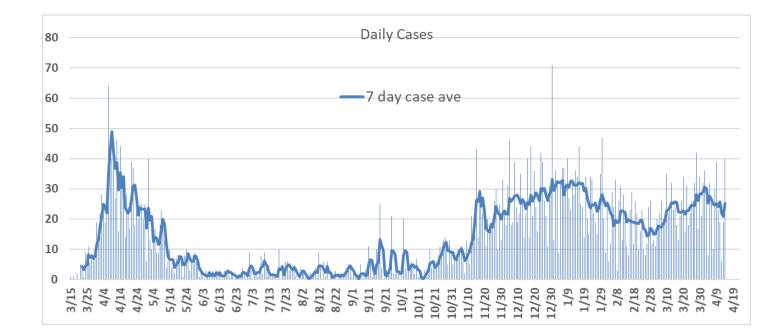
Yesterday's Cases (4/14/21) Franklin's 3rd wave showing signs of easing.

New cases 40 Total cases 5613

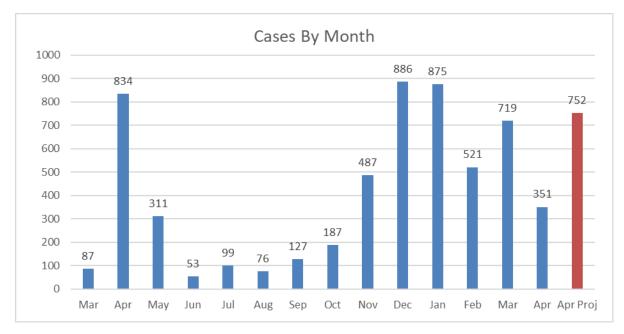
New deaths 0 Total deaths 201

3	4	5	5	5	8	8
10	11	11	16			
24	24	27	28	29	29	
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43	45	47	47	47	49	
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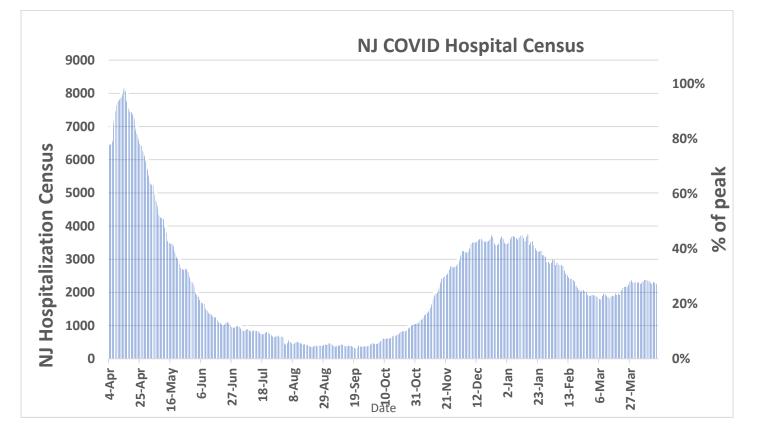
A few days ago, I indicated Franklin was in a third wave. That wave **appears** to be easing. The above graph shows the seven day average being below the 4/3/21 peak of 30 cases per day for 11 days. I say this with some caution given this report's case count is 40.

Additional evidence is the State's Rt has dropped to 0.92 while my, "back of the envelope" calculation of Rt for Franklin and Somerset County have dropped to 0.98 and 0.82 respectively.

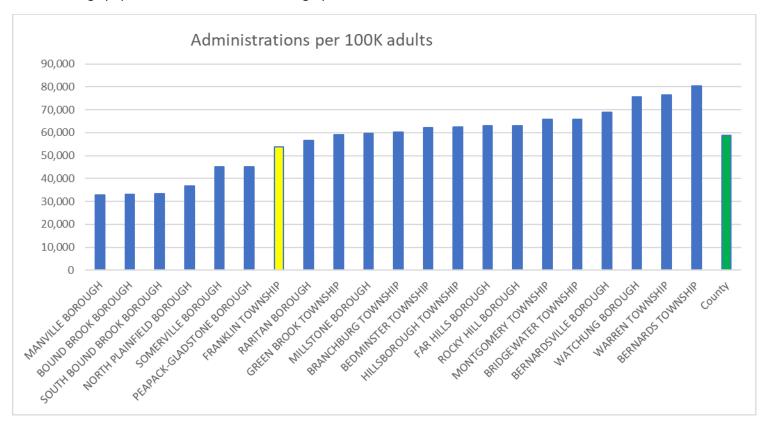


While this appears to be the trend, I recommend caution in that April is still on track to be the 4th worst month for the number of cases (see below).

Statewide COVID hospitalizations appear to be leveling off but at a high rate compared to this summer.



Another problem, with some exceptions, is the vaccination administration rate for the poorer towns in Somerset County is lower than the more affluent towns. Franklin is slightly below the county average. If you are wondering why Franklin is just slightly below but so far to the left on the graph, it's because the large population of Franklin skews the graph.



Sadly, the clotting issues with the J&J vaccine will slow the vaccination rate. On the other hand, CNN is reporting the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines are showing low 90% real world protection rates.