

COVID-19 Update – May 21, 2020

NJ new positives – 1,304; new deaths – 98

Statewide totals: 151,472 positives and 10,843 deaths

Breakdown of Deaths:

53.3% White; 18.5% Black; 19.4% Hispanic; 5.5% Asian; 3.4% Other

Hospitalizations – 3,208 (46 in field hospitals)

ICU/Critical Care – 896; Ventilators – 700

New Admissions – 132; Discharged - 286

Spot Rate of Positivity – 18% (for May 17)

Atlantic County: 39 new positives; 1 new death

Totals to date: 1,931 cases countywide with 128 deaths and 648 recovered

Breakdown by Municipality:

Absecon – 2; Atlantic City – 10; Brigantine – 1; Egg Harbor City – 2;

Egg Harbor Township – 4; Galloway – 3; Hammonton – 7; Northfield – 1;

Pleasantville – 6; Somers Point - 1; Ventnor – 1 and 1 death;

and 1 undetermined at this time

Previously Reported Cases:

Absecon – 145 and 16 deaths; Atlantic City – 220 and 7 deaths; Brigantine – 19 and

1 death; Buena Borough – 36 and 1 death; Buena Vista Township – 28 and 1 death;

Corbin City – 1; Egg Harbor City – 28; Egg Harbor Twp. – 228 and 17 deaths; Estell

Manor – 7; Folsom – 11; Galloway – 236 and 17 deaths; Hamilton Twp. – 141 and 3

deaths; Hammonton – 303 and 37 deaths; Linwood – 62 and 8 deaths; Longport – 2;

Margate – 20; Mullica Twp. – 23 and 1 death; Northfield – 94 and 10 deaths;

Pleasantville – 193 and 8 deaths; Port Republic – 4; Somers Point – 38; Ventnor – 42;

Weymouth Township – 10 and 1 positive for which the town has yet to be determined

State will provide a questionnaire to businesses, chambers, non-profits, etc. to assess their needs going forward; Governor welcomes feedback

NJ DEP – has created new campaign, “Mask Up,” to promote wearing of face coverings when appropriate

VA will provide 40 additional staff as part of Strike Teams for LTC facilities

Assembly Speaker Coughlin supports governor’s statements about having to bond if there is no direct federal aid

Governor had conversation with Starbucks president to discuss its process to reopen

2020 Census – NJ response rate is 61.7%, still ranks 21st in nation; need to improve rates in Hudson, Essex and Atlantic and Cape May

LABOR

Federal unemployment rate is 15%; state rate is 15.3%; 757,000 lost jobs in NJ over one month period

NJ has paid out \$3.4 billion in claims of which \$2 billion is federal money

13-week unemployment extension notices have been mailed

33,000 residents responded incorrectly to 1 of 7 questions on certification form

NJ labor staff has been cut by 25% in past administrations

NJDOH

Since first case on March 4, NJDOH has issued 18 guidances for LTC facilities; set up 107 beds at Field Hospitals; directed 24 million pieces of PPE to LTC; created 1,229 beds outside LTC to house those they could not

24 LTC have not signed attestation forms

Daily Stats:

LTC – 527 with cases statewide; 28,876 positives; 4,502 deaths

Vets Homes – census of 658; 381 positives; 143 deaths

Psychiatric facilities – census of 1,240; 209 positives; 13 deaths

19 cases of MIS-C (multi-symptom inflammatory syndrome in children); no deaths

COMPLIANCE/PPE

A few violations but overall compliance is “fantastic.”

