

# Central Alabama Weekly COVID-19 Impact Report

May 11, 2020

This weekly snapshot is intended to provide data regarding conditions in Central Alabama and inform the social service and philanthropic sectors as they work to meet community needs.

## Summary

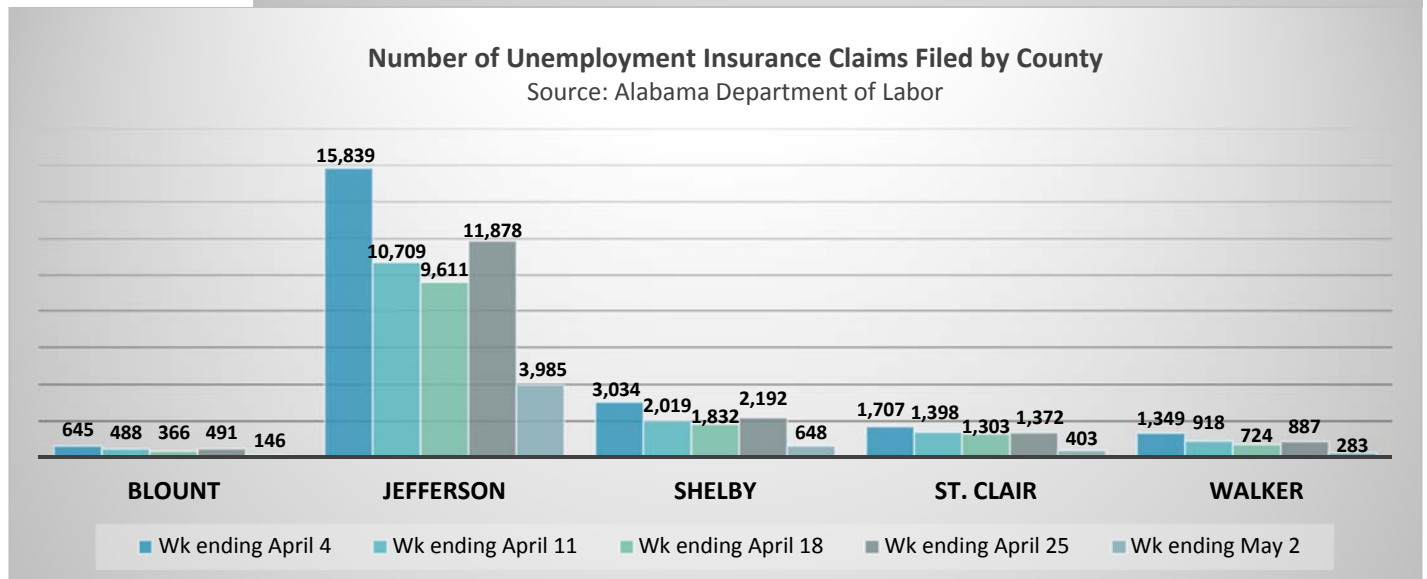
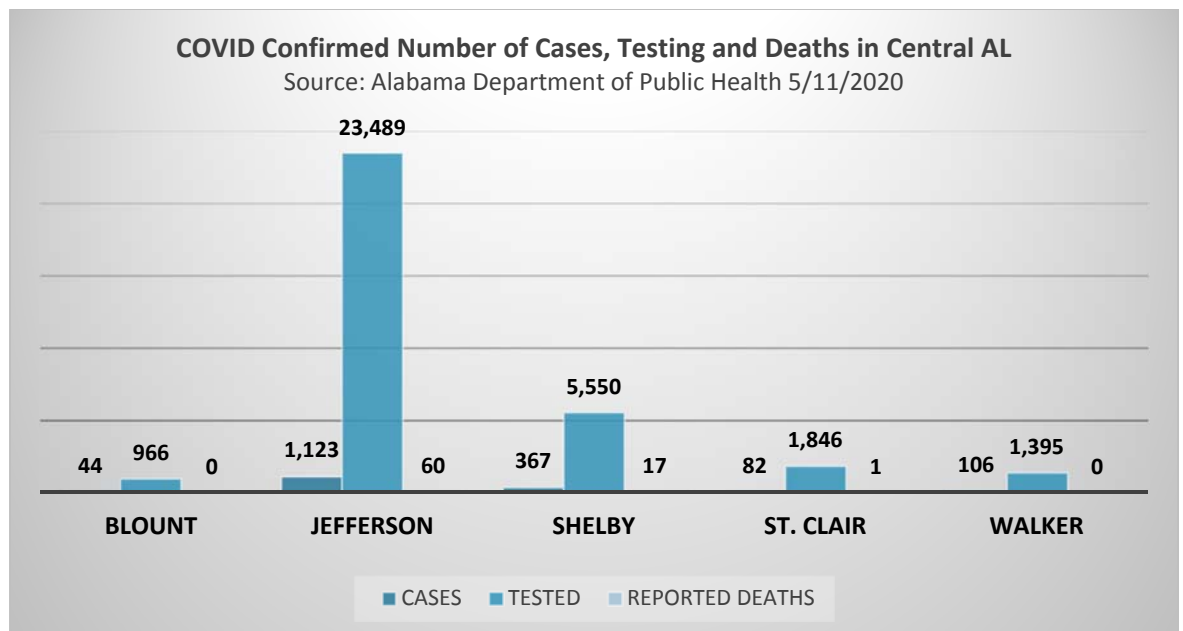
In December 2019, a new (or novel) human coronavirus type emerged in China. On March 13, 2020, Alabama reported its first case and Governor Kay Ivey issued a state of emergency.

## Public Health Response

On March 20, 2020 the Jefferson County Health Officer closed all nonessential businesses including all schools and the majority of childcare centers in the county. Onsite consumption of food and beverages at restaurants and similar establishments were eliminated. On March 27, 2020 ALSDE announced that all schools in Alabama were closed for the remainder of the school year and on April 3, 2020 Governor Kay Ivey and State Health Officer Scott Harris issued a statewide stay at home order effective through April 30, 2020.

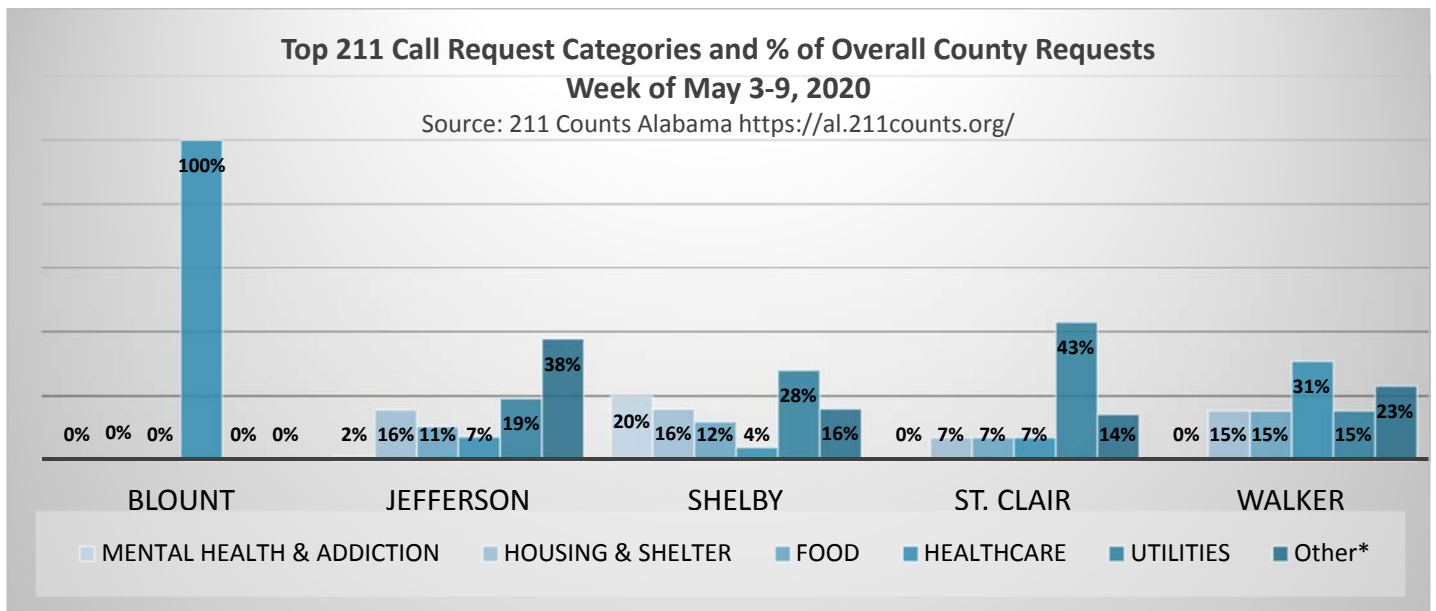
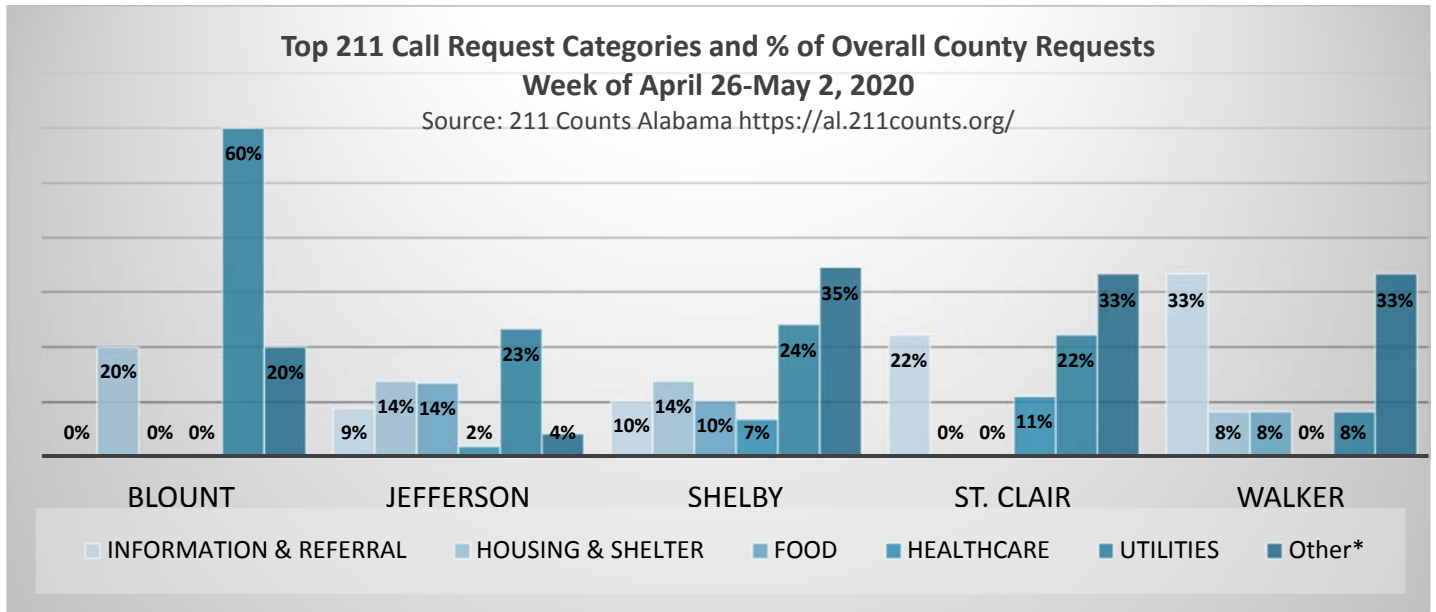
As of May 11, 2020, Alabama reported 9,904 confirmed cases, 129,426 residents have been tested, and 393 individuals have died.

Central Alabama reported 1,722 confirmed cases, 33,246 residents have been tested, and 78 individuals have died.



**Unemployment Insurance Claims:** In Central Alabama, 96,751 individuals have filed an unemployment claim since mid-March. This chart shows claims for the last 5-week period. \*For comparison, in April 2019, 12,415 individuals were receiving unemployment benefits in Central Alabama compared with 68,762 unemployment claims filed from March 29-April 25, 2020.

Basic needs assistance continues to be a top request week over week in Central Alabama counties.



\*"Other" includes help with general information and referral, complaints, government, community enrichment, volunteering, donations and support, advocacy & special population services.

## 211 Requests

211 has received 4,622 resource and referral requests between March 22-May 9.

