

**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.

**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.

**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/about/steps-when-sick.html>
- <https://www.aetna.com/individuals-families/member-rights-resources/covid19.html>



**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, 87679, 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, 0011A, 0012A, 0021A, 0022A

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

These codes represent our current best efforts to identify likely COVID -19 activity.

COVID-19 population alerts

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

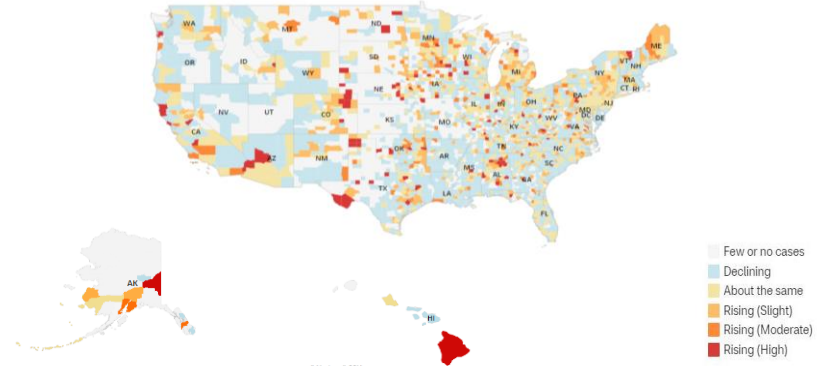
The map shows how the number of new cases have CHANGED in the last two weeks across the U.S. (not plan sponsor-specific). This provides an indication of which direction the level of new cases is trending.

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 average growth between the last seven days and the previous seven days. Brown colors indicate an increasing trend while cool colors indicate a decreasing trend. Few or no cases indicates less than 20 new cases in the past 2 weeks.

Other colors in the legend are determined by % change in new cases in the past 2 weeks:

Declining <=-15%; About the same <15% and >-15%; Rising (Slight) >=15% and <50%; Rising (Moderate) >=50% and <100%; Rising (High) >=100%

Last Updated: 3/8/2021 | Source: John Hopkins Data/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, Burlington	448,734	519	26.7
NJ, Atlantic	274,549	50	31.0
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DE, New Castle	538,479	11	28.9
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Emerging Risk (10-24 new cases per 100,000 individuals)\*

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FL, Lee	618,754	5	23.8
TN, Sumner	160,645	4	23.8
TN, Robertson	66,283	4	22.0
TN, Fayette	38,413	4	11.9
TN, Montgomery	172,331	4	15.2
FL, Citrus	141,236	4	12.7
DE, Sussex	197,145	4	16.2
WY, Laramie	91,738	3	10.3
PA, Montgomery	799,874	2	23.2
GA, Camden	50,513	2	15.8
PA, Philadelphia	1,526,006	2	20.9
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\* 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:

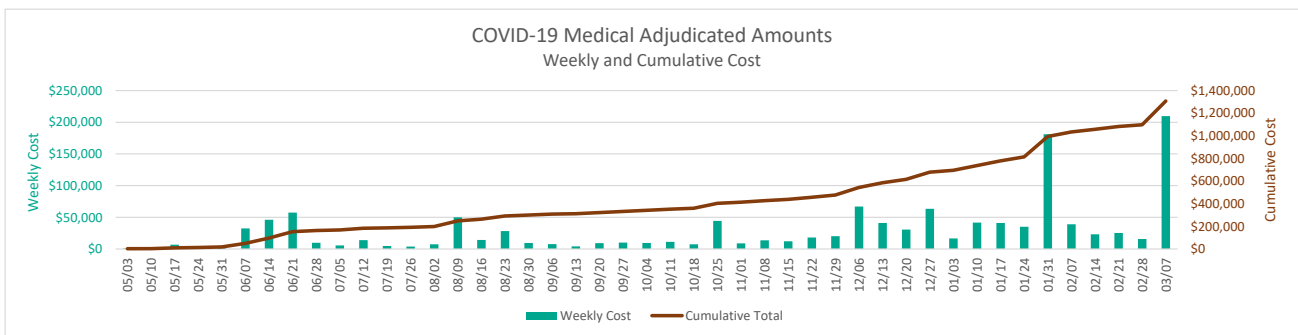
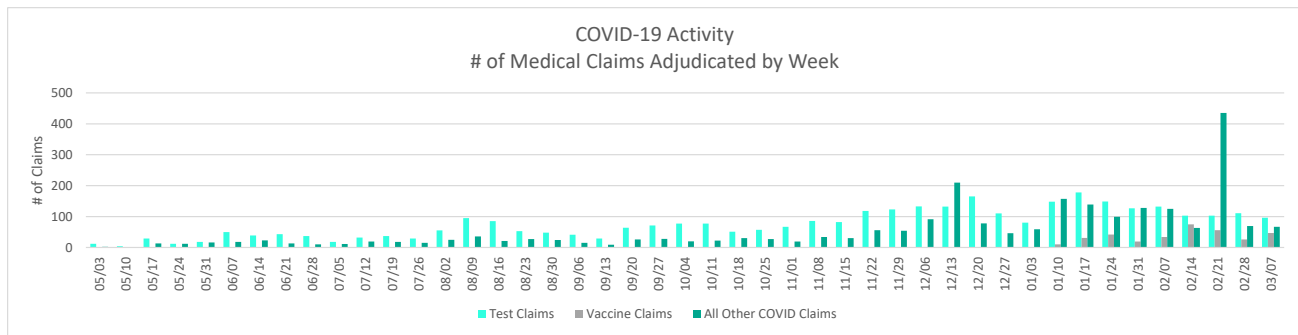
- ✓ Monitor estimated weekly plan expenses associated with COVID-19
- ✓ Understand the relative impact on overall claim spend

#### At a glance

	Number of Claims			Unique Claimants (claimants may be counted in each category)		
	COVID-19 paid	Tests	Vaccine	Tests	Vaccine Administration*	All Other Claims
<b>Current Week</b>	\$209,895	96	50	81	50	62
<b>3/1/20 - 3/07/21</b>	\$1,308,365	3,428	376	1,600	226	1,060

\*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?

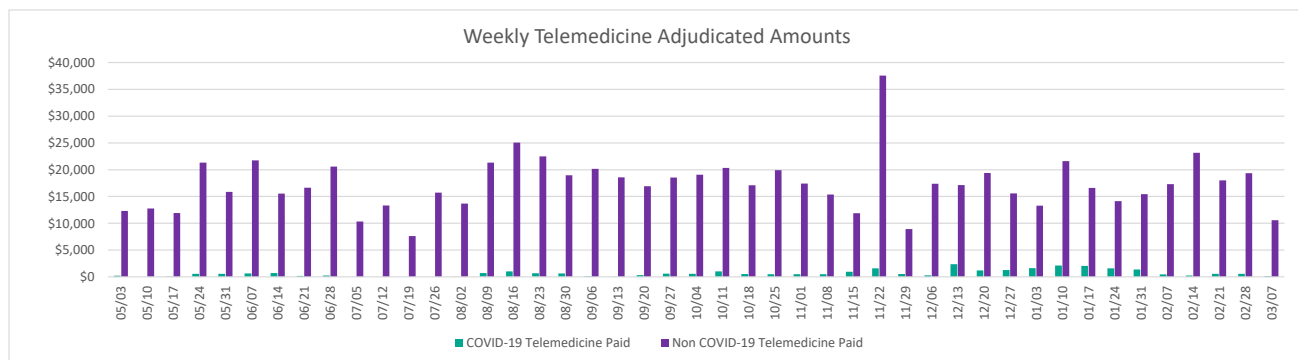
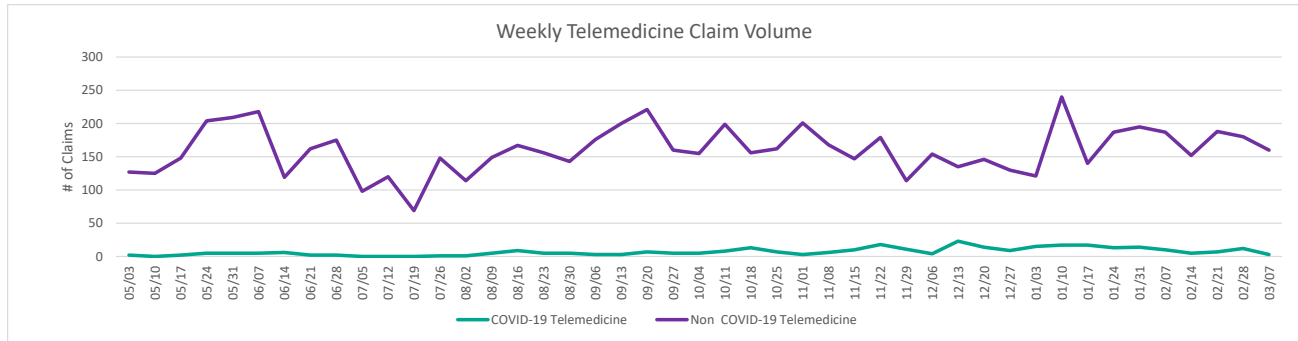
Use these insights to

- ✓ 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
<b>Current Week</b>	\$155	\$10,564	3	160
<b>3/1/20 - 3/07/21</b>	\$30,049	\$810,203	321	7,602

### How is Telemedicine changing over time?



### Total Weekly Adjudicated Medical Claims

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

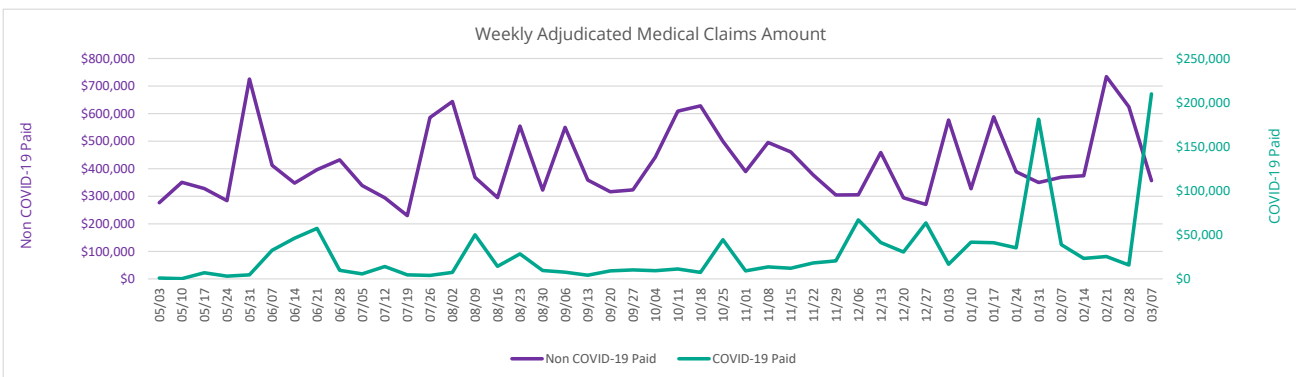
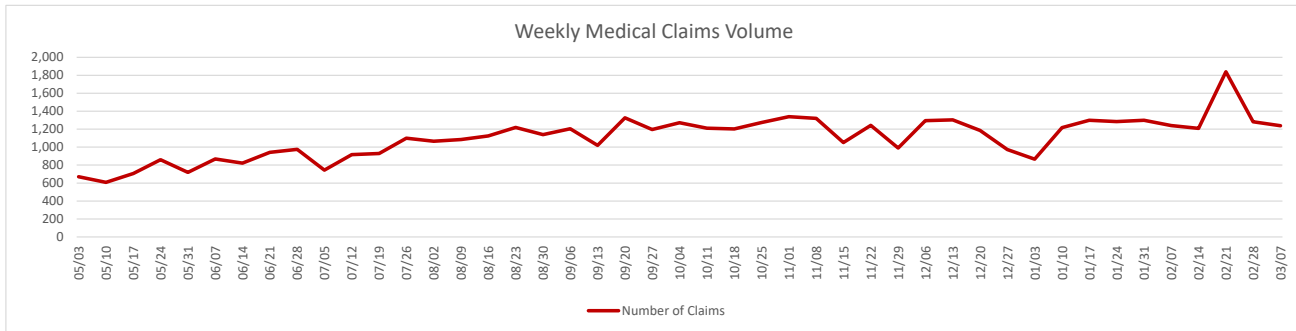
Use these insights to:

- ✓ 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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**SNJ REGIONAL EMPLOYEE BENEFITS FUND - 45466**

**COVID-19 Weekly Update**

Group Number(s): 737391,866357,866359,S1030217



Actual paid claim amounts may vary from this report once claims are finalized. The information in this report is intended to provide weekly insights as a leading indicator based on the information available, which may differ from final results.  
**Data in this report is from March 1, 2020 to current (excluding graphs)**

**By the numbers**

What are the COVID-19 activity details by week?

Week Ending	# of Claimants*			# of Claims			Adjudicated Amount			
	All Other	Tests	Vaccine Admin.	All Other	Tests	Vaccine Admin.	All Other	Tests	Vaccine Admin.	Total
03/08/20	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
03/15/20	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
03/22/20	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
03/29/20	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
04/05/20	0	1	0	0	1	0	\$0	\$51	\$0	\$51
04/12/20	1	0	0	1	0	0	\$25	\$0	\$0	\$25
04/19/20	2	12	0	2	12	0	\$0	\$680	\$0	\$680
04/26/20	2	9	0	2	9	0	\$85	\$674	\$0	\$759
05/03/20	2	12	0	2	12	0	\$233	\$680	\$0	\$913
05/10/20	1	4	0	1	4	0	\$45	\$205	\$0	\$250
05/17/20	6	29	0	13	29	0	\$4,253	\$2,637	\$0	\$6,890
05/24/20	9	12	0	12	12	0	\$2,090	\$1,106	\$0	\$3,196
05/31/20	8	18	0	16	18	0	\$2,877	\$1,699	\$0	\$4,576
06/07/20	14	48	0	18	50	0	\$29,076	\$3,370	\$0	\$32,446
06/14/20	20	39	0	23	39	0	\$43,049	\$3,160	\$0	\$46,209
06/21/20	12	41	0	13	43	0	\$53,551	\$3,789	\$0	\$57,341
06/28/20	8	36	0	10	37	0	\$6,305	\$3,362	\$0	\$9,667
07/05/20	10	18	0	11	18	0	\$4,060	\$1,519	\$0	\$5,580
07/12/20	18	31	0	19	32	0	\$10,951	\$3,129	\$0	\$14,079
07/19/20	18	36	0	18	37	0	\$1,650	\$2,995	\$0	\$4,645
07/26/20	13	29	0	15	29	0	\$1,509	\$2,430	\$0	\$3,940
08/02/20	25	55	0	25	55	0	\$2,453	\$4,892	\$0	\$7,344
08/09/20	30	90	0	36	95	0	\$41,690	\$8,266	\$0	\$49,956
08/16/20	19	79	0	21	85	0	\$5,945	\$8,192	\$0	\$14,137
08/23/20	25	49	0	27	53	0	\$23,315	\$5,082	\$0	\$28,397
08/30/20	24	45	0	24	48	0	\$5,244	\$4,207	\$0	\$9,451
09/06/20	14	40	0	15	41	0	\$3,962	\$3,740	\$0	\$7,702
09/13/20	9	28	0	9	29	0	\$1,230	\$2,874	\$0	\$4,104
09/20/20	21	56	0	26	64	0	\$3,545	\$5,610	\$0	\$9,155
09/27/20	24	60	0	28	71	0	\$4,067	\$6,106	\$0	\$10,173
10/04/20	19	63	0	20	77	0	\$2,699	\$6,675	\$0	\$9,374
10/11/20	22	60	0	22	77	0	\$4,057	\$7,154	\$0	\$11,211
10/18/20	29	46	0	30	51	0	\$2,477	\$4,990	\$0	\$7,468
10/25/20	26	52	0	27	57	0	\$39,174	\$5,211	\$0	\$44,385
11/01/20	19	63	0	19	67	0	\$3,611	\$5,391	\$0	\$9,001
11/08/20	29	75	0	34	86	0	\$5,218	\$8,375	\$0	\$13,593
11/15/20	26	76	0	30	82	0	\$4,507	\$7,561	\$0	\$12,068
11/22/20	46	99	0	56	118	0	\$7,791	\$10,241	\$0	\$18,032
11/29/20	53	104	0	54	123	0	\$9,465	\$10,884	\$0	\$20,350
12/06/20	81	118	0	91	133	0	\$54,292	\$12,649	\$0	\$66,941
12/13/20	175	119	0	210	132	0	\$29,290	\$11,919	\$0	\$41,209
12/20/20	75	141	0	78	165	0	\$14,352	\$16,146	\$0	\$30,498
12/27/20	43	98	0	46	110	0	\$52,469	\$10,986	\$0	\$63,455
01/03/21	52	74	1	59	80	1	\$8,780	\$7,763	\$17	\$16,560
01/10/21	128	134	11	157	148	11	\$27,819	\$13,645	\$171	\$41,635
01/17/21	110	161	31	139	178	31	\$24,229	\$16,303	\$509	\$41,041
01/24/21	90	129	47	99	149	47	\$18,335	\$14,020	\$2,947	\$35,302
01/31/21	105	108	23	128	127	23	\$168,787	\$11,766	\$545	\$181,097
02/07/21	107	108	37	125	132	37	\$26,358	\$11,341	\$1,270	\$38,968
02/14/21	60	96	82	63	103	84	\$8,276	\$10,693	\$4,444	\$23,412
02/21/21	338	84	54	435	103	59	\$17,708	\$6,384	\$1,274	\$25,365
02/28/21	57	100	32	69	111	33	\$5,798	\$9,197	\$847	\$15,841
03/07/21	62	81	50	67	96	50	\$200,377	\$8,301	\$1,218	\$209,895
<b>Total</b>				<b>2,445</b>	<b>3,428</b>	<b>376</b>	<b>\$987,079</b>	<b>\$308,046</b>	<b>\$13,240</b>	<b>\$1,308,365</b>

\* 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**

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