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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 to 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/>.

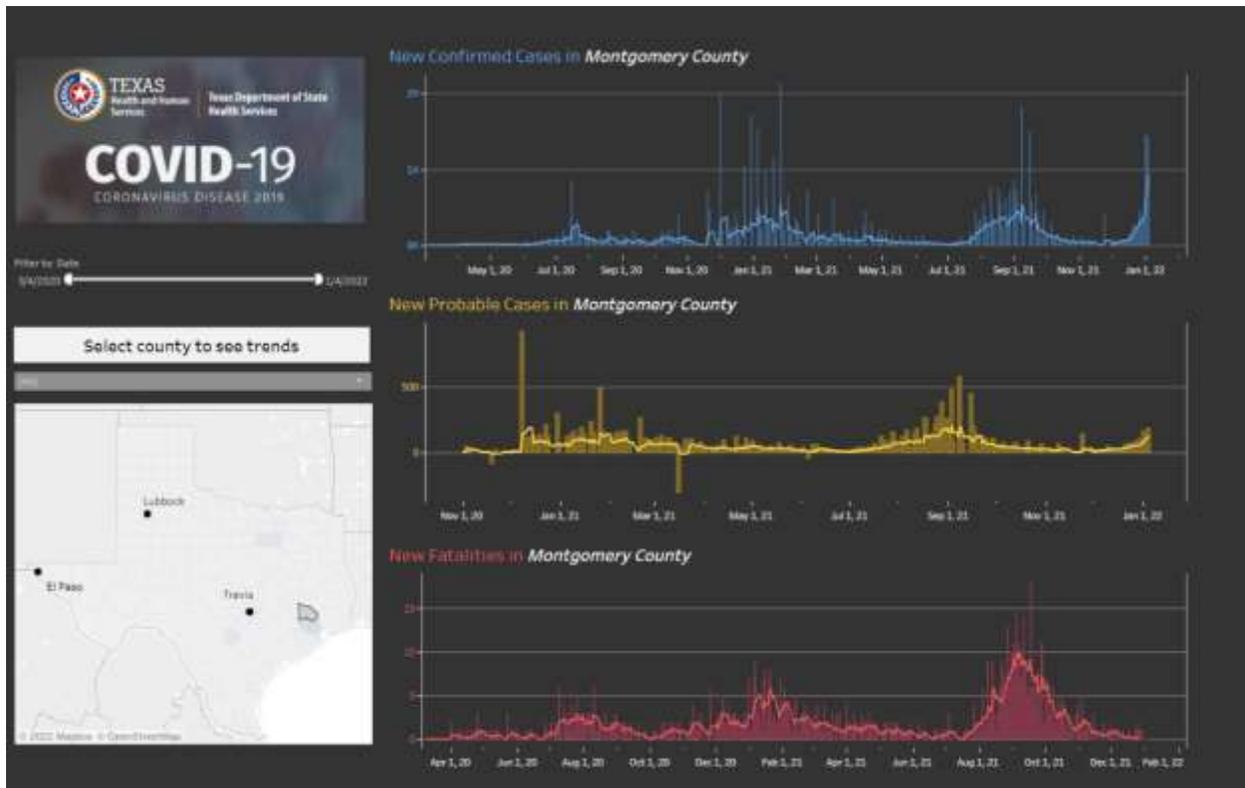
If you are diagnosed with or exposed to COVID-19, please follow the CDC guidance here: <https://www.cdc.gov/media/releases/2021/s1227-isolation-quarantine-guidance.html>.

MCPHD reports weekly on Tuesdays, but DSHS updates daily at this link: <https://www.arcgis.com/apps/dashboards/45e18cba105c478697c76acbbf86a6bc>.

Since our last report on 12/29/2021:

- TOTAL cases of COVID-19 increased by 5,894 to 100,677. **Total cases include confirmed (PCR testing) and probable (antigen testing) cases.*
- ACTIVE cases of COVID-19 increased by 5,091 to 9,547 (estimated per DSHS definitions).
- Deaths of Montgomery County residents have increased by 7 to 1,140 since the start of the pandemic in March 2020, according to data from DSHS.
- Recoveries from COVID-19 have increased by 795 to 89,989 since the start of the pandemic in March 2020 (estimated per DSHS definitions).
- 190 confirmed cases of COVID-19 are currently hospitalized in Montgomery County. SETRAC data for regional hospitalizations can be found here: <https://bit.ly/3jwhdiV>.

The Testing Positivity Rate for Montgomery County has increased to 23%, up from 19% 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/>.

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Residents of
Montgomery Co.,
TX

COVID-19 VACCINATIONS

Fully Vaccinated: 322,428*
Total Population 5+: 562,022
Vaccination Rate: 57.37%

* Residents are considered fully vaccinated with two doses at this time.

SOURCE: TX DSHS

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:

- *Get tested if you feel sick.*
- *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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