

Why use this report...

Stay informed about potential COVID-19 claims activity and volume with insights from the Weekly COVID-19 Update.

In advance of the detailed Monthly Analytic Report, on a weekly basis you will have insight into Coronavirus-related data including:


- Weekly test volume
- Weekly claimants
- Adjudicated claim amounts

In addition, the weekly update provides information on:

- Telemedicine related claims (COVID-19 as well as non-COVID related services)
- Overall medical claim activity

Weekly Updates contain high level information on overall claims and telemedicine claims (both Coronavirus and non-Coronavirus) to provide insight into pattern changes. COVID-19 Monthly Reports more fully explore the types of services and population being impacted during the pandemic. We will continue to refine and expand the data within these views as we monitor changes that may impact the analysis.

Additional Resources....

 **You can find more information on COVID-19 at these links**

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html>


<https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019>

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/communication/guidance.html>

<https://www.aetna.com/individuals-families/member-rights-resources/covid19.html>




Things to consider when reviewing the data...

 **Reporting is based on the primary diagnosis code on a claim**

Standard codes and coding guidance have rapidly evolved. While health care institutions adjust to new codes and coding changes, claims may be understated based on:

- Provider variance in understanding billing guidance
- Inability to confirm diagnosis due to testing limitations
- Test results received by provider post-claim submission
- No claim submission (e.g., testing covered by public health entity or inpatient)
- Claim submission prior to the introduction of COVID-19 specific ICD-10 codes

 Claim counts in this report represent the number of claims processed each week. COVID-19 vaccine information represents vaccine administration covered under an Aetna medical or Aetna pharmacy benefit.

What codes are used in the weekly update.....

The following diagnoses and procedures are used to identify likely COVID-19 related claims in this update:

COVID-19- Specific Diagnosis Codes - Specifically identified by CDC for COVID

- U07.1** - COVID-19 confirmed cases
- U07.2** - Unconfirmed suspected cases (not expected to be billed)
- J12.82** - Pneumonia due to COVID-19 (new 1/1/2021)
- M35.81** - Multi-system inflammatory syndrome (new 1/1/2021)
- M35.89** - Other specified involvement of connective tissue (new 1/1/2021)

Coronavirus Diagnosis Codes - Providers guided to bill these in initial outbreak:

- B97.29** - Other coronavirus as the cause of diseased
- B34.2** - Coronavirus infection, unspecified

Exposure Diagnosis Codes - Pre-existing codes used for COVID-19 screenings and for non-confirmed/non-presumptive cases. Because these codes may also be used for suspected exposure to other biological agents and viral communicable diseases, some billing may be for non-COVID related scenarios:

- Z03.818** - Suspected exposure to other biological agents ruled out
- Z20.822** - Suspected exposure COVID-19 (new 1/1/2021)
- Z20.828** - Exposure to other viral communicable diseases

Screening Encounters -

- Z11.52** - Encounter for screening (new 1/1/2021)

Testing Procedure Codes - Codes used to identify COVID-19 and antibody testing:

86328, 86408, 86409, 86413, 87426, 87428, 87635, 87636, 87637, 86769, 87811, C9803, 0202U, 0223U, 0224U, 0225U, 0226U, 0240U, 0241U, U0001, U0002, U0003, U0004, U0005, G2023, G2024

Telemedicine - Metrics include Teladoc as well as community based providers performing approved telemedicine services

Vaccine Administration (Medical) - **0001A, 0002A, 0003A, 0004A, 0011A, 0012A, 0013A, 0031A, 0034A, 0064A**

Vaccine Administration (Pharmacy) - NDC Code of **59267100001, 59267100002, 59267100003, 80777027310, 80777027399, 80777027398, 80777027315, 59676058005, 59676058015**

COVID-19 population alerts

Hot Spots In the United States - Map (to the right)

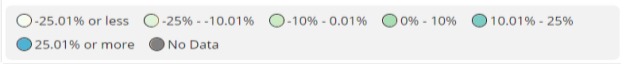
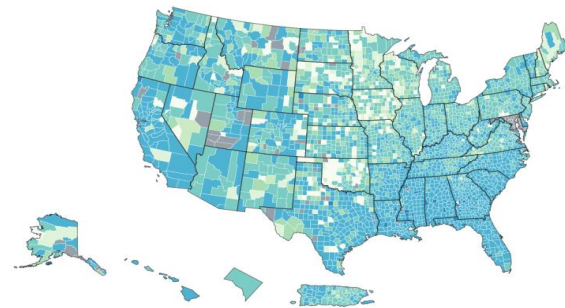
The map shows how the number of new cases have CHANGED in the last two weeks across the U.S. (not plan sponsor-specific). This provides an indication of which direction the level of new cases is trending.

County Alerts (below)

The tables below show the average daily new cases per 100,000 individuals by county over the past 7 days. These rates are reflective of the overall population of the county, not of your specific membership. We are providing this information to inform you where you have membership in counties that are experiencing a high or emerging rate of new cases.

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The county information below is for your top 25 counties (by membership) which have been identified as having either a high (>25) or emerging (10-24) average daily case rate. Note: There could be less than 25 counties in the tables or none at all if the alert criteria is not met in counties where you have membership.



Heat map of recent growth by county: This map shows the percentage change in cases between the last seven days and the previous seven days. Darker colors indicate an increasing trend while lighter colors indicate a decreasing trend. Last Updated: 01/02/2022 | Source: CDC

High risk counties (red) had greater than 25 daily new cases per 100,000 people last week
Emerging risk counties (orange) had between 10 and 25 daily new cases per 100,000 people last week

Scroll to the end of this report for a list of the top 50 counties with the highest average daily new case counts where you have membership

High Risk (>=25 new cases per 100,000 individuals)*

State, County	County population	Your members	Avg daily new cases per 100K
NJ, Somerset	328,934	1,652	218.0
NJ, Hunterdon	124,371	488	149.9
NJ, Middlesex	825,062	399	194.9
NJ, Warren	105,267	200	168.8
NJ, Union	556,341	139	280.4
NJ, Morris	491,845	94	212.7
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NJ, Monmouth	618,795	50	192.6
NJ, Ocean	607,186	42	158.3
NJ, Essex	798,975	31	350.0
NJ, Sussex	140,488	27	173.0
PA, Bucks	628,270	19	95.3
NJ, Bergen	932,202	12	239.0
DE, Sussex	234,225	9	122.2
NJ, Hudson	672,391	9	202.2
NJ, Burlington	445,349	8	162.5
NJ, Passaic	501,826	8	277.2
PA, Lehigh	369,318	7	136.9
FL, Nassau	88,625	6	62.4
PA, Pike	55,809	5	64.3
PA, Berks	421,164	5	110.9
GA, Dodge	20,605	5	84.6
TN, Loudon	54,068	4	45.2
NC, Johnston	209,339	3	108.3

Emerging Risk (10-24 new cases per 100,000 individuals)*

State, County	County population	Your members	Avg daily new cases per 100K
GA, Long	19,559	3	21.2

* Counties with less than 20 new cases in the prior week will not appear in this report. New case data is not available for approximately thirty counties. County population is based on 2010 Census data. *Your members* represents your total Aetna self-insured membership.

COVID-19 Claims Activity

What claims have been adjudicated for COVID-19 related diagnoses and/or testing?

Use these insights to:

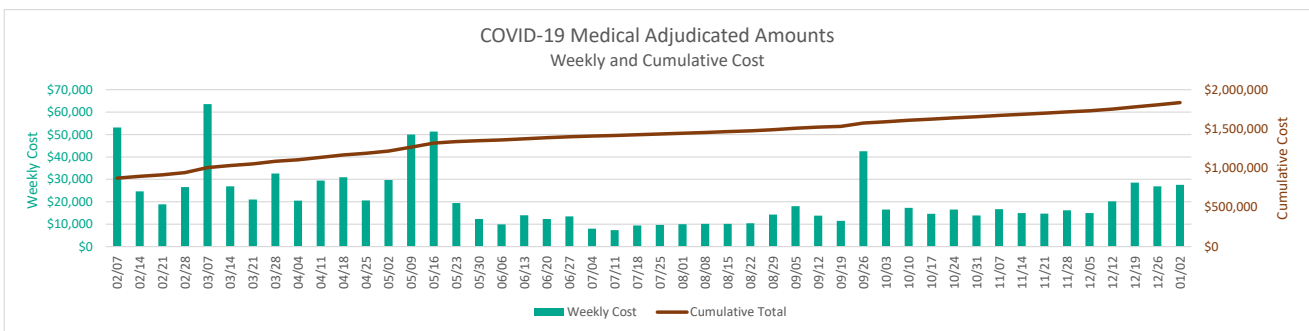
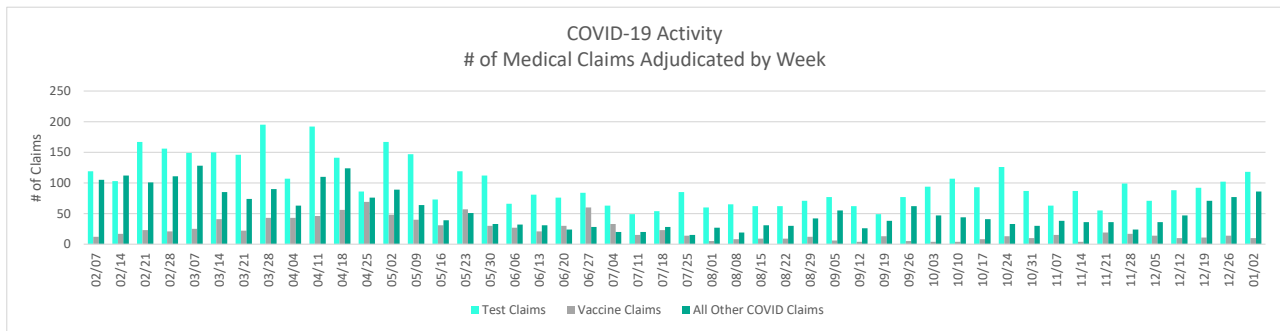
- ✓ Monitor estimated weekly plan expenses associated with COVID-19
- ✓ Understand the relative impact on overall claim spend

At a glance

	COVID-19 paid	Number of Claims			Unique Claimants <i>(claimants may be counted in each category)</i>		
		Tests	Vaccine	Tests	Vaccine Administration*	All Other Claims	
Current Week	\$27,529	118	10	111	10	81	
3/01/20 - 1/02/22	\$1,835,056	7,561	1,092	2,344	636	1,612	

*Vaccine data includes medical and pharmacy for Aetna administered plans

How does this week compare to previous weeks?



Telemedicine Monitor

What is the recent Telemedicine claims activity?

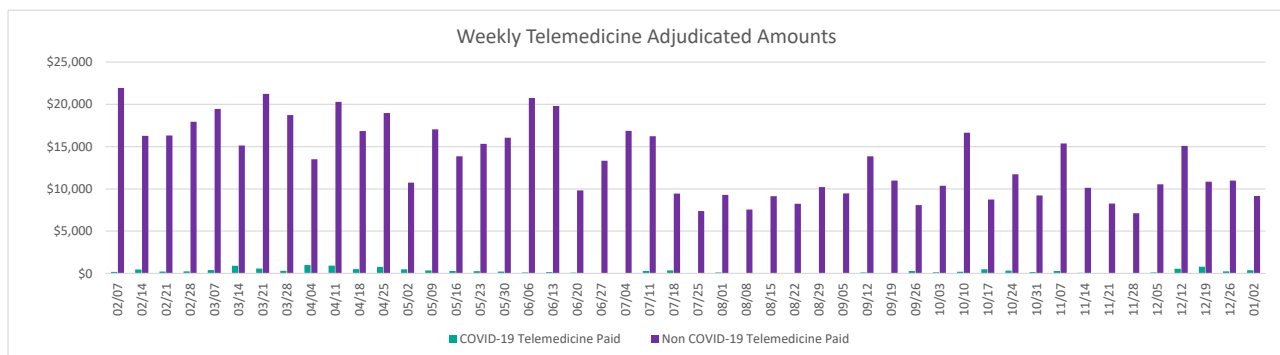
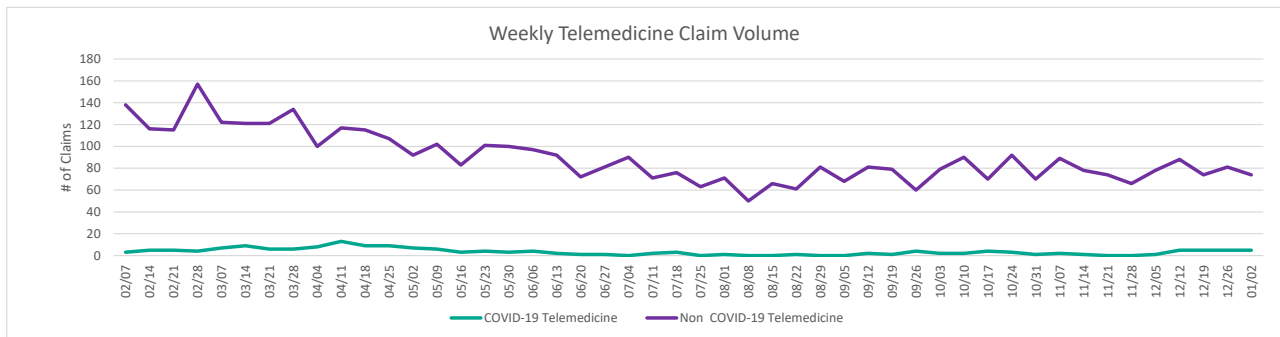
Use these insights to

- ✓ Review monthly growth of both Teladoc and community based providers providing approved telemedicine services
- ✓ Understand trends driven by COVID-19 related claims verses overall utilization for non-virus related conditions

At a glance

	COVID-19 telemedicine paid	Non COVID-19 telemedicine paid	COVID-19 telemedicine claims	Non COVID-19 telemedicine claims
Current Week	\$385	\$9,150	5	74
3/01/20 - 1/02/22	\$33,810	\$1,404,146	379	10,443

How is Telemedicine changing over time?



Total Weekly Adjudicated Medical Claims

What is the overall adjudicated claim activity on a weekly basis?

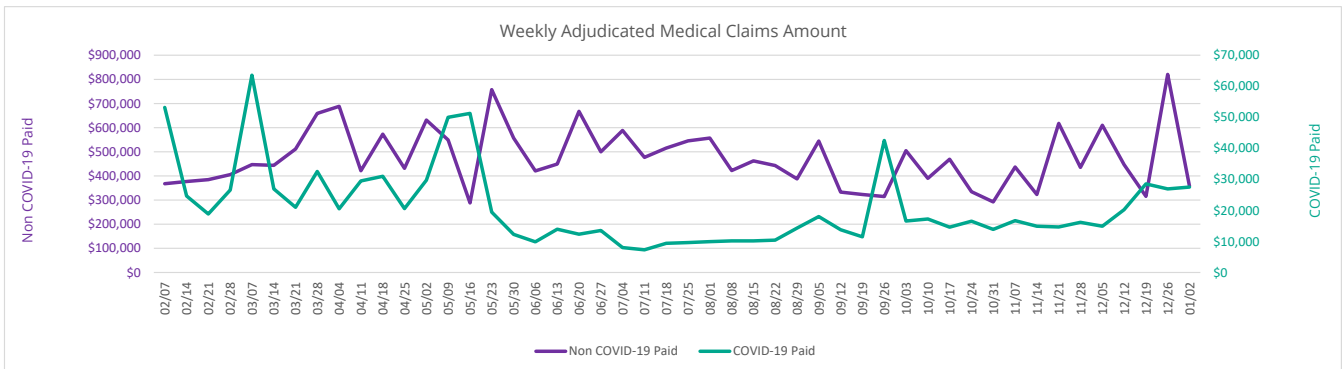
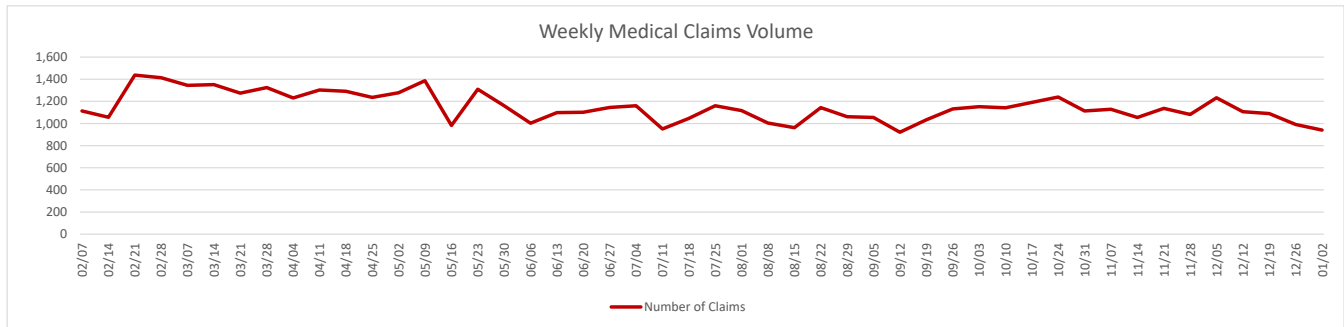
Use these insights to:

- ✓ Monitor weekly changes in claim levels for COVID-19 vs. other claim expenses
- ✓ Review how weekly claims are trending compared to anticipated levels or prior year experience

At a glance



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By the numbers

What are the COVID-19 activity details by week?

Period Ending	# of Claimants*			# of Claims			Adjudicated Amount			
	All Other	Tests	Vaccine Admin.	All Other	Tests	Vaccine Admin.	All Other	Tests	Vaccine Admin.	Total
Mar. 2020	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Apr. 2020	30	29	0	36	29	0	\$5,347	\$2,547	\$0	\$7,893
May 2020	99	91	0	129	94	0	\$248,540	\$7,444	\$0	\$255,985
June 2020	76	268	0	85	278	0	\$49,585	\$18,052	\$0	\$67,637
July 2020	57	126	0	59	131	0	\$5,875	\$10,692	\$0	\$16,567
Aug. 2020	74	226	0	76	242	0	\$20,535	\$21,471	\$0	\$42,006
Sept. 2020	65	209	0	65	229	0	\$66,939	\$20,262	\$0	\$87,201
Oct. 2020	115	207	0	117	225	0	\$14,931	\$19,598	\$0	\$34,529
Nov. 2020	230	424	0	233	462	0	\$30,210	\$36,657	\$0	\$66,867
Dec. 2020	244	478	1	262	575	1	\$32,260	\$44,707	\$18	\$76,985
Jan. 2021	326	486	20	360	542	20	\$119,104	\$43,816	\$457	\$163,377
Feb. 2021	388	473	72	429	545	73	\$79,744	\$41,156	\$2,330	\$123,231
Mar. 2021	342	520	130	377	640	131	\$88,040	\$51,916	\$4,112	\$144,067
04/04/21	62	94	43	63	107	43	\$9,953	\$8,877	\$1,680	\$20,510
04/11/21	99	152	46	110	192	46	\$12,566	\$15,188	\$1,720	\$29,475
04/18/21	114	123	55	124	141	56	\$19,027	\$9,878	\$2,070	\$30,974
04/25/21	56	74	61	76	86	69	\$10,426	\$7,572	\$2,619	\$20,616
05/02/21	61	127	48	89	167	48	\$14,253	\$13,648	\$1,816	\$29,717
05/09/21	57	125	39	64	147	40	\$36,109	\$12,309	\$1,561	\$49,978
05/16/21	36	63	31	39	73	31	\$43,235	\$6,750	\$1,281	\$51,266
05/23/21	41	89	53	51	119	57	\$7,146	\$10,083	\$2,226	\$19,454
05/30/21	29	96	29	33	112	30	\$2,585	\$8,555	\$1,135	\$12,275
06/06/21	29	58	25	32	66	27	\$4,618	\$4,428	\$858	\$9,904
06/13/21	28	71	21	31	81	21	\$7,533	\$5,591	\$839	\$13,963
06/20/21	23	64	30	24	76	30	\$3,461	\$7,591	\$1,295	\$12,347
06/27/21	25	69	58	28	84	60	\$4,384	\$5,838	\$3,288	\$13,510
07/04/21	20	51	31	20	63	33	\$1,686	\$4,565	\$1,785	\$8,036
07/11/21	20	44	13	20	49	15	\$3,044	\$3,824	\$440	\$7,309
07/18/21	28	50	23	28	54	23	\$3,981	\$3,800	\$1,652	\$9,433
07/25/21	15	75	14	15	85	14	\$2,022	\$6,987	\$616	\$9,626
08/01/21	27	52	5	27	60	5	\$3,643	\$6,056	\$256	\$9,956
08/08/21	18	56	7	19	65	8	\$4,096	\$5,716	\$379	\$10,192
08/15/21	29	57	9	31	62	9	\$4,643	\$5,180	\$358	\$10,181
08/22/21	27	60	9	30	62	9	\$4,527	\$5,453	\$457	\$10,437
08/29/21	38	64	12	42	71	12	\$7,105	\$6,189	\$996	\$14,290
09/05/21	44	67	6	55	77	6	\$10,434	\$7,328	\$250	\$18,012
09/12/21	23	59	4	26	62	4	\$7,797	\$5,865	\$138	\$13,799
09/19/21	33	46	12	38	49	13	\$6,636	\$4,314	\$538	\$11,488
09/26/21	49	66	5	62	77	5	\$35,621	\$6,733	\$200	\$42,554
10/03/21	44	86	3	47	94	4	\$7,635	\$8,766	\$168	\$16,569
10/10/21	41	79	4	44	107	4	\$7,367	\$9,741	\$160	\$17,268
10/17/21	38	86	8	41	93	8	\$5,824	\$8,456	\$326	\$14,606
10/24/21	31	100	12	33	126	13	\$4,902	\$11,021	\$576	\$16,499
10/31/21	29	74	9	30	87	10	\$6,014	\$7,482	\$422	\$13,918
11/07/21	31	58	15	38	63	15	\$10,187	\$5,768	\$725	\$16,680
11/14/21	24	72	4	36	87	4	\$9,144	\$5,622	\$160	\$14,926
11/21/21	33	50	19	36	55	19	\$8,072	\$5,727	\$894	\$14,693
11/28/21	19	81	16	24	99	17	\$5,954	\$9,507	\$705	\$16,166
12/05/21	31	64	14	36	71	14	\$7,146	\$7,058	\$724	\$14,927
12/12/21	40	79	10	47	88	10	\$7,445	\$12,374	\$395	\$20,214
12/19/21	62	88	11	71	92	11	\$16,843	\$11,144	\$525	\$28,513
12/26/21	66	94	13	77	102	14	\$15,505	\$10,722	\$671	\$26,899
01/02/22	81	111	10	86	118	10	\$14,655	\$12,420	\$454	\$27,529
Total				4,051	7,561	1,092	\$1,158,336	\$632,446	\$44,274	\$1,835,056

* Claimants are unique to the individual week, so the same individual may be counted in multiple weeks

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Appendix:

Alerts for the top 50 counties with high new cases rates in which you have membership

State, County	County population	Your members	Avg. daily new cases per 100K	Risk Level
NJ, Essex	798,975	31	350.0	High Risk
DC, District of Columbia	705,749	1	298.0	High Risk
NJ, Union	556,341	139	280.4	High Risk
NJ, Passaic	501,826	8	277.2	High Risk
NJ, Bergen	932,202	12	239.0	High Risk
FL, Palm Beach	1,496,770	2	236.6	High Risk
MD, Howard	325,690	1	235.6	High Risk
NJ, Somerset	328,934	1,652	218.0	High Risk
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SC, Dorchester	162,809	1	110.8	High Risk
NC, Johnston	209,339	3	108.3	High Risk
NC, Davie	42,846	1	104.4	High Risk
TN, Madison	97,984	2	98.4	High Risk
FL, Pinellas	974,996	2	97.9	High Risk
PA, Bucks	628,270	19	95.3	High Risk
PA, Luzerne	317,417	1	93.6	High Risk
VT, Rutland	58,191	2	93.0	High Risk
FL, Sarasota	433,742	1	91.2	High Risk
OH, Montgomery	531,687	1	90.1	High Risk
ME, Lincoln	34,634	2	88.3	High Risk
GA, Dodge	20,605	5	84.6	High Risk
NY, Essex	36,885	1	77.9	High Risk
NC, Pender	63,060	2	76.8	High Risk
FL, Flagler	115,081	1	70.9	High Risk
SC, Horry	354,081	2	70.2	High Risk
VA, Franklin	56,042	2	68.8	High Risk

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