

Forsyth County Government

COVID-19 Daily Briefing

August 17, 2020

Updated weekdays by approximately 12:30pm

There are nine new cases reported today. Over the weekend, there were 36 new cases reported on Saturday, and 39 new cases reported on Sunday. There have been 5,561 laboratory-confirmed cases in Forsyth County. All cases reported by the Forsyth County Department of Public Health are Forsyth County residents. Of the 5,561, 4,814 are presumed recovered. The case count is subject to change throughout the day but will only be reported once per day in the daily briefing.

The Public Health Director will provide a detailed briefing at 2:00pm at the beginning of the August 20th Board of County Commissioners meeting, which will be conducted remotely. The public can listen to and watch the meeting on WSTV 13 or by clicking on this link: <https://www.cityofws.org/493/WSTV-13>

The Public Health Director will hold a Question & Answer session with the media at 4:00pm on August 20th. The call-in information will be sent to the media tomorrow.

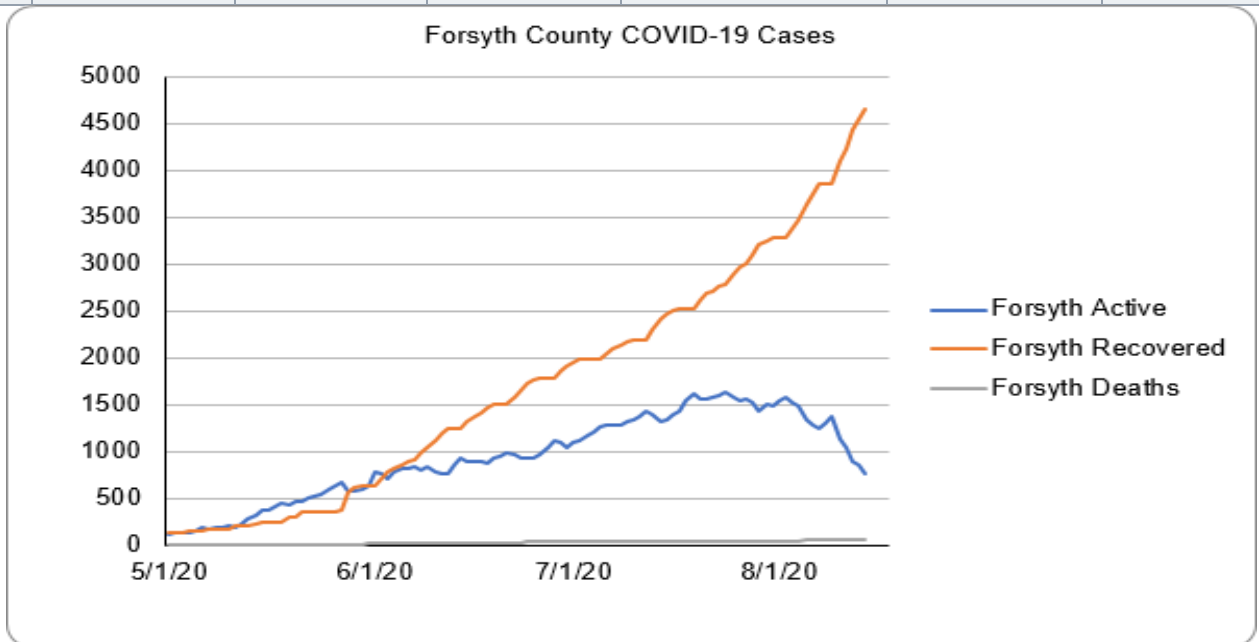
Forsyth County Department of Public Health's COVID-19 helpline is (336) 582-0800. **For information on COVID-19 testing locations, symptoms and prevention, as well as Safer at Home Order measures, visit:** <https://forsyth.cc/covidupdate>.

Public Health Director Comment

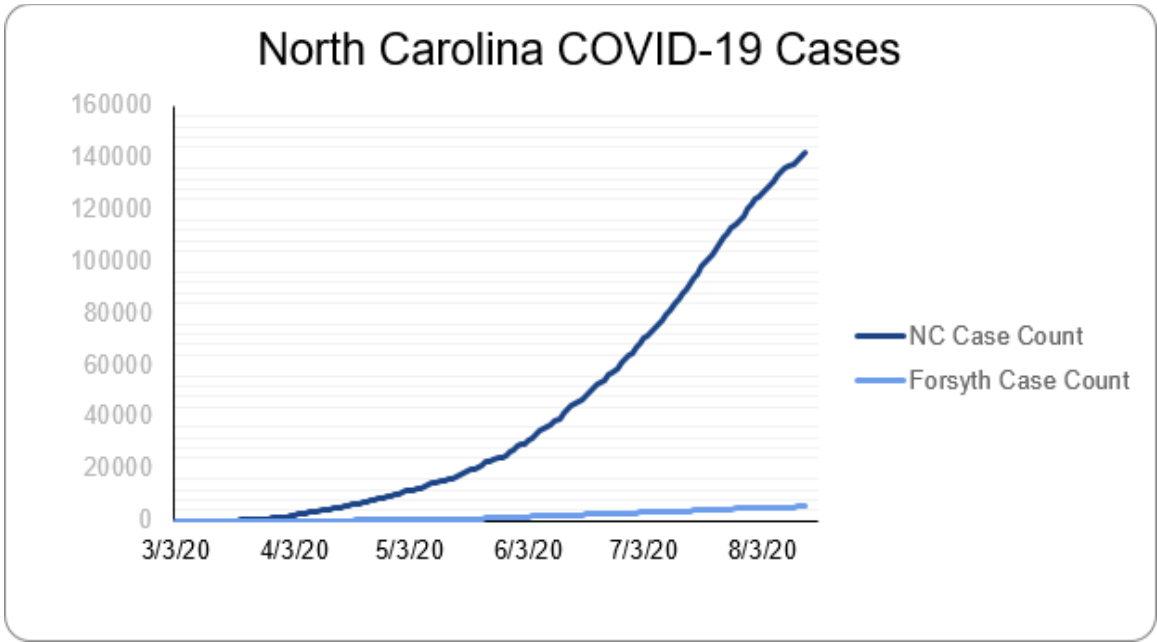
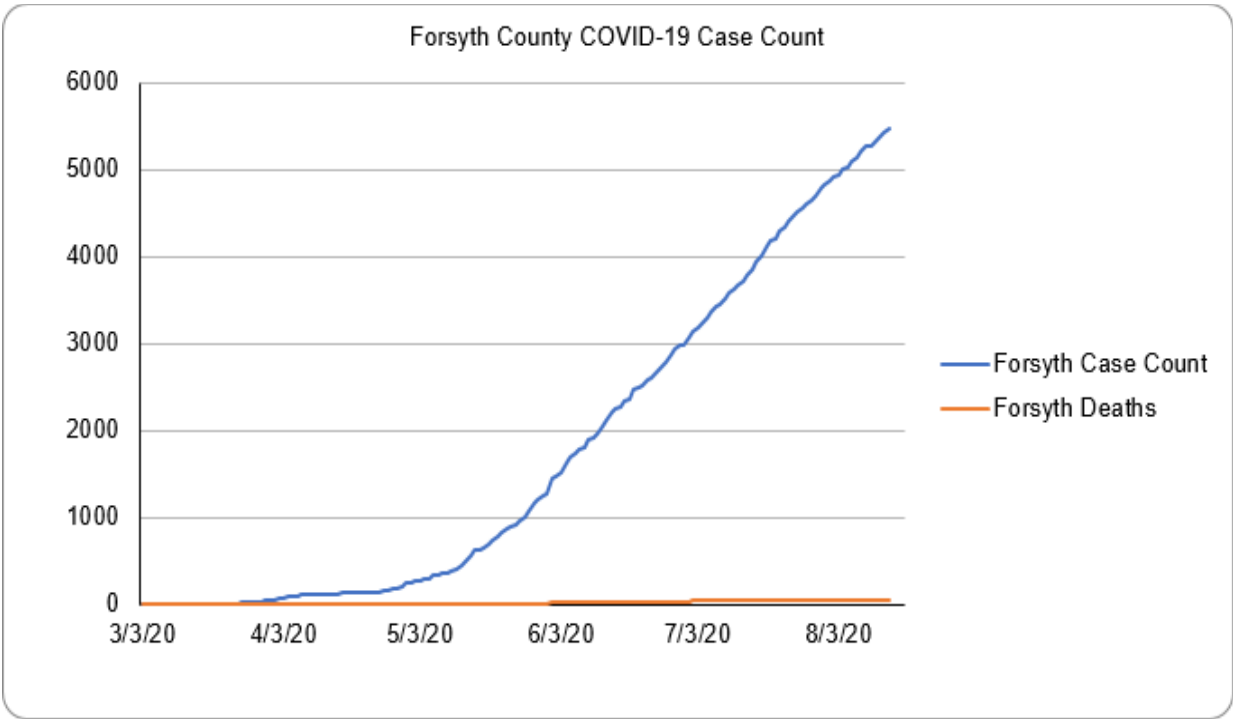
Public Health Director Joshua Swift commented, "Forsyth County's Department of Public Health will host a free COVID-19 testing event Tuesday, August 18th, from 5 p.m.-8 p.m. at Carver School Road Library, 4915 Lansing Drive. For more information visit www.forsyth.cc/covidupdate"

Case Count

Forsyth Cases	Forsyth Deaths	NC Cases	NC Deaths	NC Completed Tests	US Cases *	US Deaths *
5,561	56	145,516	2,348	1,935,472	5,408,268	170,131



Active and recovered data starting May 1, 2020



Sources: [NCDHHS](#); Forsyth County Department of Public Health
 *John Hopkins University as of 12:00pm

Operational Update

There are no operational updates to report today.

Forsyth County Government's helpline is available to answer questions about Phase 2. Please click this link to ask a question online: <http://forsyth.cc/stayathome.aspx> or call (336) 464-7800.

Any additional changes in Forsyth County's operations will be provided in this daily briefing which will be updated by 12:30pm daily.

Additional Information

NC Department of Health and Human Services has published additional metrics located here:

<https://www.ncdhhs.gov/divisions/public-health/covid19/covid-19-nc-case-count>

The Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation at the University of Washington has created a model for COVID-19 projections. The projections can be found here: <https://covid19.healthdata.org/>

Environmental Systems Research Institute's (ESRI) COVID-19 Cases and Planning Report is updated daily and can be found here: <https://esridc.github.io/covid-report/?county=Forsyth%2C+NC>