



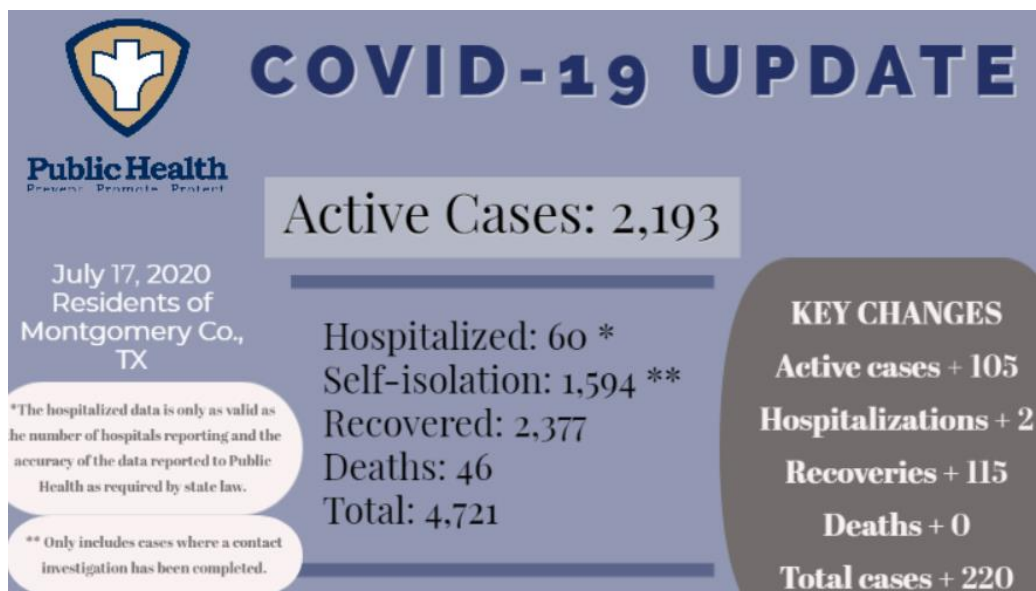
MONTGOMERY COUNTY OFFICIALS UPDATE CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK

Status Update from the Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management

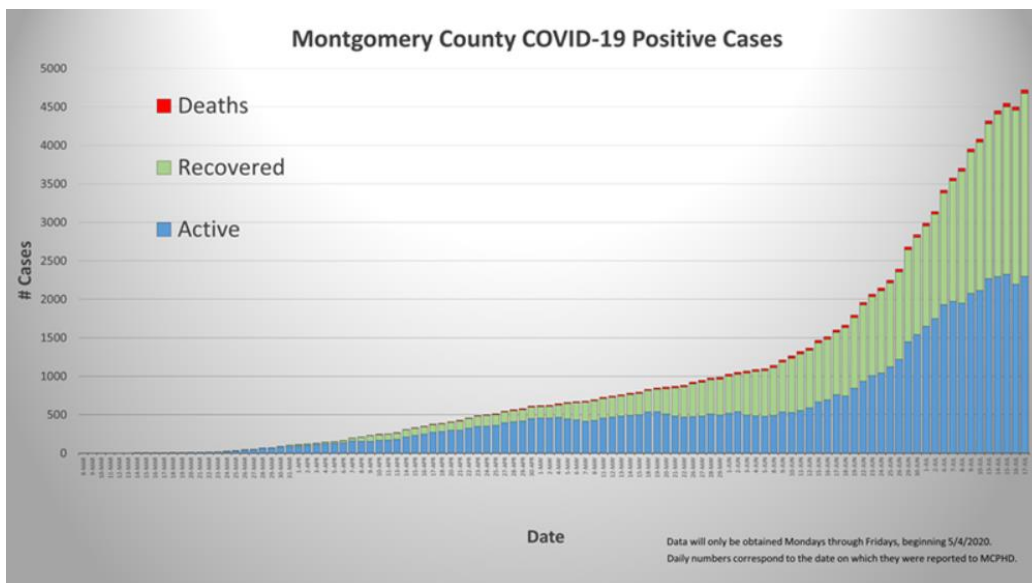
**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:
July 17, 2020**

MONTGOMERY COUNTY – Montgomery County Public Health District, in conjunction with the Montgomery County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, can confirm the total number of COVID-19 cases increased by 220 to 4,721 cases in Montgomery County. ACTIVE cases of COVID-19 increased to 2,193. Of the 2,193 active cases who are Montgomery County residents, 60 are known to be in the hospital, as a result of contact investigations. Contact investigations have not been initiated on all reported cases. 2,377 people have clinically recovered.

Please note, the calculation for active cases has been updated to no longer include cases we have been unable to contact for more than 30 days. For example, if someone tested positive in April, but we have been unsuccessful in our attempts to contact them, their case would no longer be considered “active.” **For any questions regarding the calculations of the numbers on the blue or red graphics below, please go to <https://mcphd-tx.org/> and scroll down to the FAQs.**



As of 7/15/2020, this graph is based on dates that positive tests were reported to MCPHD – not to the public. This ensures the data is a true reflection of when the cases were positive and accrued. As of 7/16/2020, we make cases inactive who our staff has been unable to contact for more than 30 days.



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COVID-19 UPDATE

Public Health
Present Prevent

PATIENTS HOSPITALIZED IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY

Updated July 17
at 2pm:
Numbers reflect
county and non-county
residents.

**Total Hospitalized: 230
(decrease of 3)**

ICU: 61

General/Isolation: 169

*Data represented in this graph is provided by SETRAC, as reported by hospitals in Montgomery County, Texas only. Only confirmed COVID-19 patients are included, regardless of residence.
For more info: setrac.org.

You can find more information on the SETRAC website, setrac.org.

It's more important than ever to take steps to slow the spread of COVID-19. Consider staying home unless it is necessary to leave your home. Avoid groups of people. Wear a mask (if it is necessary to be in public), wash your hands or use hand sanitizer frequently, disinfect surfaces in your car and around your home, and practice social distancing.

You can view the list of case-by-case updates on the MCPHD website here: <https://mcphtd-tx.org/coronavirus-covid-19/confirmed-cases/>. You can refer to the dashboard here: <https://coronavirus-response-moco.hub.arcgis.com/>.

Just a reminder, online registration is now available for COVID-19 testing through the MCPHD/MCHD voucher program. Click on "Need to be tested?" on mchd-tx.org or mcphd-tx.org and follow the instructions. Call the COVID-19 Call Center at 936-523-5040, Monday-Friday 8:00am-3:30pm, for more information.

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