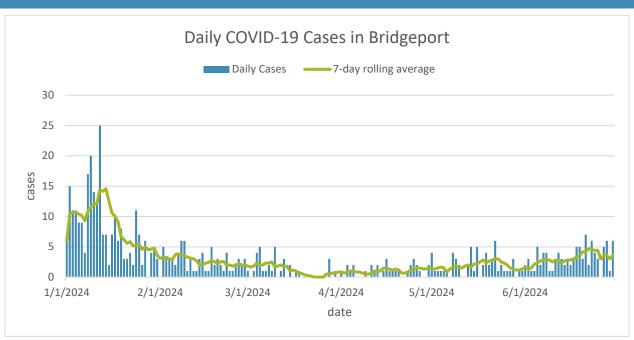
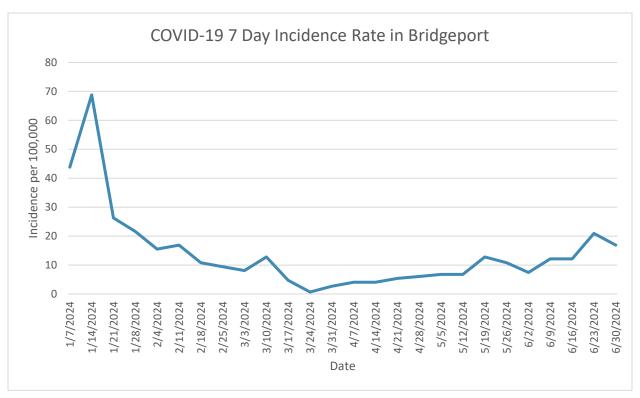
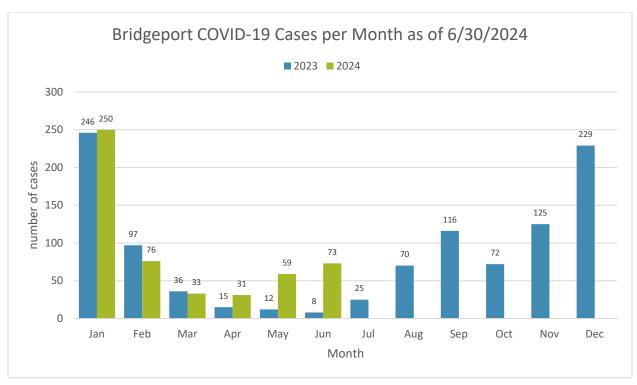
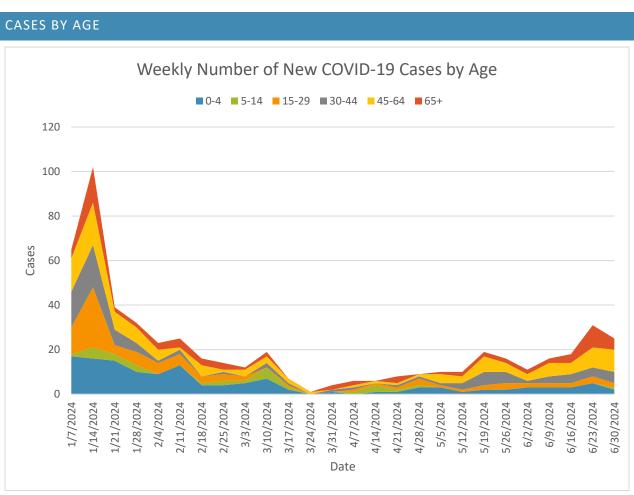


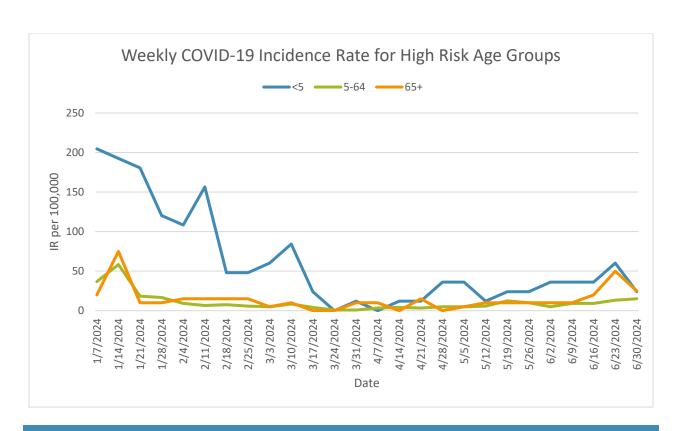
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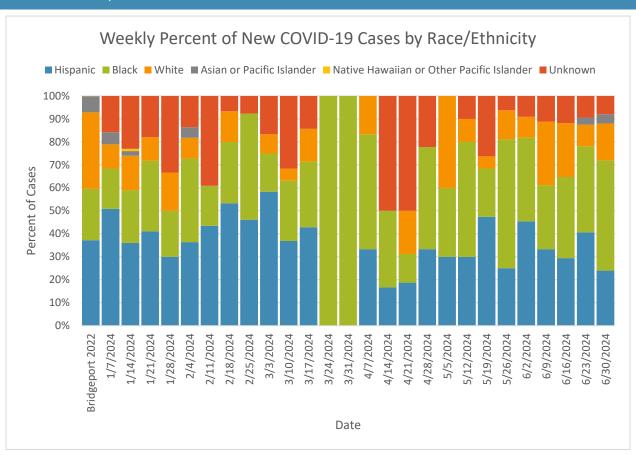




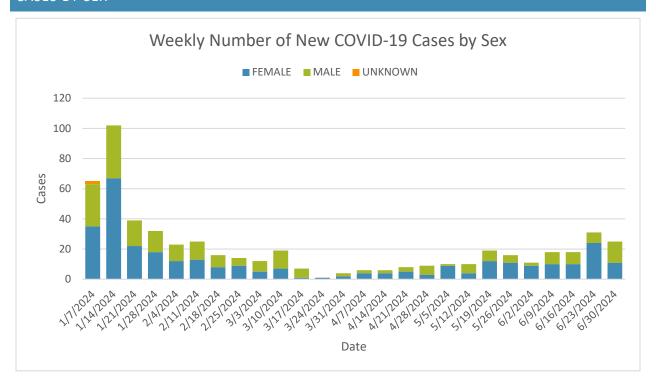




# CASES BY RACE/ETHNICITY



#### CASES BY SEX



#### **SUMMARY**

Covid continues an upward trend since the end of March, with 31 new cases for the week ending 6/23/2024 and 25 new cases for the week ending 6/30/2024. This brings the total cases for June 2024 to 73, which is 9 times higher than the number of cases reported in June 2023 (8 cases). In 2023, we saw an increase in monthly cases starting in July and continuing through the winter months, but this year the increase in monthly cases started in May. It remains to be seen if this is a precursor to a winter with high numbers of Covid cases or an early start to the cases that will plateau earlier than expected. Covid as an endemic disease is still a new entity and we have very few years of data to use as predictors (unlike influenza).

The number of cases in individuals aged 45-64 is the largest proportion of cases during this 2-week reporting period, encompassing 34% of the total cases reported. Even with this higher number of cases, the incidence rate for individuals aged 5-65 is below the rate of our more vulnerable age groups of children under 5 and adults over 65. By race/ethnicity, Covid cases are being disproportionately reported in individuals identifying as Black. By sex, there were more cases reported in people identifying as female than male. Due to the small numbers of Covid cases being reported to medical providers, this data struggles to paint an accurate picture of the state of endemic disease in Bridgeport. It is important to keep in mind that this is only a snapshot of cases that sought medical care and many more cases of Covid were likely diagnosed using a home test kit (or never tested) and did not seek medical care.

#### PRECAUTIONS TO TAKE

- Get vaccinated
- Wash your hands often
- Follow <u>CDC masking and isolation guidelines</u> for COVID-19

- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth
- Clean and disinfect surfaces that may be contaminated with the COVID-19 virus
- Take antiviral drugs if your doctor prescribes them

### MORE INFORMATION

**COVID-19 Questions and Answers (video)** 

Is it the flu or COVID-19? (website)

**COVID-19 Vaccine Information (website)** 



## **DATA SOURCES**

Connecticut Epidemiologic Disease Surveillance System