

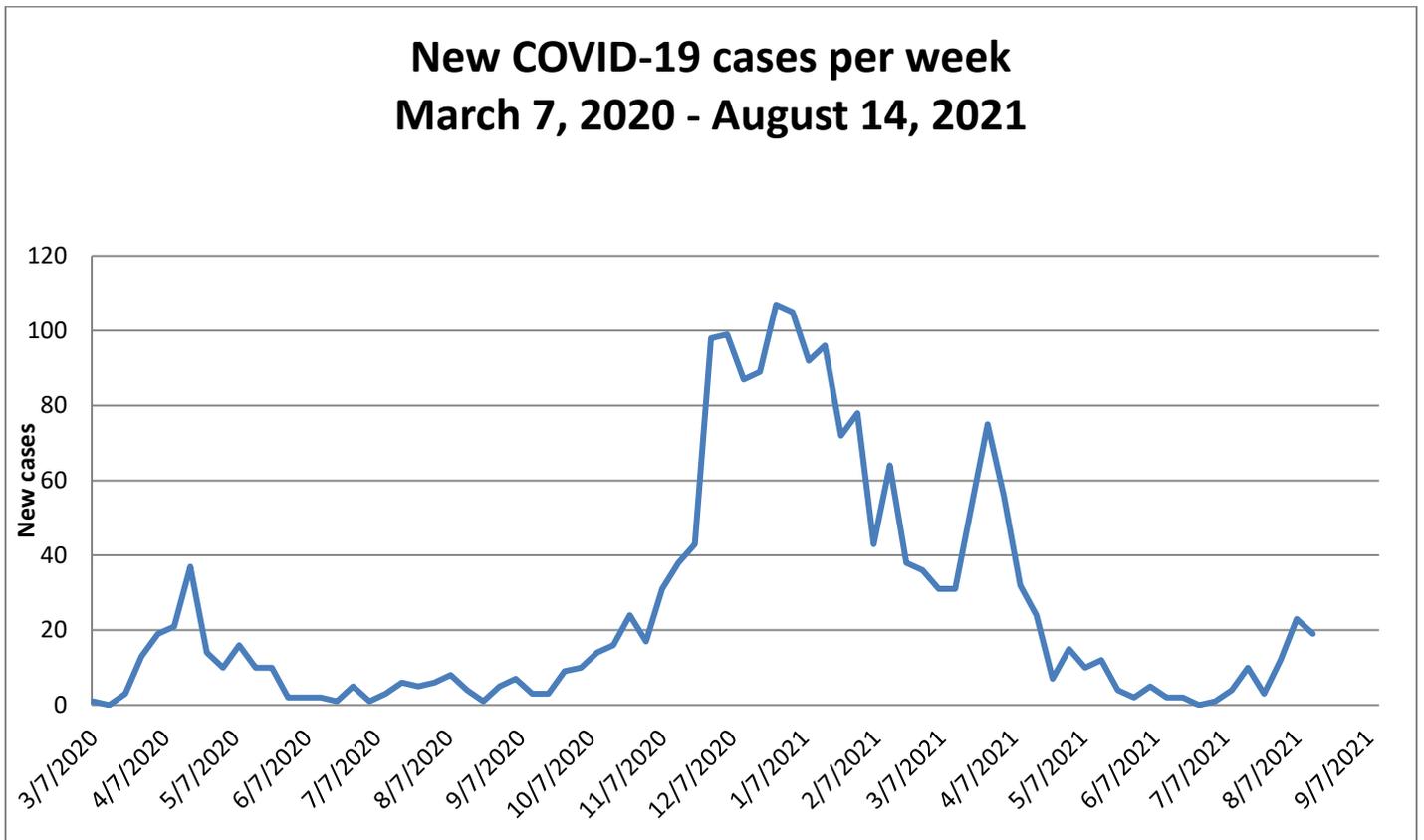
## COMMUNITY UPDATE COVID-19

**August 20, 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](#).

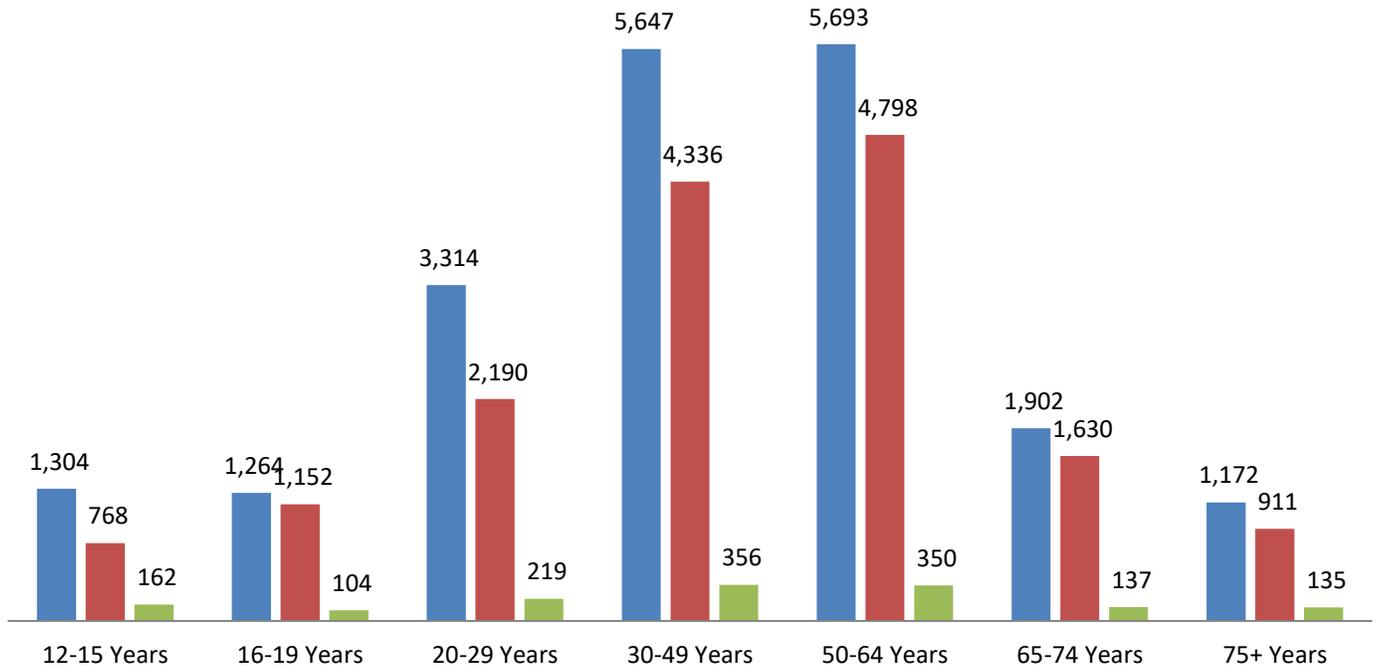
- **As of today, please see the below chart that represents our communities COVID-19 relates cases:**

<i>Mansfield Covid-19 Workflow</i>	#	
Positive COVID-19 under isolation	32	(updated 8/20 08:00)
Positive Cases recovered	1896	
Total tested positive since beginning:	1952	
Covid-19 Related Deaths	24	Last Covid death in Mansfield 04/21/21



## Vaccine Distribution in Mansfield as of August 19, 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](#). Within Massachusetts, counties designation is the following:

County	COVID transmission level
Barnstable	Substantial
Berkshire	High
Bristol	High
Dukes	High
Essex	High
Franklin	Substantial
Hampden	High

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Hampshire	Substantial
Middlesex	High
Nantucket	High
Norfolk	Substantial
Plymouth	High
Suffolk	High
Worcester	High

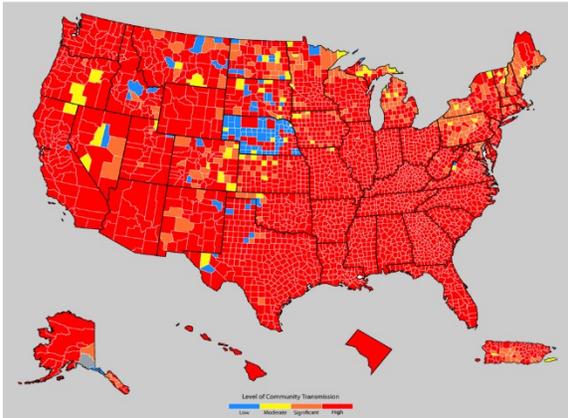


- [Your Guide to Masks](#)

- If you are not fully vaccinated and aged 2 or older, you should wear a mask in indoor public places.
- In general, you do not need to wear a mask in outdoor settings.
  - In areas with high numbers of COVID-19 cases, consider wearing a mask in crowded outdoor settings and for activities with close contact with others who are not fully vaccinated.
- People who have a condition or are taking medications that weaken their immune system may not be fully 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 are fully vaccinated, to maximize protection from the Delta variant and prevent possibly spreading it to others, wear a mask indoors in public if you are in an area of substantial or high transmission.
- If you are fully vaccinated, see [When You've Been Fully Vaccinated](#).

Wearing a mask over your nose and mouth is required on planes, buses, trains, and other forms of public transportation traveling into, within, or out of the United States and while indoors at U.S. transportation hubs such as airports and stations. Travelers are not required to wear a mask in outdoor areas of a conveyance (like on open deck areas of a ferry or the uncovered top deck of a bus).

**COVID-19 Levels of Community Transmission by County**



Find the latest data on  
CDC's COVID Data Tracker

Data as of August 17, 2021  
Source: COVID Data Tracker - Community Transmission



The U.S. level of community transmission is high. COVID-19 cases are increasing in most parts of the country. The 7-day average of daily new cases is 130,121. This is 13.2% higher than the previous 7-day period, and 1,016.8% higher than the lowest daily average in June 2021. Take actions to protect yourself and prevent the spread of COVID-19.

If you aren't vaccinated:

- ✔ Get vaccinated.
- 😷 Wear a mask over your nose & mouth.
- 👤 Stay at least 6 feet from others.
- 🚫 Avoid crowds & poorly ventilated spaces.
- 🧼 Wash your hands often.

Everyone—even vaccinated people—in areas with a substantial or high level of community transmission should wear a mask indoors in public. More: <https://bit.ly/2Hw1EZZ>

- [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.

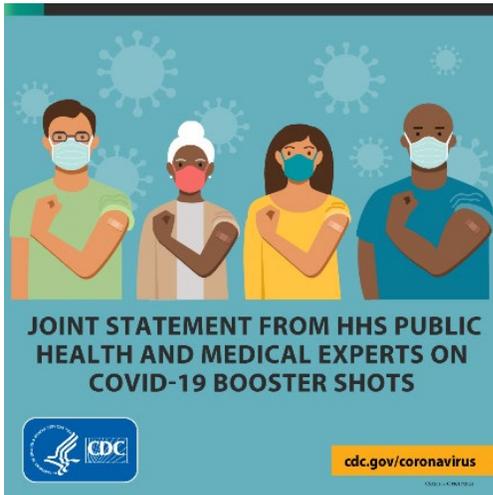
Council on Aging staff is available to assist any vaccine-eligible seniors who need help navigating the scheduling process. Please call 508-261-7368.

- [COVID-19 Vaccines for Moderately to Severely Immunocompromised People](#)

People who are moderately to severely immunocompromised are especially vulnerable to COVID-19 because they are more at risk of serious, prolonged illness. [Studies](#) indicate some immunocompromised people don't always build the same level of immunity after vaccination the way non-immunocompromised people do.

CDC recommends that people with moderately to severely compromised immune systems receive an additional dose of mRNA COVID-19 vaccine at least 28 days after a second dose of [Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine](#) or [Moderna COVID-19 vaccine](#).





Federal health officials have developed a plan to begin offering COVID-19 vaccine booster shots this fall, pending final FDA evaluation of third doses of the Pfizer and Moderna mRNA vaccines and formal recommendations from CDC's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP).

Read full joint statement: <https://bit.ly/3sA6rg7>.

- [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.](#)