

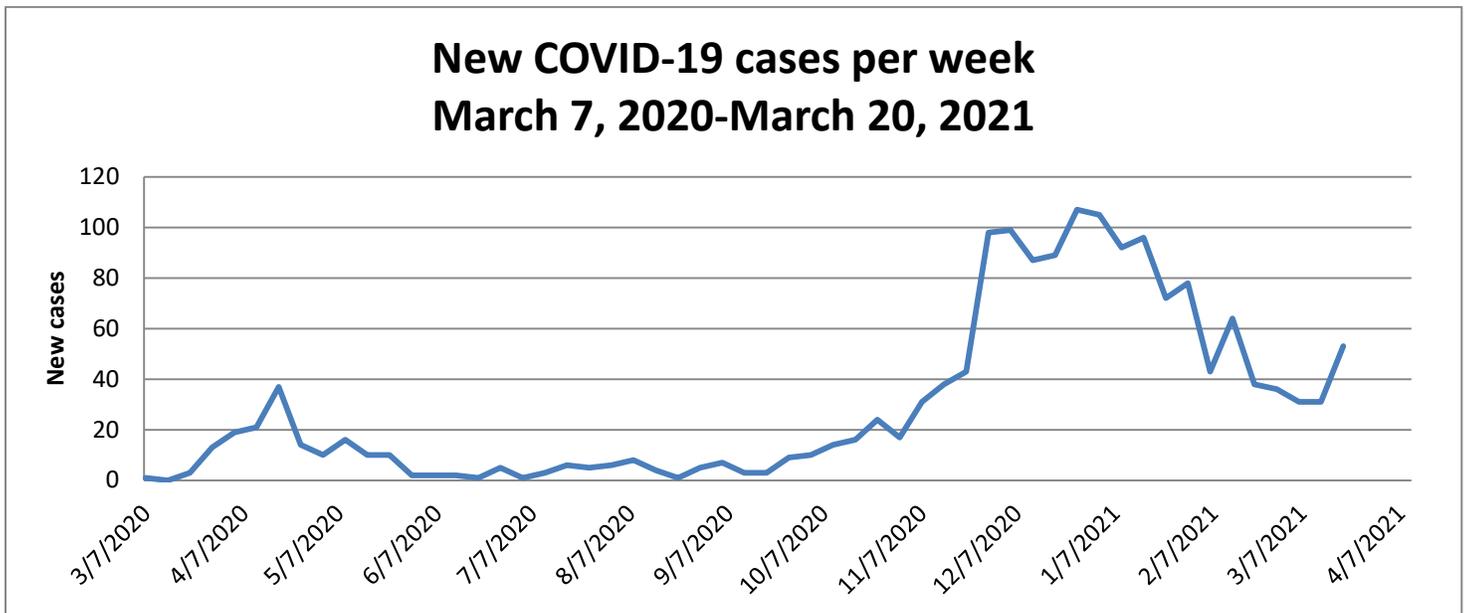
COMMUNITY UPDATE COVID-19

March 25, 2021:

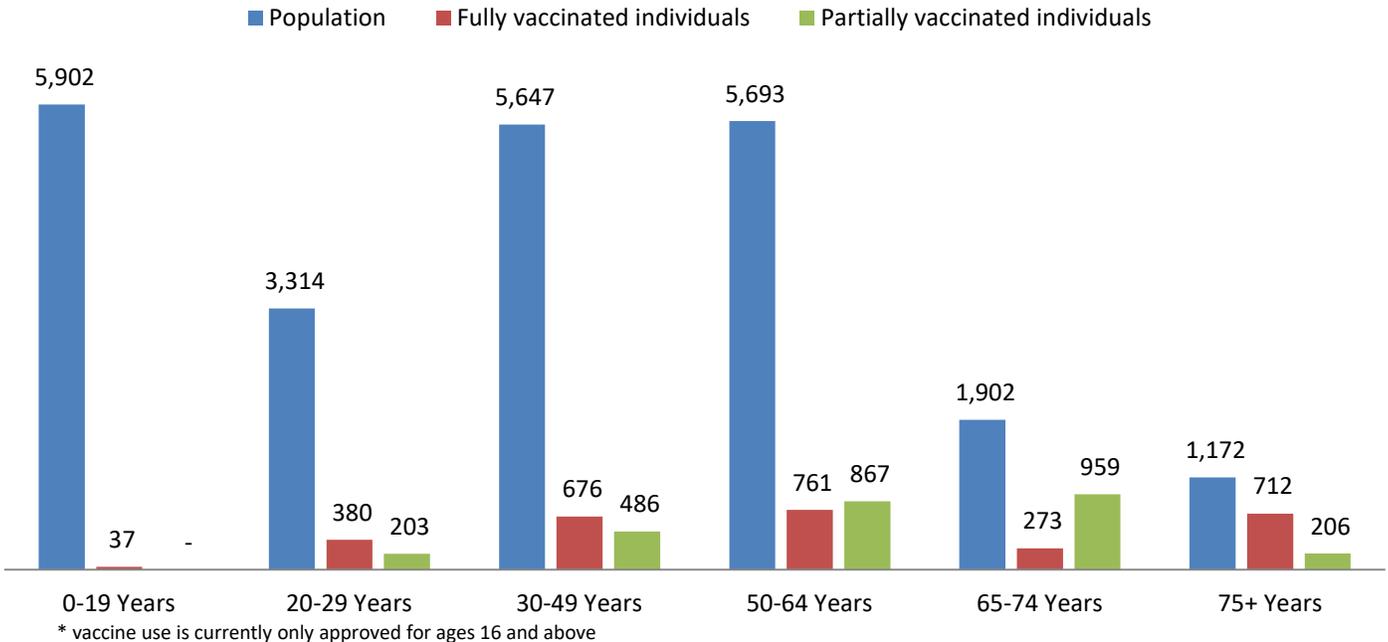
The Town of Mansfield continues its community update on our website with our up to date information and important tips for the public as it relates to the COVID-19 pandemic. For more complete information, please see the town [coronavirus webpage](#).

- **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	62	(updated 3/25 08:00)
Positive Cases recovered	1523	
Total tested positive since beginning:	1608	
Mansfield Community Designation Level	Yellow	Red-higher risk Yellow- moderate risk Green- lower risk
Covid-19 Related Deaths	23	Last Covid death in Mansfield 03/01/21



Vaccine Distribution in Mansfield as of March 18, 2021



- [Deciding to Go Out](#)

What you need to know:

- In general, the more closely you interact with others and the longer that interaction, the higher the risk of COVID-19 spread.
- If you decide to engage in public activities, continue to protect yourself by [practicing everyday preventive actions](#).
- Keep these items on hand when venturing out: a mask, tissues, and a hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol, if possible.

Understand the potential risks of going out

As communities and businesses are opening, you may be looking for ways to resume some daily activities as safely as possible. While there is no way to ensure zero risk of infection, it is important to understand potential risks and how to adopt different types of prevention measures to protect yourself and to help reduce the spread of COVID-19.

The risk of an activity depends on many factors, such as:

- Is COVID-19 spreading in your community?
- Will you have a potential close contact with someone who is sick or anyone who is not wearing a mask (and may be asymptomatic)?
- Are you at increased risk of severe illness?

- Do you take everyday actions to protect yourself from COVID-19?

CDC cannot provide the specific risk level for every activity in every community. That's why it's important for you to consider your own personal situation and the risk for you, your family, and your community before venturing out.

Close contact with other people increases risk. In general, **the more closely you interact with others and the longer that interaction, the higher the risk of COVID-19 spread.** So, think about:

- How many **people** will you interact with?
 - Interacting with *more people* raises your risk.
 - Being in a group with people who aren't social distancing or wearing [masks](#) increases your risk.
 - Engaging with new people (e.g., those who don't live with you) also raises your risk.
 - Some people have the virus and don't have any symptoms, and it is not yet known how often people without symptoms can transmit the virus to others.
- Can you keep 6 feet of **space** between you and others? Will you be outdoors or indoors?
 - The *closer* you are to other people who may be infected, the greater your risk of getting sick.
 - Keeping distance from other people is especially important for people who are at [higher risk for severe illness](#), such as older adults and those with underlying medical conditions.
 - Indoor spaces are more risky than outdoor spaces where it might be harder to keep people apart and there's less ventilation.
- What's the length of **time** that you will be interacting with people?
 - Spending *more time* with people who may be infected increases your risk of becoming infected.
 - Spending more time with people increases *their* risk of becoming infected if there is any chance that you may already be infected.
- Activities are safer if
 - You can maintain at least 6 feet of space between you and others. COVID-19 spreads easier between people who are within 6 feet of each other.
 - They are held in outdoor spaces. Indoor spaces with less ventilation where it might be harder to keep people apart are more risky.

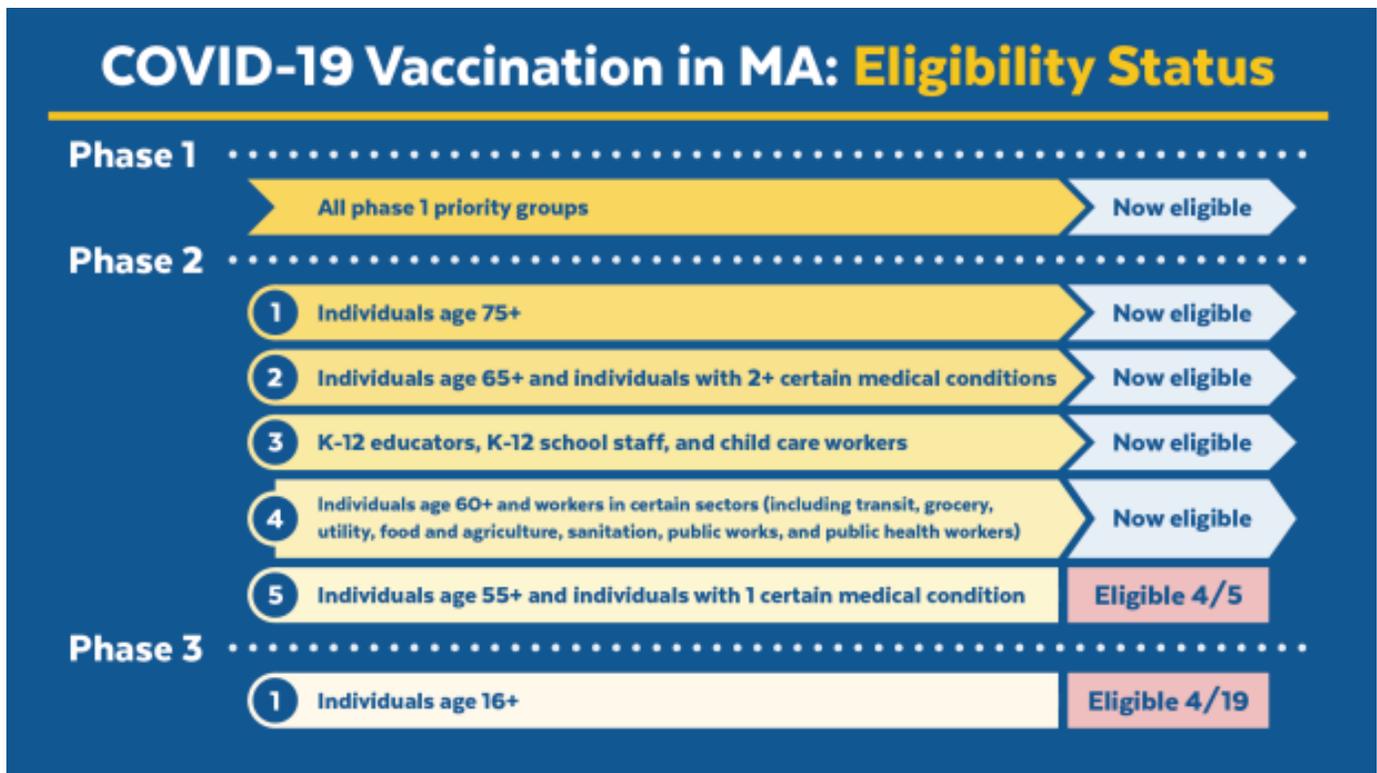
- People are wearing masks. Interacting without wearing masks also increases your risk.
- Stay home if you are sick
If you have COVID-19, [have symptoms consistent with COVID-19](#), or have been in [close contact](#) with someone who has COVID-19, it is important to stay home and away from other people. [Cases of reinfection](#) of COVID-19 have been reported but are rare. When you can leave home and be around others depends on different factors for different situations. Follow CDC's [recommendations](#) for your circumstances.

- **Getting Tested**

If you develop symptoms of COVID-19, even if they are mild, please contact your healthcare provider and a test site near you to schedule a test. You can also [check your symptoms online](#).

More information about testing can be found on the [COVID-19 Testing](#) webpage. community.

- **Vaccine Eligibility Timeline**



- [Workers in certain sectors](#) includes restaurant or café workers, food meatpacking, beverage, agriculture, consumer goods, retail or food service workers, grocery and convenience store workers, food pantry workers or volunteers, medical supply chain workers, vaccine development workers, public works, water wastewater or utility workers, sanitation workers, public health workers, court system workers, and funeral directors and funeral workers.

More details on all the COVID-19 vaccination phases can be found [here](#).

- **Steps to Get Your Vaccination**

Step 1: Check your eligibility below or [use our tool](#)

Step 2: Preregister for a mass vaccination location or find a location and schedule your appointment

There are different ways to find a vaccine appointment:

- Preregister at [VaccineSignUp.mass.gov](#) to be notified when it's your turn to schedule an appointment at one of **7 mass vaccination locations**: Fenway Park, Gillette Stadium, Reggie Lewis Center, DoubleTree Hotel in Danvers, Eastfield Mall in Springfield, Natick Mall and former Circuit City in Dartmouth.
- Use [VaxFinder.mass.gov](#) to search for appointments at pharmacies, health care providers, and other community locations

Massachusetts receives a limited supply of COVID-19 vaccine doses from the federal government each week. Due to high demand and very limited supply, it may take several weeks to schedule an appointment or to be notified that an appointment is available at mass vaccination locations.

At this point, the Town does not have any vaccine for public distribution.

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

Step 3: [Prepare for your appointment](#)

- **More Vaccine Information**

Massachusetts vaccine information webpage:

- [Massachusetts COVID-19 vaccination data and updates](#)
- [Sign up for COVID-19 and vaccine alerts](#)
- [MA Vaccine Scheduling Resource Line](#)
- [COVID-19 Vaccine Frequently Asked Questions](#)

CDC vaccine information webpages:

- [Benefits of Getting a COVID-19 Vaccine](#)
- [How COVID-19 Vaccines Work](#)
- [Myths and Misconceptions about COVID-19 Vaccines](#)
- [Frequently Asked Questions about COVID-19 Vaccination](#)