



Weekly COVID-19 Report

When the DPH published the updated town by town information this week, our community risk designation remained at the YELLOW (moderate risk) level, based on new cases in the 14 day period ending December 5. According to their weekly reports, our numbers remained at a 25.5 Average Daily Incident Rate per 100,000 from December 3 to December 10.

Average Daily Incident Rate per 100,000 (last* 14 days)

8/12/2020	8/19/2020	8/26/2020		
3.1	0	2.6		
9/2/2020	9/9/2020	9/16/2020	9/23/2020	9/30/2020
5.7	3.1	1.1	8.3	9.3
10/7/2020	10/14/2020	10/22/2020	10/29/2020	
5.7	8.8	9.3	13.0	
11/6/2020	11/12/2020	11/19/2020	11/27/2020	
18.2	16.7	16.1	25.5	
12/3/2020	12/10/2020			
25.5	25.5			

Metrics (as of November 6) for communities with 10,000-50,000 population

Gray: less than or equal to 10 total cases

Green: less than 10 cases per 100,000 population AND greater than 10 total cases

Yellow: greater than or equal to 10 cases per 100,000 population OR greater than or equal to 5% positivity rate

Red: greater than or equal to 10 cases per 100,000 population AND greater than or equal to 5% positivity rate

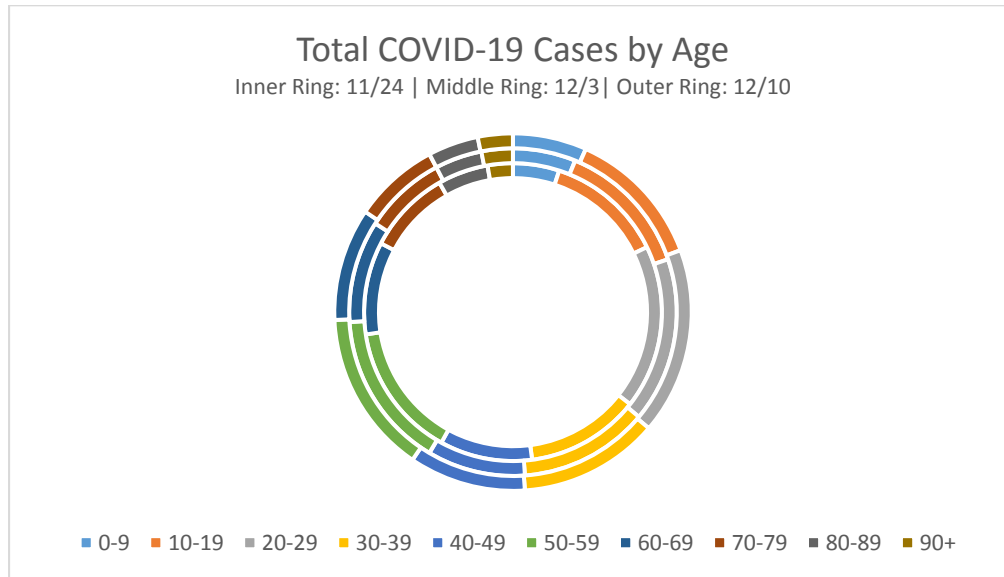
**last 14 days* refers to the two-week reporting period ending the Saturday prior to the DPH's weekly report

Looking at our list of active cases, there is 1 cluster co-located at a single family home, 2 clusters co-located at apartments, 15 individual cases at other single family homes, and 3 individual cases at other apartment complexes. That means our 26 cases are spread out over 21 distinct addresses.

On Wednesday, December 9, the state announced allocation and distribution plans for the first round of COVID-19 vaccine shipments to Massachusetts. Officials expect the first shipment to arrive soon, and will start by prioritizing health care workers and the most vulnerable residents. Learn more about the timeline, the state's plan and FAQ: <http://mass.gov/COVIDvaccine>



The largest increase in cases in the last week were in the 40-49 (20%), 0-9 (19%), 20-29 (14%), 90+ (13%) and 60-69 (12%) age ranges



The data is only now starting to show the impact of informal gatherings and travel over Thanksgiving. As we look ahead to the December holidays, it is important that we continue to urge families to celebrate virtually and only gather in-person with those individuals who reside in their household. With 48 states considered high-risk, there are very few travel destinations not subject to the Travel Order. Lower occupancy limits in MA for some sectors going into effect on Sunday, December 13 may help our numbers in a few weeks, but the majority of disease transmission still appears to be community spread.

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