COVID-19
Orleans Parish, LA

Orleans Parish ranks #1 in deaths and #3 in cases statewide

New cases per day peaked at 876 cases on 4/2/20

New deaths per day peaked at 32 deaths on 4/14/20

COVID-19 risk is not equal for all people in New Orleans

A Black person in New Orleans is

1.7 TIMES more likely to die from COVID-19 than a White person

% of Population % of COVID-19 Deaths % of COVID-19 Cases

- Black 75.0% 80.2% 100.0%
- White 78.0% 55.6% 100.0%
- Other Races 6.7% 6.6% 6.6%
- Unknown 7.4% 1.3% 1.3%

95% of COVID-19 Deaths happened in the New Orleans East Ward

The New Orleans Metropolitan Area is home to

79 industrial facilities that release

45.3 million pounds of toxic pollution each year

Exposure to air pollution is linked to increased risk of death from COVID-19

Population data from Louisiana Census Bureau, 2019
COVID-19 deaths from Louisiana Department of Health and Human Services
Air pollution from the Environmental Defense Fund, 2019

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- 612 tests conducted per 1,000 residents
- 11% POVERTY RATE
- 92% UNINSURED
- 20% <18 YEARS OLD
- 14.7% > 65 YEARS OLD
- 14,800 cases, 7.1% cases statewide
- 886 deaths statewide
- 3% testing positivity rate