

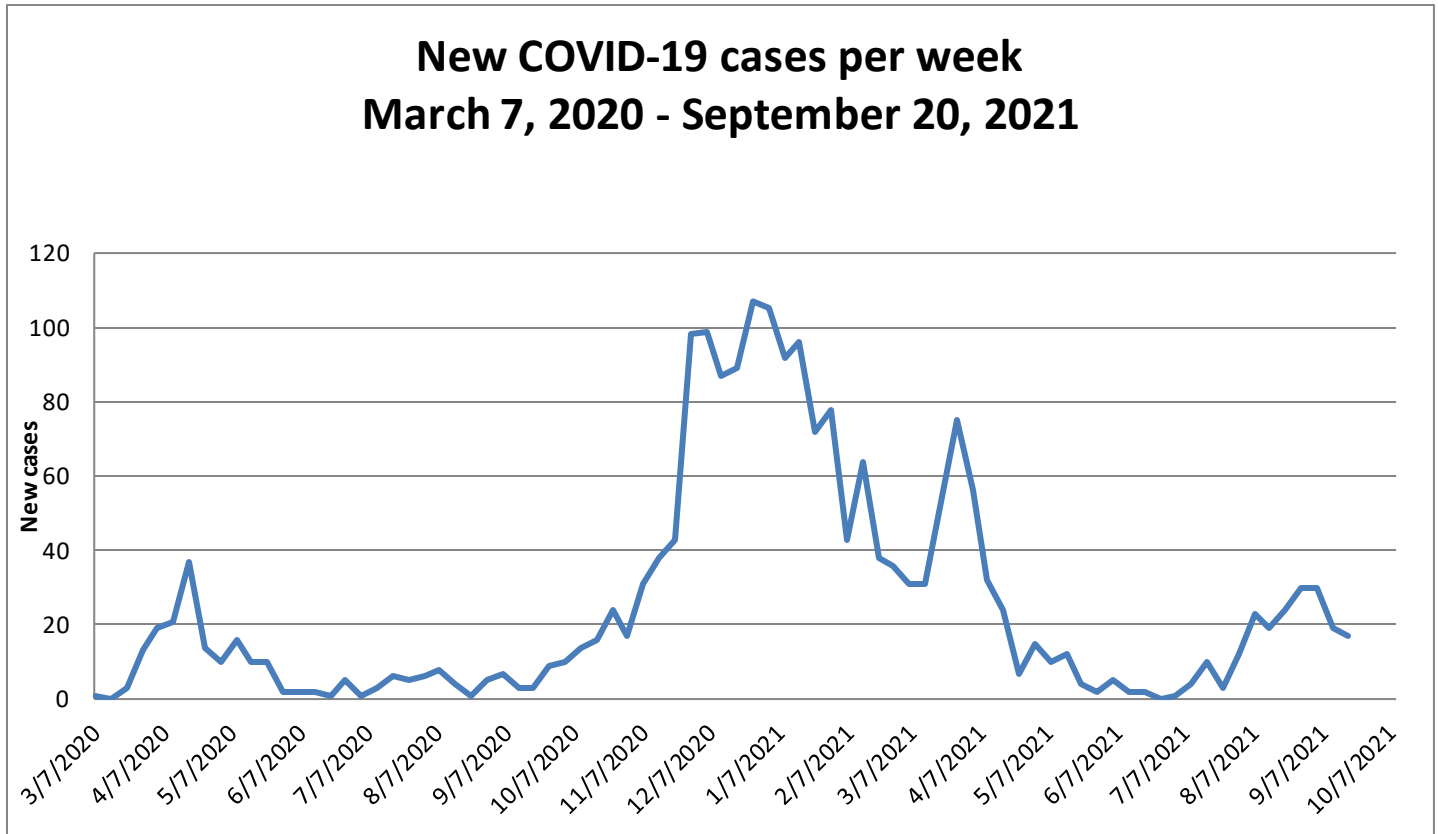
## COMMUNITY UPDATE COVID-19

**September 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](#).

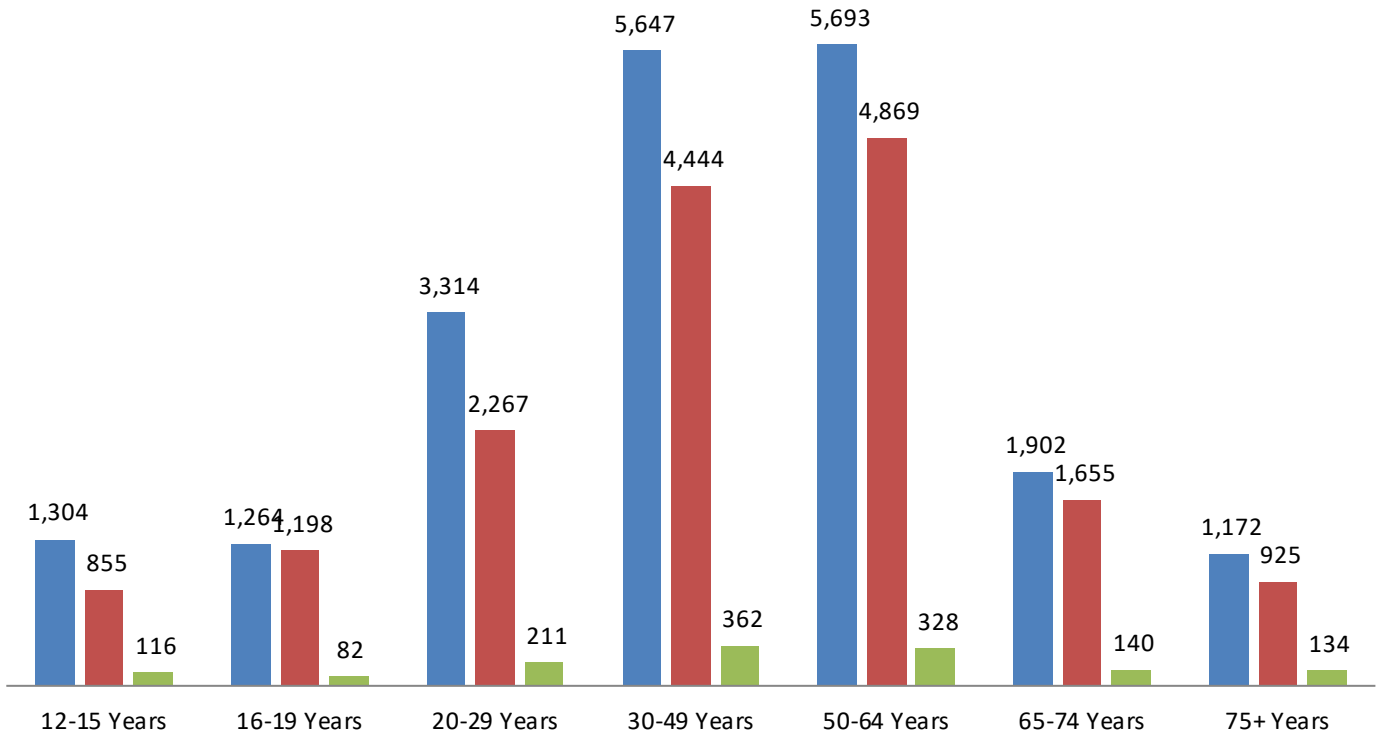
- **As of today, please see the below chart that represents our communities COVID-19 relates cases:**

<i>Mansfield Covid-19 Workflow</i>	#	
<b>Positive COVID-19 under isolation</b>	<b>26</b>	(updated 9/20 08:00)
<b>Positive Cases recovered</b>	<b>2026</b>	
<b>Total tested positive since beginning:</b>	<b>2076</b>	
<b>Covid-19 Related Deaths</b>	<b>24</b>	Last Covid death in Mansfield 04/21/21



## Vaccine Distribution in Mansfield as of Sept 16, 2021

■ Population      ■ Fully vaccinated individuals      ■ Partially vaccinated individuals



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

- [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

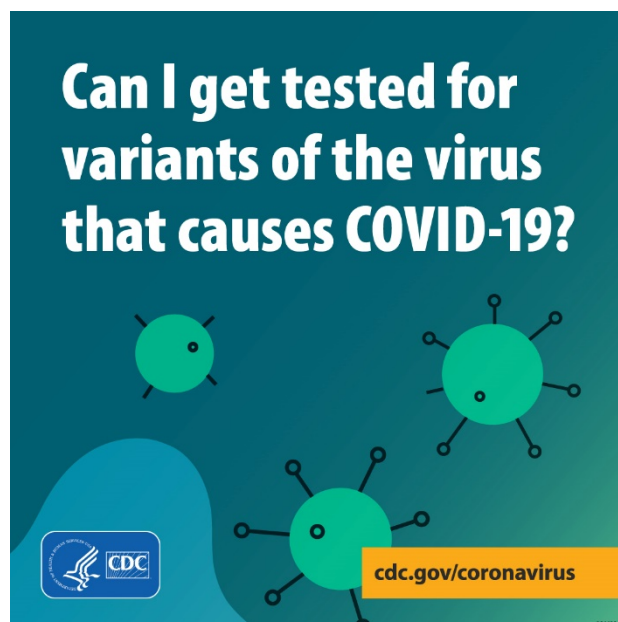
County	COVID transmission level
Hampshire	High
Middlesex	High
Nantucket	High
Norfolk	High
Plymouth	High
Suffolk	High
Worcester	High

- [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>



Currently, all COVID-19 diagnostic tests can detect all variants, but they will not tell you which variant you have.

If you test positive for COVID-19, your sample may be sent to CDC or our partners for sequencing. Sequencing is a laboratory technique that analyzes the genetic material of your sample to determine which variant is present. At this time, scientists only perform sequencing on samples to monitor the spread of variants and study their genetic code, not for individual diagnostic purposes.

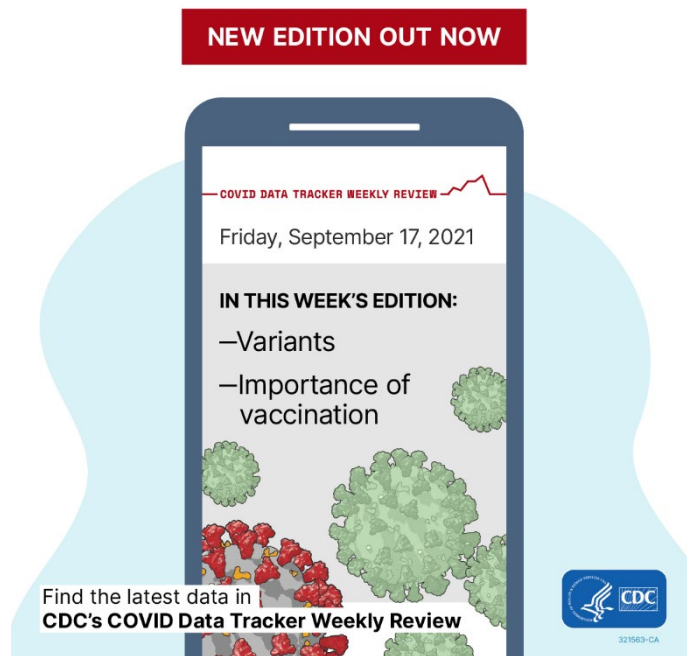
Learn more about testing: <https://bit.ly/3eewnHx>.

- [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 Data Tracker Weekly Review](#)



The virus that causes COVID-19 can change quickly and often, producing new types of the virus, or variants. Delta continues to be the most common variant in the United States, causing more than 99% of U.S. COVID-19 cases. COVID-19 vaccines help protect against all known variants and offer strong protection against serious illness and death. When more people are fully vaccinated, the virus spreads less, creating fewer opportunities for new variants to emerge. Get vaccinated and learn more in the COVID Data Tracker Weekly

Review: <http://bit.ly/CDTweeklyreview>.