

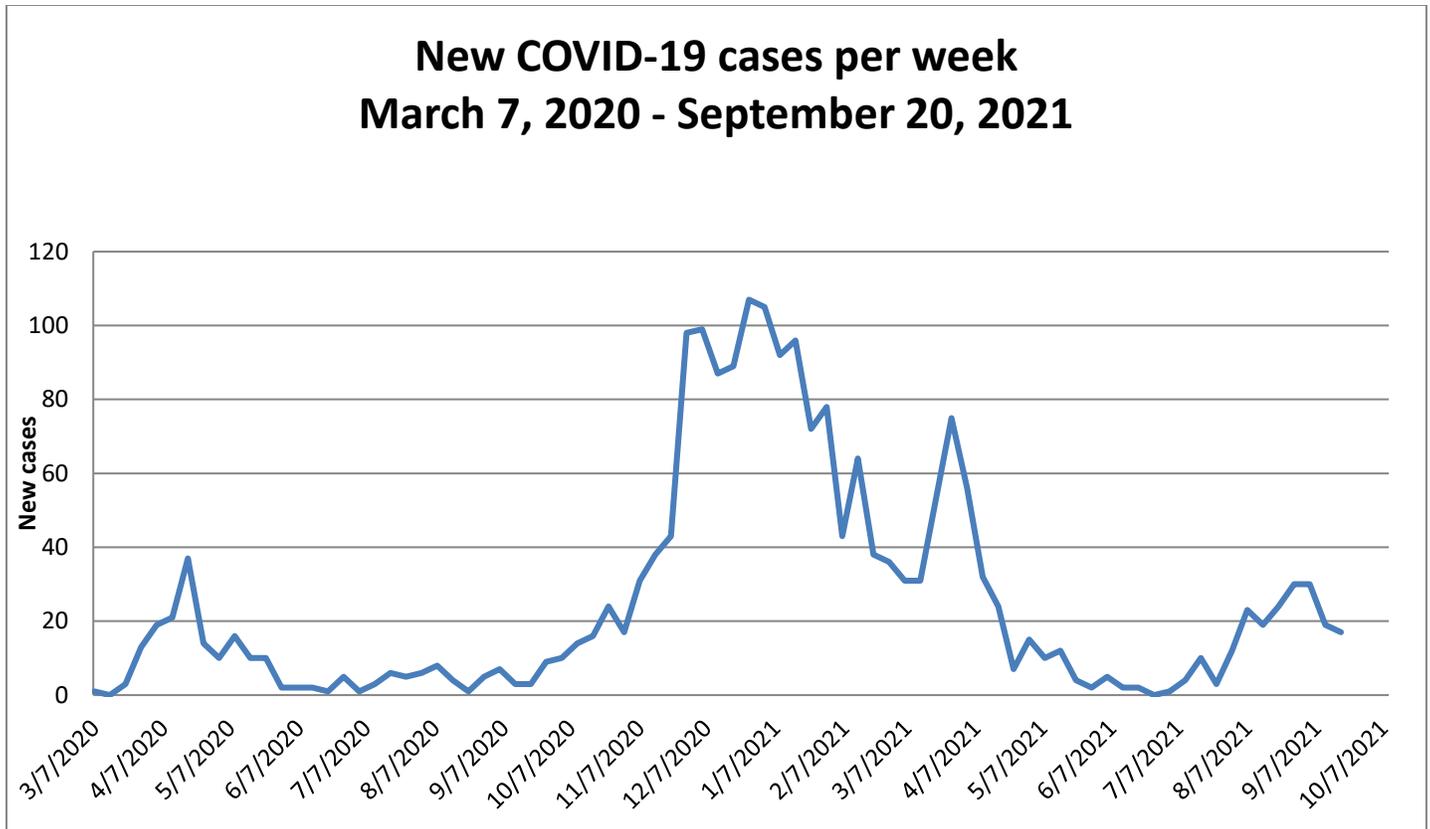
COMMUNITY UPDATE COVID-19

September 24, 2021:

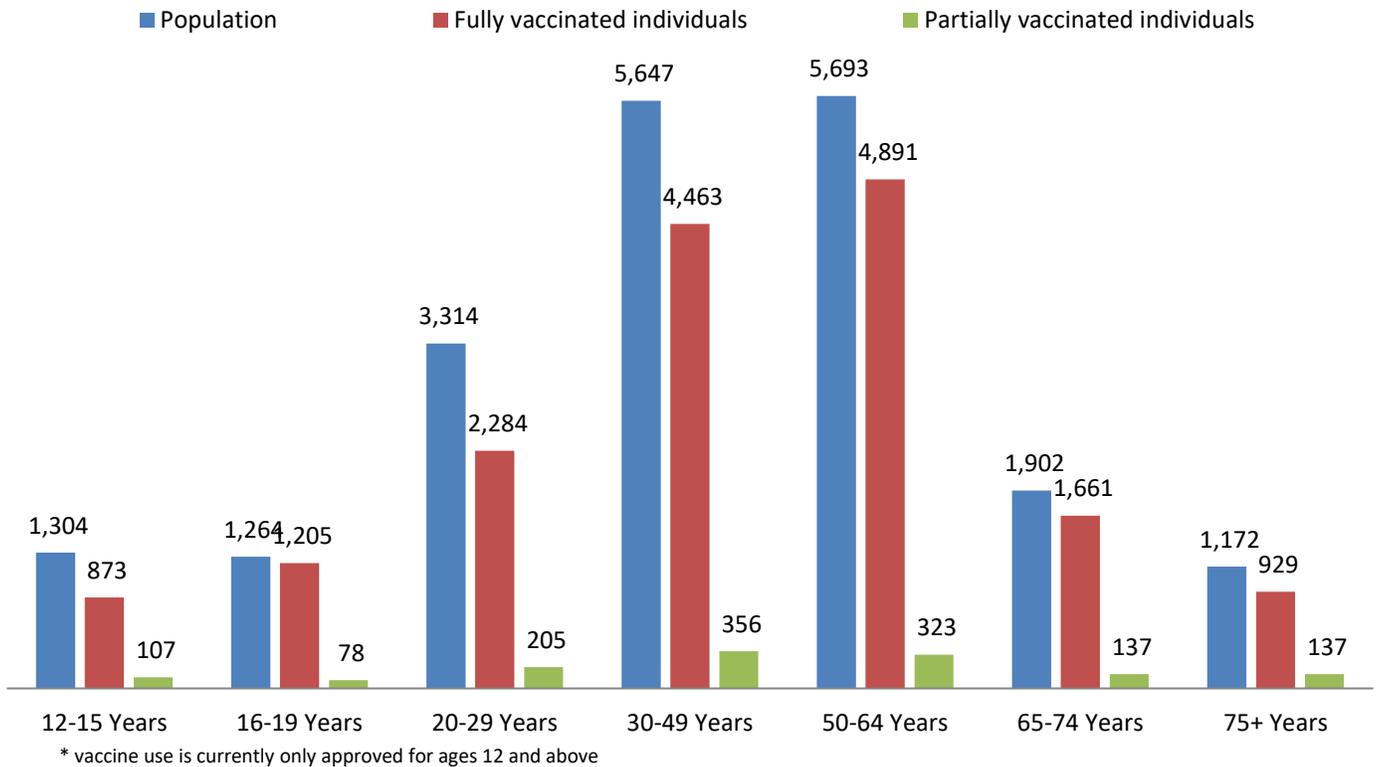
The Town of Mansfield continues its community update on our website with our up to date information and important tips for the public as it relates to the COVID-19 pandemic. For more complete information, please see the town [coronavirus webpage](#).

- **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	28	(updated 9/24 08:00)
Positive Cases recovered	2041	
Total tested positive since beginning:	2093	
Covid-19 Related Deaths	24	Last Covid death in Mansfield 04/21/21



Vaccine Distribution in Mansfield as of Sept 23, 2021



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

How do COVID-19 vaccines help stop variants from emerging?

- Viruses constantly change through mutation.
- Variants of the virus that causes COVID-19 are expected to emerge as long as the virus spreads.
- Getting vaccinated helps slow the spread of COVID-19 and reduces the chances of more variants emerging.



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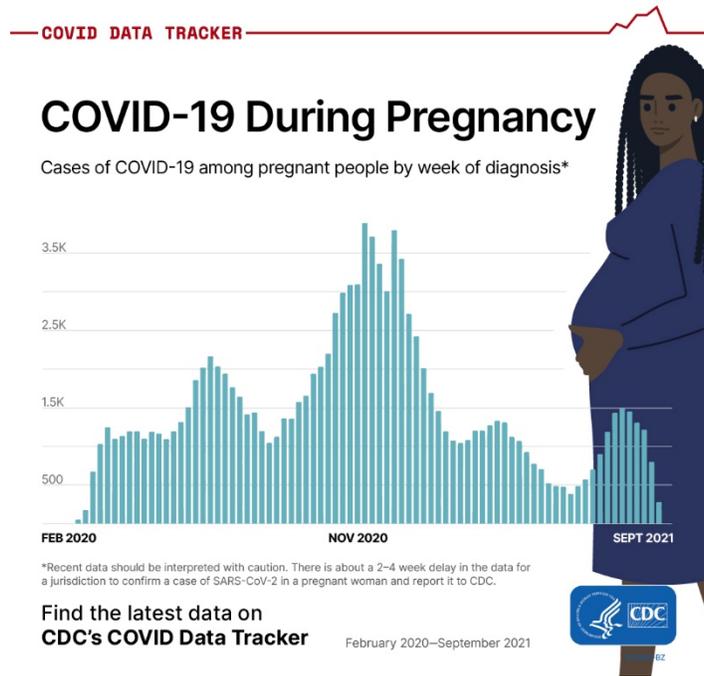
Getting vaccinated is still the best way to protect yourself and help slow the spread of COVID-19. As the virus spreads, it has new opportunities to mutate and may become more difficult to stop. By slowing the spread, we can reduce the chance of new variants emerging. COVID-19 vaccines used in the United States help protect against Delta and other known variants.

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 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.

Pregnant people and people who were recently pregnant are more likely to become very sick and die from COVID-19 compared with non-pregnant people. As of September 13, more than 120,000 pregnant people have been diagnosed with COVID-19 since January 22, 2020.

Vaccination for pregnant people is more urgent than ever. If you are pregnant or were recently pregnant, getting vaccinated is one of the best steps you can take to protect yourself and your baby. View data about COVID-19 during pregnancy: https://bit.ly/CDT_pregnant.



- [Testing for COVID-19](#)

Testing is our best tool to identify those who have been exposed and slow the uptick in cases. You should get tested for COVID-19 if you have symptoms or you've been exposed to someone with COVID-19, even if you're fully vaccinated. If you've had COVID-19 in the past 3 months and you've been exposed to someone with COVID-19, you don't need to get tested if you don't have new symptoms.

Testing is encouraged regardless of vaccination status. <https://www.mass.gov/covid-19-testing>

Know the symptoms of COVID-19, which can include the following:

Cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing		Fever or chills	
Muscle or body aches	Vomiting or diarrhea		New loss of taste or smell

Symptoms can range from mild to severe illness, and appear 2–14 days after you are exposed to the virus that causes COVID-19.

- [All counties in Massachusetts identified as areas of high transmission](#)

ALL counties in Massachusetts have 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, county designation is the following:

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

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

