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MARBLEHEAD CASE REPORTING

Case Count

The Marblehead Health Department will make weekly updates on Friday, of confirmed cases, February 19, 2021.

Confirmed cases (recent guidance categorizes all confirmed or presumptive positive cases as positive): **1146**

(February 5, count was 1070) (February 12, count was 1110)

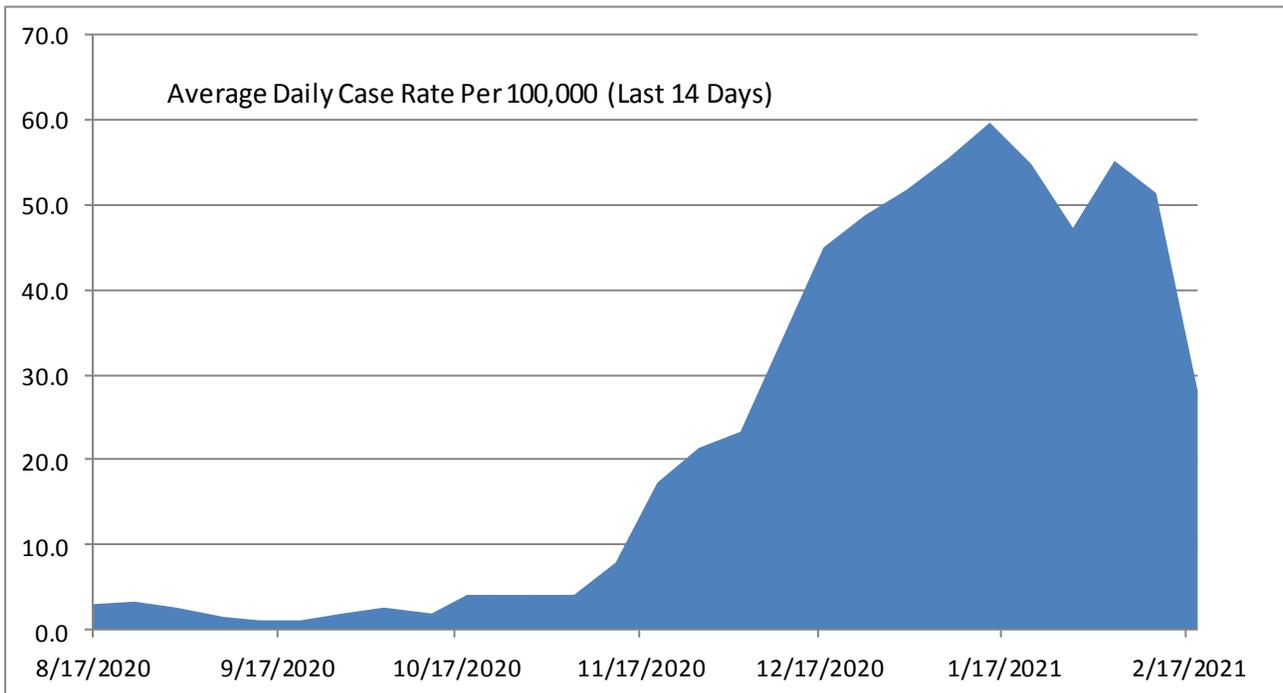
Active cases: **35**

Confirmed deaths: **31**

21 **14** **10** **5** **13** **11** **2** **0**
 0-19 years 20-29 years 30-39 years 40-49 years 50-59 years 60-69 years 70-79 years 80+
Total Cases by Age Group from 2/5/2021-2/19/2021 (76)

Average Daily Incidence Rate per 100,000 (Last 14 Days)	Relative Change in Case Count	Total Tests	Total Tests (Last 14 Days)	Percent Positivity (Last 14 Days)	Change in Percent Positivity
28.1	Lower	38940	3775	2.23%	Lower

We are currently a **Yellow** Community per the Massachusetts Average Daily Incidence Rate per 100,000 Color Calculation





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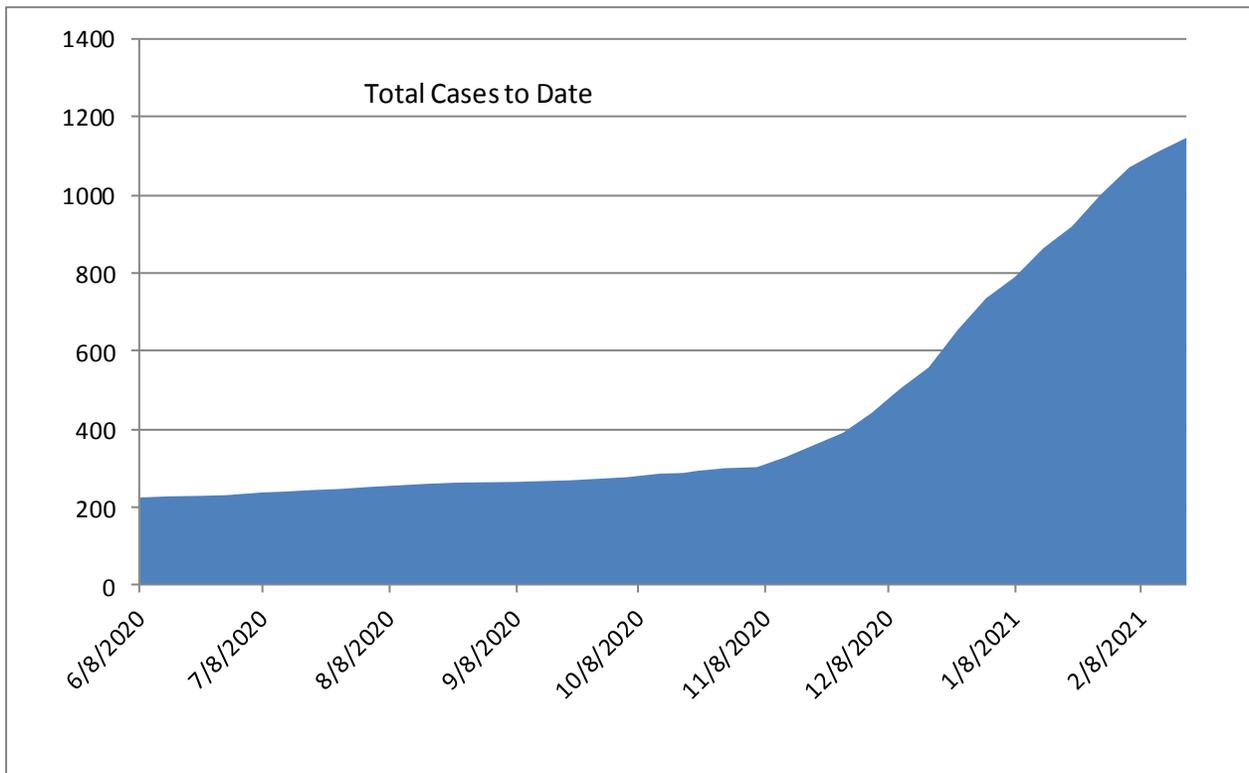
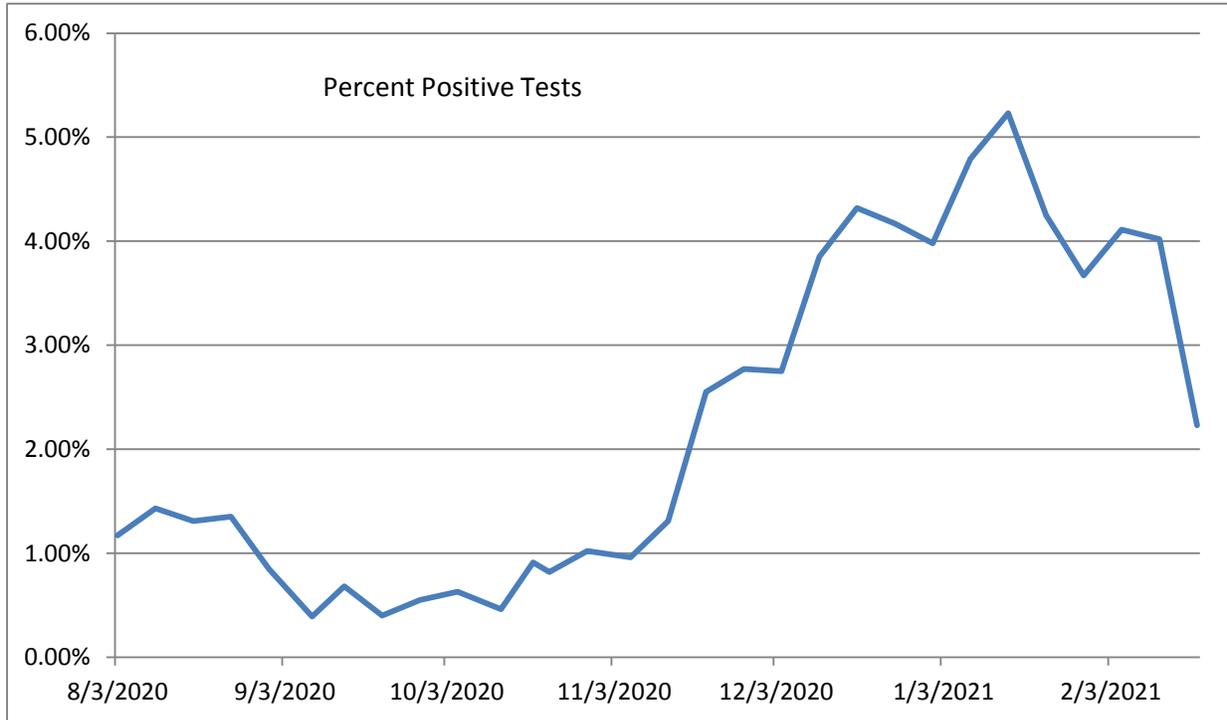
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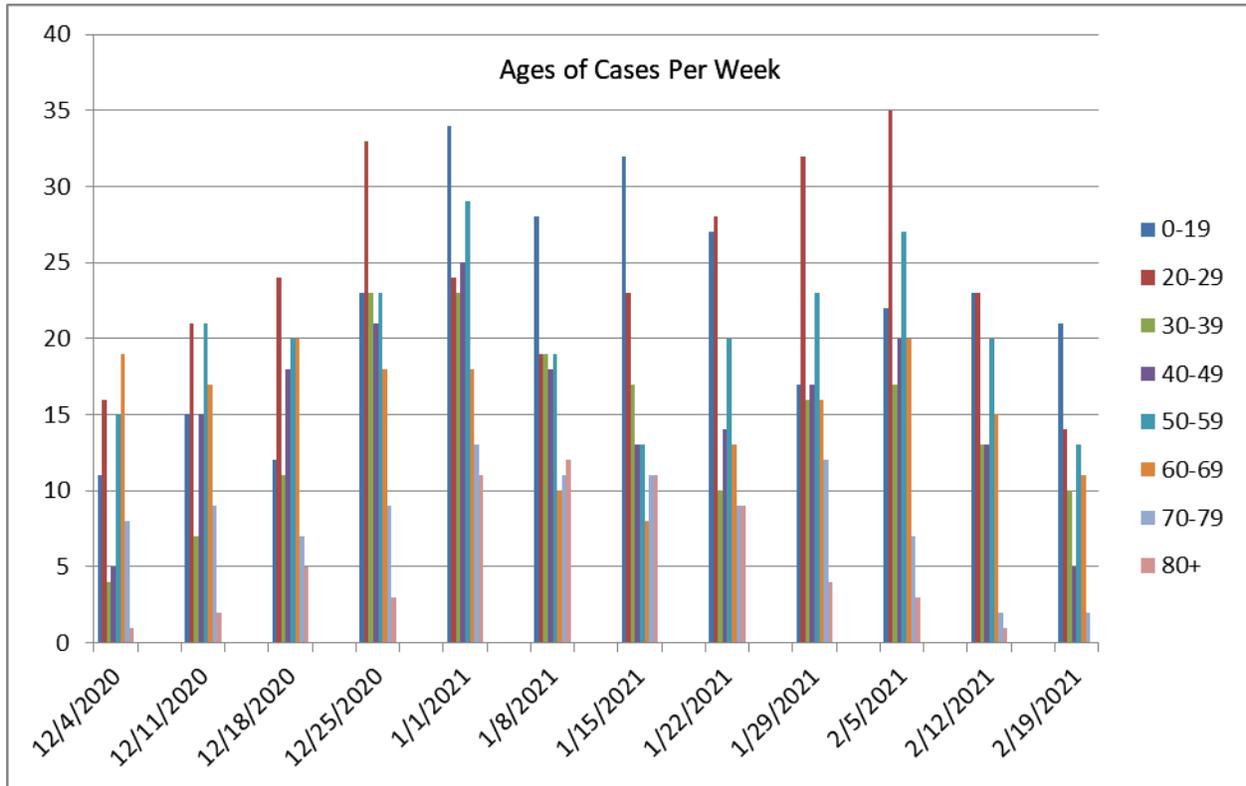
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Marblehead Health Department (MHD) data regarding case counts come directly from Massachusetts Department of Public Health (MDPH) and their surveillance system (MAVEN). We use the language and terminology per the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidance, and **recent guidance categorizes all confirmed or presumptive positive cases as positive.**

Social gatherings are contributing to these increases. Transmission is occurring in homes, establishments as well as in the work place.

11.69% of the 1146 confirmed cases and 96.667% of the reported coronavirus-related death were either residents or staff members at one of Marblehead’s long term care facility.

Please remember that all persons in Massachusetts over the age of 5 are required to wear a mask or face-coverings over their mouth and nose when in a public location, whether indoors and outdoors. Public locations include any place open to the public including, without limitation, grocery stores, pharmacies, and other retail stores; public transportation, taxis, livery, and other ride-sharing vehicles, public streets and ways, and any location that hosts indoor and outdoor events and performances. Masks or cloth face coverings are also required when in a carpool with non-household members’.

All visitors entering Massachusetts, including returning residents, who do not meet an exemption, are required to:

- Complete the [Massachusetts Travel Form](#) prior to arrival
- Quarantine for 10 days or produce a negative COVID-19 test result that has been administered up to 72-hours prior to your arrival in Massachusetts. If not obtained before entry to Massachusetts, a test may be obtained after arrival. However, all such arriving travelers must immediately begin the 10-day quarantine until a negative test result has been received. Failure to comply may result in a **\$500 fine per day.**



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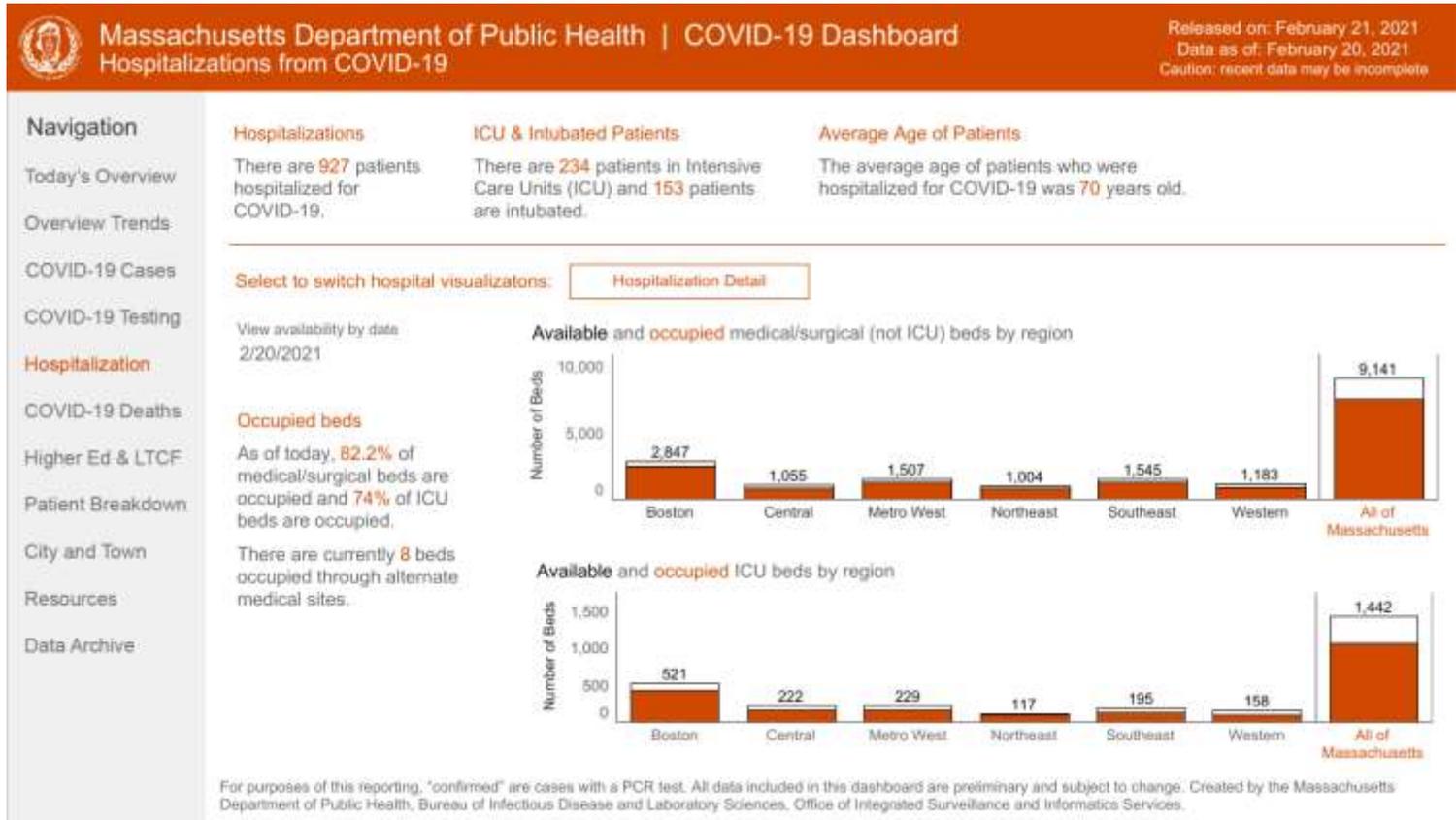
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- People over the age of 65 and people who have underlying health conditions – who are at high risk for COVID-19 – should continue to stay home except for essential errands such as going to the grocery store and to attend to healthcare needs
- All residents are advised to leave home only for healthcare, worship and permitted work, shopping, and activities
- When going to the pharmacy ask if you can fill your prescriptions for 90 days if possible; for some medications this is not allowed. If you are at high-risk, try to use a mail-order service
- All residents are **REQUIRED** to wear face masks or cloth face coverings in all public places, whether indoors or outdoors, even where they are able to maintain 6 feet of distance from others.
- Parents should limit play dates for children
- All residents are advised to wash their hands frequently for at least 20 seconds with soapy water
- All residents are advised to be vigilant, monitor for symptoms and stay home if you feel sick
- Use remote modes of communication like phone or video chat instead of visiting friends or family who are high risk for COVID-19



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Temporary capacity and gathering limits

The following capacity limits are effective as of at 5:00 am on Monday, February 8, 2021. Please see sector-specific protocols for further details.

Current Limits

All businesses in the list below, that were limited to 25% capacity, have returned to 40% capacity, as previously allowed in industry guidance effective in December 2020. Additionally, **restaurants** and **close contact personal services** will now be allowed to operate at a 40% capacity limit.

- Arcades and Recreational Businesses
- Driving and Flight Schools
- Gyms/Health Clubs
- Libraries
- Museums
- Retail
- Offices
- Places of Worship
- Lodging (common areas)
- Golf (indoor areas)
- Movie theaters (no more than 50 people per theater)
- Restaurants will now be limited to 40% of their seated capacity; employees will not count toward the limit
- Close Contact Personal Services will now be limited to 40% capacity; employees will not count toward the limit
 - A limit of 5 people per 1000 sq. feet applies for smaller businesses without an available fire occupancy capacity
- There continues to be no % capacity limits on manufacturing, construction, and laboratories.

The host of an indoor event at private residences, event venues, and in public setting must limit the number of attendees at all times to:

- No more than 10 persons

The host of an outdoor event at private residences, event venues, and in public settings must limit the number of attendees at all times to:

- No More than 25 persons



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Vaccine distribution in MA will occur in a phased approach:

The Baker-Polito Administration is committed to the effective, efficient and equitable administration of vaccines throughout the state. According to the CDC, Massachusetts, on February 16, was #9 in the U.S. for vaccinations per capita (1st doses/capita). Massachusetts was #1 for total shots administered per capita (this past week) amongst the 24 states with at least 5M people, according to Bloomberg. As of Monday, more than 251,000 of our residents ages 75 or older have received their 1st dose. This represents 51% of the statewide population, exceeding the national average of 47% of residents 75+ that have received their first dose.

Vaccine Capacity Update / New Sites Announcement:

Vaccine Appointment Booking for Individuals Age 65+ or with 2+ Certain Medical Conditions Began Thursday February 18, the Baker-Polito Administration has announced individuals ages 65 and over and those with 2+ certain medical conditions, including asthma, can visit www.mass.gov/covidvaccine to start booking an appointment for vaccine, February 18th. With this announcement, almost 1 million individuals are newly eligible for vaccine. Due to extremely high demand for appointments and limited vaccine supply, it could take more than a month for all eligible individuals to secure an available appointment, unless federal supply significantly increases. Recently, Massachusetts has been receiving approximately 110,000 first doses per week from the federal government. Next week, Massachusetts is scheduled to get 139,000 doses. Residents are encouraged to keep checking the website as appointments are added on a rolling basis.

Individuals 65 and over:

Individuals 65 and over, including residents and staff of low income and affordable public and private senior housing are eligible to receive vaccine effective starting today, February 18th. Residents and staff of low income and affordable public and private senior housing can learn more about vaccination options [here](#).

Individuals with 2+ Certain Medical Conditions:

Individuals 16 and older with two or more of certain medical conditions (defined below) are also eligible for vaccine, effective today. In concert with CDC guidelines, the Commonwealth has adopted the list of conditions that cause individuals to be at an increased risk of severe illness from COVID-19. Massachusetts has also identified moderate to severe asthma as an eligible medical condition.

Phase 2 eligible conditions:

- Asthma (moderate-to-severe)
- Cancer • Chronic kidney disease
- COPD (chronic obstructive pulmonary disease)
- Down Syndrome
- Heart conditions, such as heart failure, coronary artery disease, or cardiomyopathies
- Immunocompromised state (weakened immune system) from solid organ transplant
- Obesity and severe obesity (body mass index [BMI] of 30 kg/m² or higher)
- Pregnancy
- Sickle cell disease
- Smoking
- Type 2 diabetes mellitus

Learn more from CDC: COVID-19: People with Certain Medical Conditions



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When can I get a COVID-19 vaccine in MA?

Phase	Timeframe	Eligibility
Phase One <i>In order of priority</i>	December - February <small>Estimated timeframes</small>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clinical and non-clinical healthcare workers doing direct and COVID-facing care Long term care facilities, rest homes and assisted living facilities First responders (EMS, Fire, Police) Congregate care settings (including corrections and shelters) Home-based healthcare workers Healthcare workers doing non-COVID-facing care
Phase Two <i>In order of priority</i>	February - April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Individuals 75+ Individuals 65+, Individuals with 2+ comorbidities (those that are at increased risk for severe illness) Early education and K-12 workers, transit, grocery, utility, food and agriculture, sanitation, public works and public health workers Individuals with one comorbidity
Phase Three	April - June <small>Updated 1/25/2021</small>	Vaccine available to general public

This list will be updated Tuesdays and Thursdays by 5pm in response to questions submitted via COVID-19-Vaccine-Plan-MA@mass.gov

Overview of Current Status

COVID-19 Vaccination in MA: Phase 1 & 2 Eligibility Status

Phase	Group	Status
Phase 1	All phase 1 priority groups	Now eligible
Phase 2	1 Individuals age 75+	Now eligible
	2 Individuals 65+ and individuals with 2+ certain medical conditions	Now eligible
	3 Early education and K-12 workers, transit, grocery, utility, food and agriculture, sanitation, public works, and public health workers	Not yet eligible
	4 Individuals with 1 certain medical condition	Not yet eligible



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COVID-19 Vaccine Updates

- **NEW** Residents and staff of low-income and affordable **senior housing** added to first priority in Phase 2
- **NEW** COVID-19 Vaccine Locations for Health Care Workers <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-vaccine-locations-for-health-care-workers>
- **NEW** COVID-19 Vaccinations for Congregate Care Settings <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-vaccinations-for-congregate-care-settings>
 - Vanity URL: [Mass.gov/congregatecarevaccine](https://www.mass.gov/congregatecarevaccine)
- **NEW** COVID-19 Vaccinations for Senior Housing Settings <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-vaccinations-for-senior-housing-settings>
- **NEW** COVID-19 vaccine locations for individuals currently eligible to be vaccinated <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-vaccine-locations-for-individuals-currently-eligible-to-be-vaccinated>
- When can I get the COVID-19 Vaccine? <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/when-can-i-get-the-covid-19-vaccine>
- COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution Phases (timing by group) <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/when-can-i-get-the-covid-19-vaccine#overview-and-current-status>
- Stop COVID-19 Vaccine Graphics (includes first responders, general, and vaccine timeline graphics): <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/stop-covid-19-vaccine-graphics>
- Email Address to send vaccine questions: covid-19-vaccine-plan-ma@mass.gov
- Guidance for health workers who have been vaccinated <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/massachusetts-covid-19-vaccine-program-mcvc-guidance-for-vaccine-providers-and>

Marblehead Residents Vaccinated for COVID-19 as of February 22, 2021

First Dose 2685

Second Dose 1102



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Additional Information can be found at the following links

Daily Dashboard Mass.gov

www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-response-reporting#covid-19-daily-dashboard-

COVID-19 Weekly health Report

www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-response-reporting#covid-19-weekly-public-health-report-

Positive COVID cases in Schools

www.doe.mass.edu/covid19/positive-cases/

Resources & hotlines

- [Create a profile and sign-up for COVID-19 alerts](#) by text, email, or phone call in your preferred language.
- [Call 2-1-1](#) or use [live chat](#) for non-emergency questions and help
- [Call Crisis Counseling Assistance Program](#) | (888) 215-4920
- [Email the Governor's Office](#) or call (617) 725-4005

Abuse & assault

- **Domestic violence and sexual assault:**
 - Massachusetts | [Call SafeLink](#) at (877) 785-2020 or access [SafeLink live chat](#). For deaf and hard-of-hearing call (877) 785-2020, or by TTY at (877) 521-2601
 - [Download SafeLink flyers](#) to post on the wall or use in Social Media.
 - National | Call Domestic Violence 24/7 Crisis Hotline at (800) 799-7233
 - National | Call Sexual Assault 24/7 Crisis Hotline at (800) 656-4673
- **Child abuse or endangerment:**
 - Mon - Fri, 8:45 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. | [Find and call your local DCF office](#)
 - Sun - Sat, 5:00 p.m. - 8:45 a.m. | Call Child-At-Risk hotline at (800) 792-5200

Nursing homes

- Call [Nursing Home Family Resource](#) line at (617) 660-5399

If you or a family member are experiencing a mental health or substance use disorder crisis, the Emergency Services Program/Mobile Crisis Intervention (ESP/MCI) is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. Anyone may contact ESP/MCI for assistance. Call toll-free at 1 (877) 382-1609

Weekly Case report will come out on Friday morning after 9am