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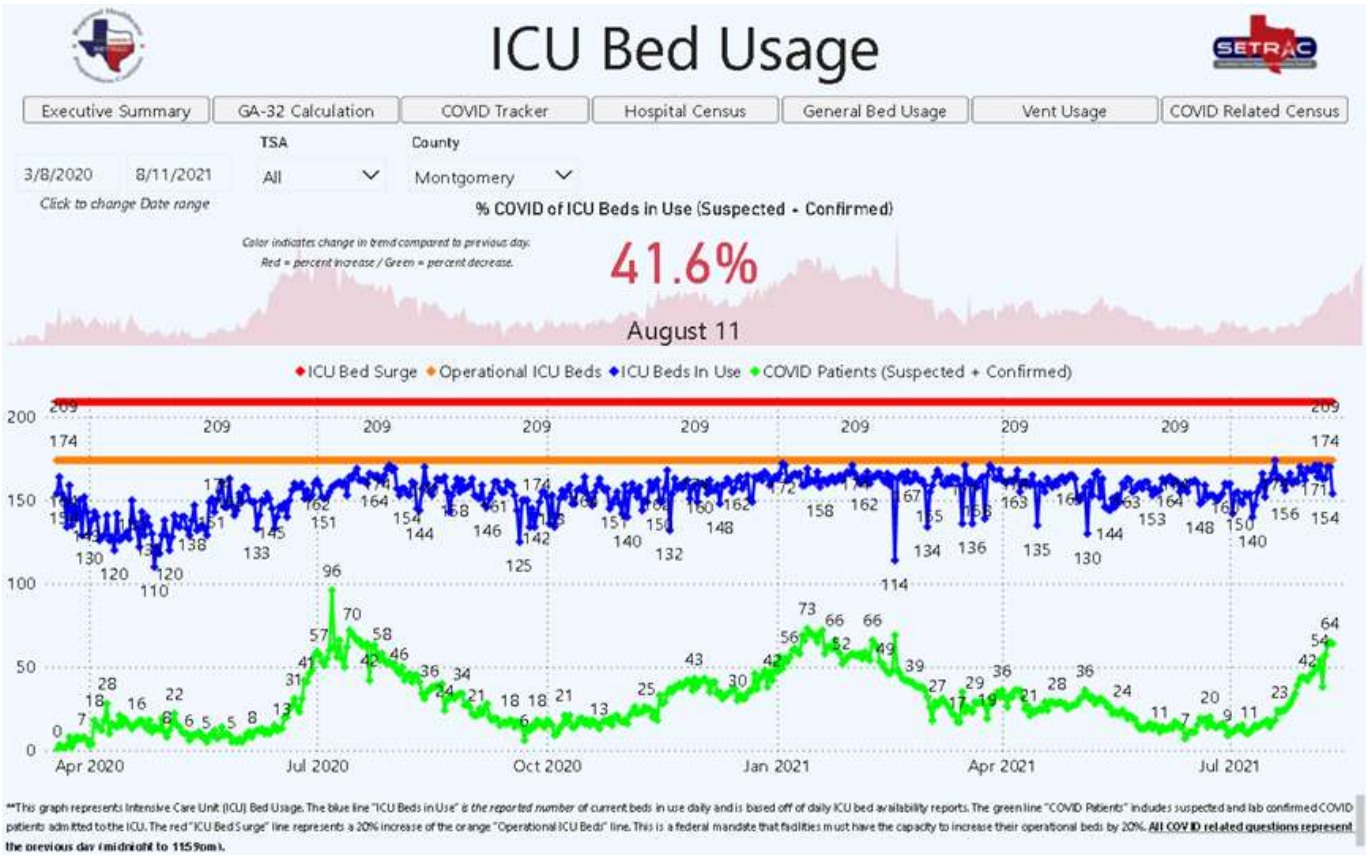
COVID-19 Update for Montgomery County

Status Update from the Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management

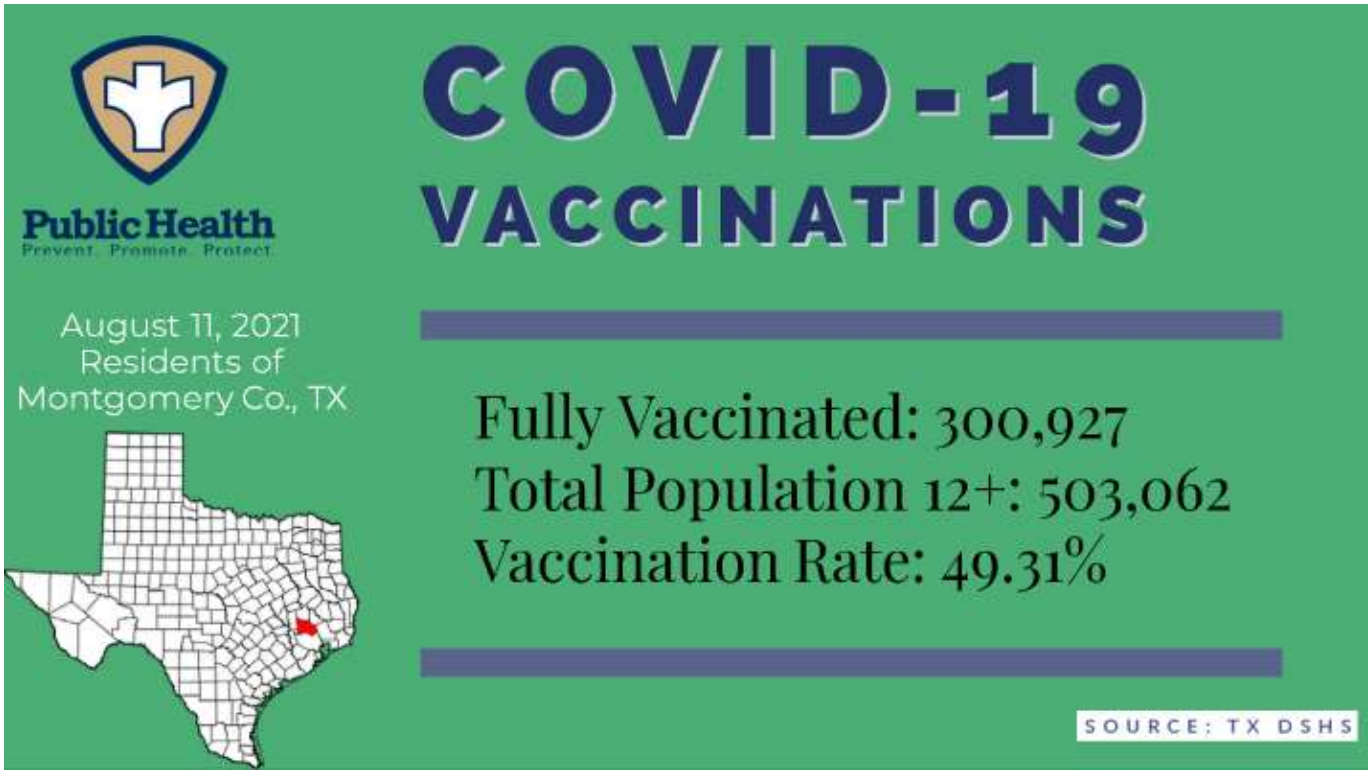
MONTGOMERY COUNTY – Montgomery County Public Health District, in conjunction with the Montgomery County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, can confirm hospitalizations for COVID-19 are nearing peak levels in Montgomery County. The vast majority of new cases and essentially all hospitalizations are in those who are *unvaccinated*.



SETRAC data for regional hospitalizations can be found here: https://bit.ly/3jwhdiV.

We strongly encourage you to be vaccinated for COVID-19 if you have not done so already. Even if you contract COVID-19 after vaccination, the chances of severe illness, hospitalization and death are extremely low.

Only 49 percent of eligible Montgomery County residents are vaccinated. Need to find a vaccine? Click here: https://www.vaccines.gov/.



Since our August 9th report, we can confirm two additional deaths related to COVID-19.

- A man in his 60s, from Conroe, died in the hospital. He had co-morbidities in addition to testing positive for COVID-19. He was not vaccinated.
- A woman in her 60s, from Conroe, died in the hospital. She had co-morbidities in addition to testing positive for COVID-19. She was not vaccinated.

We can also confirm:

- TOTAL cases of COVID-19 increased by 1,137 to 63,680 since Monday's (8/9) report. Of the 1,137 new cases, 114 are under the age of 12 and not eligible for vaccination.

- ACTIVE cases of COVID-19 increased by 969 to 6,449 since Monday's (8/9) report.

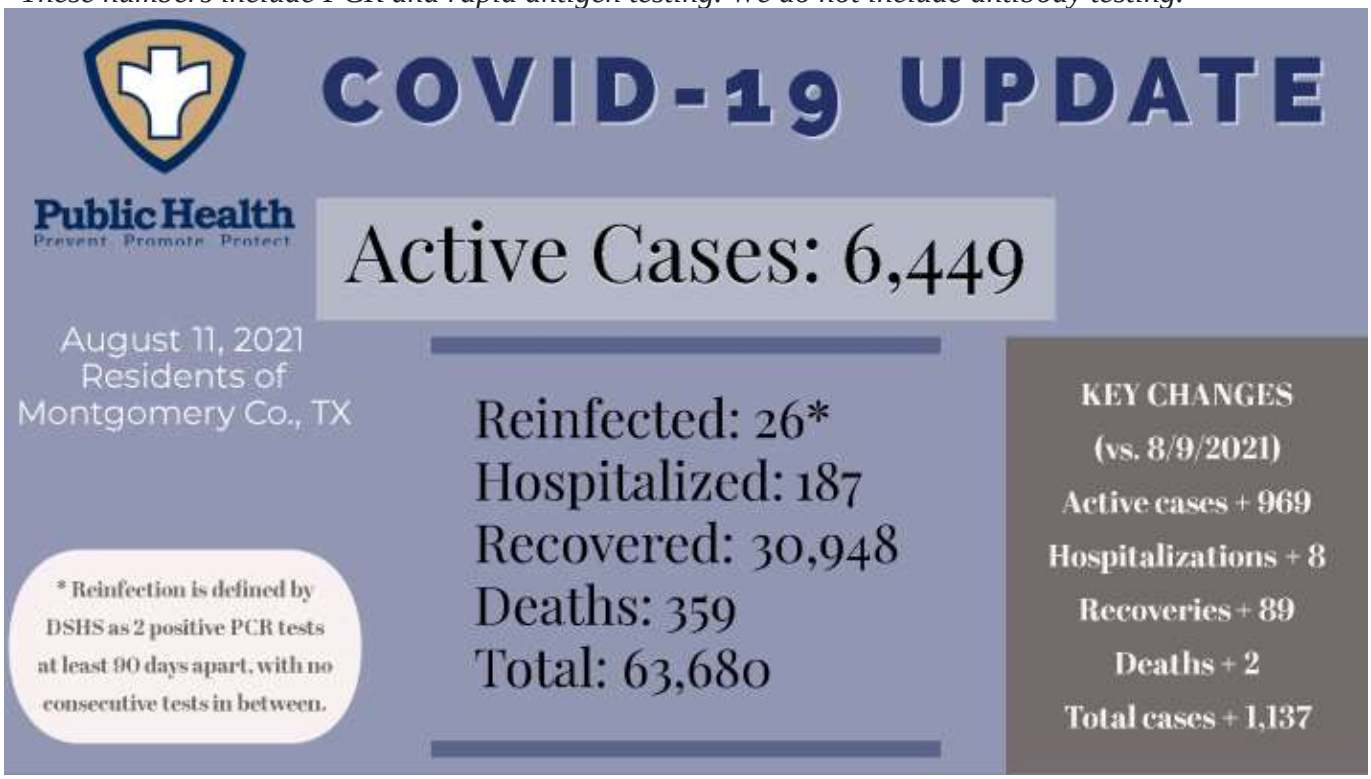
- 187 county residents are known, as a result of contact investigations, to be in the hospital. Contact investigations have not been initiated on all reported cases.

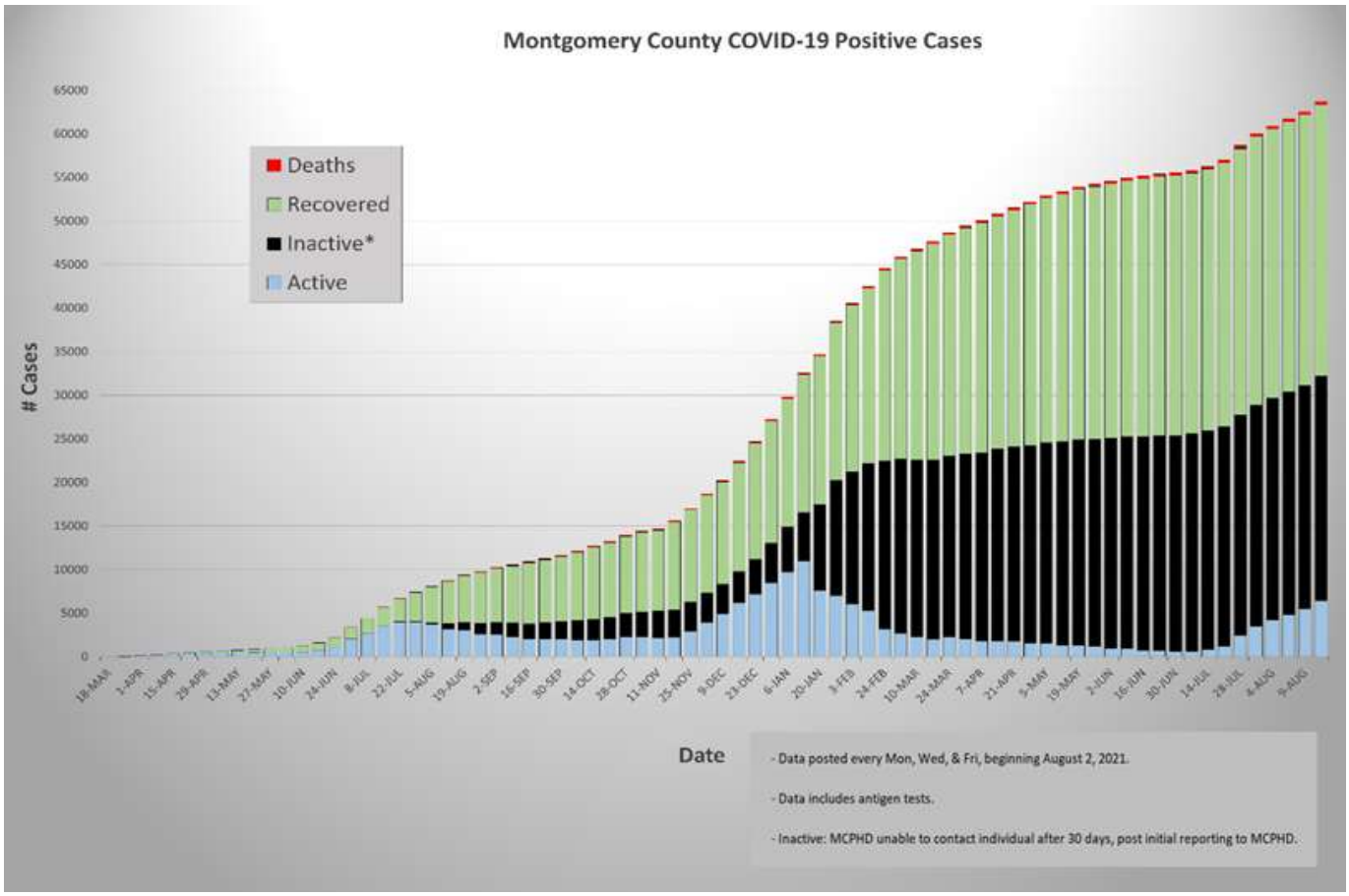
- 30,948 people have clinically recovered.

The Testing Positivity Rate for Montgomery County has increased to 23%, up from 21% on Monday.

Source: UT Health, School of Public Health

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





The COVID-19 dashboard for Montgomery County can be found here: https://coronavirus-response-moco.hub.arcgis.com/.

Do your part to slow the spread of COVID-19. The best way to protect yourself and those around you is to be vaccinated. You should also:

- ***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.***
- ***Wash your hands or use hand sanitizer frequently.***
- ***Disinfect surfaces in your car and around your home.***

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