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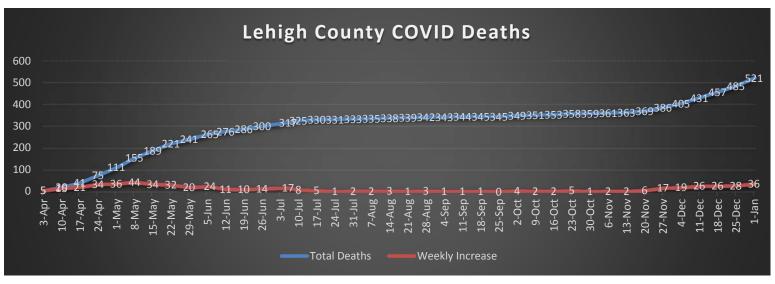
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## <u>COVID-19 Update</u> <u>Friday, January 1, 2021</u>

The following updated, cumulative data reflects COVID-19 related deaths for Lehigh County residents, that have been reported to our office. The Lehigh County Coroner's Office offers this information to educate and inform the residents of Lehigh County on the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic and its impact to our community.

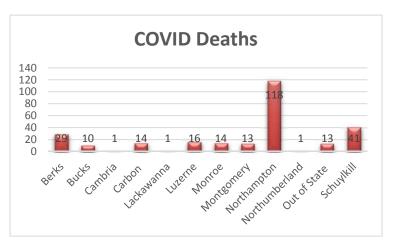
Municipality of Residence	Deaths
Allentown	157
Bethlehem	97
Catasauqua	4
Coopersburg	3
Emmaus	4
Fountain Hill	17
Heidelberg Township	1
Lower Macungie Township	41
Lynn Township	1
Macungie	3
North Whitehall Township	10
Salisbury Township	14
Slatington	1
South Whitehall Township	92
Upper Macungie Township	19
Upper Milford Township	2
Upper Saucon Township	11
Washington Township	1
Whitehall Township	43
Total Lehigh County Residents	521

The average age of these 521 residents was 80.75 years old. 45.5% of the residents were male and 54.5% were female. This data includes test confirmed positive cases and presumed positive cases, as determined by the medical certifier. 94% of these deaths were confirmed positive by testing (488) and 6% fall in to the presumed positive category (33). 67% of these decedents were residents of long term care facilities in Lehigh County.



The following graphs summarizes the weekly updates from the past 40 weeks.

In addition to the 521 Lehigh County residents that have died of COVID-19, an additional 271 deaths of non-Lehigh County residents have occurred within Lehigh County healthcare facilities. The follow graph illustrates that breakdown.



The staff of the Lehigh County Coroner's Office continues to serve the residents of Lehigh County 24 hours a day, 7 days a week throughout this pandemic. Our staff continues to investigate deaths of those individuals who die within the County and serve their families.

We wish our most sincere condolences to the families affected as well thoughts of strength and healing to our entire Lehigh County community.

Respectfully,

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