

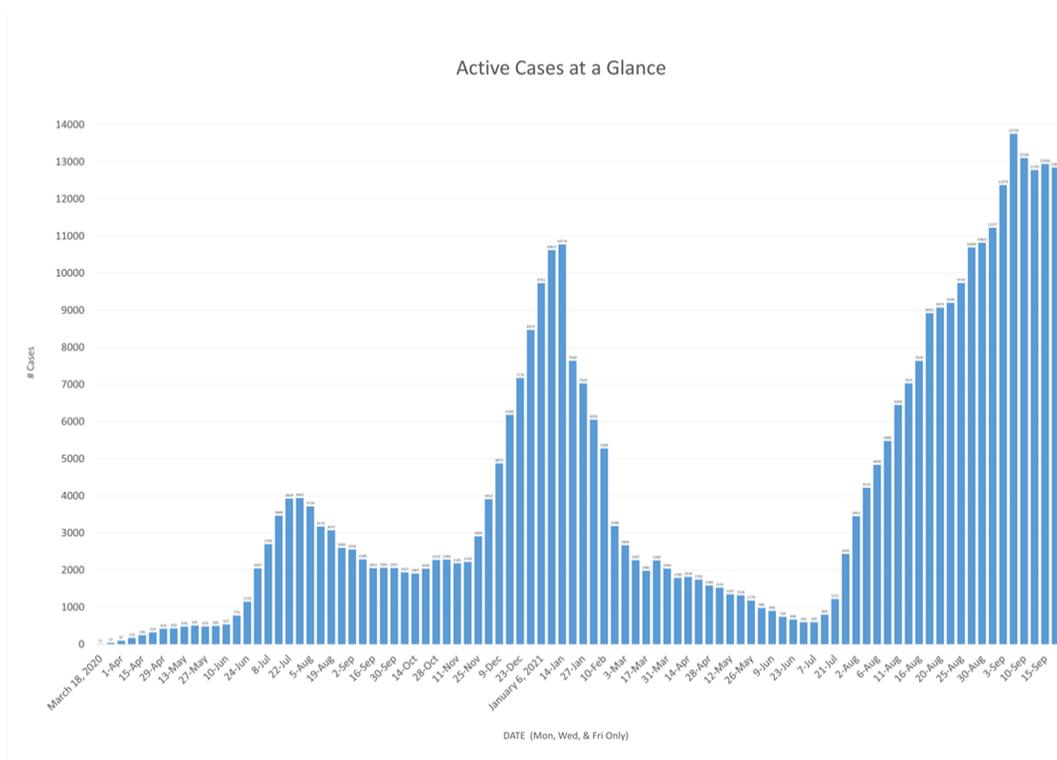


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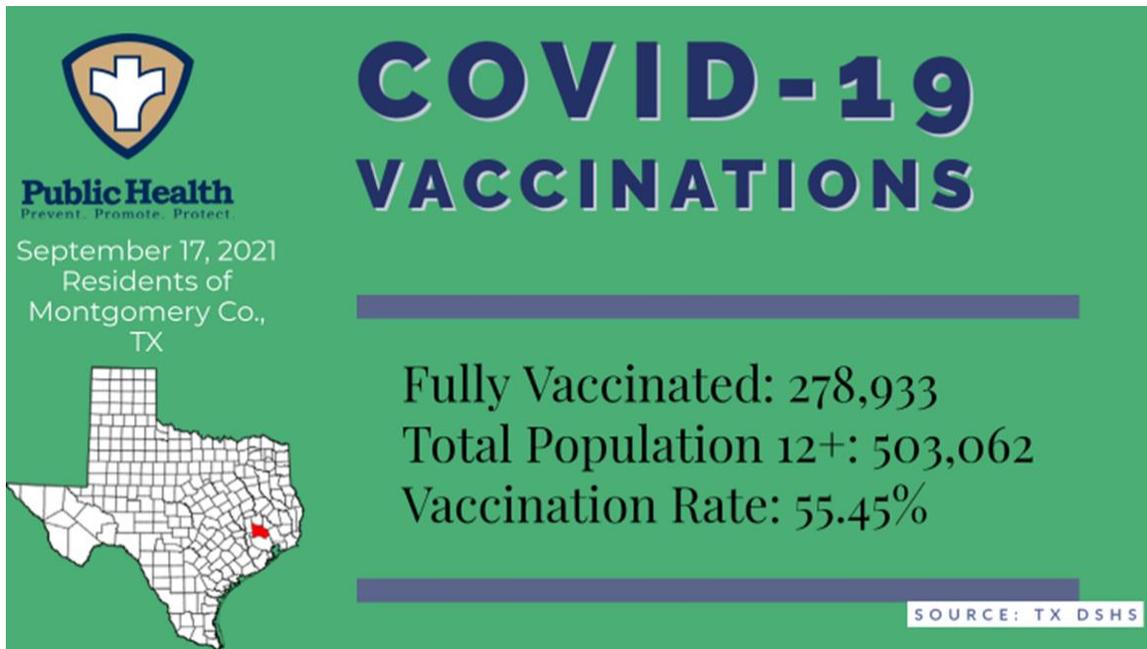
COVID-19 Update for Montgomery County

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 we remain at high levels of active COVID-19 cases in Montgomery County.



Have you been vaccinated for COVID-19? We strongly recommend it. Even if you contract COVID-19 after vaccination, the chances of severe illness, hospitalization and death are low. Just 55 percent of eligible Montgomery County residents are vaccinated. Need to find a vaccine? Click here for additional vaccine sites: <https://www.vaccines.gov/>.



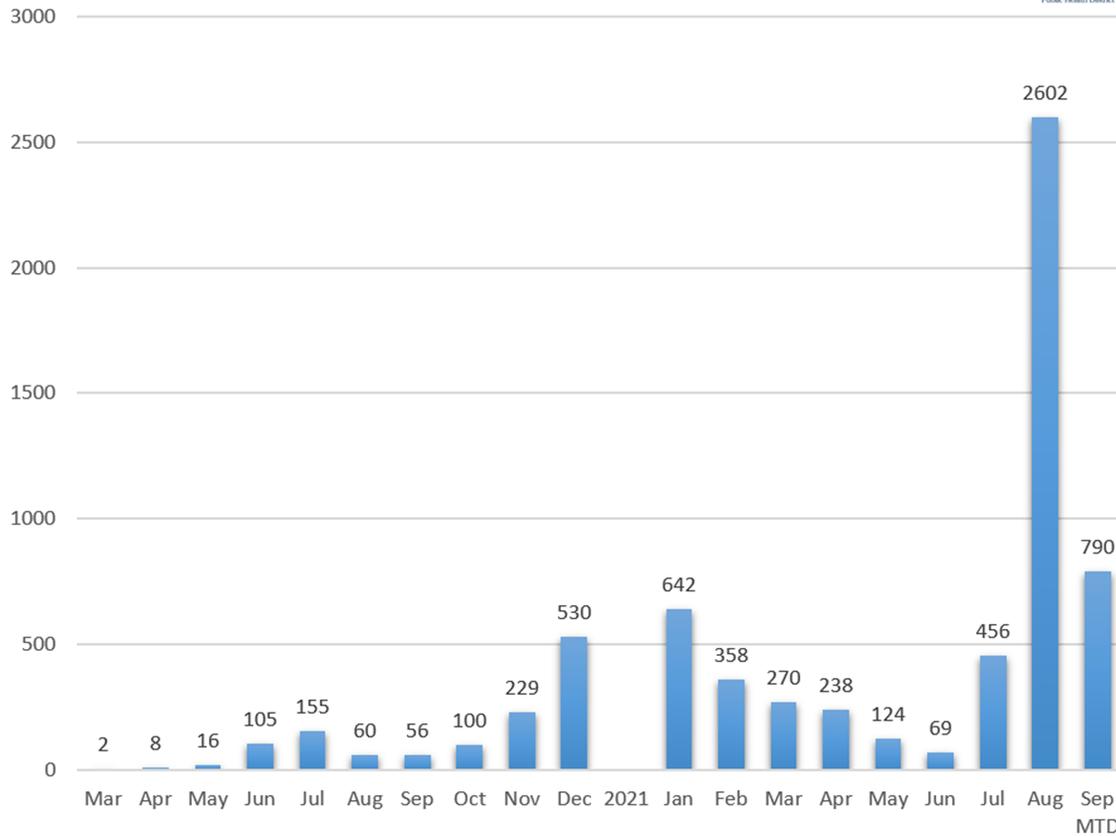
Today, we can also confirm three additional deaths related to COVID-19.

- A man in his 40s, from Cleveland, died in the hospital. He had co-morbidities in addition to testing positive for COVID-19. He was not vaccinated.
- A man in his 70s, from Spring, died in the hospital. He had co-morbidities in addition to testing positive for COVID-19. He was not vaccinated.
- A man in his 80s, from Montgomery, died in the hospital. He had co-morbidities in addition to testing positive for COVID-19. He was fully vaccinated.

We can also confirm:

- TOTAL cases of COVID-19 increased by 622 to 82,070 since Wednesday's (9/15) report.
 - Of the 622 new cases, 125 are under the age of 12 and not eligible for vaccination.

COVID CASES IN CHILDREN 0-11 Years of Age



- ACTIVE cases of COVID-19 decreased by 97 to 12,847 since Wednesday’s (9/15) report.
 - Today, we accounted for 716 additional inactive cases who we have been unable to contact for 30 days or more.
- 366 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.
- 32,117 people have clinically recovered.

The Testing Positivity Rate for Montgomery County remains at 19%, down from 20% on Monday.
 Source: UT Health, School of Public Health

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



COVID-19 UPDATE

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Active Cases: 12,847

September 17, 2021
Residents of
Montgomery Co., TX

*Reinfection is defined by DSHS
as 2 positive PCR tests at least
90 days apart, with no consecutive
tests in between.

Reinfected: 30*
Hospitalized: 366
Recovered: 32,117
Deaths: 388
Total: 82,070

KEY CHANGES

(vs. 9/15/2021)

Active cases - 97

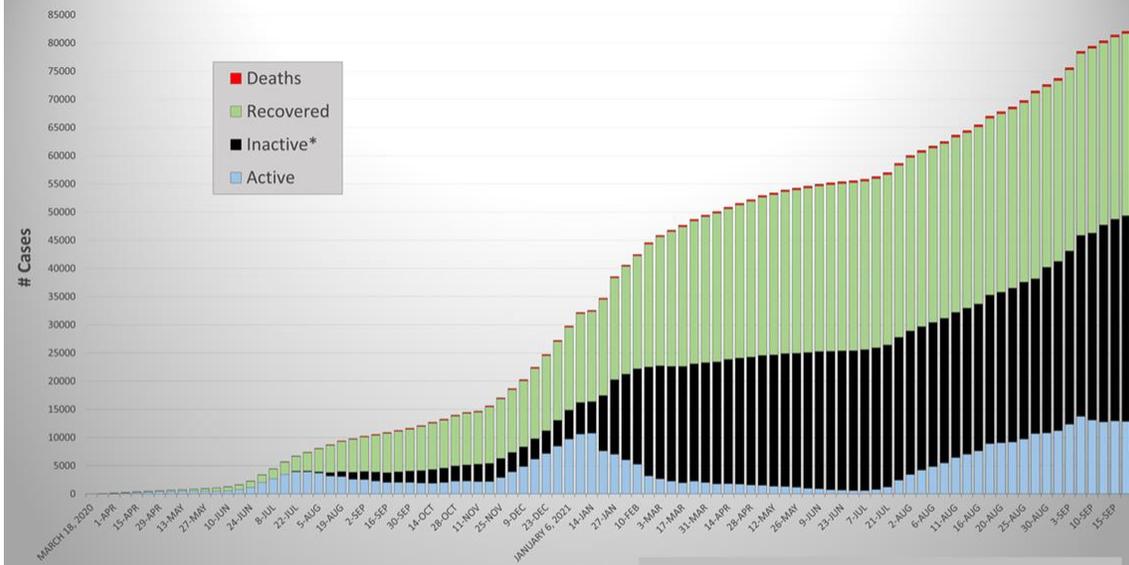
Hospitalizations + 5

Recoveries + 10

Deaths + 3

Total cases + 622

Montgomery County COVID-19 Positive Cases





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PATIENTS HOSPITALIZED IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY

Updated Sept. 17, 2021
Numbers reflect county and non-county residents.

*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.

Total Hospitalized:

346

(- 6)

ICU: 100

General/Isolation: 246

SETRAC data for regional hospitalizations can be found here: <https://bit.ly/3jwhdiV>.
Still need your first dose of vaccine? Splendor ISD & DSHS are offering a clinic.

Splendor ISD Administration Building (Entrance F)
23419 FM 2090
Splendor, TX 77372

Sept. 22 & 23 (Wed. & Thurs.)

3:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Looking for a downloadable case list? The COVID-19 dashboard for Montgomery County can be found here: <https://coronavirus-response-moco.hub.arcgis.com/>.

Have a question about COVID-19? You can reach the Montgomery County COVID-19 Call Center at 936-523-3916. It is open Monday-Thursday from 8:00am-4:30pm and Friday 8:00am-4:00pm.

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.***