



TOWN OF WESTWOOD
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
Weekly Update as of 9.16.20

Visit Westwood's Coronavirus [website](#) for daily updates
Health Department COVID-19 Case Update

Total confirmed cases in Massachusetts: 123,720
Total cases in Norfolk County: 9,889
Total documented cases in Westwood: 161 (+0)
New Cases in MA today: 419
Test Positivity Rate: 0.61%

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health is now reporting COVID-19 cases by city and town. This information is updated each week on Wednesday and is available for your viewing [here](#). In addition, daily updates and information about COVID-19 and necessary precautions continue to be available on the [MDPH COVID-19 website](#).

A message from the Health Director:

There are no new COVID-19 cases reported this week. Factoring in the week prior, our cases per 100,000 now sits at 2.4 which places us back in the green zone. Our test positivity rate for the last 14 days has dropped to 0.61% from 1.18%.

If you have been following the reports over the last few weeks, you can see how quickly the numbers and color coded designation can move up or down depending on fluctuations in case counts. Overall, I am pleased we have had a quiet week, but know it is just one week and things can change very quickly. If there are any cases related to the Labor Day holiday weekend, most likely they will show up on our radar in the coming days. Next week's report will be very important for our transition out of summer and into fall.

As always we urge every resident to monitor their personal health, practice good hand hygiene, practice social distancing, wear face coverings consistently, avoid large gatherings, and following the MA travel guidelines.

Lastly, my office has received multiple complaints about outdoor sports and recreation activities attracting large crowds of unmasked participants who are not maintaining six feet of physical distancing. We remind anyone engaging in outdoor sports and recreation to adhere to the guidelines responsibly when doing so. If we can't avoid community spread these activities may be curtailed.

The CDC has released COVID-19 guidelines for summer gatherings.

Before you schedule any gatherings or functions, please [review their guidelines](#).



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