliance complaints. Questions related to the travel quarantine. Routine housing and nuisance complaints.

Key Updates from CHD, WebEOC and media:

- The CDC has informed state public health departments to prepare for limited availability of a COVID-19 vaccine as early as November. There are several vaccine candidates in Phase 3 clinical trials, with different storage and dosage requirements, complicating planning efforts. The Connecticut Department of Public Health has begun to gather information from local health departments about infrastructure and staffing available to support vaccination.
- The CDC recently revised its recommendations for testing. The CDC now states that testing of close contacts to confirmed cases of COVID-19 is not necessary unless you are a vulnerable individual or your health care provider or State or local public health officials recommend you take one. The State of Connecticut testing strategy continues to call for testing of all close contacts. Details of the CDC recommendations can be found here: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/testing-overview.html
- The CT travel-related self-quarantine includes 35 states and territories as of 9/8/2020. Anyone wanting to report any violations of the self-quarantine order can either call 211 or email **covid19.dph@ct.gov**. Details and FAQ can be found here: https://portal.ct.gov/Coronavirus/Covid-19-Knowledge-Base/Travel-In-or-Out-of-CT

State Emergency Operations Center Status	Fully Activated Virtually
Region 3 Coordination Center Status	ESF-8 Fully Activated, DEMHS Virtually Activated
Region 4 Coordination Center Status	ESF-8 Fully Activated, DEMHS Virtually Activated
CHD District Operations Center Status	Fully Activated Virtually

Town Status:

Town	Emerg Declared	EOC Status	EMD	EOC Phone	Town Offices	Schools
Colchester (R4)	3/16/20	Partial	Sean Shoemaker	860.209.6271	Open to the Public	Hybrid
E Haddam (R3)	3/18/20	Partial	Craig Mansfield		Closed to the Public	Full
E Hampton (R3)	3/20/20	Partial	Rich Klotzbier	860.267.0088	Open to the Public	Hybrid
Hebron (R3)	3/13/20	Partial	Paul Bancroft	860.748.2562	Open to the Public	Hybrid
Marlborough (R3)	3/16/20	Partial	Rich Antonelli	860.712.4931	Closed to the Public	Full
Portland (R3)	3/14/20	Partial	Don Gouin	860.918.1841	Closed to the Public	Hybrid

Hospital Status (from WebEOC):

Hospital	EOC	Facility Status	Clinical Supplies	Facility Supplies
Backus	Inactive	Normal	Adequate	Adequate
Hartford	Inactive	Normal	Adequate	Adequate
Middlesex	Activated	Normal	Adequate	Adequate
Windham	Inactive	Normal	Adequate	Adequate