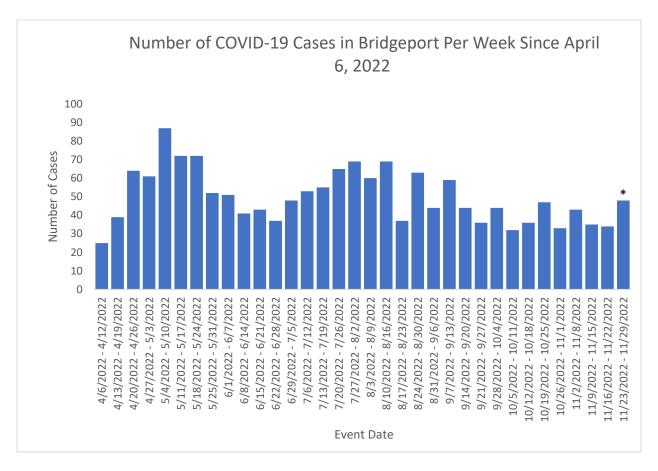
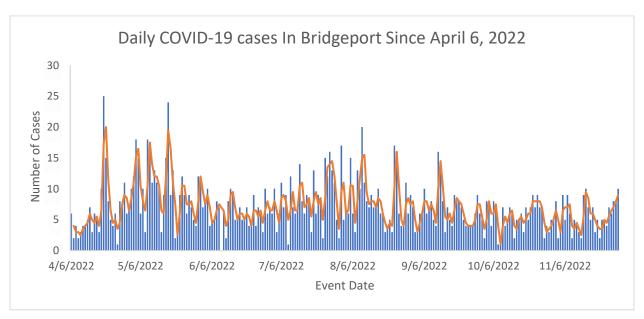
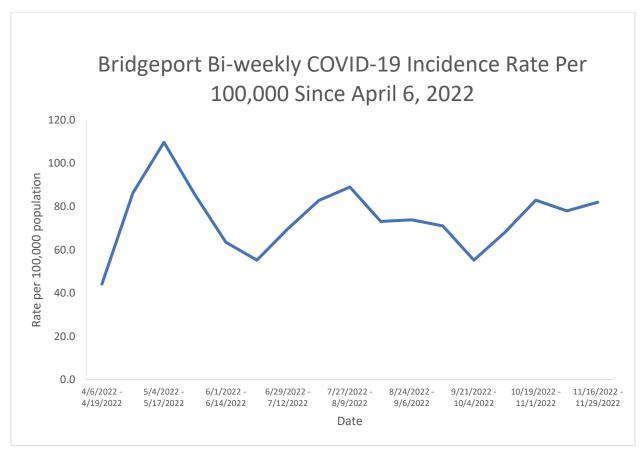
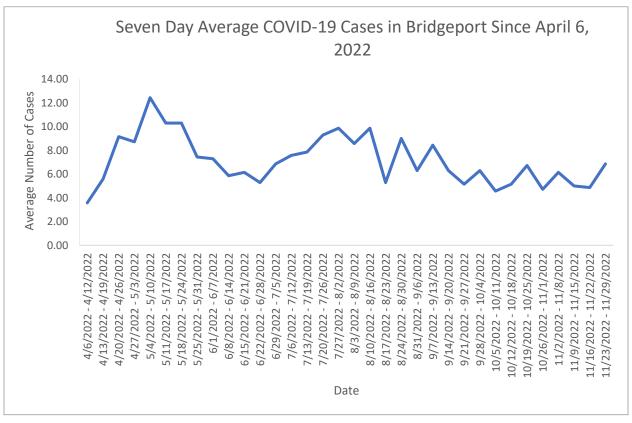
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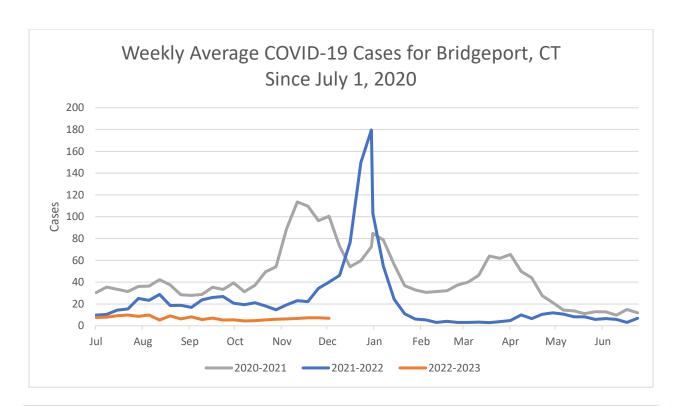


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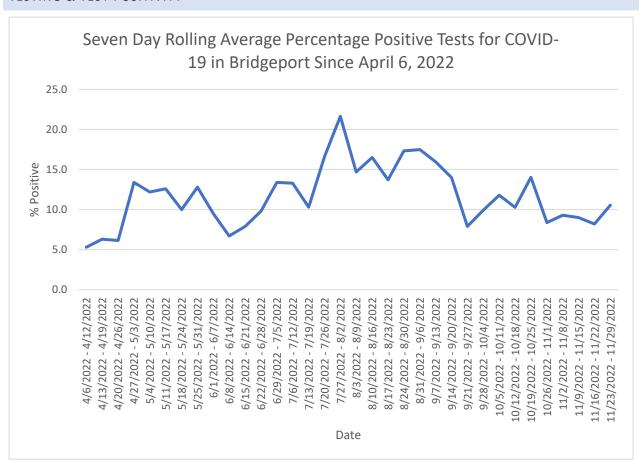


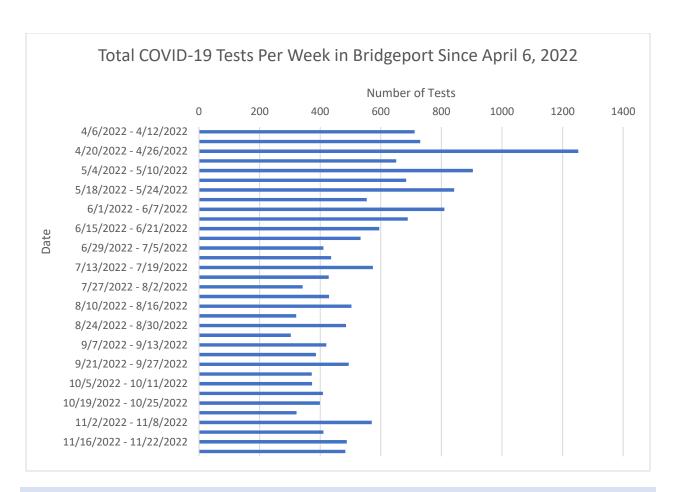




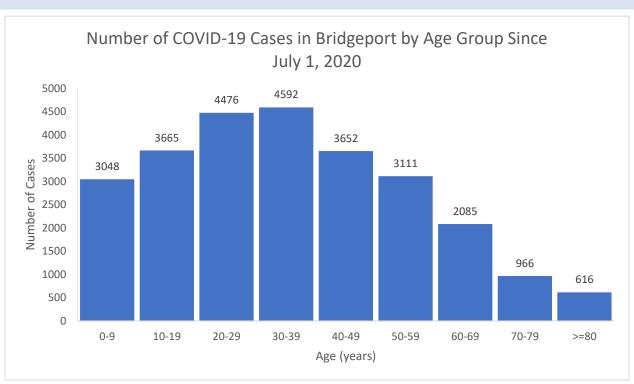


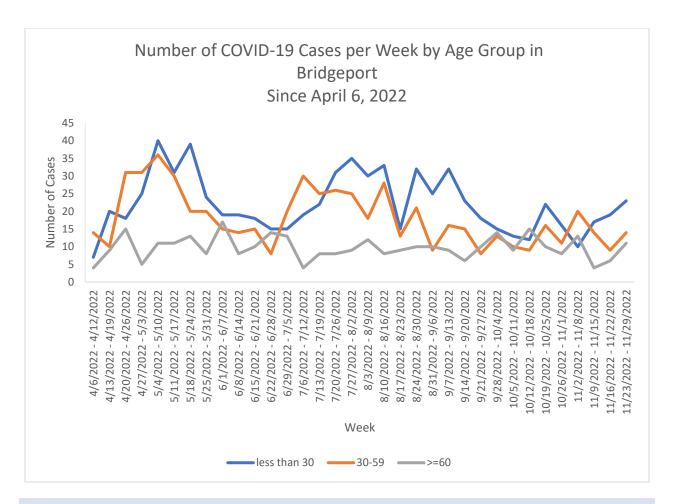
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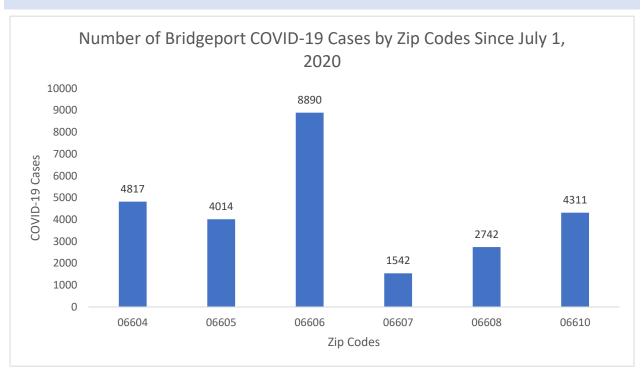


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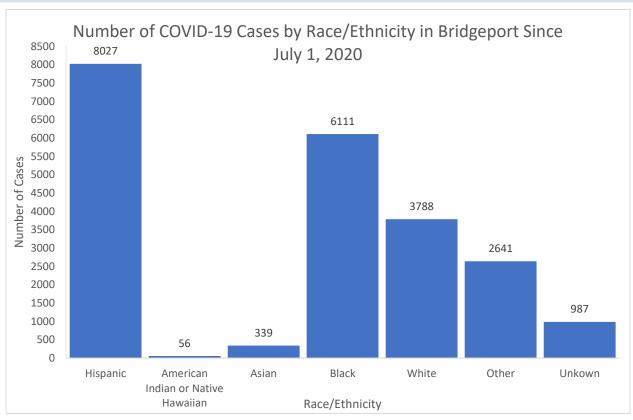


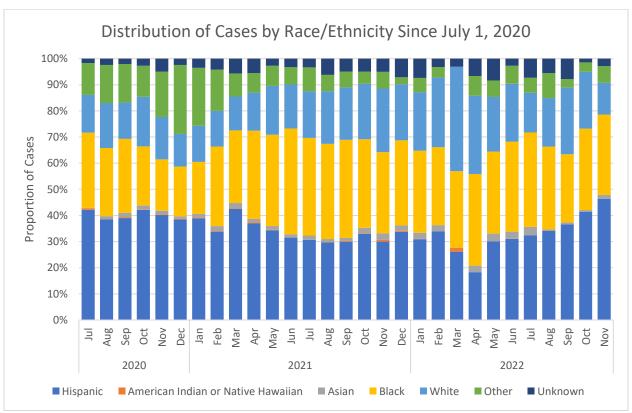


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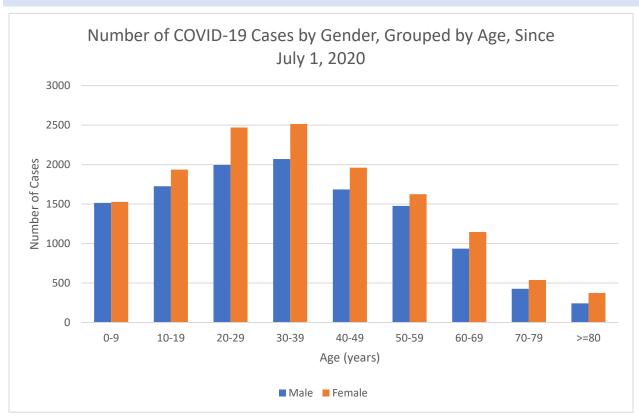


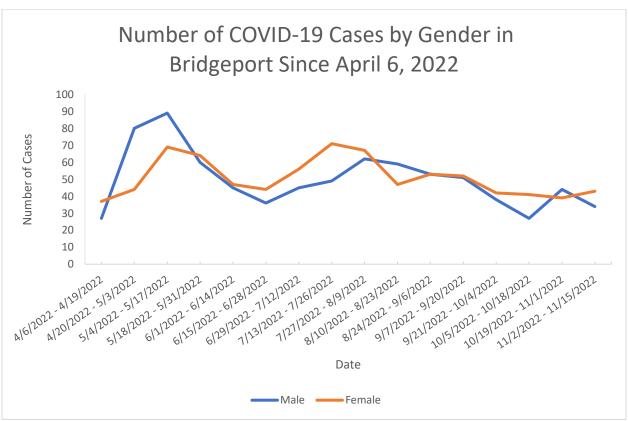
# CASES BY RACE/ETHNICITY





## CASES BY GENDER





### **SUMMARY**

The number of COVID-19 cases has risen over the past two weeks to the highest number seen since the beginning of September. The weekly number of new cases remains below the high points seen mid-May and late July and well below the numbers seen early in the pandemic. Daily new cases continue to have moderate variability, but no sharp spikes in daily cases as were seen earlier in the year. These constant levels of daily cases suggest a lack of large "super spreader" events and a continuous moderate community transmission level. Biweekly incidence rate remains steady for the past month and the seven-day average of new cases is trending slightly upward. The weekly average of new cases continues to trend far below the numbers seen during the previous two years and the expected winter spike has not yet manifested. The next few weeks will be telling with regards to the level of COVID-19 spread in the wake of holiday gatherings.

Test positivity is slightly increased, but with reported total tests remaining extremely low, this number is an unreliable indicator as to the positivity rate overall. All age groups have an increase in the number of COVID-19 cases, but the under 30 years and over 60 years age groups have had increasing numbers of cases, week over week, since November 2<sup>nd</sup> and November 9<sup>th</sup> respectively. 06606 zip code continues to have the highest number of cases while 06607 remains at the lowest. The Bridgeport Hispanic population has the highest number of cases with the Black and White populations following in number. When examined by proportion of cases by race/ethnicity per month, the proportion of COVID-19 cases in individuals identifying as Hispanic has risen over the past 7 months while the proportion of cases in individuals identifying as Black have remained relatively steady. By gender, females have the highest number of cases in all age groups, with the most significant differences in the 20-29 and 30-39 years groups. Females have more new COVID-19 cases than males for the past 2 weeks, but the difference is less dramatic than was seen in mid-October.

Overall, we are entering the winter season at a lower number of cases than during the previous two years of the pandemic, but it is too soon to celebrate. As the winter continues and holiday gatherings occur, it will be important to implement source control measures to reduce possible transmission and increase testing to detect increases in COVID-19 spread in a timely manner.

## DATA SOURCES

Connecticut Epidemiologic Disease Surveillance System