



Public Health News and Reports

# Straight from the Source

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the Geauga Public Health Website at  
[www.GPHOhio.org](http://www.GPHOhio.org)

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To get on our GPH "Straight from the Source" email list, email us at:

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Follow Geauga Public Health on Facebook for posts  
from the Geauga County Health Commissioner.

Facebook @GPHOhio

Questions and comments via email: [Info@GeaugaCountyHealth.org](mailto:Info@GeaugaCountyHealth.org)

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For General Questions about COVID-19, the various state orders, and other important  
information, the Ohio Department of Health has a Call Center that is staffed from 9  
a.m. to 8 p.m. 7 days/week.

1-833-4-ASK-ODH

1-833-427-5634

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Access the sources public health professionals use  
for credible COVID-19 information.

Visit the ODH Website at [www.Coronavirus.Ohio.Gov](http://www.Coronavirus.Ohio.Gov)

Visit the CDC Website at [www.cdc.gov/coronavirus](http://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus)

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### CURRENT HOSPITAL NEWS

Cleveland Clinic Newsroom: <https://newsroom.clevelandclinic.org/category/news-releases/>

University Hospitals Newsroom: <https://news.uhhospitals.org/>

MetroHealth Newsroom: <https://news.metrohealth.org/>

Cleveland VA Medical Center Newsroom: <https://www.cleveland.va.gov/features/index.asp>

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The Geauga County Board of Health regular monthly meeting occurs on the 4th Wednesday of each month  
at 5:00pm in Building #8 at 470 Center Street in Chardon, Ohio. There is an opportunity for public comment.

## Geauga County Department on Aging

Update: 6-01-2020

### Helping Geauga County Seniors

The Geauga County Department on Aging is humbled by the many donations we have received from community members, local businesses, County departments, faith based and community organizations to assist our Agency as we provide services to Geauga's seniors.

Our Senior Food Pantry has helped many Geauga Seniors. In fact, we made our 233<sup>rd</sup> senior food pantry delivery this morning. At this time our Senior Food Pantry is running low on items. We could use help with the collection of shelf stable/ non-perishable items that we can distribute to home bound seniors in need.

If you can donate, please place items in the drop off box outside of the Department on Aging, located at 470 Center St. Building 2, in Chardon - Monday through Friday, from 8:00AM until 4:00PM.

#### **Grocery Items Needed:**

Canned Vegetables  
Canned Fruit  
Jelly  
Applesauce  
Boxed Cereal

Chicken & Veg. Soups  
Chicken & Rice Soups  
Vegetable Soups  
Tomato Soup  
Mac & Cheese

Apple Juice  
Hormel ready dinners  
Rice  
Crackers

Sincerely,

*Jessica Boalt*

Jessica N. Boalt MMT, MT-BC, AAP-BC  
Director  
Geauga County Department on Aging

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**We need to learn from your experiences as businesses reopen. What do you see that makes you feel safer? Where are the opportunities to improve practices that would make you feel safer as a customer?**

**Please use the link below to take a brief survey about what prevention practices you are seeing and what impact it has on your decisions of where to shop safely.**

**[https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Geauga\\_Public\\_Input\\_COVID-19](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Geauga_Public_Input_COVID-19)**

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**Community Input Survey Results can be found at the Geauga Public Health web page at:**

**[www.GPHOhio.org](http://www.GPHOhio.org)**

# Community Connections

Lets get social! With everything going on in the world it's hard to stay connected. We would like to get together (virtually) to provide community resources, answer questions, and share helpful tips and ideas to get through these times.

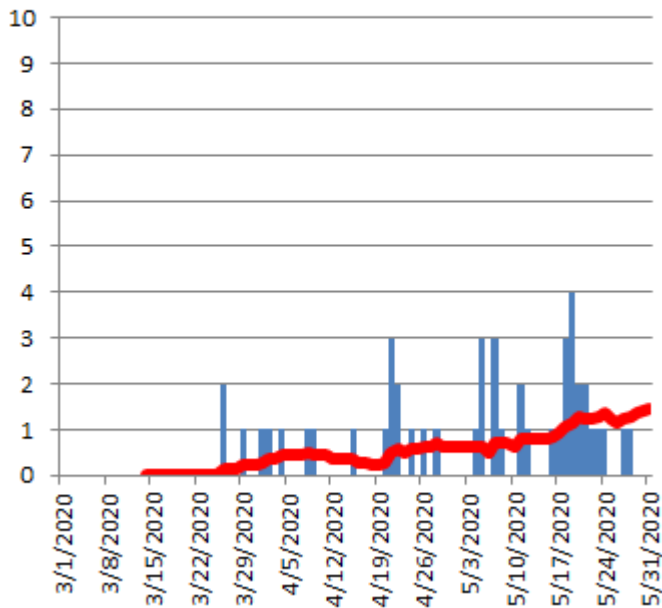


Facilitated by Ravenwood Health  
Tuesdays @ 1pm and Wednesdays at 7pm  
Meeting ID: 854 5182 6968  
Password: 469550

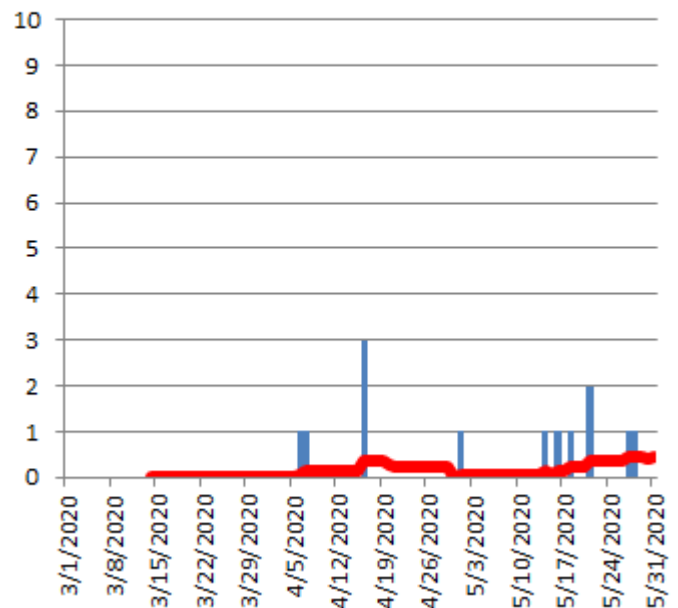
**Trends in newly reported confirmed cases of COVID-19 by region in Geauga County, Ohio**

**(March 1-May28, 2020)**

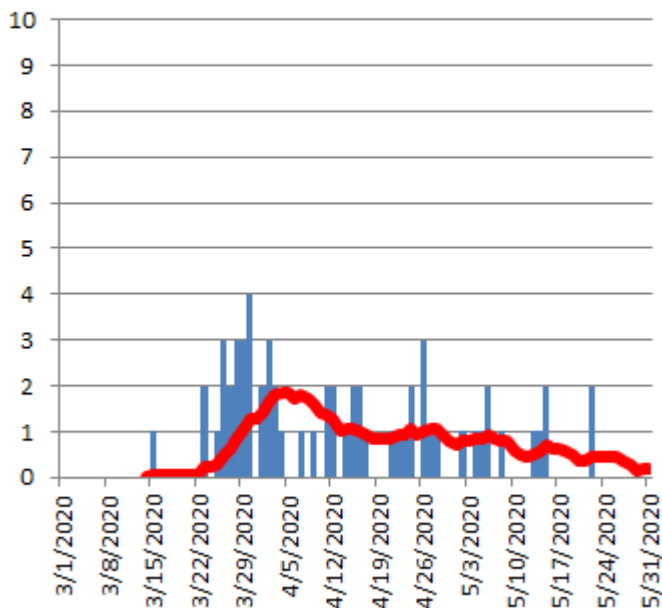
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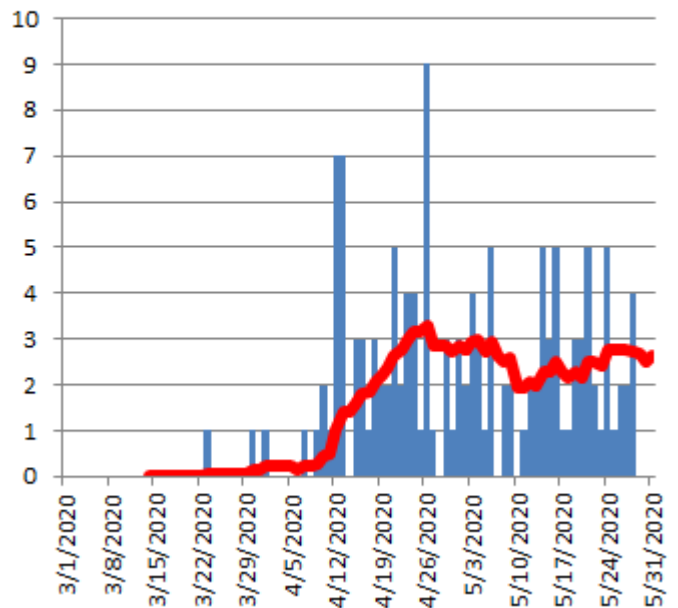
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**SE Geauga County  
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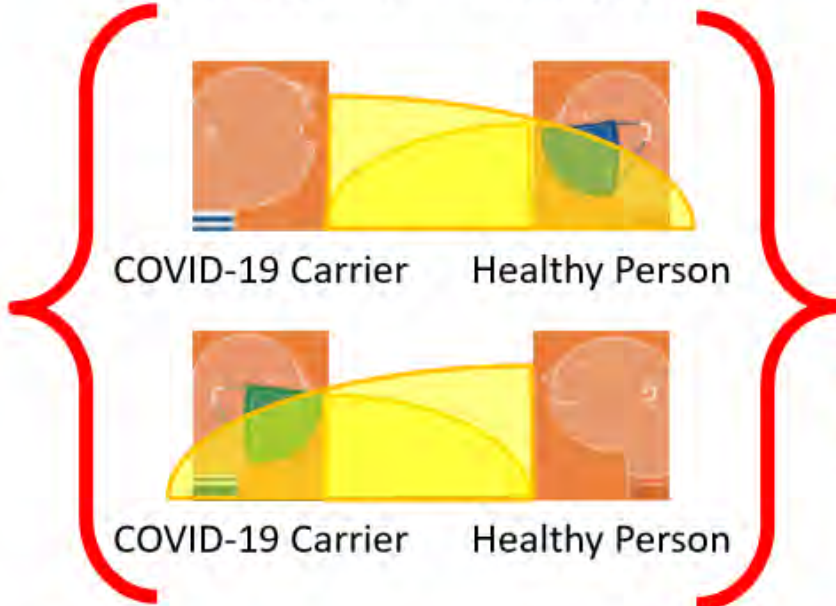
# MASKS MATTER

**VERY RISKY**



COVID-19 Carrier      Healthy Person

**STILL RISKY**



COVID-19 Carrier      Healthy Person

COVID-19 Carrier      Healthy Person

**You don't know if you are a carrier or not.**

**BETTER**



COVID-19 Carrier      Healthy Person

**BEST!**



COVID-19 Carrier

Healthy Person

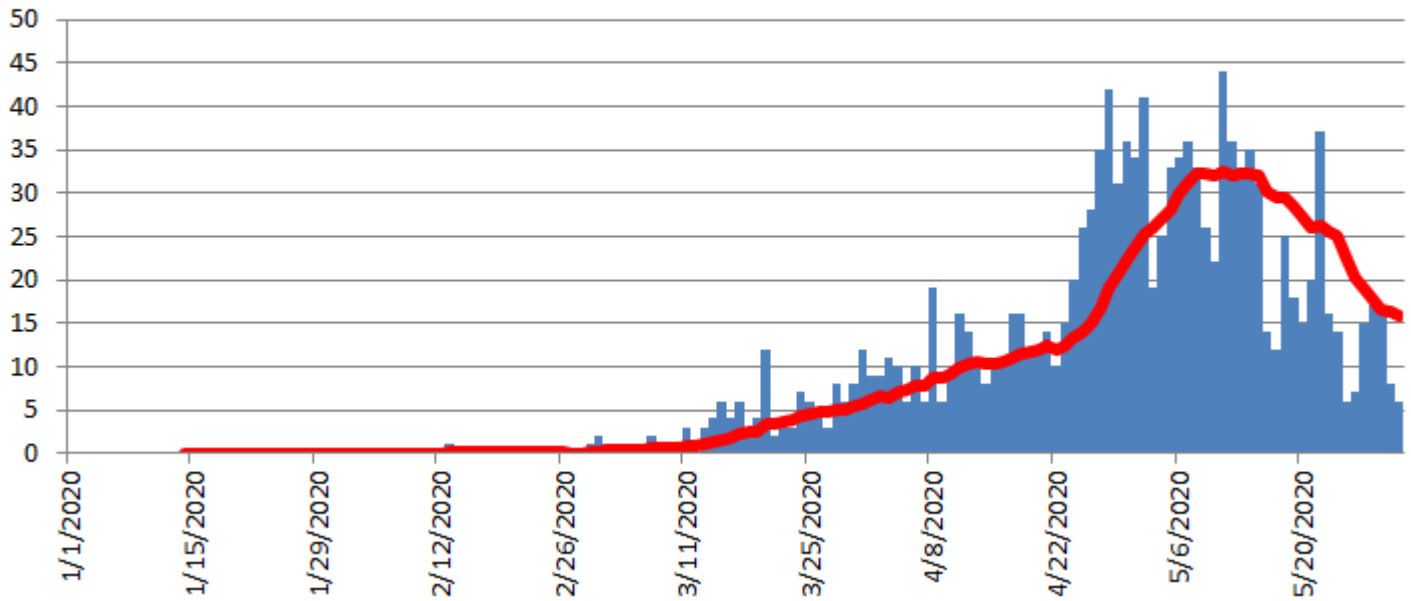


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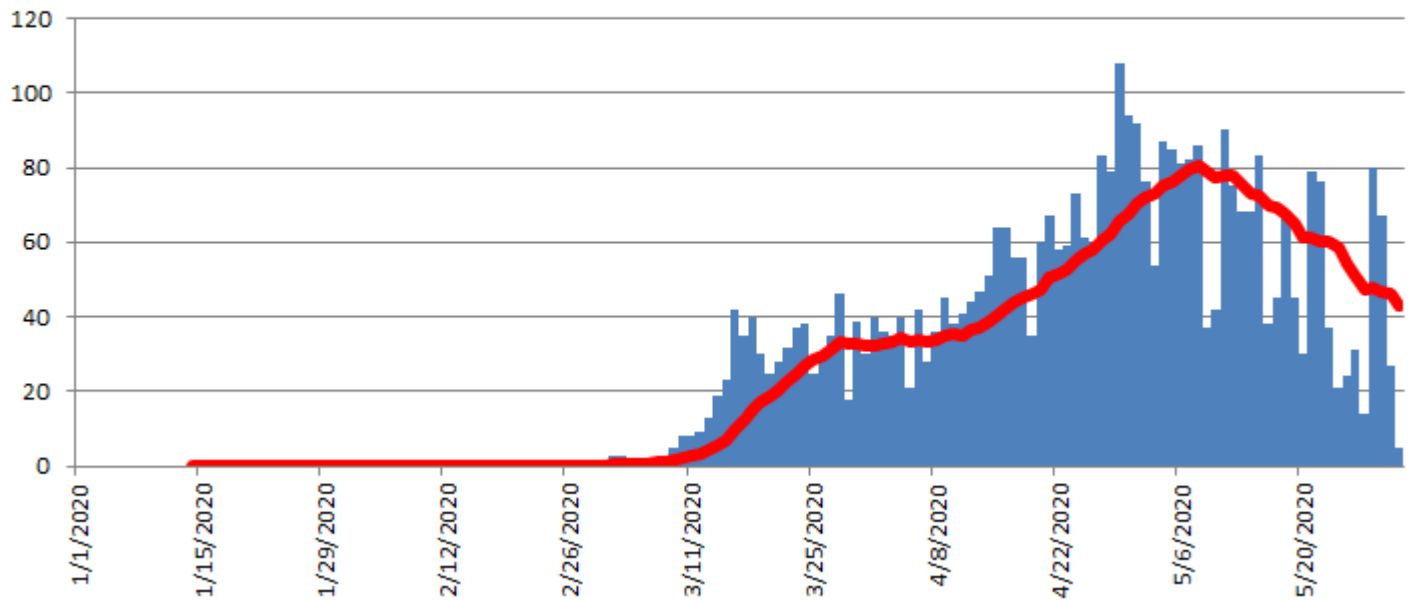
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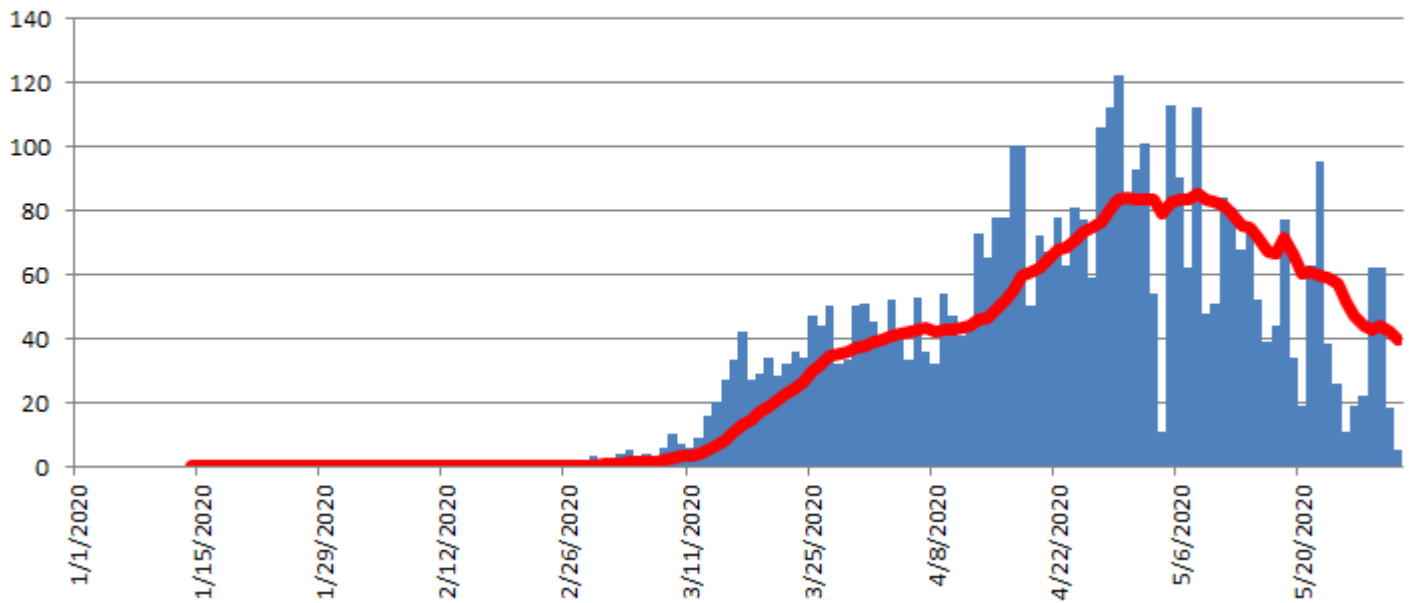
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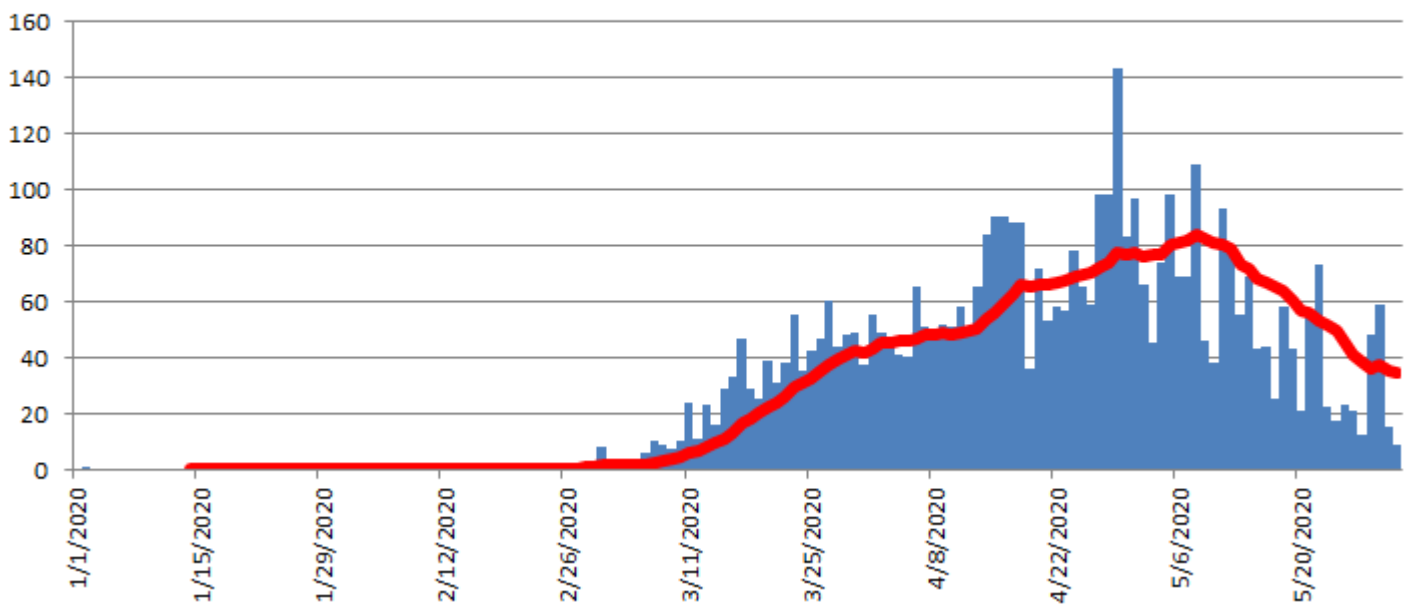
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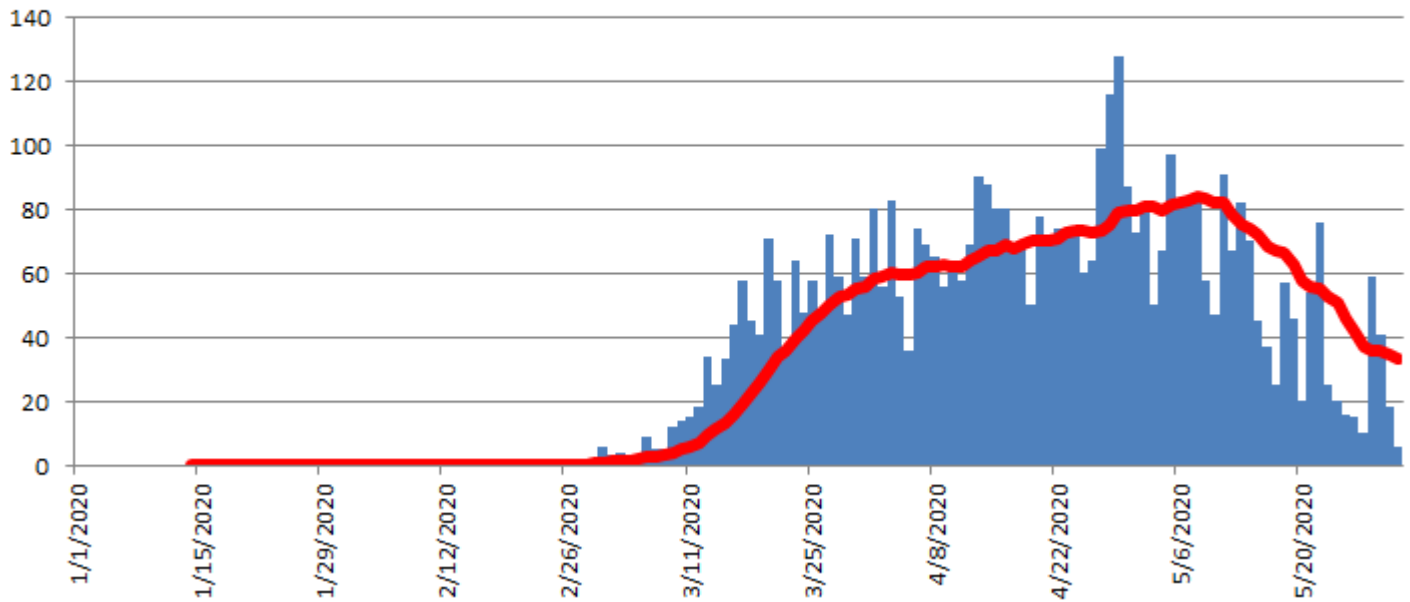
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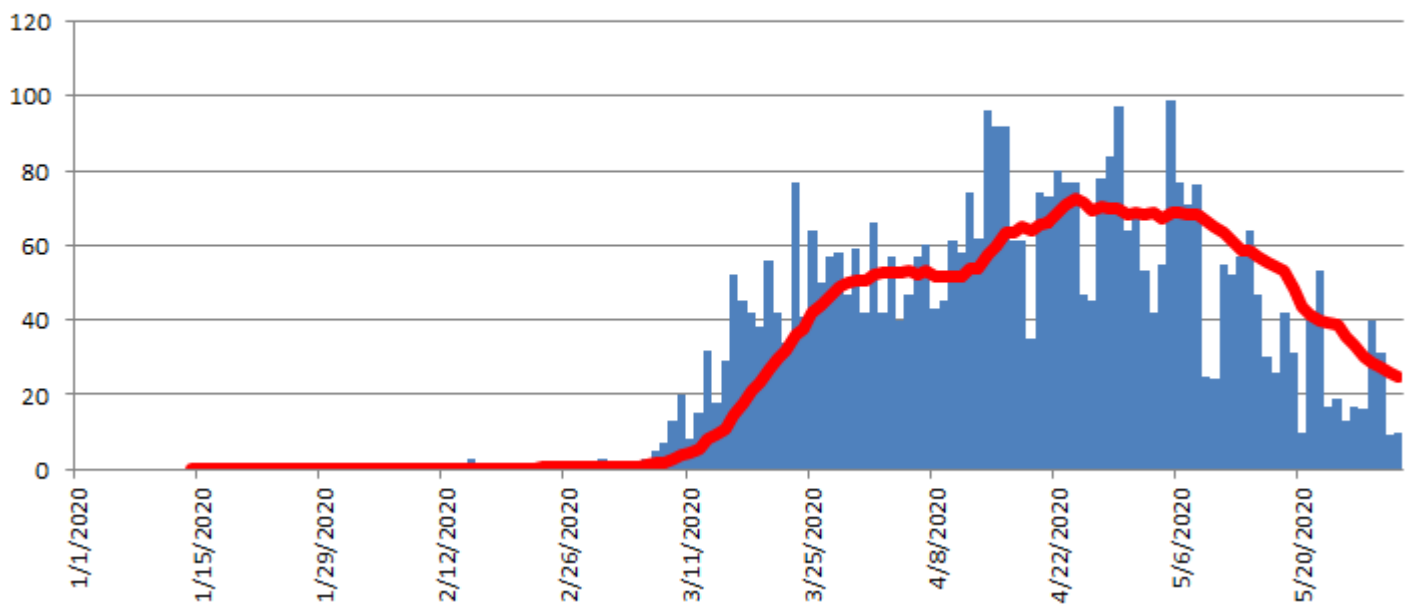
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(Ages 60-69 Years)

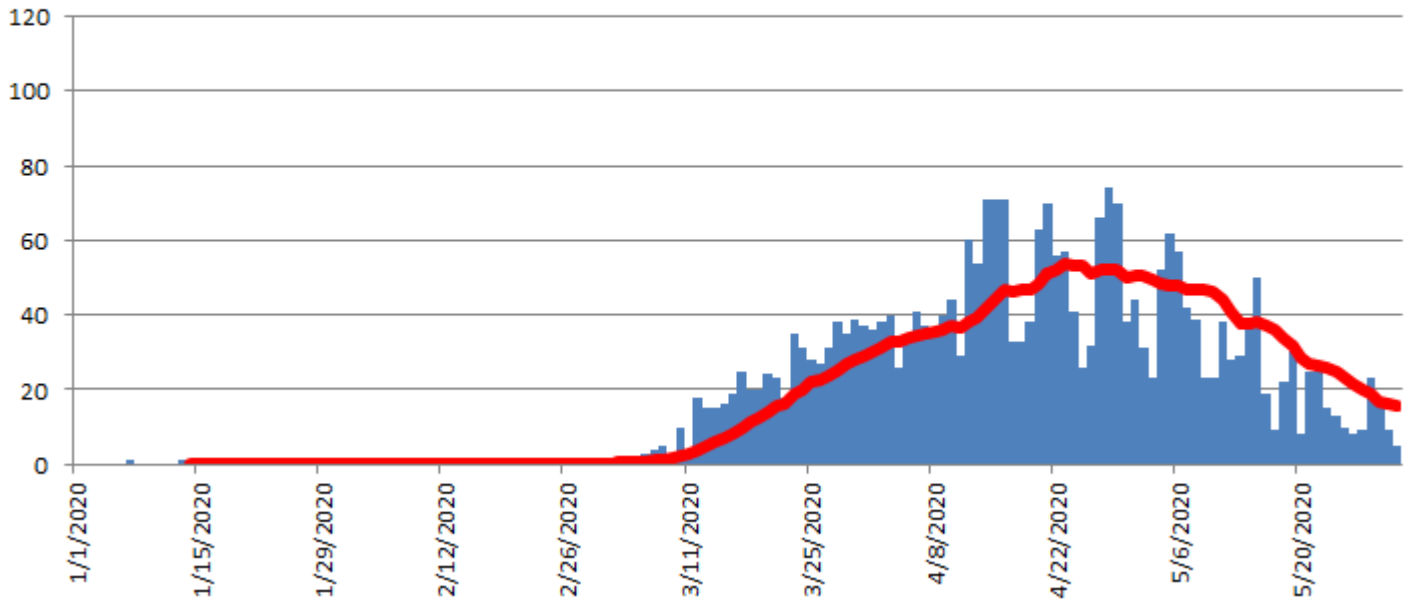




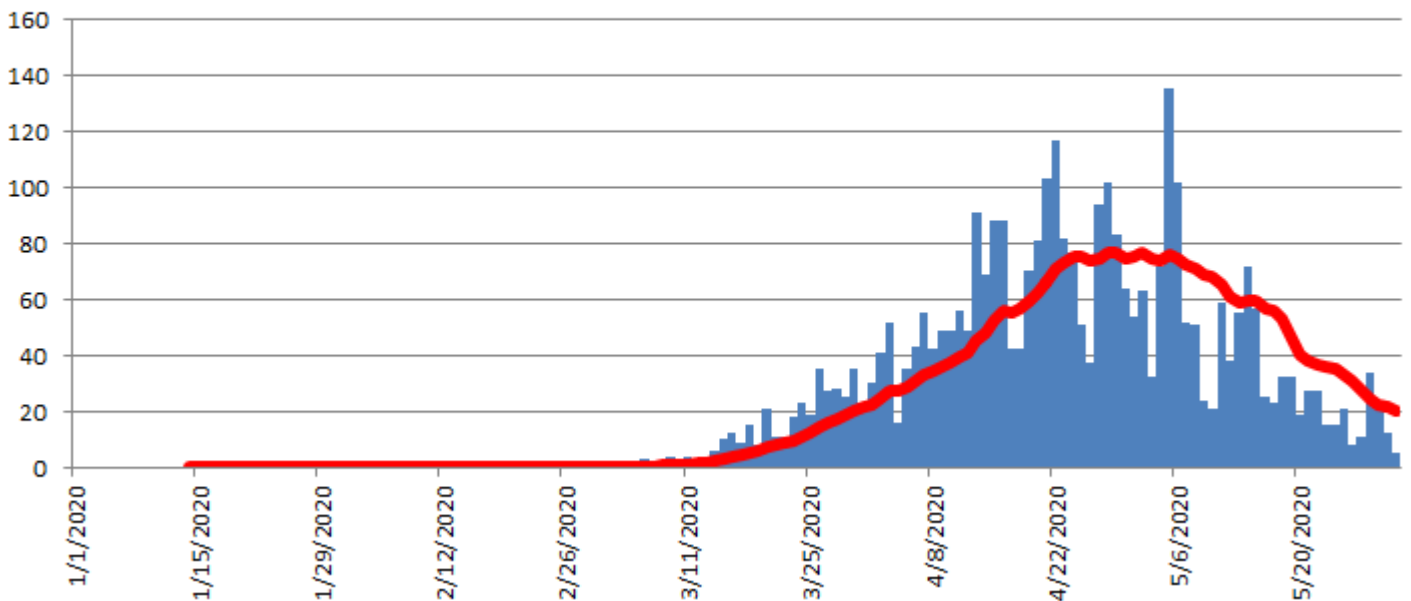
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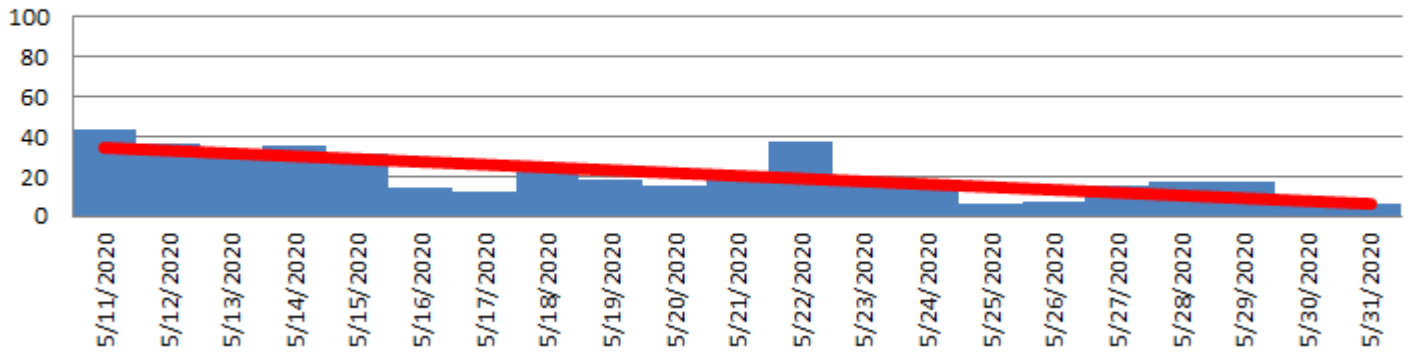
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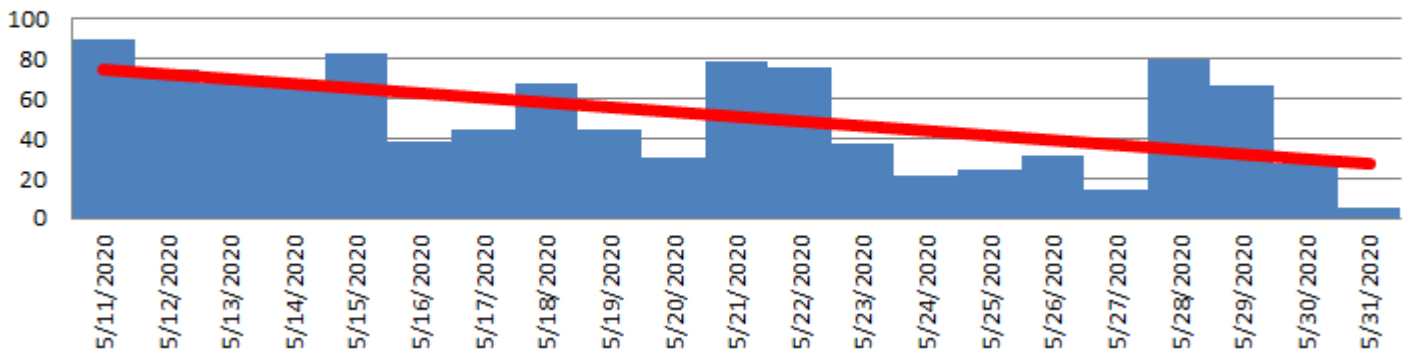
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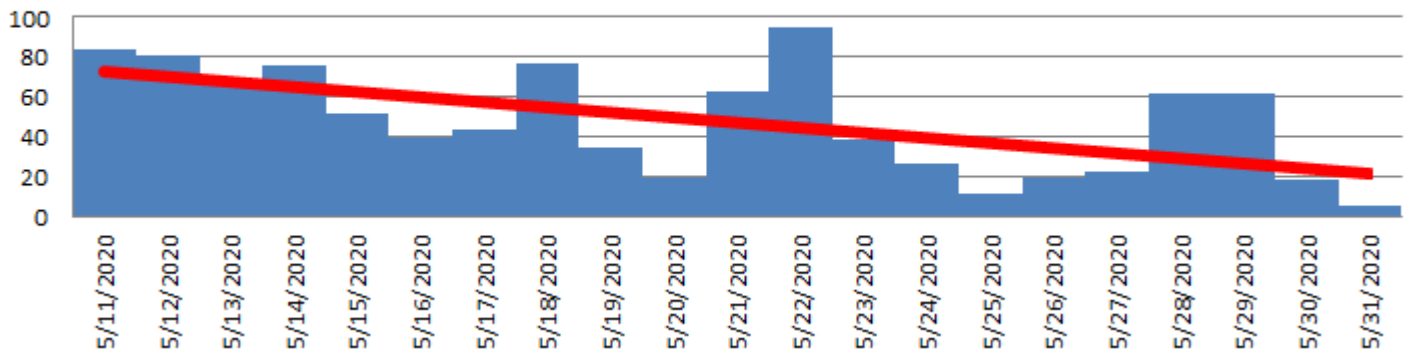
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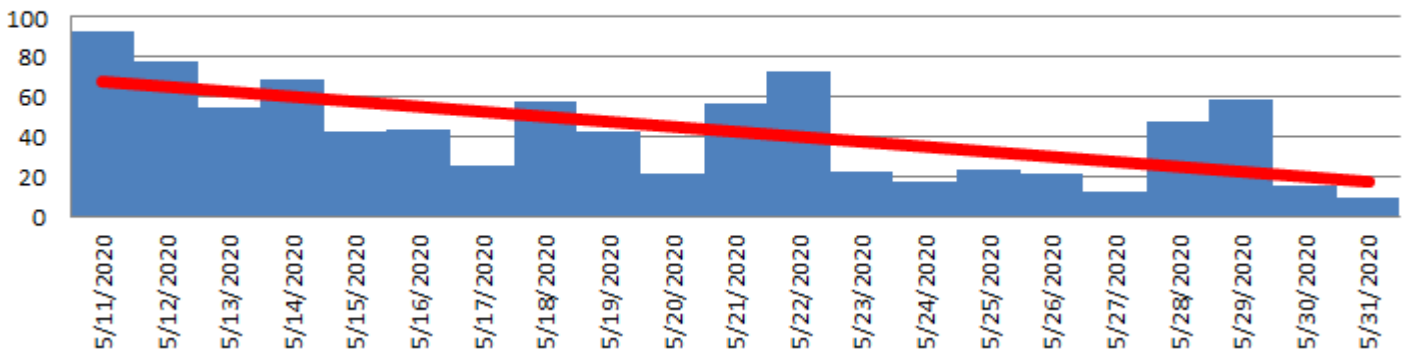
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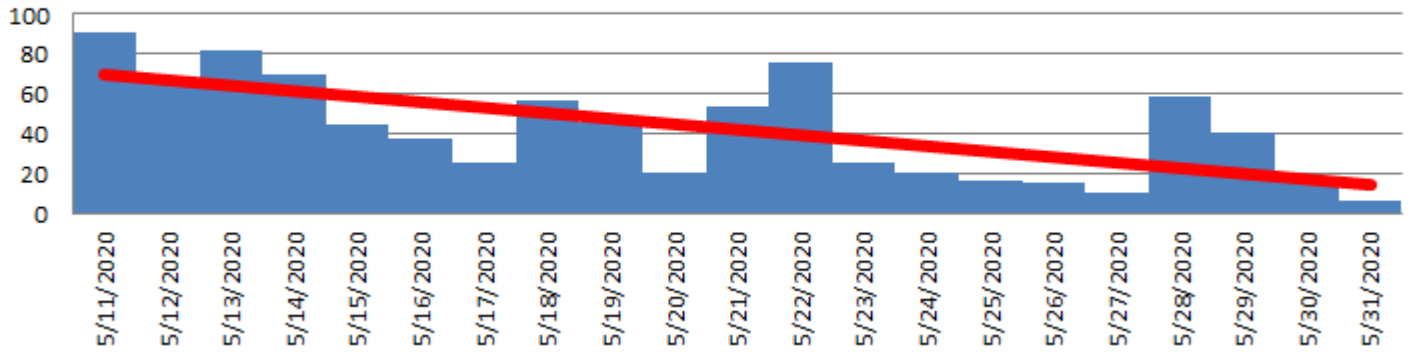
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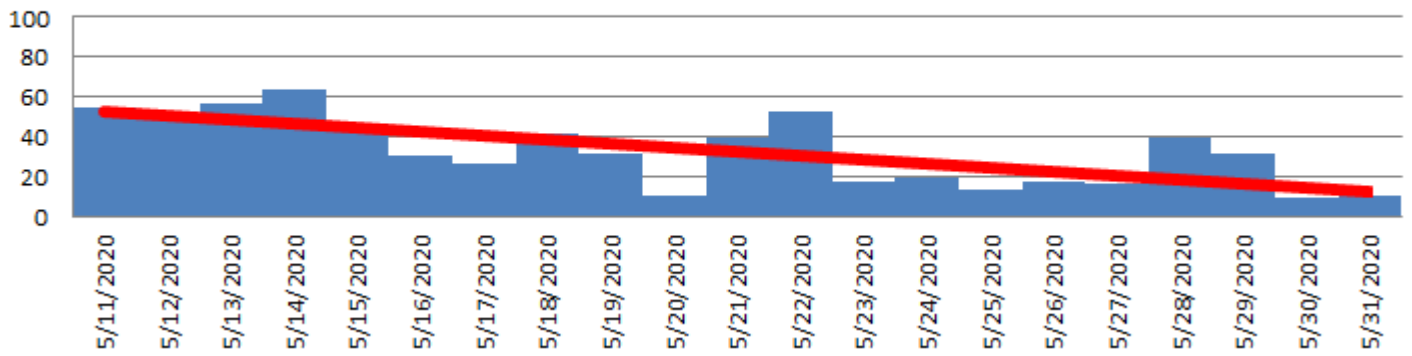
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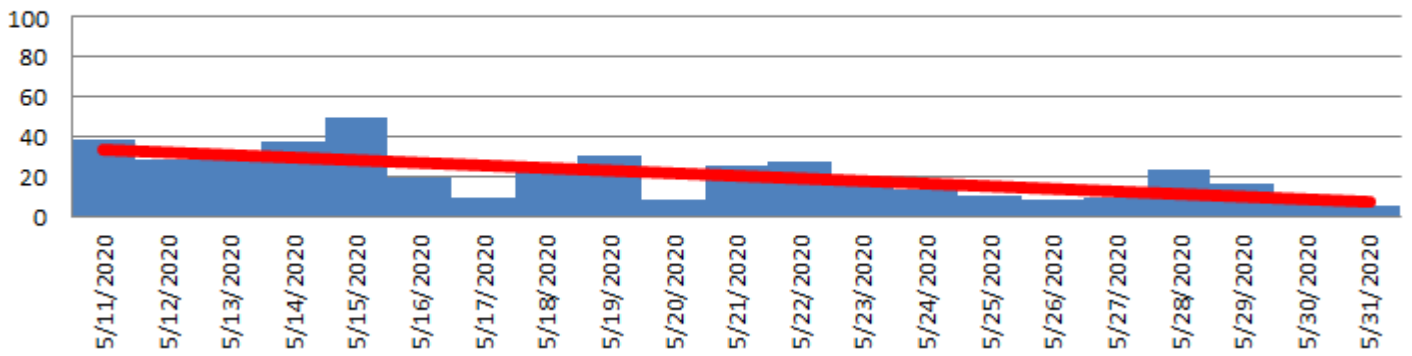
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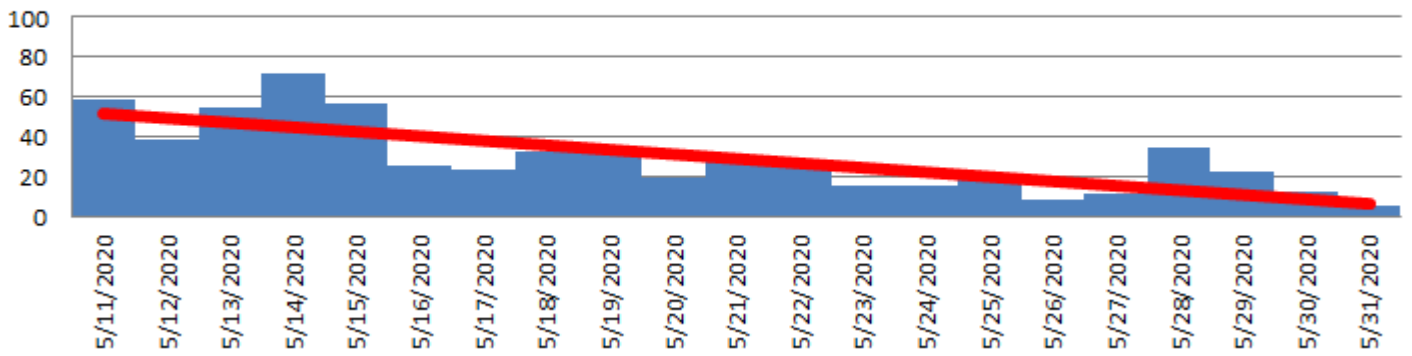
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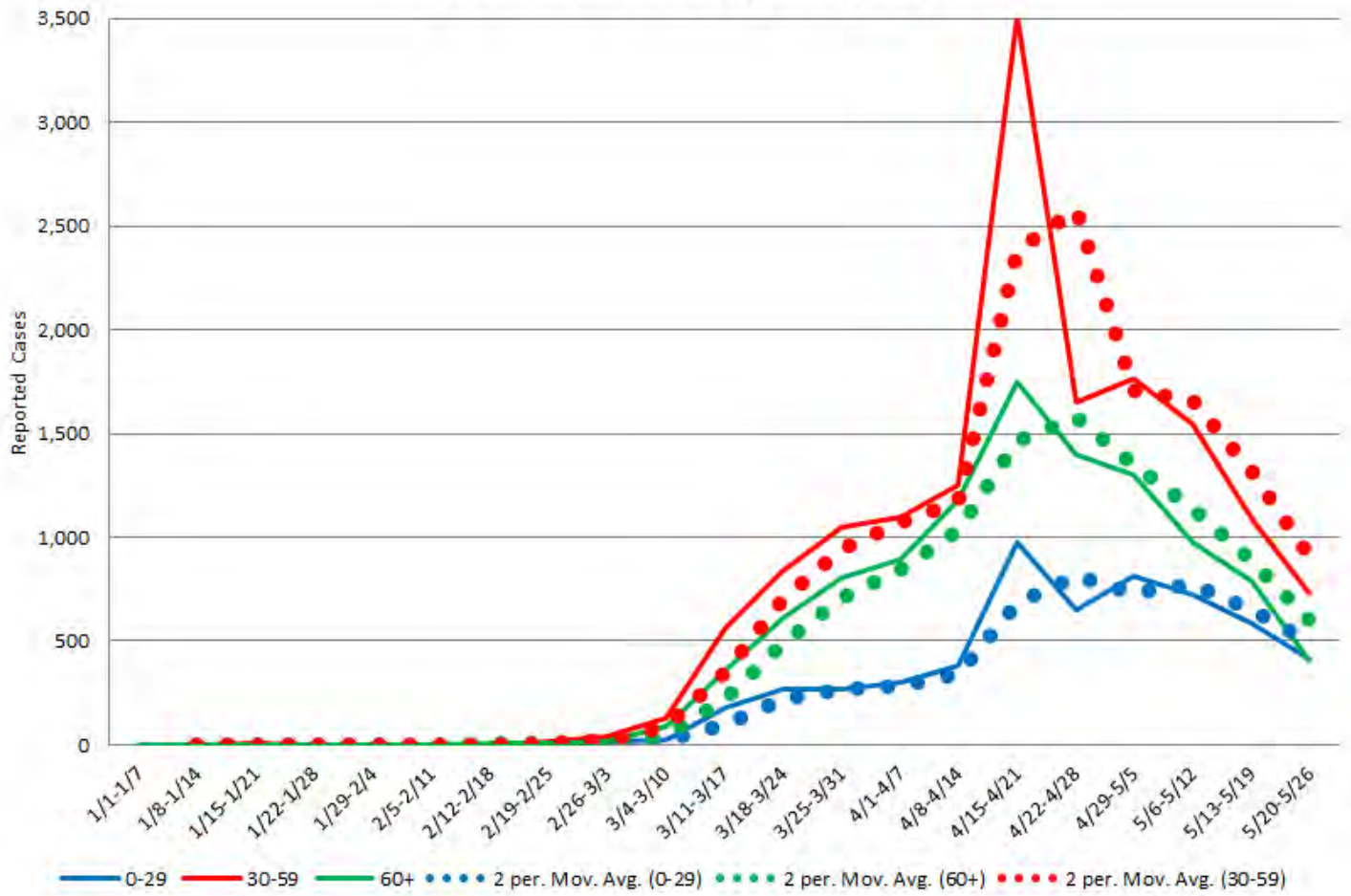
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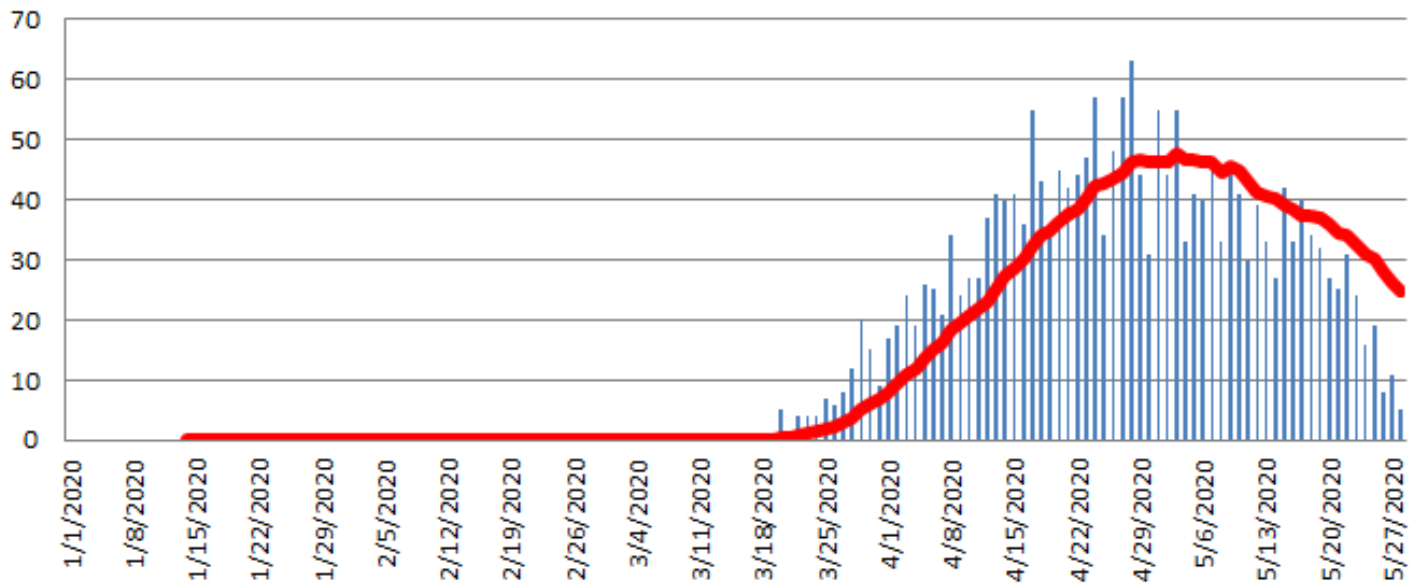
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**Reported COVID-19 Cases by Age Group (Ohio)**



**COVID-19 Deaths per Day (Ohio)  
(W/ 2 week rolling average)**





June 15th has been set aside as a day to raise awareness and promote a better understanding of the problem of elder abuse and neglect. Please join the Social Services Division in raising public awareness about elder abuse by **wearing purple on Monday, June 15th**.

NATIONAL CENTER ON ELDER ABUSE

## Red Flags of Abuse

Our communities are like structures that support people's safety and wellbeing. One of the most important ways we can all contribute to this ongoing construction project is by looking out for warning signs of maltreatment. Does someone you know display any of these signs of abuse? If so, **TAKE ACTION IMMEDIATELY**. Everyone, at every age, deserves justice. **Report suspected abuse as soon as possible.**



### Emotional & Behavioral Signs

- > Unusual changes in behavior or sleep
- > Isolated or not responsive
- > Fear or anxiety
- > Depression

### Physical Signs

- > Broken bones, bruises, and welts
- > Unexplained sexually transmitted diseases
- > Cuts, sores or burns
- > Dirtiness, poor nutrition or dehydration
- > Untreated bed sores
- > Poor living conditions
- > Torn, stained or bloody underclothing
- > Lack of medical aids (glasses, walker, teeth, hearing aid, medications)

### Financial Signs

- > Unusual changes in bank account or money management
- > Unusual or sudden changes in a will or other financial documents
- > Fraudulent signatures on financial documents
- > Unpaid bills

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## WHAT IS ELDER ABUSE?

Elder abuse is the mistreatment or harming of an older person. It can include physical, emotional, or sexual abuse, along with neglect and financial exploitation. Many social factors—for example, a lack of support services and community resources—can make conditions ripe for elder abuse. Ageism (biases against or stereotypes about older people that keep them from being fully a part of their community) also play a role in enabling elder abuse. By changing these contributing factors, we can prevent elder abuse and make sure everyone has the opportunity to thrive as we age.

