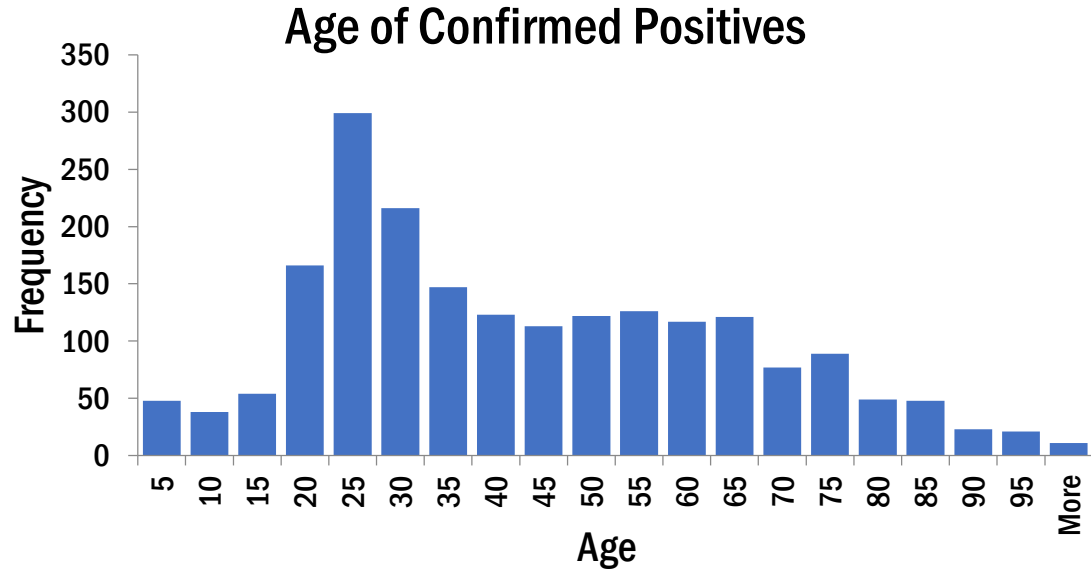
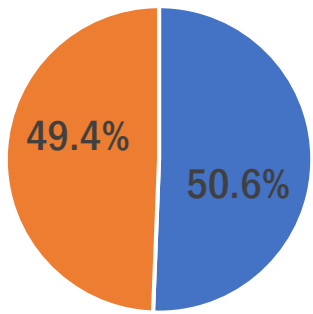


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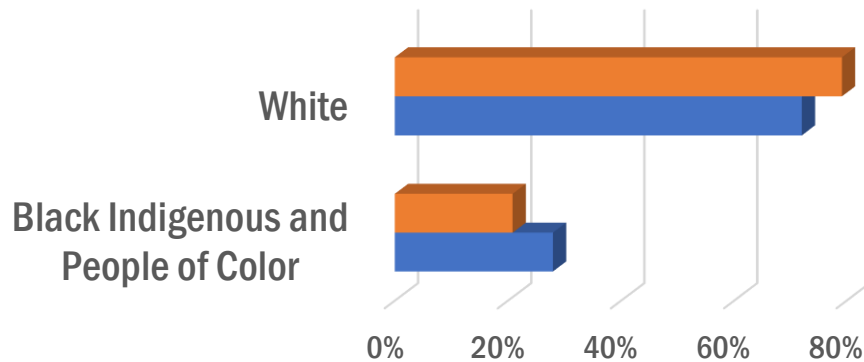


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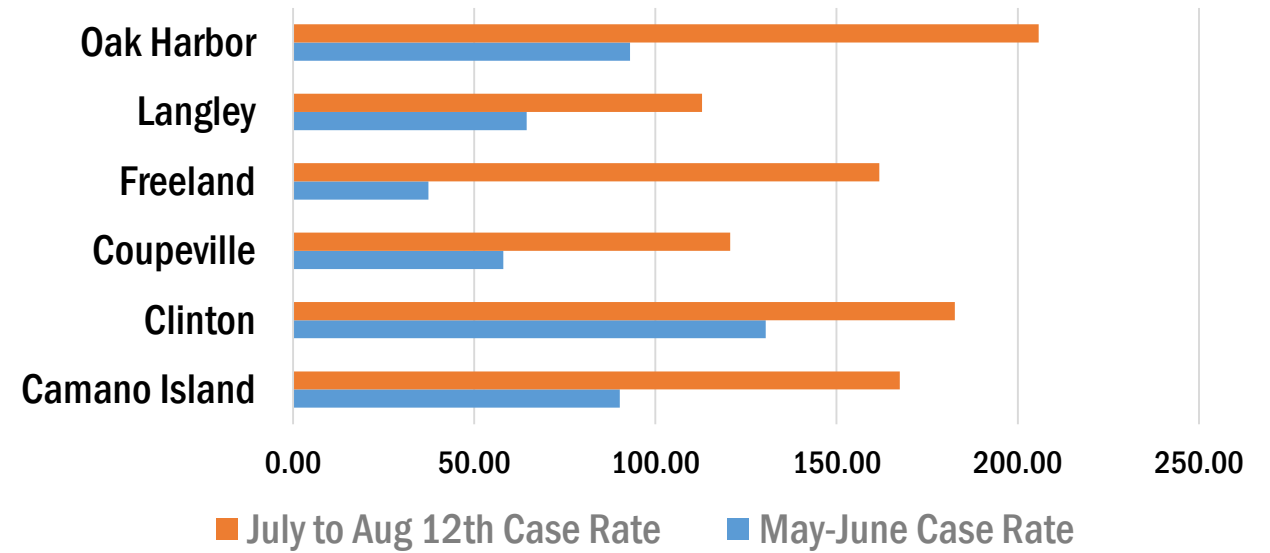
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Recent Cases by Race



■ Percent of Residents ■ Percent of Recent Cases

Case Rate by Location



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