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A Study of Covid in New York City



Intro Descriptive Statistics Inferential Statistics

Since the start of the year, Corvid-19 has spread across the country, resulting in many cases of infections, hospitalizations, and deaths. New York (especially New York City) emerged as an early hot spot, and there are trends among those who are infected.

A Capstone Project for Springboard by Emily Rice

Sources:

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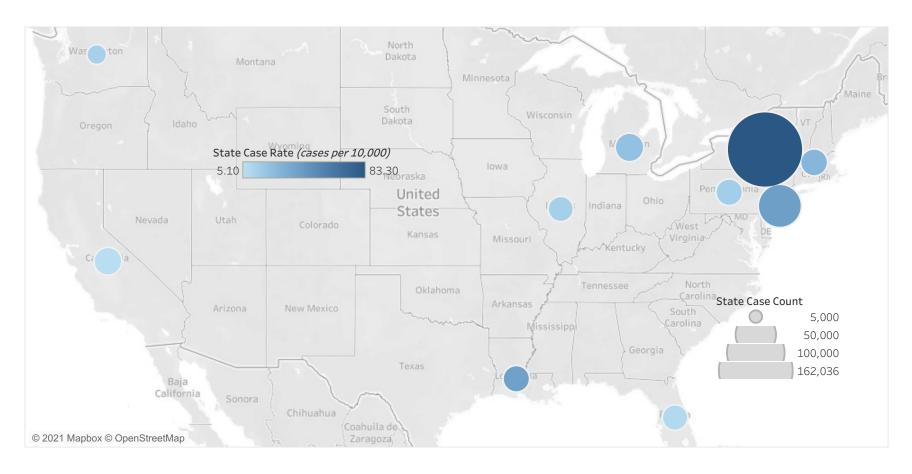
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COVID-19 in the United States on April 9, 2020

At the start of the pandemic, most of the cases were focused in a handful of hotspots, New York being the main one



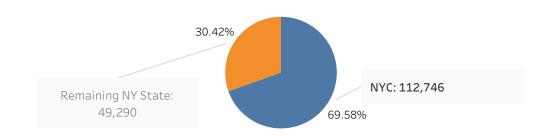
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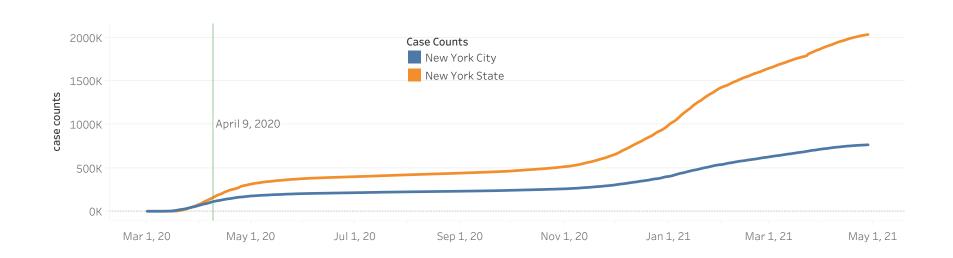
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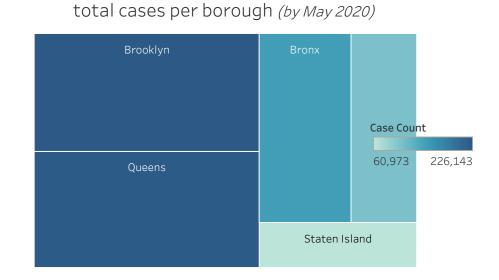


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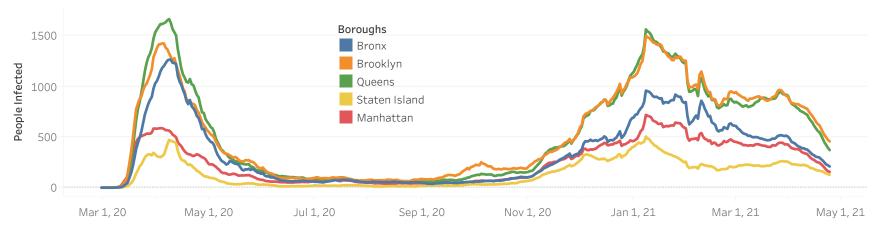
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Roughly very large case counts corresponded with large populations



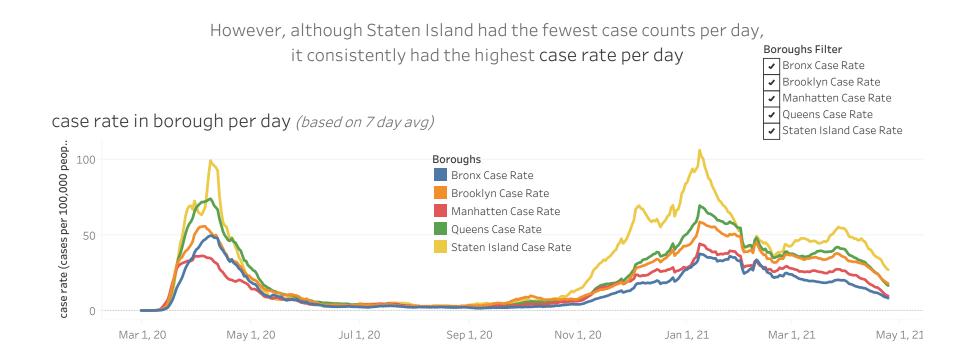
cases per day (based on 7 day avg)



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4 Factors of Coronavirus Spread and their Correlation and their Predicted Correlation

(taken from Social Vulnerability Index - an index of factors related to a population's ability to handle public health emergencies)

- 1. Household Mean Income -
- 2. Percent Service Jobs +
- 3. Percent of Color +
- 4. Median Age +

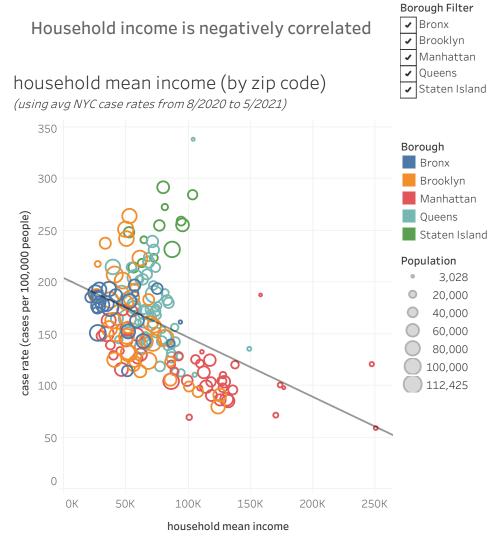
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Insights in scatter plots:

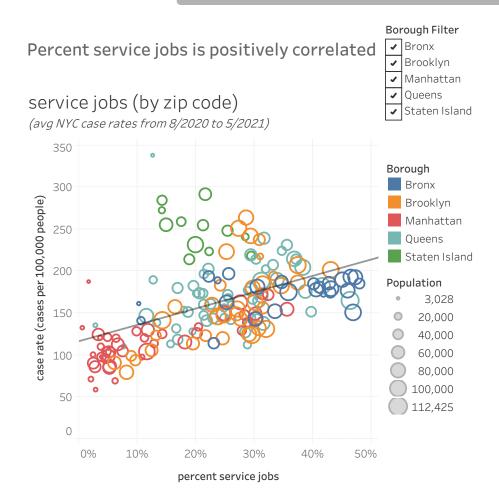
- 1) Staten Island's case rate usually higher than normal
- 2) Manhatten condenses around high income, low percent service jobs, and low percent color
- 3) Bronx, Brooklyn, and Queens (largest boroughs) generally intermixed with each other



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> Borough Filter **✓** Bronx

✓ Brooklyn ✓ Manhattan ✓ Queens ✓ Staten Island

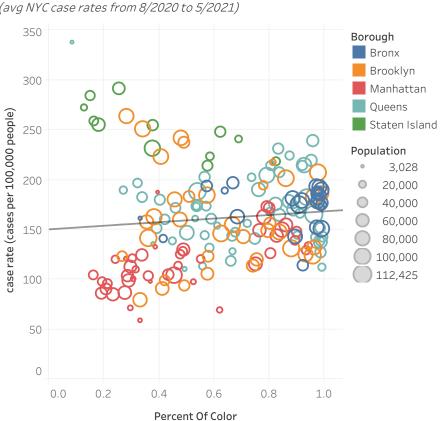
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Percent of color is indeterminate

percent color (by zip code)

(avg NYC case rates from 8/2020 to 5/2021)



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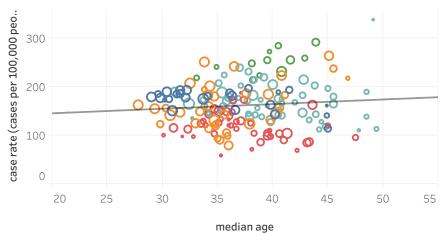
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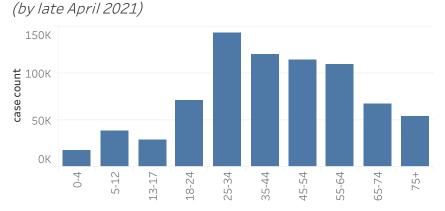
note: While median age has a positive correlation with the covid case rate, by late April 2021 the case counts age distribution reflected the population age distribution, indicating that by this date (diagnosed) Covid had affected the ages equally

median age (by zip code)

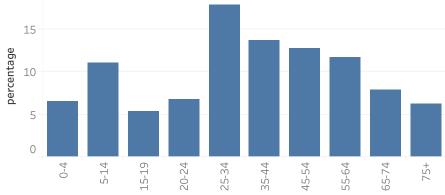
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covid case age distribution in NYC



population age distribution of NYC



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+ coefficients: median age, percent service jobs - coefficients: mean household income, percen...

regression results

(using standardized variables)

Variables	Coefficients
intercept	163.64
mean household income	-20.89
median age	12.87
percent of color	-42.76
percent service jobs	42.80

R squared = 0.69

dependent variable:

cases per 100,000 people (by zip code)

context

Variables	Mean	Standard Devia
household mean income	60,440.00	27,320
median age	36.30	1
percent of color	0.69	(
percent service jobs	0.27	(

Each coefficient represents the change in the case rate per change in the number of standard deviations of the independent variable (value minus mean divided by std dev). R squared may be 0.69 because it is hard to predict mass human phenomenon or/and because additional significant variables could be inc..

The coefficient for percent of color is negative, enough though it is commonly believed that being non-white is positively correlated with contracting covid. However, if one combines Brooklyn, Queens, the Bronx, and Staten Island together, NYC has a negative correlation between case rate and percent of color. One explanation is that this study uses case rate instead of positivity rate. Case rate is positive covid results per number of people, while the positivity rate is positive covid results per tests. Hence, case rates usually underestimate the rate of infection, whereas positivity rates overestimate it (since people are more likely to be tested if they have symptoms). The calculated correlation between percent of color and test rate is -0.53, meaning there is less testing where the..

^{*} only used 73 records (out of 177) where zip code population was above 50,000 (reducing the effect of a zip code with a pop. of 3000 having the same impact ..