

COMMUNITY UPDATE COVID-19

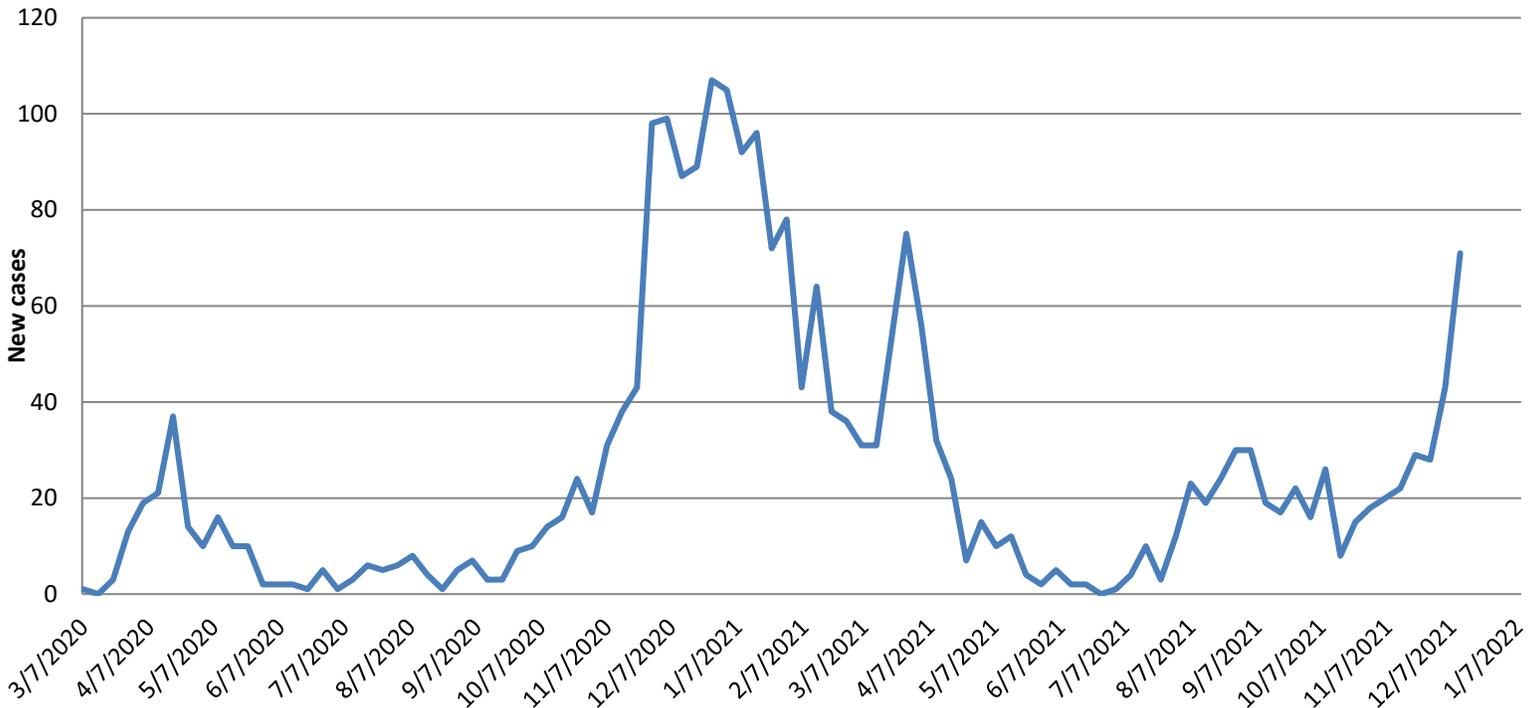
December 13, 2021:

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:**

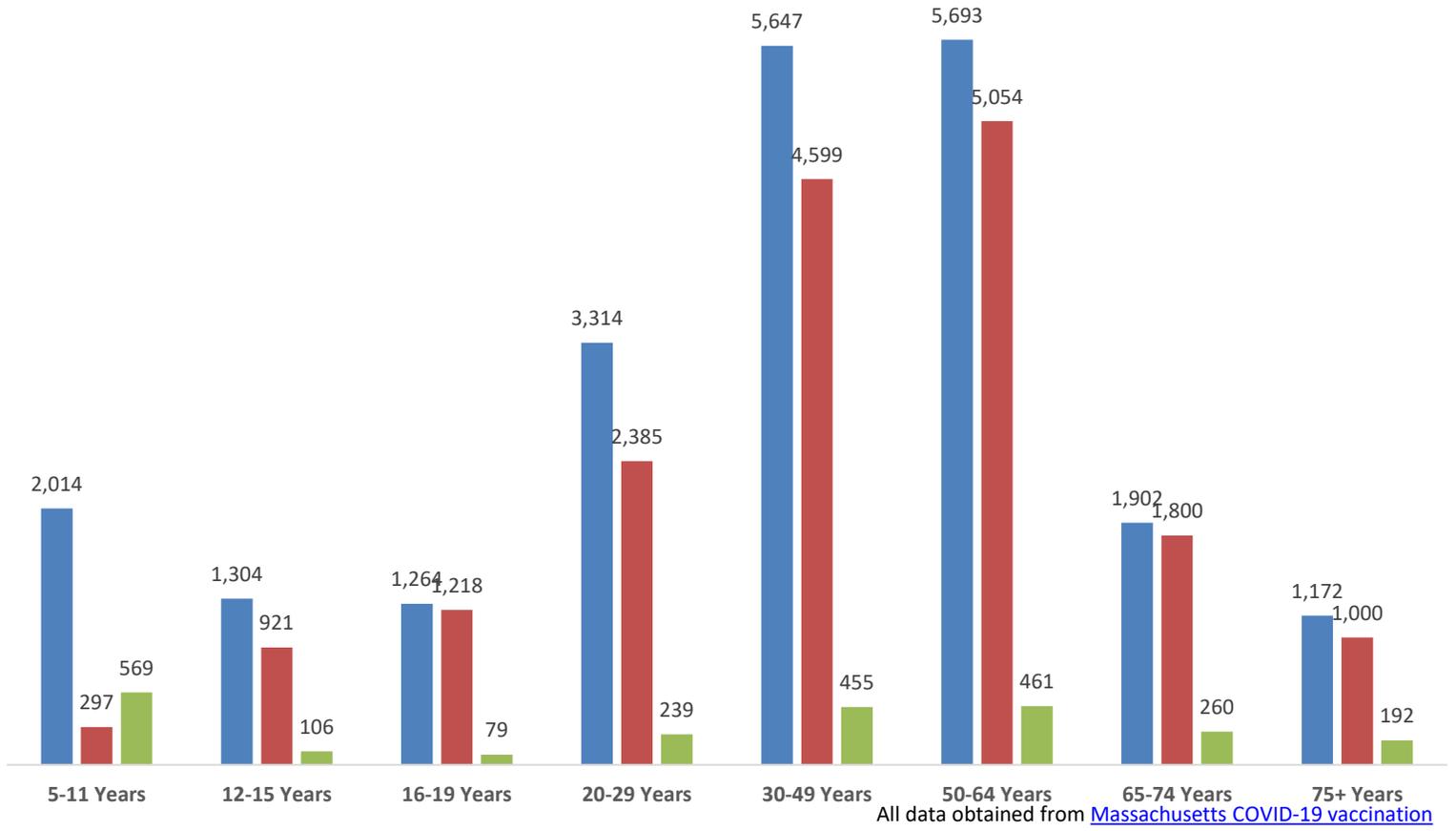
| <i>Mansfield Covid-19 Workflow</i> | # | |
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| Positive COVID-19 under isolation | 91 | (updated 12/13 08:00) |
| Positive Cases recovered | 2336 | |
| Total tested positive since beginning: | 2454 | |
| Covid-19 Related Deaths | 27 | Last Covid death in Mansfield 12/01/21 |

**New COVID-19 cases per week
March 7, 2020 - December 11, 2021**



Vaccine Distribution in Mansfield- data through December 7, 2021

■ Population ■ Fully vaccinated individuals ■ Partially vaccinated individuals



! NEW BOOSTER UPDATE



Teens ages 16 & 17 years old who received COVID-19 vaccines can get a booster.

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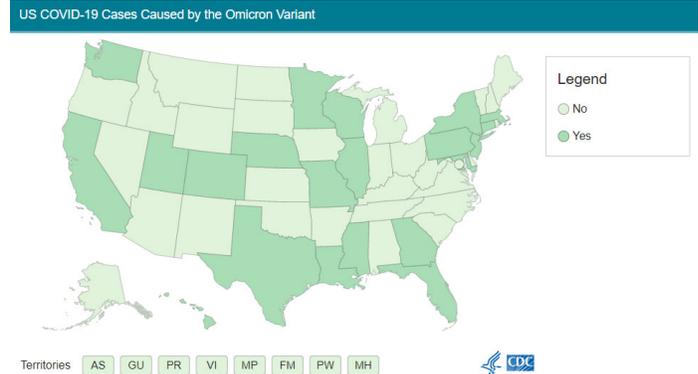
FIND OUT MORE AT [CDC.GOV/CORONAVIRUS](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus)



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- [Omicron Variant](#)

On November 26, 2021, the [World Health Organization](#) (WHO) classified a new variant, B.1.1.529, as a [Variant of Concern](#) (VOC) and named it [Omicron](#). On November 30, 2021, the United States also classified it as a VOC. On December 1, 2021, CDC announced that the first confirmed case of the Omicron variant had been detected in the United States. As of December 9, 2021, 23 states have announced cases of the Omicron variant.



A new [CDC report](#) summarizes what's known about initial cases of COVID-19 infection with the Omicron variant in the United States and [prevention strategies](#) to slow the spread. While Omicron viruses have been detected, the Delta variant still currently accounts for [over 99.9% of all circulating SARS-CoV-2 viruses in the United States](#). [COVID-19 vaccination](#), along with consistent use of prevention strategies, remains the best tool we have to protect people from COVID-19, slow transmission, and reduce the likelihood of new variants emerging. CDC recommends that:

- Everyone 5 years and older protects themselves by getting [fully vaccinated](#).
- Everyone ages 18 years and over gets a COVID-19 [booster](#) dose.
- Teens 16–17 years old who received [Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccines](#) can get a booster dose.
- [Immunocompromised people](#) talk with their healthcare professional about additional primary doses and booster doses following the primary series.*

As the weather gets colder and people gather indoors, getting a COVID-19 vaccine or booster dose can help protect you, the people around you, and the people you love. To find a COVID-19 vaccine provider near you, visit [vaccines.gov](#) or [your state](#) or [local public health](#) department website.

*[Immunocompromised people](#) have special considerations for vaccination, including additional primary dose and booster dose recommendations following the primary series. For more information, visit CDC's website.

For more information: [Omicron Variant: What You Need to Know | CDC](#)

- [Get Vaccinated Against COVID-19 for individuals age 5+](#)

People age 5+ 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 Vaccine Booster Shots](#)

Am I eligible for a COVID-19 booster shot?

Who?
Individuals 16+ who are fully vaccinated*
*Individuals age 16-17 can only get the Pfizer booster

When?

- At least 6 months after Pfizer or Moderna
- At least 2 months after J&J

Which booster shot do I get?

- You may have a preference, but you can get any type of vaccine for your booster shot

More information at mass.gov/COVID19booster

Find out when you are eligible for a COVID-19 Booster:

- You can check if you're eligible for a booster at <http://mass.gov/BoosterCheck>
- If you are eligible, visit <http://vaxfinder.mass.gov> for a list of locations to receive a booster (or call 2-1-1)
- More info on the boosters can be found at [COVID-19 booster frequently asked questions | Mass.gov](#)
- [Mansfield Public School COVID information and dashboard](#)

For information about the schools and COVID, please see their School Health and COVID Information webpage: <https://sites.google.com/mansfieldschools.com/covid-19/home>

For more information about how to keep kids safe in school: [School Settings | COVID-19 | CDC](#)

- [Testing for COVID-19](#)

CDC’s online COVID-19 Viral Testing Tool can help you understand your COVID-19 testing options. Get started: <https://bit.ly/covid-testing-tool>.

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>

- [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](#).

| County | COVID transmission level |
|------------|--------------------------|
| Barnstable | High |
| Berkshire | High |
| Bristol | High |
| Dukes | High |
| Essex | High |
| Franklin | High |
| Hampden | High |
| Hampshire | High |
| Middlesex | High |
| Nantucket | High |
| Norfolk | High |
| Plymouth | High |
| Suffolk | High |
| Worcester | High |

Bristol County, Massachusetts

[State Health Department](#) 

7-day Metrics | [7-day Percent Change](#)

Community Transmission ● High

Everyone in **Bristol County, Massachusetts** should wear a mask in public, indoor settings. Mask requirements might vary from place to place. Make sure you follow local laws, rules, regulations or guidance.

[How is community transmission calculated?](#)

December 13, 2021

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| Cases | 3,633 |
| Case Rate per 100k | 642.76 |
| % Positivity | 9.47% |
| Deaths | 23 |
| % of population ≥ 5 years of age fully vaccinated | 63.7% |
| New Hospital Admissions | 150 |

Data from [CDC COVID Data Tracker](#)

- [Requesting a copy of your COVID-19 vaccination record](#)

There are several options to request a copy of your COVID-19 Vaccination Record. Please go to [Requesting a copy of your COVID-19 vaccination record | Mass.gov](#) for more information.