All New Bedford COVID-19 related deaths were 50 and older

As of Thursday, none of the 26 people who have died from COVID-19 in New Bedford were under 50 years old and 98% of those who have died in Massachusetts have had at least one preexisting health condition.

Here is New Bedford's breakout by age:

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Per Massachusetts Public Health officials, the average age of COVID-19 cases is 53, but the average age of COVID-19 related deaths is 82. 98.3% of those who have died from COVID-19 had at least one preexisting health condition.

The information shows there is very little risk of death form COVID-19 for healthy individuals under the age of 50. The real risk for people in that age group is passing COVID-19 on to the most vulnerable — people over 50 with preexisting conditions.

Massachusetts COVID-19 overall update

On May 6, the Massachusetts Public Health Department reported that the state added 1,696 more positive cases of COVID-19 bringing to total to 73,721. This is a decrease from Wednesday's 1,754 reported cases.

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132 new COVID-19 related deaths were reported on Thursday bringing the total deaths in Massachusetts to 4,552. As of 4 pm today, 351,632 people in Massachusetts have been tested for COVID-19 — 11,993 new tests since yesterday.

As of May 5, 32,019 individuals in Massachusetts were subject to quarantine with 22,148 no longer in quarantine. 9,871 individuals are undergoing monitoring/under quarantine.