# **Covid-19 Health Metrics**

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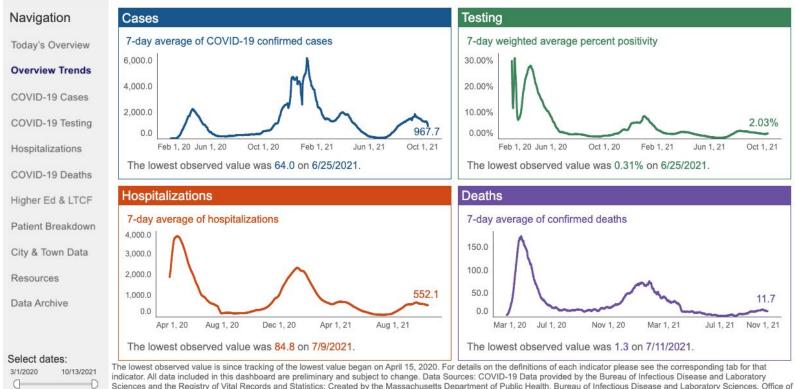
# MA State Data



#### Massachusetts Department of Public Health | COVID-19 Dashboard

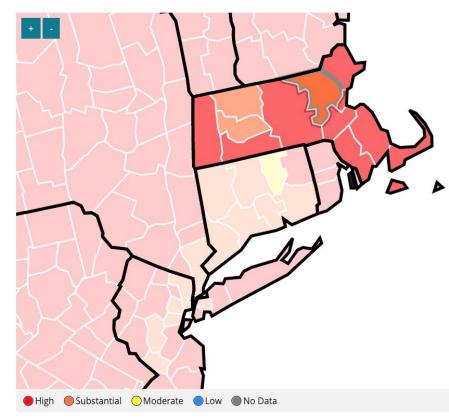
Trends: 7-day Averages Over Time

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## **CDC Community Transmission Rates**



**Middlesex County** 

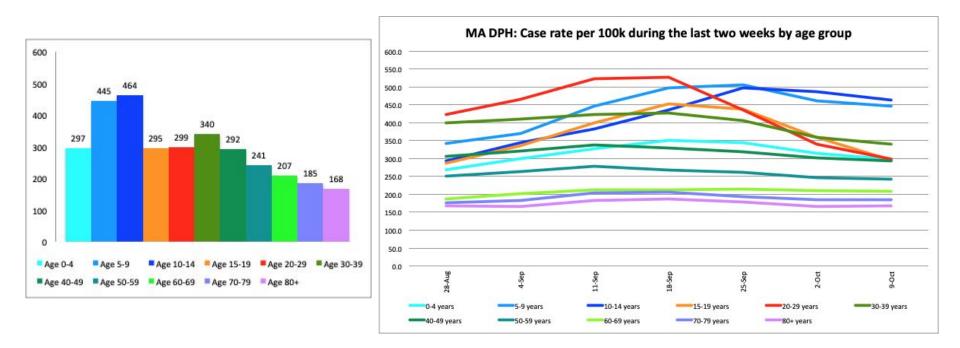
#### Substantial Community Spread (Orange)

Case Rate last 7 days = 96 per 100k (stable)

Percent Positivity = 1.1% (stable)

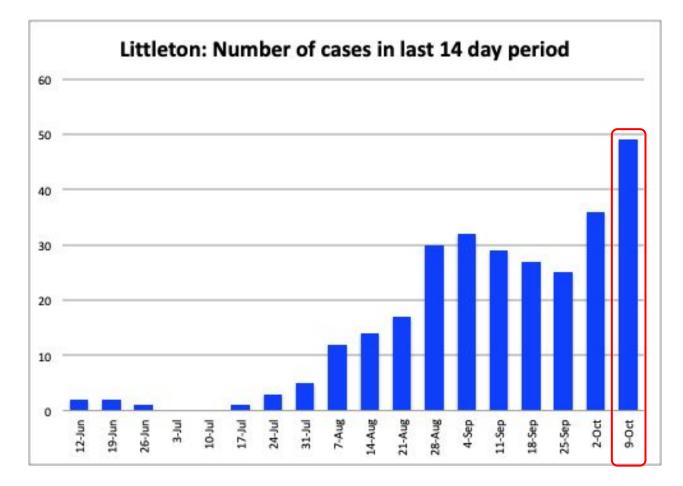
Data Source: CDC Covid-19 Integrated County View - https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#county-view - accessed 10/14/21

#### Covid Case Rate per 100k by age group - last 6 weeks



Data Source: MA DPH Covid Dashboard www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-response-reporting (Patient Breakdown) - accessed 10/14/21

# Littleton Data



Data Source: MA DPH Covid Dashboard - www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-response-reporting (City and Town Data) - accessed 10/14/21

### **Littleton and Local Trends - Methods**

#### Town Groupings:

- Littleton
- **Border Towns** Littleton plus Acton, Ayer, Boxborough, Groton, Harvard, Westford
- **Surrounding Communities** Border Towns plus, Bolton, Carlisle, Chelmsford, Concord, Dunstable, Lancaster, Lunenburg, Maynard, Pepperell, Shirley, Stow
- 495 Belt Surrounding Communities plus Ashby, Bedford, Berlin, Boylston, Clinton, Hudson, Leominster, Lincoln, Lowell, Marlborough, Northborough, Shrewsbury, Southborough, Sterling, Sudbury, Townsend, Tyngsboro, Wayland, West Boylston, Westborough, Weston
- Middlesex County
- Massachusetts

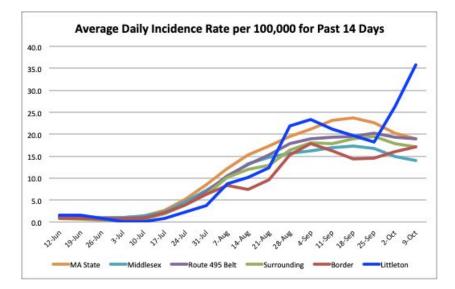
#### **Data Source and Time Period:**

- MA DPH Covid Dashboard www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-response-rep orting, City and Town Data
- Two week period (Sunday to Saturday) ending the Saturday before the DPH report is released on Thursdays

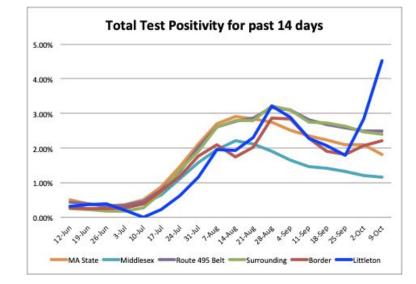
#### **Calculations:**

- Average Daily Incidence Rate = ((total cases in two week period / 14 days) / population))\*100,000
- Test Positivity = total positive tests in last two week period / total tests conducted in last two week period

## Littleton and surrounding area - trends

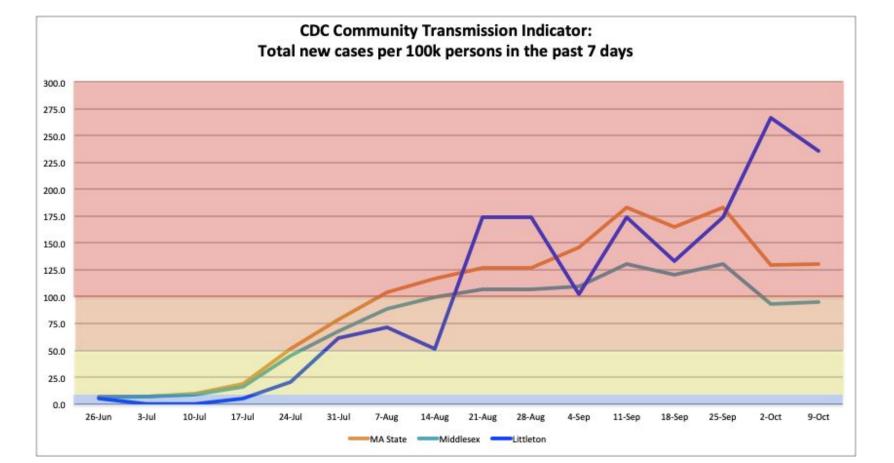


- Littleton's average daily incidence rate was 35.9 per 100k (higher than 2 weeks ago 18.3)
- Border towns had trended higher (17.2) but the increase is largely due to to Littleton's increase (small increases in Ayer and Westford too)
- All other areas we track were stable or declined



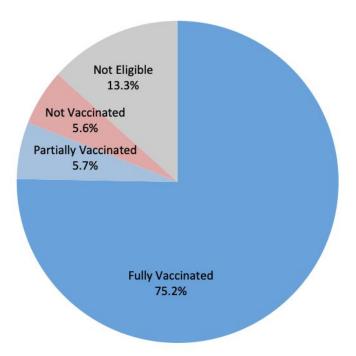
- Littleton had 1125 tests conducted (20% lower)
- Littleton's test positivity = 4.53% (increase)
- Test positivity was <3% for all other areas that we track

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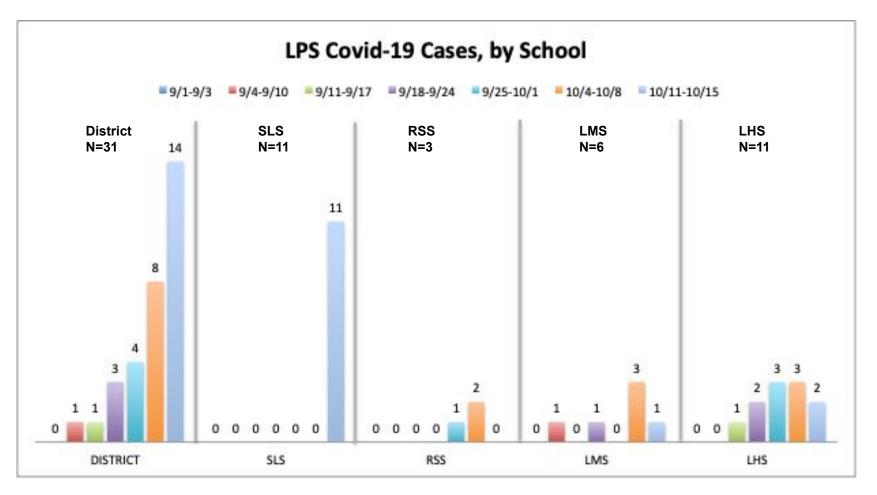
## **Littleton's Vaccination Coverage**

Age Group	Fully Vaccinated	Partially Vaccinated	Not Vaccinated
0-11	Not eligible	Not eligible	1301 (100%)
12-15	459 (89%)	65 (13%)	*
16-19	441 (79%)	33 (6%)	91 (16%)
20-29	795 (88%)	82 (9%)	30 (3%)
30-49	1991 (90%)	154 (7%)	57 (3%)
50-64	2132 (86%)	104 (4%)	252 (10%)
65-74	942 (95%)	69 (7%)	*
75+	574 (73%)	72 (9%)	139 (18%)
Total	7334 (75.2%)	558 (5.7%)	<b>549 eligible (5.6%)</b> 13% not eligible due to age <12 years

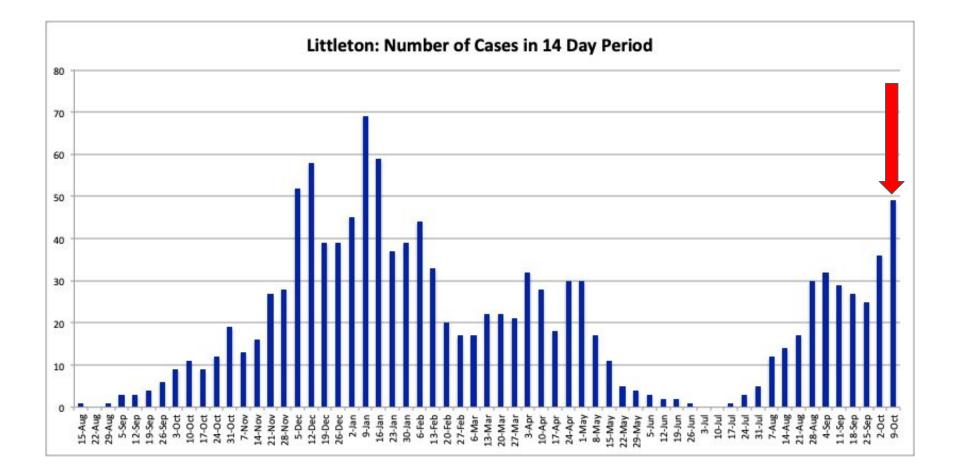


#### Data Source:

MA DPH Weekly Covid-19 municipality vaccination data www.mass.gov/info-details/massachusetts-covid-19-vaccina tion-data-and-updates - accessed 10/14/21 Note: 0-11 data imputed by subtracting total population in 12+ age groups from total population

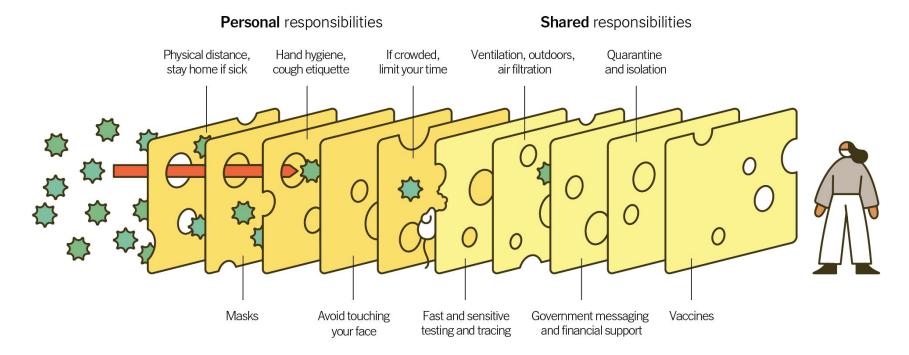


Data Sources: Littleton Public Schools Covid-19 Dashboard and LPS Health Notification Letters sent to parents as of 10/16/21



#### **Multiple Layers Improve Success**

The Swiss Cheese Respiratory Pandemic Defense recognizes that no single intervention is perfect at preventing the spread of the coronavirus. Each intervention (layer) has holes.

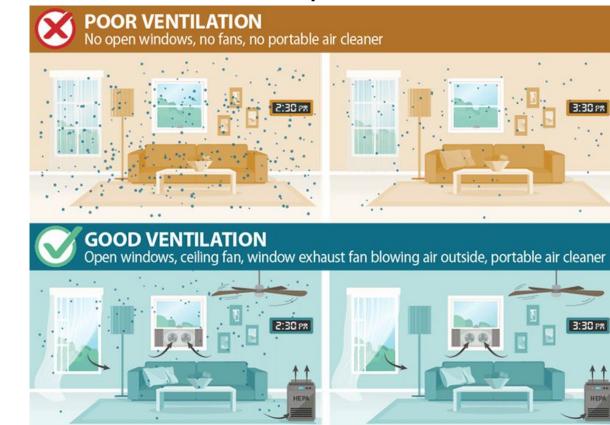


Source: Adapted from Ian M. Mackay (virologydownunder.com) and James T. Reason. Illustration by Rose Wong

Image from: www.nytimes.com/2020/12/05/health/coronavirus-swiss-cheese-infection-mackay.html

### **Covid is airborne:**

#### Improve ventilation or add a portable air cleaner



#### Mask Indoors: Time to Improve Fit and Filtration



More details at www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/mask-fit-and-filtration

### **Early Detection is key - Get Tested**



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#### COVID-19 Testing Consent for

### Massachusetts Schools

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts has partnered with CIC Health to provide free COVID-19 testing to students, teachers, and staff.







COVID-19

# Protect Against COVID-19.

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Safe and effective COVID-19 vaccines are available for free for everyone living in the United States.

