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## **Daily COVID-19 Update for Montgomery County**

*Status Update from the Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management*

MONTGOMERY COUNTY – Montgomery County Public Health District, in conjunction with the Montgomery County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, can confirm COVID-19 mass vaccine distribution continues this week. Multiple providers are providing first and second doses. Please watch your email closely if you are eligible for your first or second dose.

Please note, the Montgomery County COVID-19 waitlist is under maintenance while MCOHEM switches it to a new system. It is expected to be back up and running by the end of the week.

Individual hospitals, physicians' offices and pharmacies may also have vaccines available to eligible populations. Please check their websites for additional information. You can find a list of providers and additional information on the Department of State Health Services (DSHS) website here: <https://www.dshs.state.tx.us/coronavirus/immunize/vaccine-hubs.aspx>.

Today, we can confirm an additional death related to COVID-19.

- A woman in her 80s, from Willis, died in the hospital. She had co-morbidities in addition to testing positive for COVID-19.

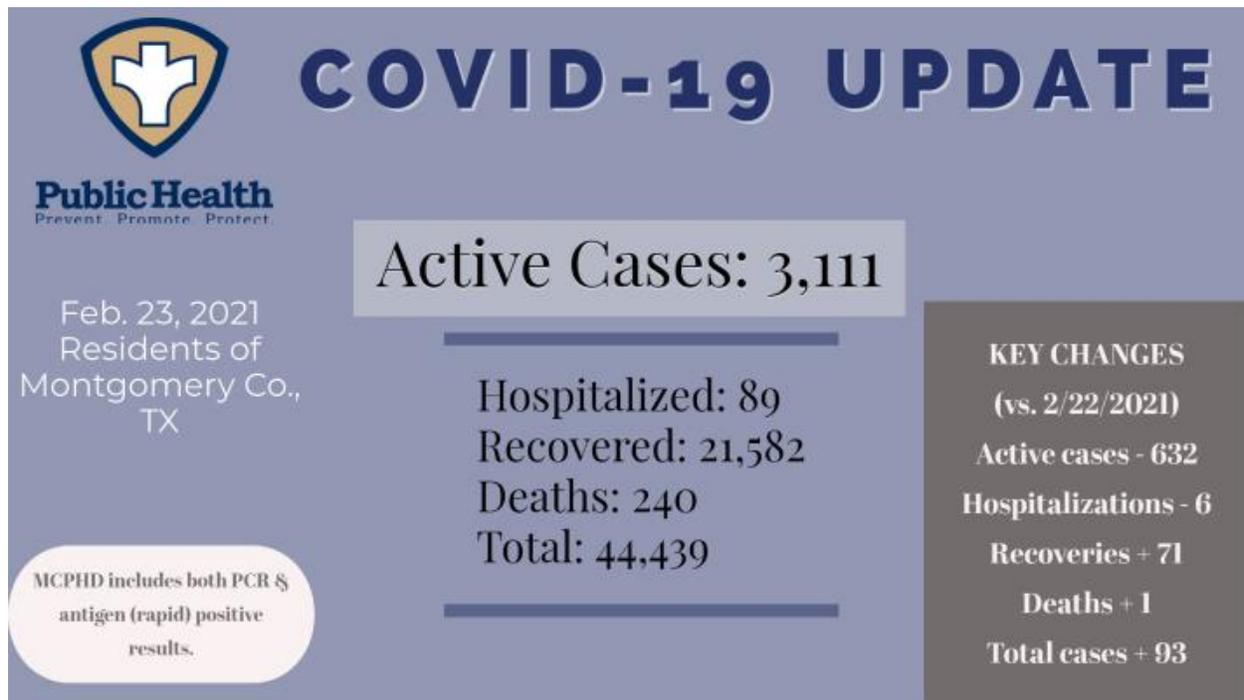
We can also confirm:

- TOTAL cases of COVID-19 increased by 93 to 44,439 since yesterday's (2/22) report. Of the 93 new cases, 74 were tested since 2/11/2021.
- ACTIVE cases of COVID-19 decreased by 632 to 3,111 since yesterday's (2/22) report. On Tuesdays and Fridays, we account for additional cases we have been unable to contact for 30 days or more. We added 560 additional inactive cases today.
- 89 county residents are known, as a result of contact investigations, to be in the hospital. Contact investigations have not been initiated on all reported cases.
- 21,582 people have clinically recovered.

**The Testing Positivity Rate for Montgomery County remains at 15% for two weeks. This number is updated weekly on Wednesdays.**

Source: UT Health, School of Public Health

\*These numbers include PCR and rapid antigen testing. We do not include antibody testing.



SETRAC data for regional hospitalizations was last updated 2/14/2021. Updates can be found here: <https://bit.ly/3jwhdiV>.

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

***Do your part to slow the spread of COVID-19.***

- ***Avoid groups of people.***
- ***Practice social distancing.***
- ***Wear a mask in public (over your nose and mouth) or with others who live outside your household. Never share a mask with others.***
- ***Teach children proper hygiene and the correct way to wear a mask.***
- ***Wash your hands or use hand sanitizer frequently.***
- ***Disinfect surfaces in your car and around your home.***

***As supply and eligibility increases, get vaccinated.***

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