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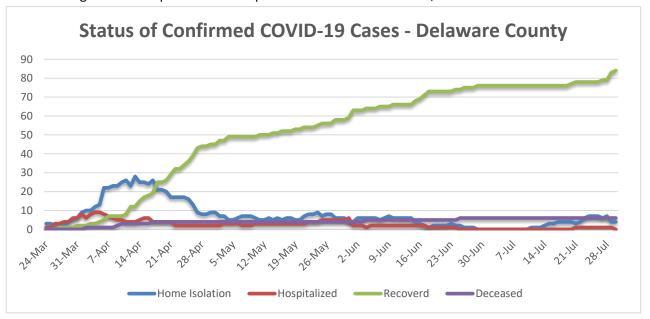
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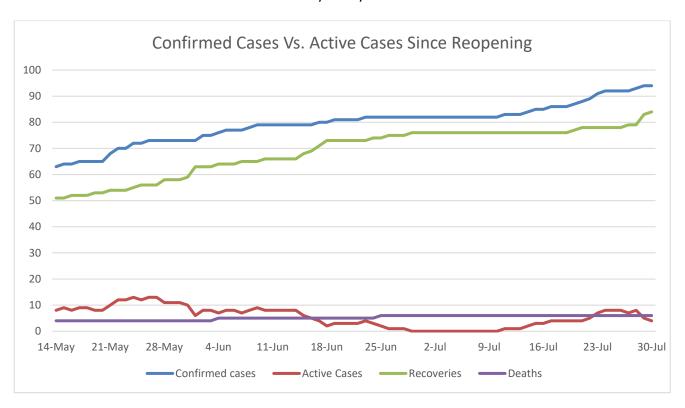
Governor Cuomo announced yesterday the reopening of DMV-licensed driving schools. They can now offer the pre-licensing, or 5-hour, course to students. DMV has issued specific guidance to driving schools that will allow them to conduct driver's education courses using technology such as Zoom and WebEx. New York State continues to stress the importance of social distancing. Please remember all stores, restaurants, bars and public facilities are limited in capacity and gatherings are limited to 50 people or 50% of the venues capacity, whichever is less. Social distancing and face coverings are required while in public spaces, shopping, receiving any type of services or gathering in groups. We are asking that you please respect these guidelines in an effort to help all of our local businesses remain open.

Delaware County received no new positive test results for COVID-19 today and one additional recovery. The known active cases in the County as of today is 4. It is important to continue to use face coverings and practice good social distancing. Our economy can only remain open as long as we continue to comply with these directives county-wide. To date there have been 94 confirmed positive cases of COVID-19 in Delaware County, with 37 people under mandatory quarantine and 1 person under precautionary quarantine. There have been 4858 negative results reported and there are 27 pending test results. As of today 4 people are isolated and receiving care at home and no one is isolated in the hospital, 6 people have died and 84 have fully recovered and are no longer isolated or receiving care.

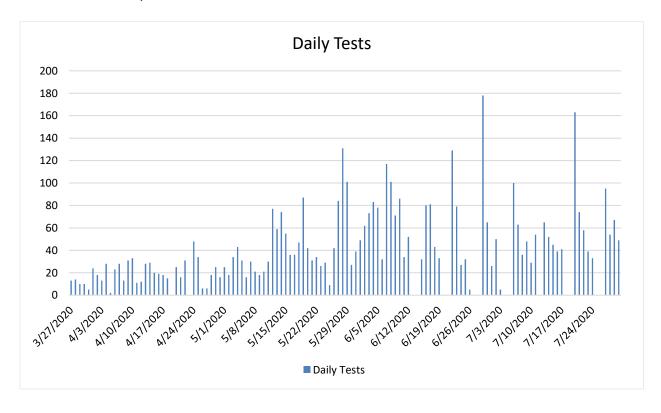
The following chart is a representation of positive cases since March 23, 2020.



The following chart represents the number of cases since the beginning of our economic reopening Phase 1 on May 15, 2020. The numbers have remained fairly consistent with confirmed cases and recoveries rising slowly, keeping the number of active cases and deaths flat from day to day.

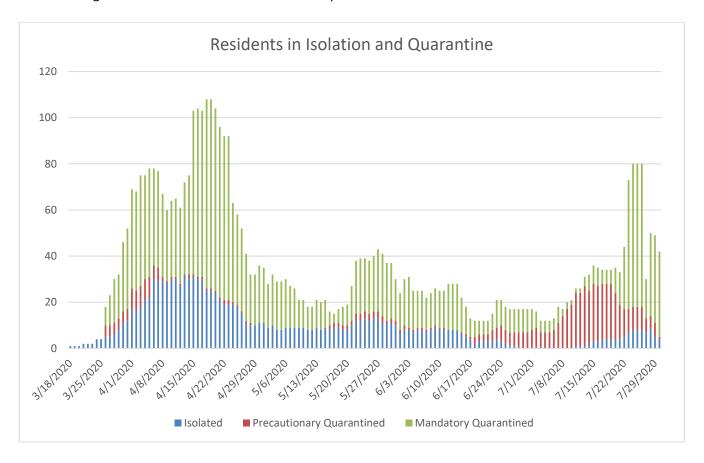


Delaware County remains vigilant in testing residents with 5002 people tested to date. Currently 11.11 % of the total population has been tested with test results being reported every day. The following chart represents the total number of new daily tests since March 26, 2020.

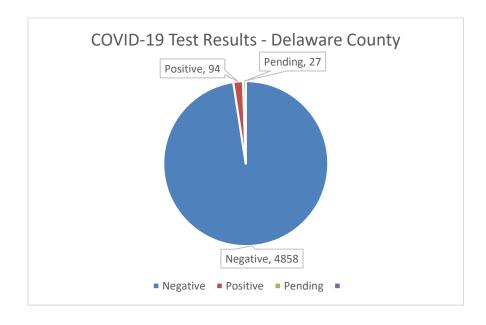


Another important measure that we need to be conscious of are the residents that have been placed under mandatory or precautionary quarantine.

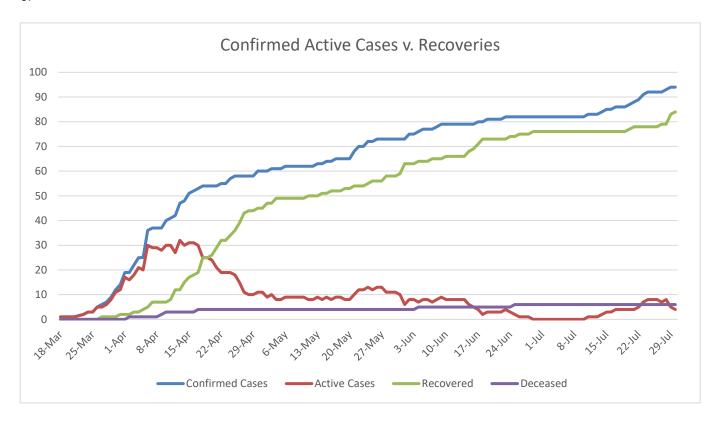
The following chart shows the number of residents quarantined and isolated.



The following pie chart illustrates the amount of testing and the results reported:



The following chart represents the total number of confirmed cases in Delaware County in relationship to the number of those cases that have been discharged from care, deceased and active cases of the disease. The number of known active cases as of today is 4 and the number discharged is 84 while the number deceased Is now 6.



As businesses have been reopening and more people begin to visit stores, restaurants and now places for entertainment please be aware of the state guidance and respect the business owner's directives to wear face coverings and keep spacing between people. Businesses have gone to great lengths to comply with the State mandates and their ability to remain open is dependent on compliance. Please remember the Governor's Executive Orders have stated that any business owner can refuse service if you do not comply. If anyone is concerned about a business or individual not complying with the safety guidelines, please DO NOT contact the Delaware County Public Health Office with complaints. You should file a complaint through New York State at https://labor.ny.gov/workerprotection/laborstandards/coronavirus-complaints.shtm.

We would also like to remind Delaware County residents that summer events like the Delaware County Fair are being cancelled or altered as a result of state-wide standards being implemented in the fight against COVID-19. These local events are the primary source of fundraising for several local fire departments, EMS squads, not for profit groups, VFWs and Legions, as well as several philanthropic and fraternal organizations. Our communities rely on the generosity of these groups and the volunteers that make them function. Without these large fundraising events many will not be able to provide services as readily as we are accustom to. All Delaware County communities have come to rely on programs, services and contributions from these groups in our daily lives, including distribution of Christmas baskets for the needy, glasses for our seniors or school supplies for our youth all of these groups give back to each and every one of us all year round. We are asking that in light of these cancellations and limited fundraising opportunities that you please consider making any size contribution you can. Even the smallest amount goes further than the actual contribution due to the creativity and ingenuity of these important organizations.