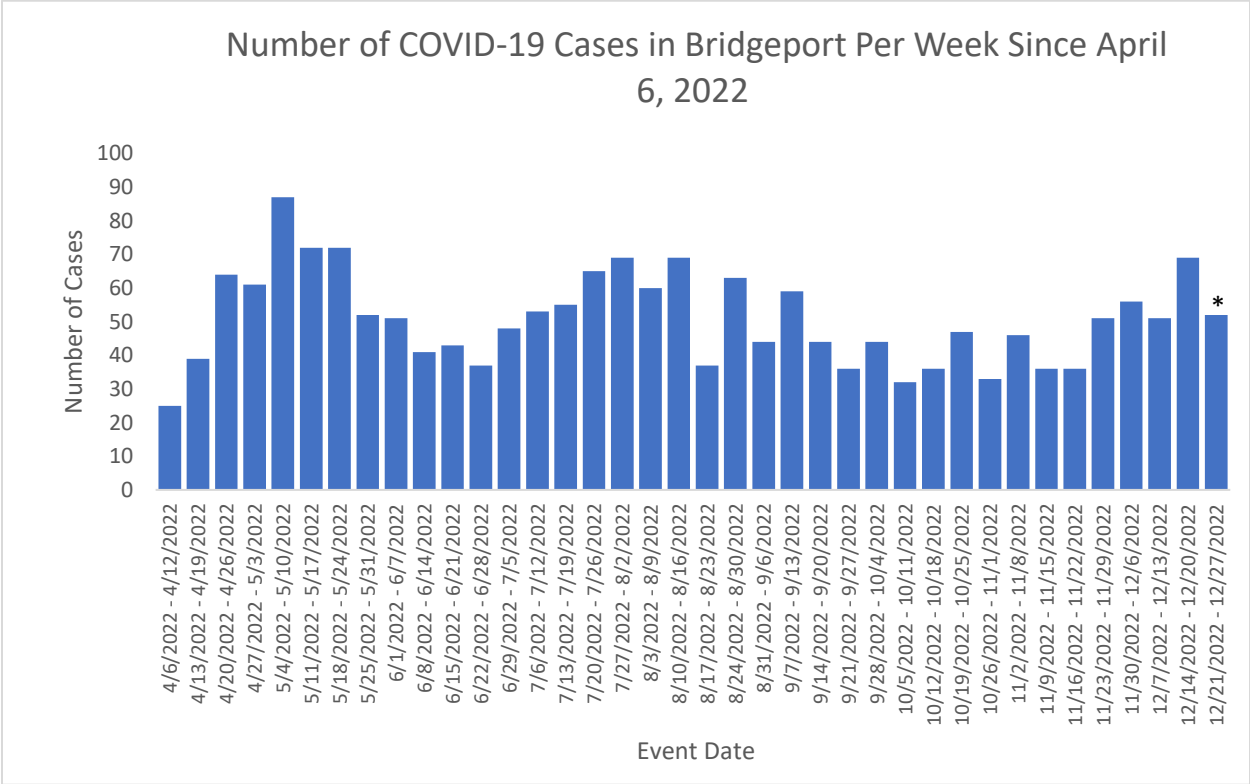
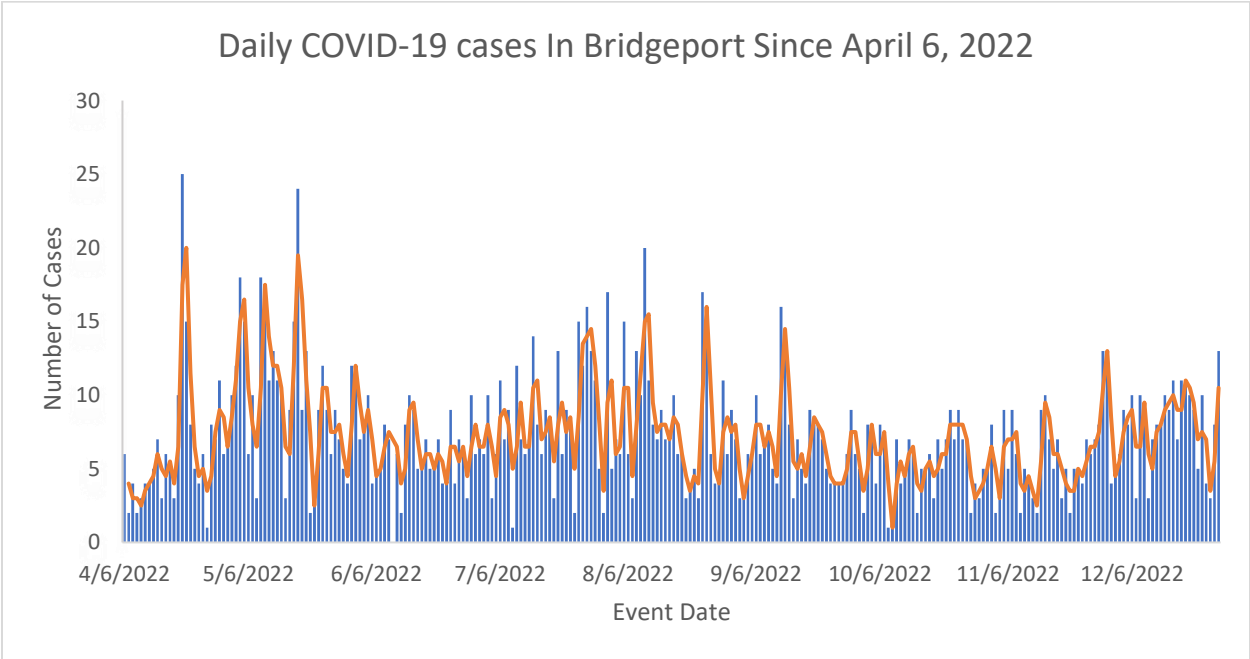
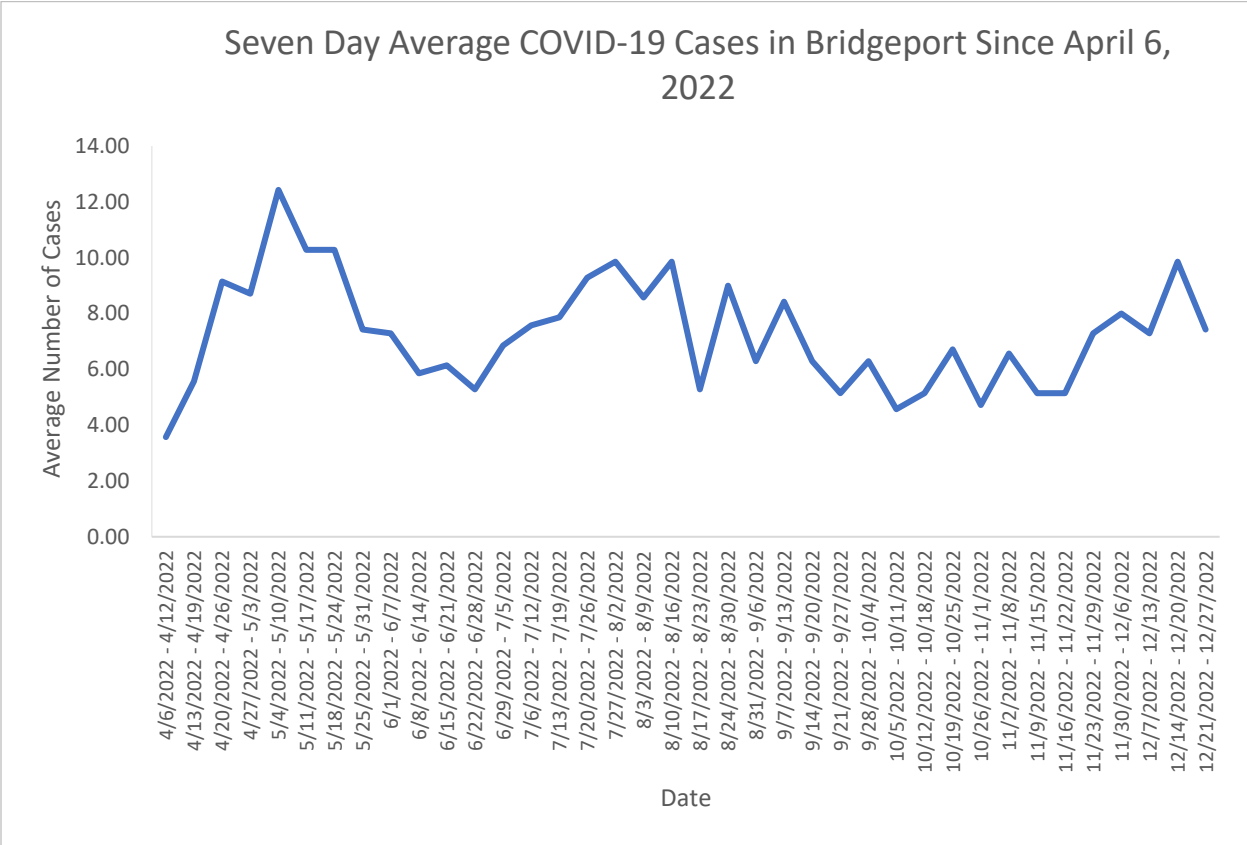
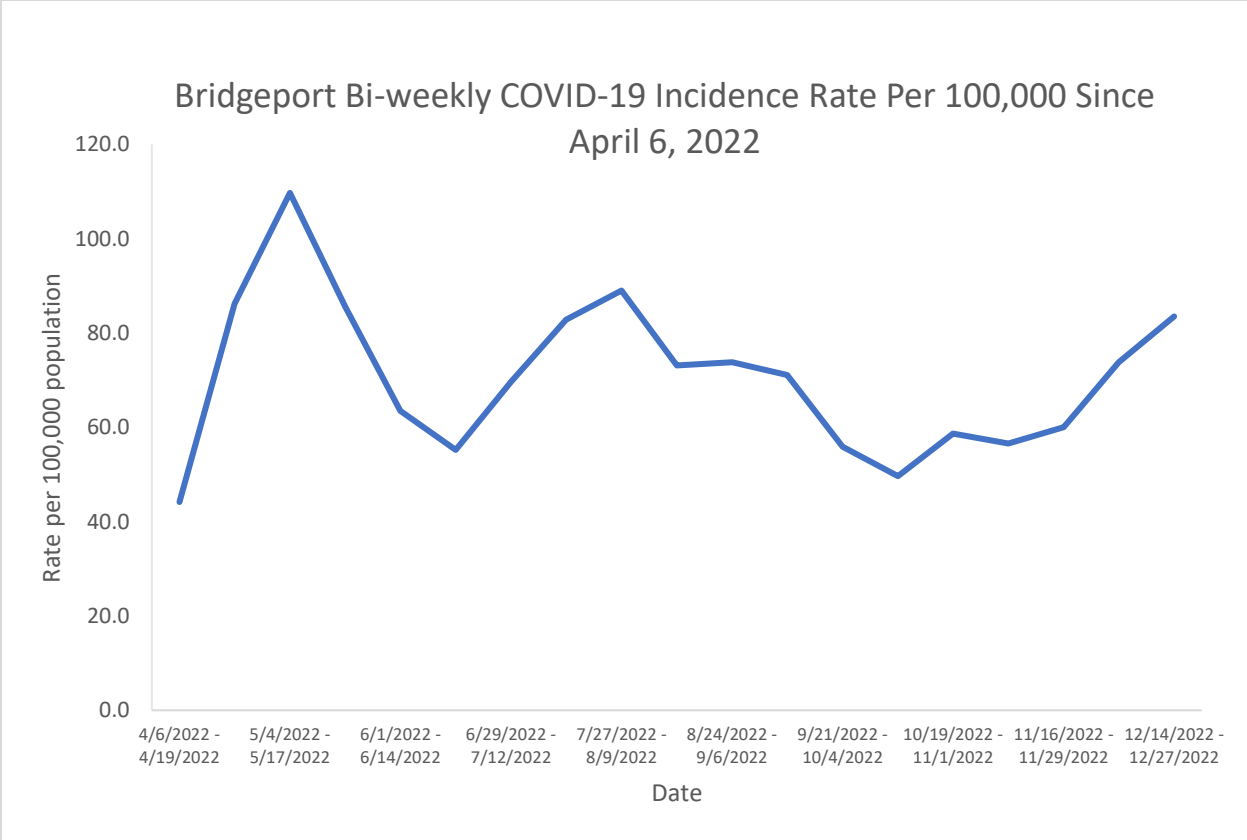


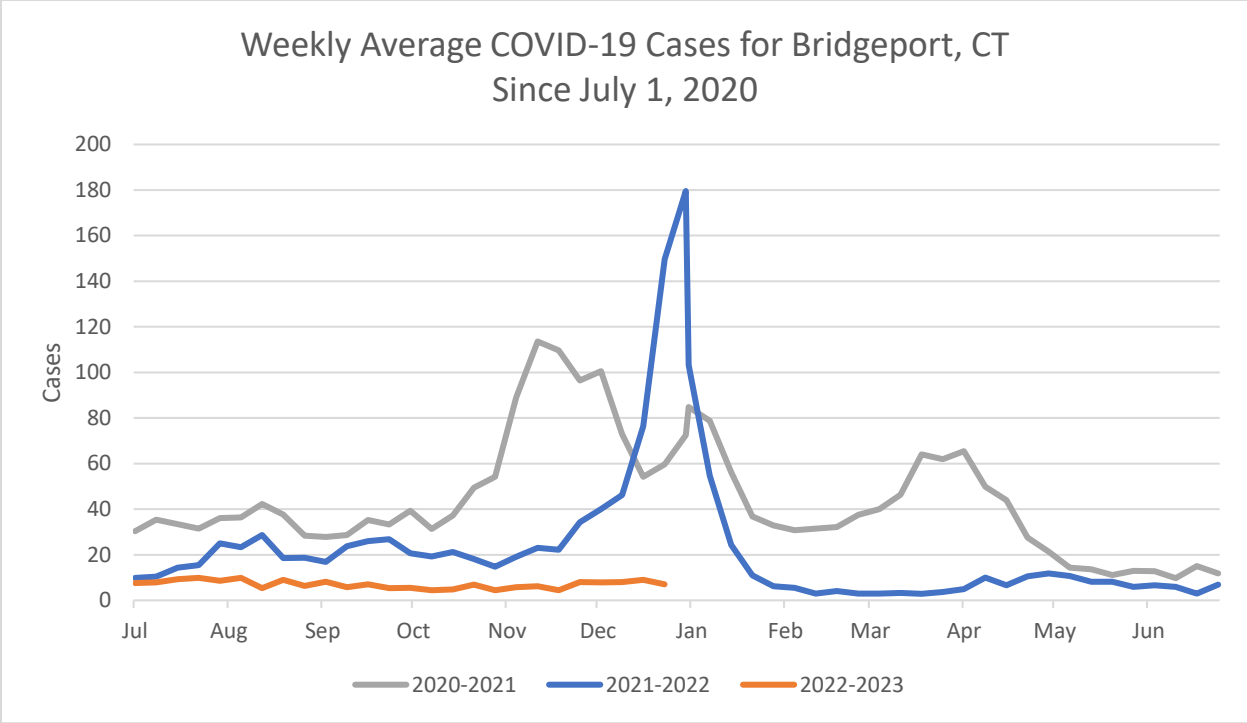
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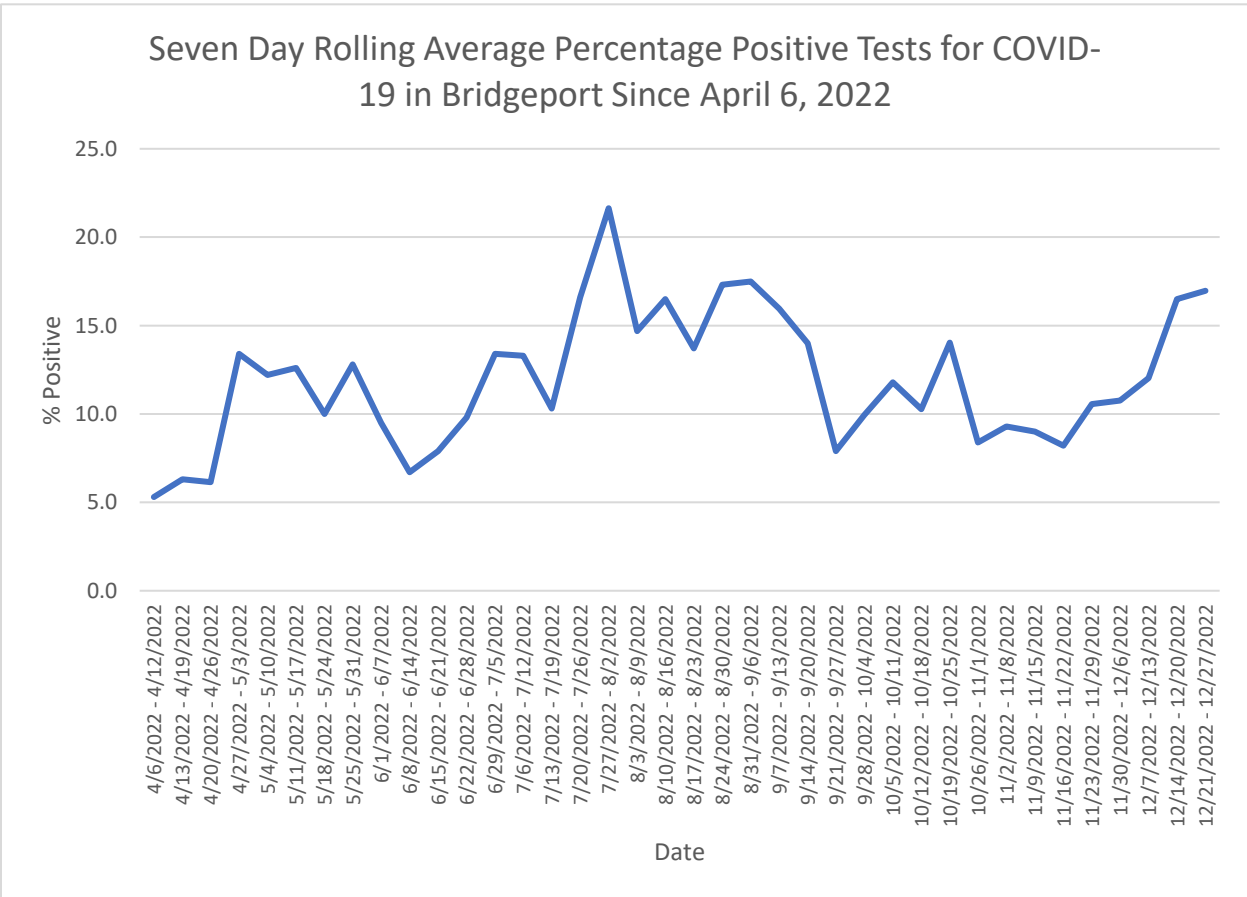
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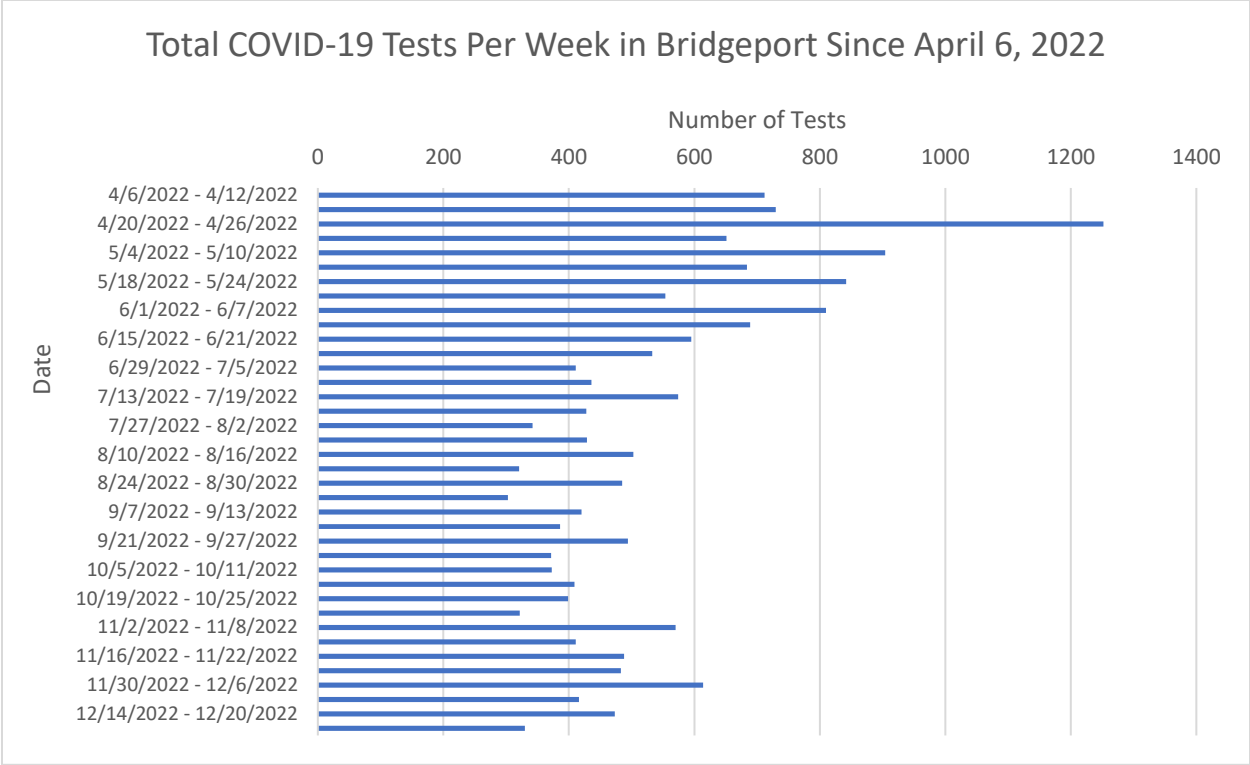




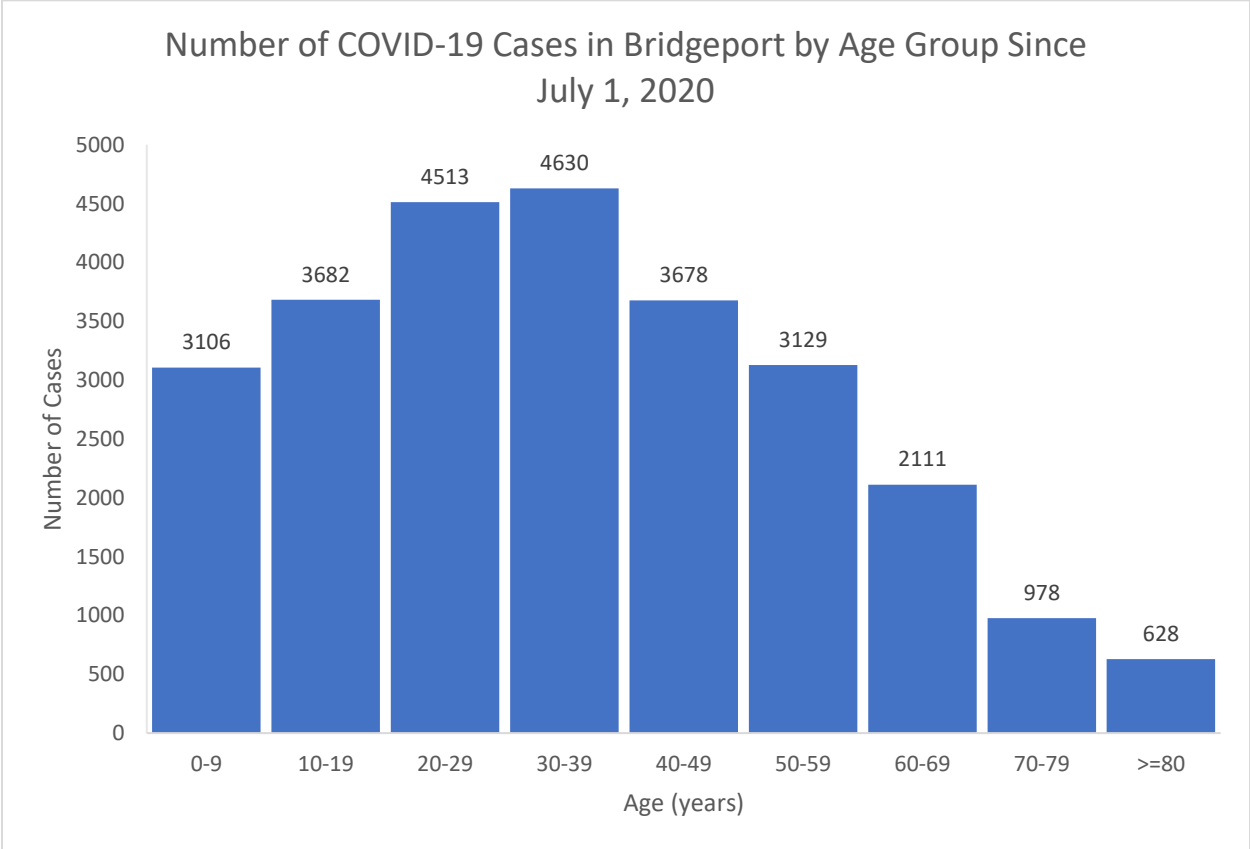


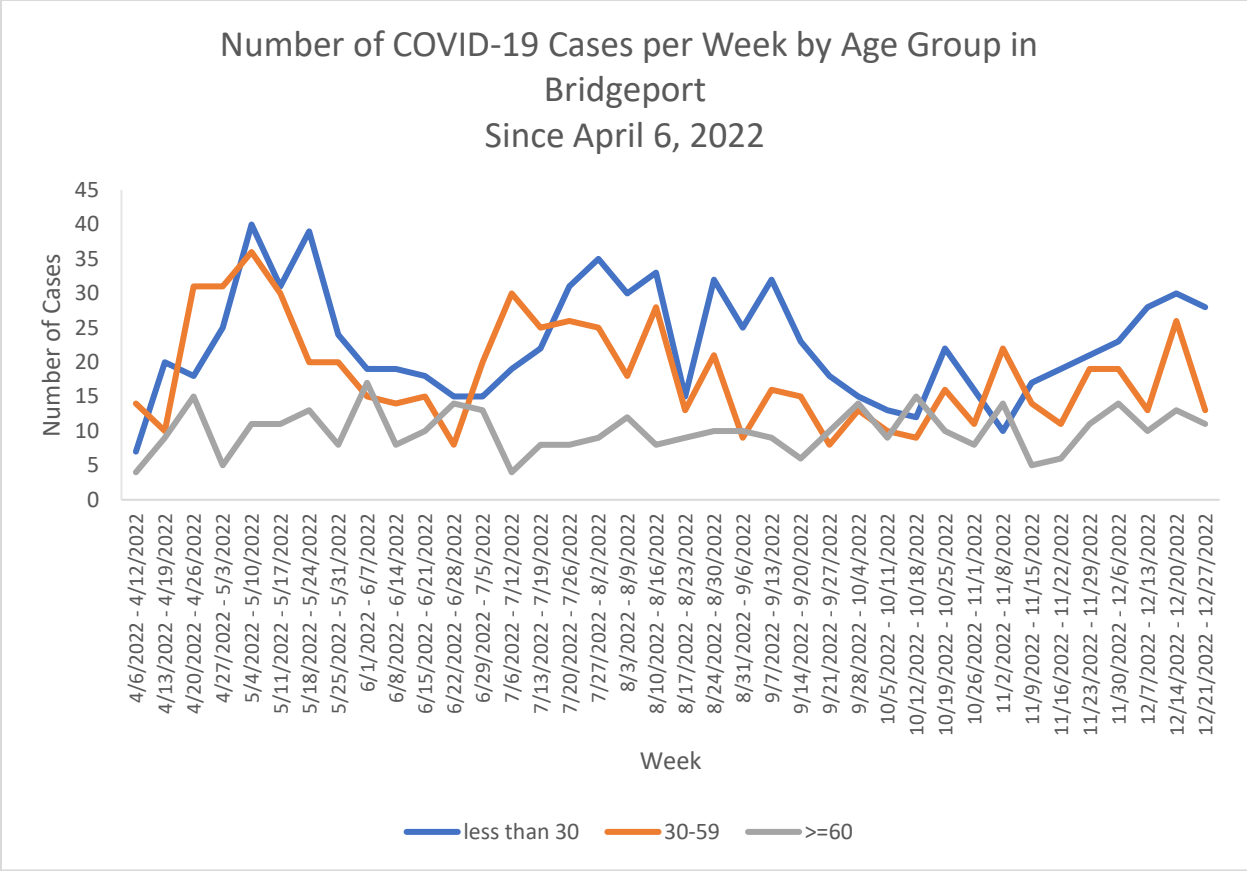
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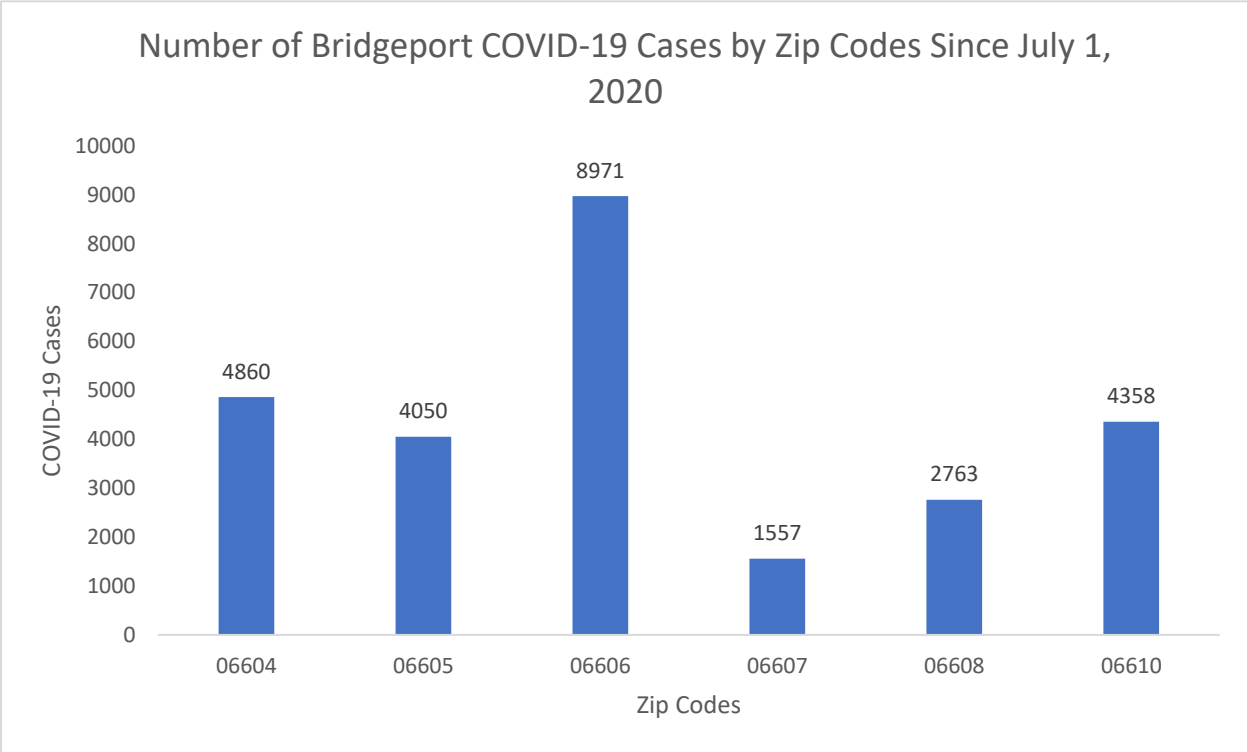


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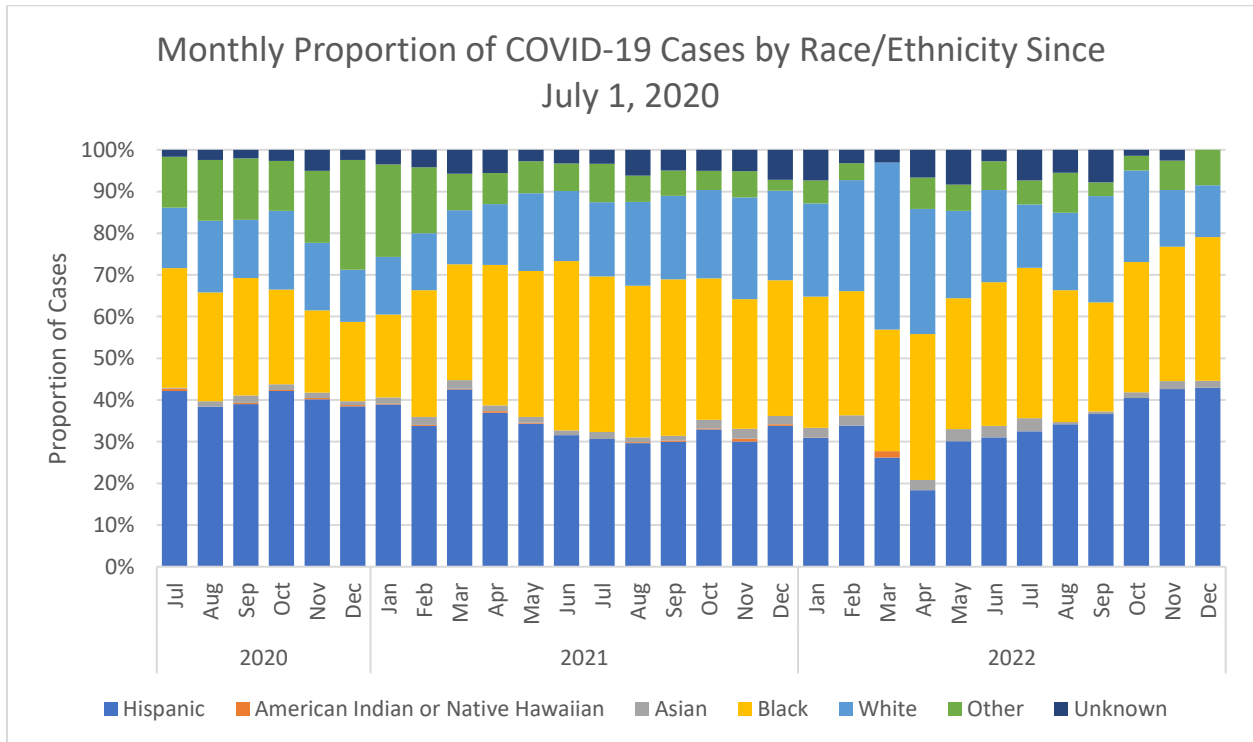
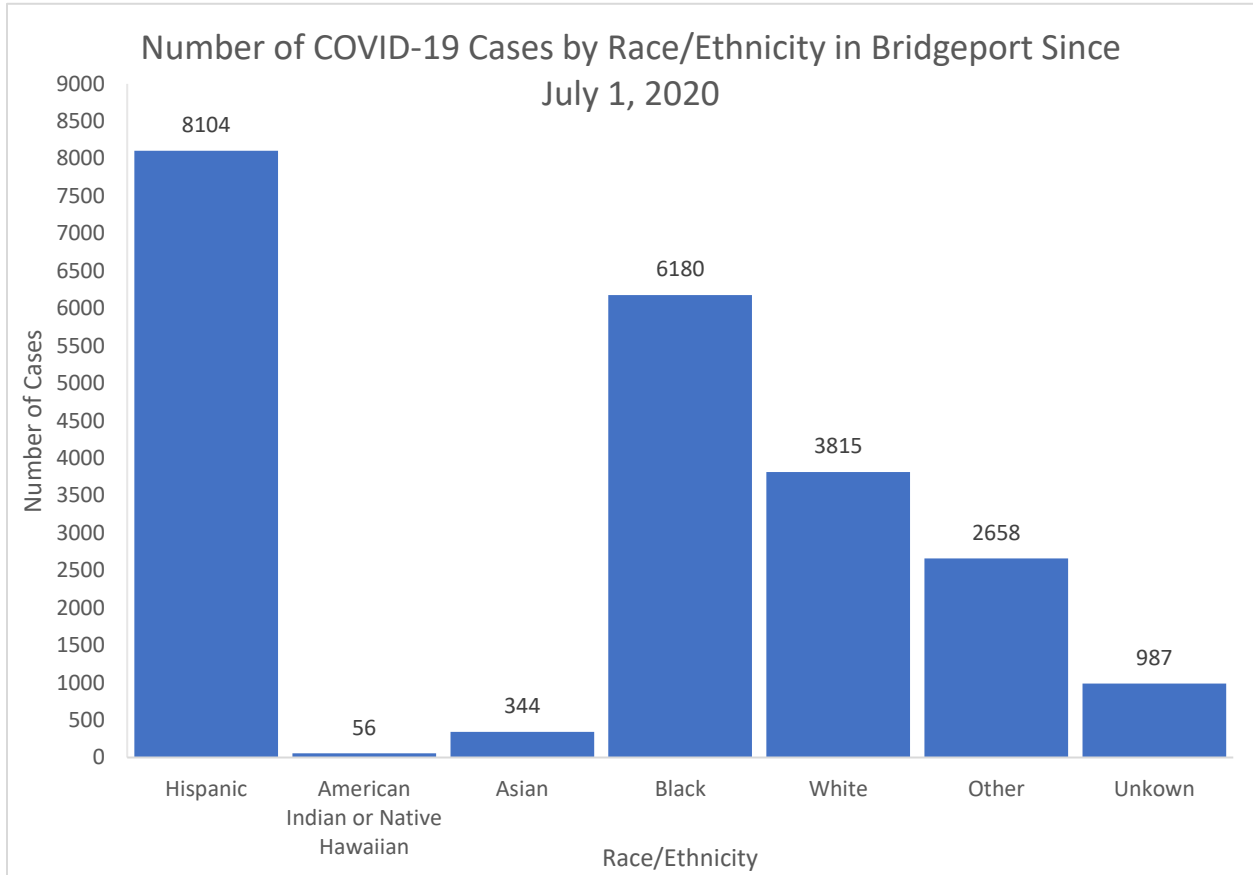




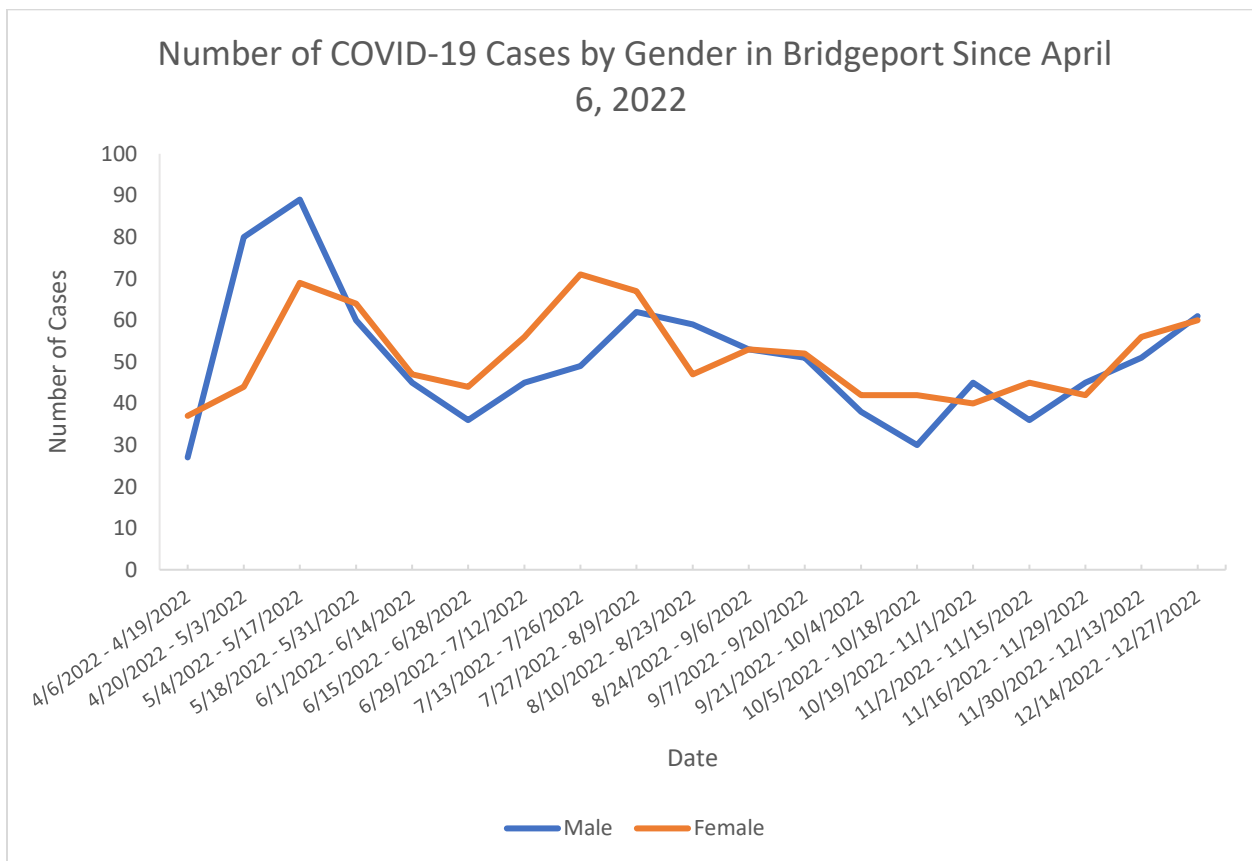
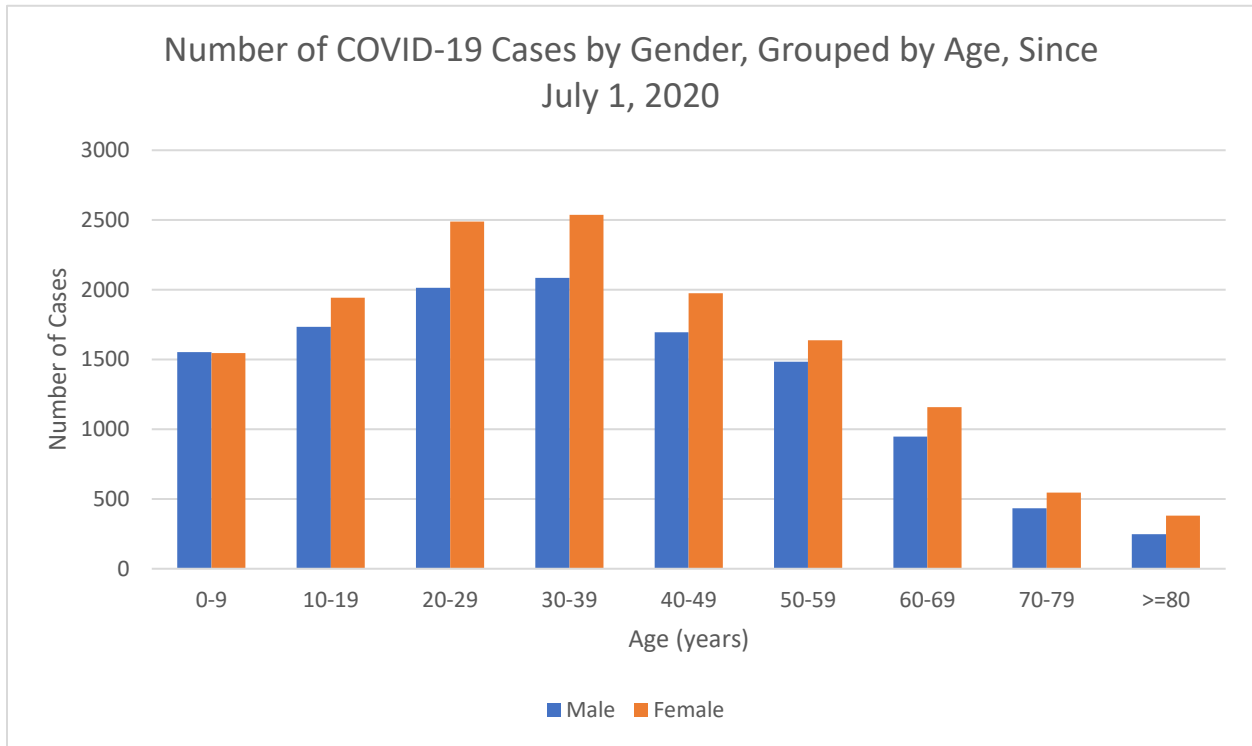
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CASES BY GENDER



SUMMARY

The number of new COVID-19 cases in Bridgeport has decreased from the previous week, but remains above the numbers seen in September 2022. Daily cases increased towards the end of December, but remain relatively steady indicating a continued level of community spread without extreme peaks that would indicate super-spreader events. The bi-weekly incidence rate continues to increase, up to 83.5 per 100,000 for this reporting period. This is the highest incidence rate seen since the beginning of August where it was 89 per 100,000. The seven-day average of new COVID-19 cases is trending upwards from the most recent low point during the week of October 12, 2022. The weekly average of new COVID-19 cases remains below the numbers seen during the previous two winters and has been below an average of 20 per 7 day period since February 2022. Test positivity has reached a seven-day rolling average of 17.0%, steadily increasing over the last 8 weeks. The total number of COVID-19 tests per week has fallen back down after an increase around the Thanksgiving holiday.

COVID-19 cases have decreased to varying degrees in all age groups over the past week, but the under 30 years group remains higher than the 30-59 or >60 age groups. The proportion of new COVID-19 cases continues to increase in the Hispanic population since a low point in April 2022. The proportion of new cases in the Black population has also increased month over month since September 2022. When grouped by age, only the 0-9 years age group has a larger number of cases in males than females, all other age groups have a higher number of cases in females. The number of cases in both males and females continue to increase at similar rates with both males and females at approximately 60 new cases each this past week.

The number of COVID-19 cases are rising, albeit slowly, from the fall and into the winter months. The largest increases in cases are in the <30 years age group as well as in the Hispanic and Black populations. This suggests that outreach should focus on school age and young adult age individuals in these populations to arrest the increases in COVID-19 that we are seeing. The lack of testing continues to be an issue with regards to accurately monitoring the levels of community spread.

DATA SOURCES

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