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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, would like to continue encourage eligible residents to be vaccinated for COVID-19. Every new emerging variant emphasizes the need for vaccinations and booster shots for eligible populations. Need to find a vaccine or a vaccine booster shot? Click here for vaccine sites: <https://www.vaccines.gov/>.

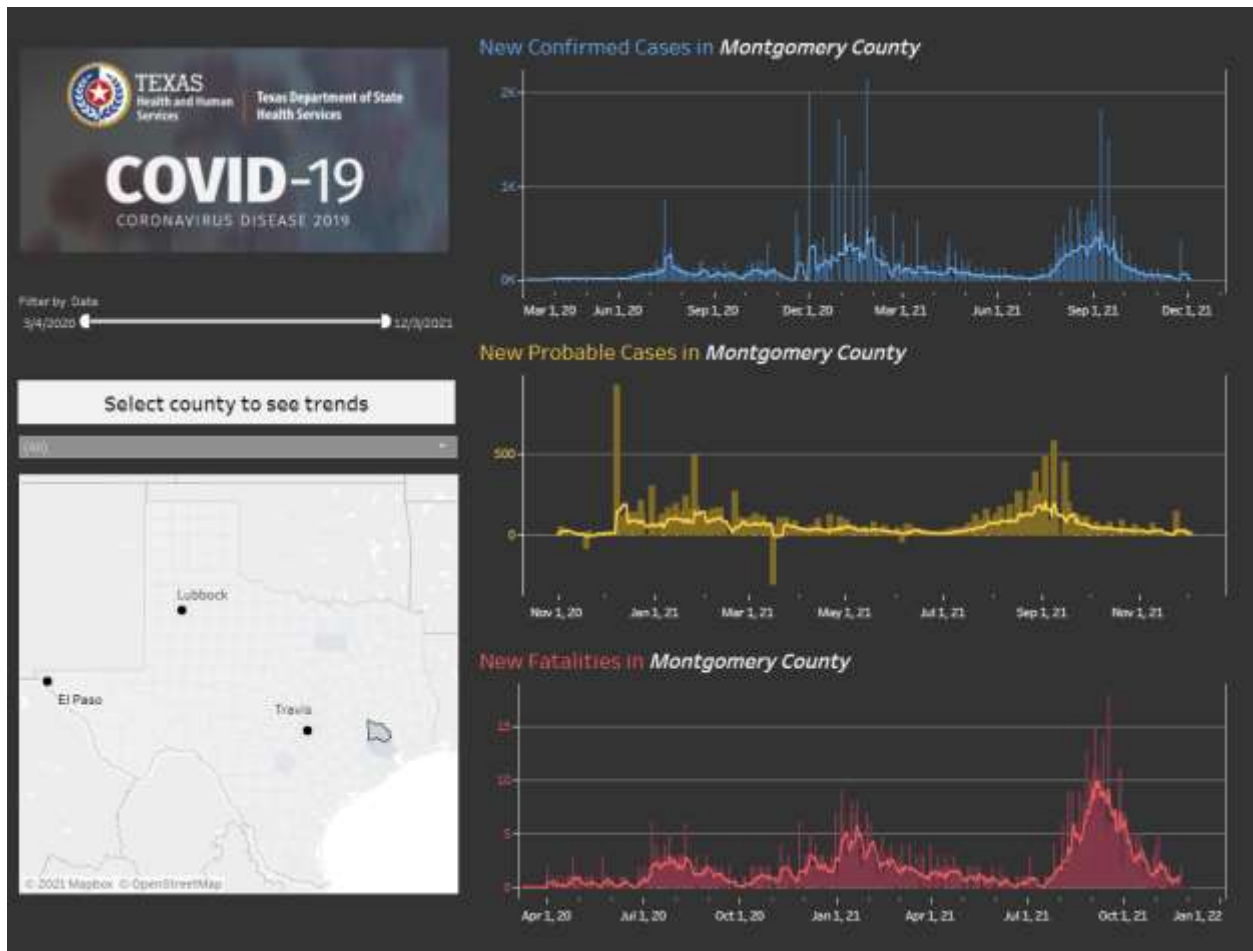
Since the transition to the NEDSS database managed by the CDC, we will be standardizing our reporting to match Department of State Health Services (DSHS) reporting. All data definitions will now be consistent with DSHS. They can be found here: <https://dshs.texas.gov/coronavirus/DataDefinitions.aspx>.

We will resume reporting weekly on Tuesdays (starting 12/7/2021), but DSHS will update daily at this link: <https://www.arcgis.com/apps/dashboards/45e18cba105c478697c76acbbf86a6bc>.

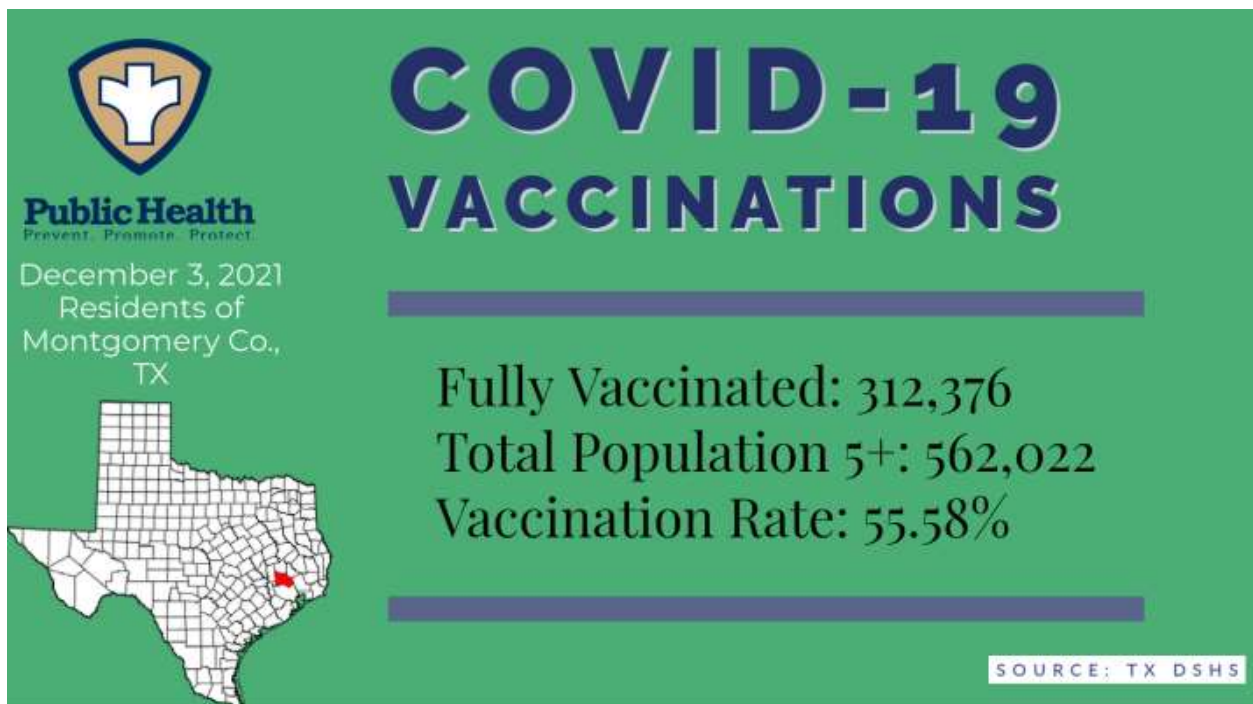
Since our last report on 11/9/2021:

- TOTAL cases of COVID-19 increased by 911 to 89,477. **Total cases include confirmed (PCR testing) and probable (antigen testing) cases.*
- ACTIVE cases of COVID-19 decreased by 889 to 863 (estimated per DSHS definitions).
- 1,120 deaths in Montgomery County residents are related to COVID-19.
- 46 confirmed cases of COVID-19 are hospitalized in Montgomery County. SETRAC data for regional hospitalizations can be found here: <https://bit.ly/3jwhdiV>.
- 87,493 people have clinically recovered (estimated per DSHS definitions).

The Testing Positivity Rate for Montgomery County is 5% today, down from 6% last week.
Source: UT Health, School of Public Health



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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