

TOWN OF MARBLEHEAD Board of Health

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MARBLEHEAD CASE REPORTING

Case Count

The Marblehead Health Department will make weekly updates on Friday, of confirmed cases, December 4, 2020.

Confirmed cases (recent guidance categorizes all confirmed or presumptive positive cases as positive): 441

(November 27 count was 390)

Active cases: 61

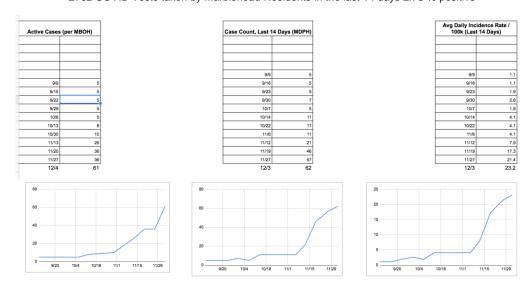
Confirmed deaths: 31

 11
 16
 4
 5
 15
 19
 8
 1

 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 11/20/2020-12/3/2020

2762 COVID Tests taken by Marblehead Residents in the last 14 days 2.75 % positive



Social gatherings are contributing to these increases. Transmission is often occurring in homes as well as in the work place. 30.16% of the 441 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.

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*.

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'.



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COVID-19 case numbers in our state are rising and the Commonwealth's COVID-19 related hospitalizations and COVID-19 Intensive Care Unit (ICU) census have more than doubled over the past 2 months. Social gatherings are contributing to these increases. Left unchecked, the current COVID-19 case growth poses a risk to our healthcare system. Intervention is warranted to moderate case growth and preserve hospital capacity. It's more important than ever to follow guidance from local, state, and federal officials on how to stop the spread of the virus.

Stay at Home Advisory November 6, 2020

- Only leave home to go to work or school, or for essential needs such as seeking emergency medical care, going to the grocery store or pharmacy, picking up take-out food, or receiving deliveries. If you do leave home, practice social distancing by staying 6 feet away from others and wearing a face covering.
- Not have gatherings in your home with anybody outside of your household.
- Comply with all Governor's Orders, including orders requiring face coverings, limiting gatherings, and mandating early
 closure of businesses.
- Practice social distancing and avoid touching surfaces frequently touched by others if you go outside to get fresh air.
- Use remote modes of communication like phone or video chat instead of visiting friends or family.

<u>All travelers</u> arriving to Massachusetts – including returning residents, who do not meet an exemption, are required to self-quarantine for 14 days or produce a negative COVID-19 test result, except travelers from Hawaii and. If you had close contact with a person who has been diagnosed with COVID-19, get tested, self-quarantine (stay home) and monitor your health for symptoms of COVID-19 for 14 days after your last contact (even if you have a negative test result).

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/

Weekly Case report will now come out on Friday morning after 9am, to be more in line with the state