

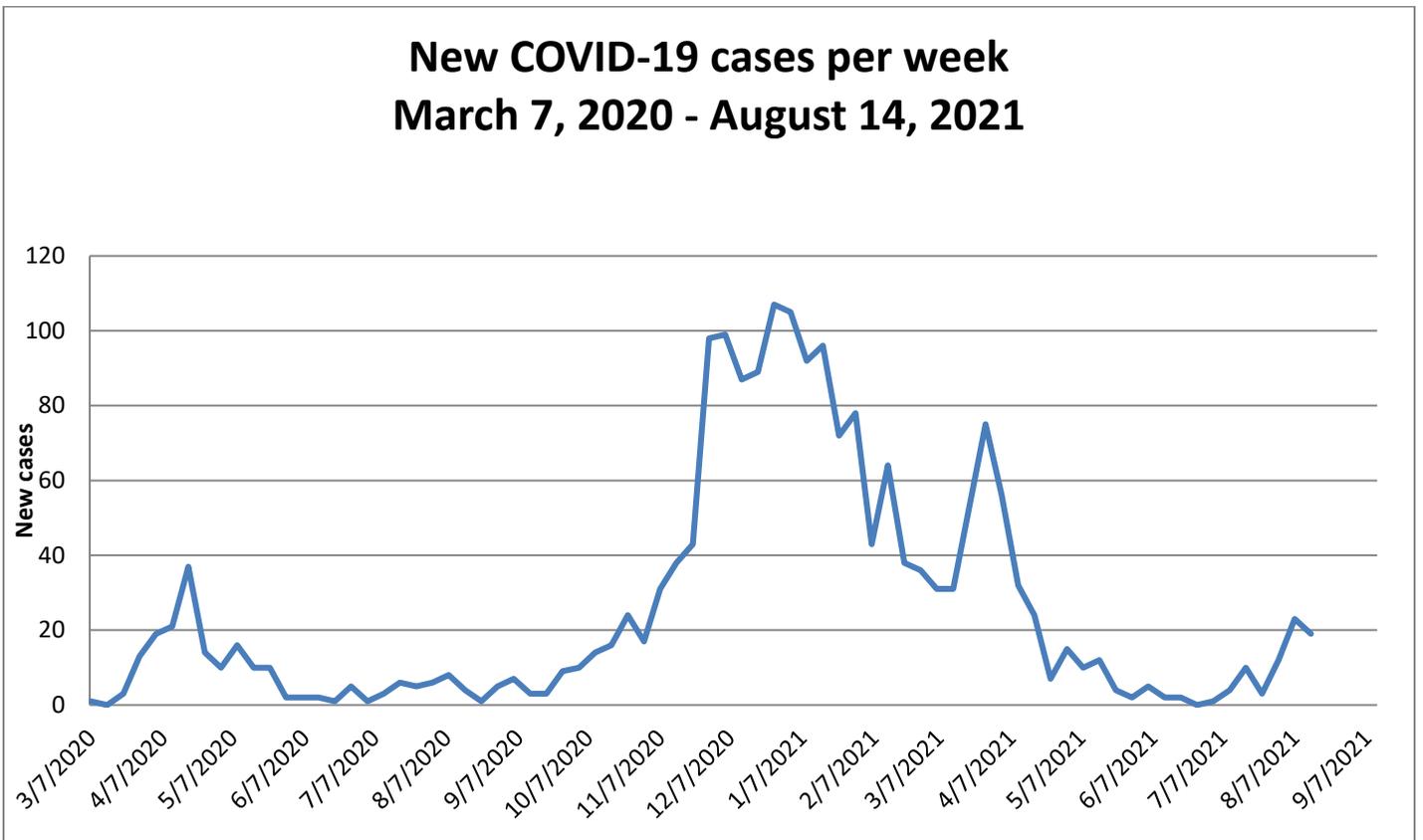
COMMUNITY UPDATE COVID-19

August 16, 2021:

The Town of Mansfield continues its community update on our website with our up to date information and important tips for the public as it relates to the COVID-19 pandemic. For more complete information, please see the town [coronavirus webpage](#).

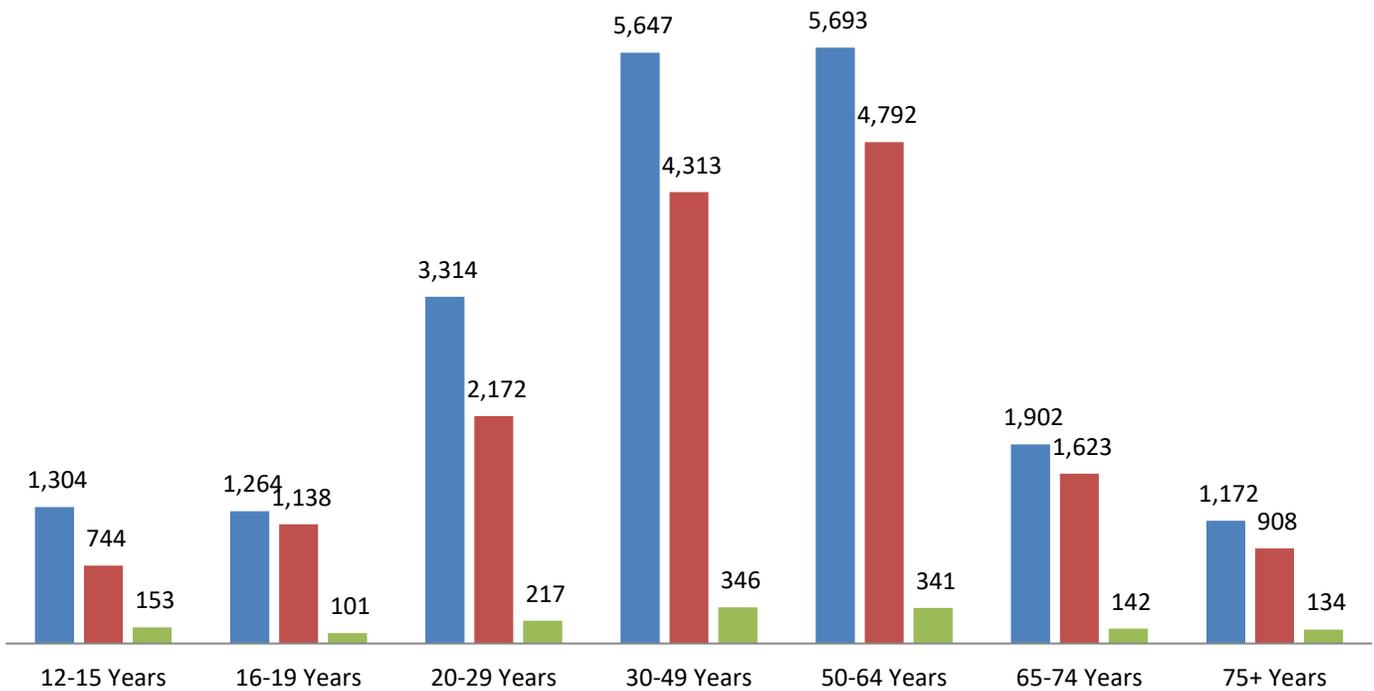
- **As of today, please see the below chart that represents our communities COVID-19 relates cases:**

<i>Mansfield Covid-19 Workflow</i>	#	
Positive COVID-19 under isolation	27	(updated 8/16 08:00)
Positive Cases recovered	1880	
Total tested positive since beginning:	1931	
Covid-19 Related Deaths	24	Last Covid death in Mansfield 04/21/21



Vaccine Distribution in Mansfield as of August 12, 2021

■ Population ■ Fully vaccinated individuals ■ Partially vaccinated individuals



* vaccine use is currently only approved for ages 12 and above

- [Bristol County identified as an area of high transmission](#)

Bristol County has been identified by the CDC as an area of high transmission for COVID-19. The CDC recommends all people, no matter their vaccination status, wear masks indoors and in crowded outdoor settings in areas of substantial or high transmission. More information can be found [here](#). Other counties in Massachusetts identified as areas of high transmission include Barnstable, Nantucket, Bristol, and Dukes counties. Essex, Hampden, Middlesex, Norfolk, Plymouth and Worcester counties are identified as areas of substantial transmission and Franklin and Hampshire counties are identified as areas of moderate transmission.

- [Get Vaccinated Against COVID-19 for individuals age 12+](#)

People age 12+ who live, work or study in Massachusetts can be vaccinated. Sign up and be notified of appointments near you. Use [VaxFinder.mass.gov](https://vaxfinder.mass.gov) to search for appointments at pharmacies, health care providers, and other community locations.

Council on Aging staff is available to assist any vaccine-eligible seniors who need help navigating the scheduling process. Please call 508-261-7368.

- **Families with Vaccinated and Unvaccinated Members**

What You Need to Know

- If you've been [fully vaccinated](#) against COVID-19, you've taken the first step toward protecting yourself and your family and [returning to many of the activities](#) you did before the pandemic.
- To maximize protection from the Delta variant of the virus that causes COVID-19 and prevent possibly spreading it to others, wear a mask indoors in public if you are in an area [of substantial or high transmission](#).
- Wearing a mask is most important if you have a weakened immune system or if, because of your age or an underlying medical condition, you are at [increased risk for severe disease](#), or if someone in your household has a weakened immune system, is at increased risk for severe disease, or is unvaccinated. If this applies to you or your household, you might choose to wear a mask regardless of the level of transmission in your area.

How can I protect my unvaccinated family members?

These are the best ways to protect your unvaccinated family members, including children who cannot get vaccinated yet:

- Get [vaccinated](#) yourself. COVID-19 vaccines reduce the risk of people getting COVID-19 and can also reduce the risk of spreading it.
- Be sure to get everyone in your family who is 12 years or older vaccinated against COVID-19.
- Wear a [mask](#).
 - To maximize protection from the Delta variant and prevent possibly spreading it to others, have everyone in your family, even those who are vaccinated, wear a mask indoors in public if you are in an area [of substantial or high transmission](#).
 - You might choose to have everyone in your family, even those who are vaccinated, wear a mask indoors in public regardless of the level of transmission in your area.
 - Unvaccinated family members, including children 2 years and older, should wear a mask in all indoor public settings.
 - To set an example, you also might choose to wear a mask.
 - Do NOT put a mask on children younger than 2 years old.



Find a COVID-19 Vaccine: <https://vaxfinder.mass.gov/>

How do I protect a family member who has a condition or is taking medications that weaken their immune system?

- Get vaccinated yourself. COVID-19 vaccines reduce the risk of people getting COVID-19 and can also reduce the risk of spreading it.
- People who have a condition or are taking medications that weaken their immune system may NOT be protected even if they are fully vaccinated. They should continue to take all [precautions recommended for unvaccinated people, including wearing a well-fitted mask](#), until advised otherwise by their healthcare provider.
- If you live with someone who has a weakened immune system or is at [increased risk for severe disease](#), you might choose to wear a mask in all indoor public settings regardless of the level of transmission in your area.

Choose safer activities for your family.

- Outdoor [activities](#) are safer than indoor ones. If you are indoors, choose a location that is [well ventilated](#), for example a room with open windows, and [know when to wear a mask](#).
- Avoid activities that make it hard to stay 6 feet away from others.
- If your family member is younger than 2 years old or cannot wear a mask, limit visits with people who are not vaccinated or whose vaccination status is unknown and keep distance between your child and other people in public.
- Regardless of which safer activities your family chooses, remember to [protect yourself and others](#).

If you are fully vaccinated, see [When You've Been Fully Vaccinated](#).

- [Enable MassNotify on your smartphone](#)

MassNotify is a new tool that works through smartphones, with a focus on privacy, to alert users who may have been exposed to COVID-19. You can enable MassNotify on your iPhone or Android phone to add another tool to our fight against the spread of COVID-19 and help Massachusetts reopen safely.

[Learn how to enable MassNotify on your phone.](#)

- [Register today for the VaxMillions Giveaway](#)

Get fully vaccinated and register for the next VaxMillions Giveaway drawing this week by visiting [VaxMillionsGiveaway.com](#). Vaccination appointments are available throughout the Commonwealth. This includes single dose vaccines.

You can't play if you're not vaccinated. Don't miss your shot at \$1 million or a college scholarship. Book your appointment today by visiting vaxfinder.mass.gov. Register to win at vaxmillionsgiveaway.com.

Only use VaxMillionsGiveaway.com to register. Learn more about how to protect yourself from lottery scams by visiting mass.gov/vaxmillionshelp.



Pregnant and recently pregnant people are more likely to get severely ill from COVID-19, although the overall risk is low.

If you are pregnant, visit CDC's webpage to learn what you need to know to stay healthy and avoid getting sick: <https://bit.ly/3fBCIPo>.