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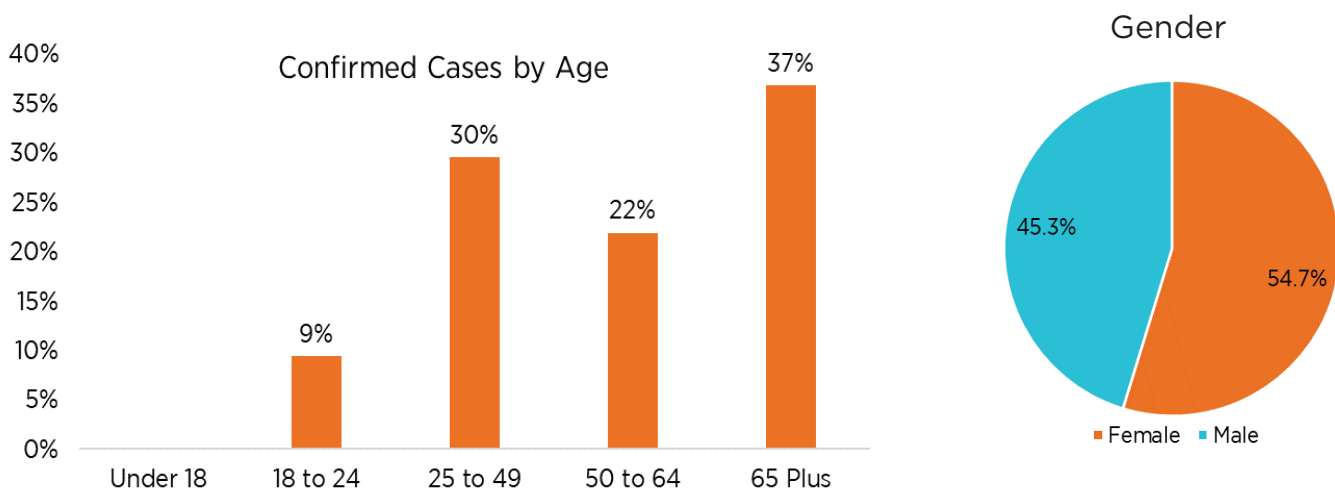
Orange County COVID-19 Updated Data May 22, 2020 9:00 a.m.

HILLSBOROUGH, N.C. May 22, 2020 -- The Orange County Health Department has provided the following information about COVID-19 cases in Orange County as of 9:00 a.m. today:

TOTAL CASES: 291	TOTAL DEATHS: 39
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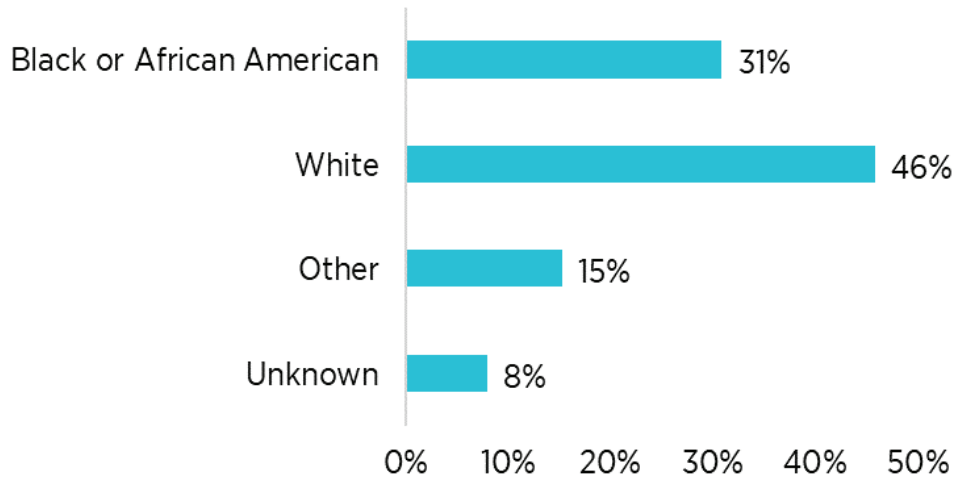
Data Considerations:

1. Testing capability is limited, so the actual number of confirmed cases may be higher.
2. Any demographic groups with very small numbers have been suppressed to protect patient confidentiality.
3. We are missing race and ethnicity data for between 32-36% of confirmed cases. We don't know who may have COVID-19 that wasn't able to get tested, and we don't know what groups the patients with missing data fall under. **This data should not be used to make generalizations about who may or may not have higher rates of infection.**



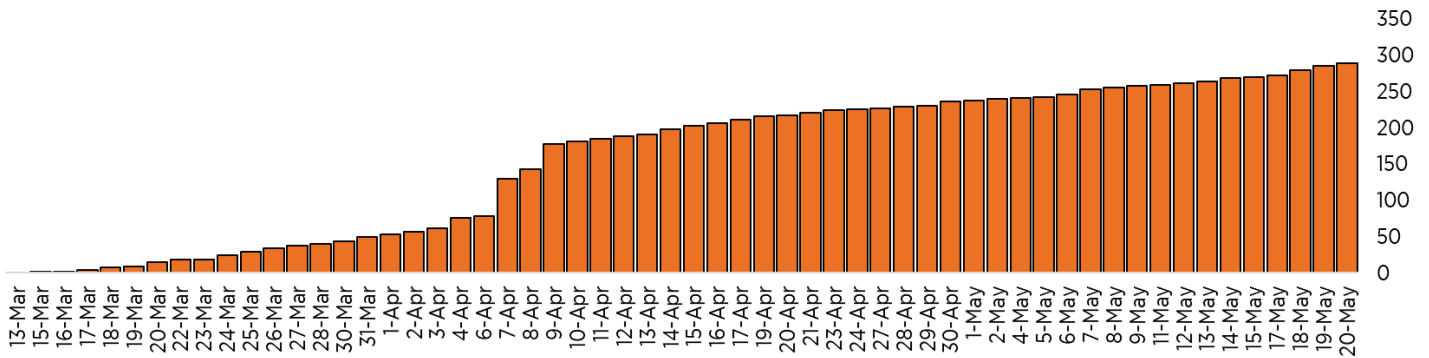
*Note: Data is based on the North Carolina Electronic Disease Surveillance System, which is a day behind the NC DHHS case count but has more comprehensive demographic data. The NC DHHS case count is updated daily at 11 a.m. on their website:
<https://www.ncdhhs.gov/divisions/public-health/covid19/covid-19-nc-case-count>

Confirmed Cases by Race



Confirmed Cases by Date of Specimen Collection

*Note: Cases in the last week may not have returned results yet.



*Current ethnicity data is too small to present. Please check later updates for those numbers.

Orange County will move into Phase Two of the reopening process on Friday, May 22nd at 5 p.m. Learn more:

Press Release: [Orange County Moves to “Safer at Home” Phase Two](#)

For the latest information and guidance relating to Orange County’s COVID-19 response:

- Visit www.orangecountync.gov/coronavirus.
- Receive daily text updates on the crisis by texting 888-777 with OCNHEALTH for English speakers and OCNCSALUD for Spanish speakers.
- [Sign up for a twice weekly e-newsletter](#) about the COVID-19 response via the county website.
- Follow the Orange County Health Department on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

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