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TURKS & CAICOS ISLANDS GOVERNMENT

The Impacts of COVID-19 on Civil Registration & Vital Statistics

TURKS & CAICOS ISLANDS OVERVIEW:2019



415
Marriages



42,957
Population



487
Births



122
Deaths

The Impact of Covid-19 on the Civil Registry

- The Turks & Caicos Islands went into full lockdown- Mid March until May
 - *No Birth Returns
 - *No Registrations
 - *Limited Death Certificates
- Went back to work on a shift system
 - *Open to the Public
- Went back to regular working system
 - *Additional safety protocols put in place

Innovations put in Place

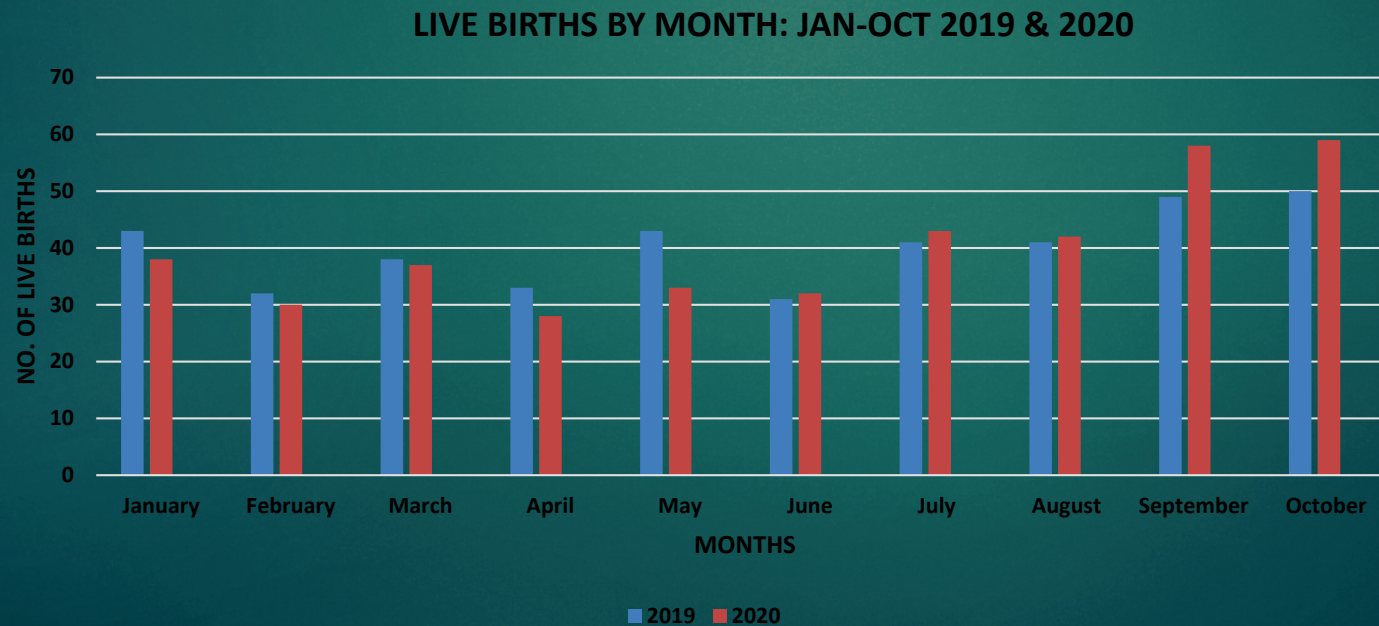
- ▶ Registration Documents offered online
- ▶ Staff to wear PPEs
 - *Masks
 - *Face shields
- ▶ Limiting the number of persons in Customer Service Center
- ▶ Staff trained to vet documents before creating invoice for payment

Covid-19 and Vital Statistics

- ▶ No data collected during the lockdown period
- ▶ Birth data captured from the Birth returns
- ▶ Death data collected from Registrar General's Office IN Grand Turk
- ▶ Comparisons made

Births

- ▶ Birth returns received from the hospital.
- ▶ There were 401 births recorded for Jan-Oct 2019.
- ▶ There were 400 births recorded for Jan-Oct 2020.



Deaths

- ▶ Have started the collection of death information from the Registrar General's Office
- ▶ There were 108 deaths for Jan-Oct 2019
- ▶ Do not have the final count for Jan-Oct 2020
- ▶ Only 6 deaths were due to the Coronavirus

Marriages

- ▶ Marriage information manually collected from the Registrar General's Office on an annual basis.
- ▶ Decrease in marriages due to the country being on full lockdown and a number of hotels including Beaches TCI still close.
- ▶ Some residents that were initially set to have a destination wedding ended up getting married in the country.
- ▶ There were 320 marriages for Jan-Oct 2019.
- ▶ No marriage information collected for 2020.

Divorces

- ▶ Divorce information is manually collected from the Supreme Court on an annual basis.
- ▶ No information collected for 2019 and 2020.

OTHER INFORMATION

- ▶ The civil registry and vital statistics system can generate statistics based on both the date of occurrence and on the date of registration.
- ▶ The civil registry and vital statistics system are not digitized.

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