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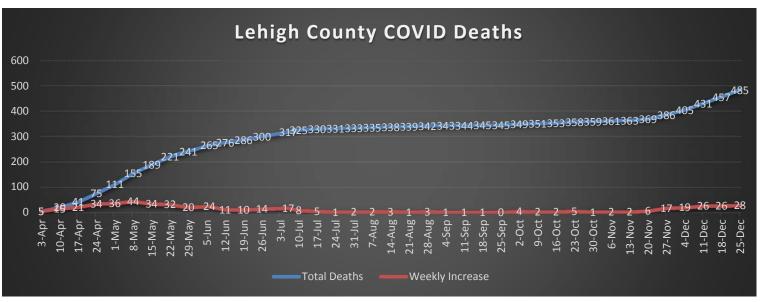
## Eric D. Minnich, D-ABMDI Coroner

## <u>COVID-19 Update</u> <u>Friday, December 25, 2020</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.

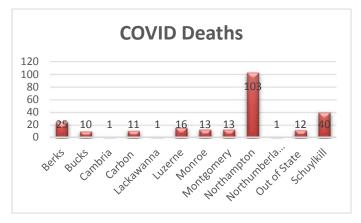
Municipality of Residence	Deaths
Allentown	146
Bethlehem	89
Catasauqua	4
Coopersburg	3
Emmaus	4
Fountain Hill	17
Heidelberg Township	1
Lower Macungie Township	39
Lynn Township	1
Macungie	2
North Whitehall Township	6
Salisbury Township	14
South Whitehall Township	91
Upper Macungie Township	15
Upper Milford Township	2
Upper Saucon Township	11
Washington Township	1
Whitehall Township	39
Total Lehigh County Residents	485

The average age of these 485 residents was 80.92 years old. 44.9% of the residents were male and 55.1% were female. This data includes test confirmed positive cases and presumed positive cases, as determined by the medical certifier. 93% of these deaths were confirmed positive by testing (452) and 7% fall in to the presumed positive category (33). 69% of these decedents were residents of long term care facilities in Lehigh County.



The following graphs summarizes the weekly updates from the past 39 weeks.

In addition to the 485 Lehigh County residents that have died of COVID-19, an additional 246 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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