

Black/African Americans Outside NYC Suffer Even Greater Disparities in Impact of COVID-19 than NYC Black/African-Americans according to data from the NYS Department of Health.

BLACK/ AFRICAN-AMERICANS	NYC	NYS outside of NYC
% Fatalities	28%	18%
% of population	22%	9%
Ratio of % of deaths to % of population proportion	1.27	2.00
BIG DIFFERENCE upstate vs NYC		
WHITES	NYC	NYS outside of NYC
% Fatalities	27%	60%
% of population	32%	74%
Ratio of % of deaths to % of population proportion	0.84	0.81
SMALL DIFFERENCE upstate vs NYC		
HISPANICS	NYC	NYS outside of NYC
% Fatalities	34%	14%
% of population	29%	12%
Ratio of % of deaths to % of population proportion	1.17	1.17
NO DIFFERENCE upstate vs. NYC		
<i>Data not age-adjusted</i>		
<i>Source: https://covid19tracker.health.ny.gov/views/NYS-COVID19-Tracker/NYSDOHCOVID-19Tracker-Fatalities?%3Aembed=yes&%3Atoolbar=no&%3Atabs=n</i>		

Disparities in COVID-19 related fatalities among Black/African Americans are worse in New York State outside of New York City than in NYC itself. NYC is the epicenter of the COVID-19 pandemic in New York State, and much attention has been paid to the far higher numbers of fatalities among Black/African Americans in New York City in proportion to their representation in the population. However, the situation in New York State outside of NYC is even worse, according to statistics published online by the New York State Department of Health (<https://covid19tracker.health.ny.gov/views/NYS-COVID19-Tracker/NYSDOHCOVID-19Tracker-Fatalities?%3Aembed=yes&%3Atoolbar=no&%3Atabs=n> accessed June 10, 2020)

There are far more deaths in relation to population size among the upstate Black/African American population than among those in NYC. Black/African American populations outside of NYC account for 18% of all fatalities due to COVID-19, but they constitute only 9% of the population, thus giving a ratio of 2.00 (percent of fatalities to percent of population). Within NYC, Black/African Americans account for 28% of all COVID-19 fatalities, while they constitute 22% of that population, thus giving a ratio 1.27 (percent of fatalities to percent of population). Whites and Hispanic Americans show little difference in NYC and upstate percent ratios. Black/African Americans are more severely affected upstate.

