COVID-19 Response Bureau
Testing and Laboratory-Based Surveillance

January 8, 2021
Every week, we track the volume of tests performed across the City, as well as what type of laboratory is performing those tests. Decreased volume of COVID-19 tests in recent weeks is likely due to the holiday season.

This presentation includes data up to January 2, 2020.
Testing volume by reporting laboratories

City of Chicago CBT = Laboratory serving City of Chicago Community-Based Testing Sites

MMWR 49-52 = December
MMWR 45-48 = November
MMWR 41-44 = October
MMWR 36-40 = September
MMWR 32-36 = August
MMWR 27-31 = July
MMWR23-27 = June
MMWR 18-23 = May
MMWR 14-18 = April
City of Chicago Community-Based Testing Sites (CBTS) represent just some of over 5,000 providers performing COVID-19 testing in Chicago. CBTS aim to serve the people who need it most, especially those underrepresented in testing from other clinical providers and those from demographic groups and geographic areas hardest hit by COVID-19.

We closely monitor the demographics (e.g., age, race, ethnicity) of individuals using our community-based testing sites, and adjust our targeting as needed to reach the communities that need it most.
Volume of test by race and ethnicity of individuals using City of Chicago Community-Based Testing Sites last week (December 2, 2020 - January 2, 2021)