

## NEWS

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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

Montgomery County Reports 347 New COVID-19 Cases and One Death Over Seven Days A Total Number of 11,233 Cases and 828 Deaths Were Reported

Norristown, PA (September 8, 2020) – Montgomery County officials and the Office of Public Health (OPH) today reported COVID-19 test results and deaths for the seven day period from September 2 to September 8, 2020. Three hundred forty-seven (September 2: 37, September 3: 57, September 4: 48, September 5: 54, September 6: 57, September 7: 51, September 8: 43) additional individuals tested positive for coronavirus, and one individual died of COVID-19, bringing the countywide total to 11,233 cases and 828 deaths. Eleven of the new cases are in long-term care facilities. None of the reported positive COVID-19 cases resulted from antibody testing.

"Unfortunately, we continue to see an increase in the number of confirmed positive COVID-19 cases in Montgomery County this week," said Dr. Valerie A. Arkoosh, Chair, Montgomery County Board of Commissioners. "I cannot stress enough how important it is to cooperate with contact tracing, wear a mask when around people who are not in your household, maintain six feet of physical distance and be very cautious at or avoid social gatherings. Let's each do our part to keep our families and our community safe!"

The individual who died of COVID-19 resided in a long-term care facility.

The 347 positive individuals are from 54 municipalities. Sixty-two municipalities have been affected. A breakdown of today's reported cases follows:

Age Range: 1 - 95

Gender: 184 females, 163 males

The next update on COVID-19 cases and mitigation efforts will be on Wednesday, September 9, at 3 p.m., via a press briefing which will be streamed live on Montgomery County's Facebook page.

There are several no-cost **COVID-19 community testing sites** located throughout Montgomery County for all ages, except infants. No prescription is required. These self-administered tests are by appointment only, do not require a vehicle, are available for individuals who live or work in Montgomery County, and want or need to be tested. **The sites are outdoors and are subject to closure on short notice due to inclement weather. Please check weather forecasts and the <u>COVID-19 Data Hub</u> for weather-related updates. To register for testing, <b>visit www.montcopa.org/COVID-19**, and select County Testing Information or **call 610.970.2937** on the date of the intended appointment. Registration opens at 8:30 a.m. Monday through Friday and will remain open until all slots are filled and as long as testing supplies allow. Spanish-speaking operators are available.

**Ardmore** – 114 W. Lancaster Ave., Ardmore, PA. Testing is available Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., and on Tuesdays and Thursdays from noon to 2 p.m.

**Green Lane** – Deep Creek and Snyder Roads, Green Lane, PA. Testing is available Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., and on Tuesdays and Thursdays from noon to 2 p.m.

**Lansdale** – 421 W. Main St., Lansdale, PA. Testing is available Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., and on Tuesdays and Thursdays from noon to 2 p.m.

**Norristown** – Delaware Valley Community Health Center at the Norristown Regional Health Center at 1401 Dekalb St., Norristown, PA.. Testing is available Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 10 a.m. to noon, and on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

**Pottstown** – Montgomery County Office of Public Health, 364 King St., Pottstown, PA. Testing is available Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from noon to 2 p.m., and on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

**Willow Grove** –First Baptist Church - Crestmont, 1678 Fairview Ave., Willow Grove, PA. Testing is available Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from noon to 2 p.m., and on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

While the above locations will be closed on Saturday and Sunday, information on **additional testing sites**, many of which operate over the weekend, can be found at <a href="https://www.montcopa.org/COVID-19">www.montcopa.org/COVID-19</a> under the County Testing Information button.

COVID-19 contact tracing efforts are ongoing and are critical to slowing the spread of the disease. The County has partnered with ACLAMO, Family Services of Montgomery County, Montgomery County OIC, and Visiting Nurses Association Community Services to help with contact tracing efforts. Individuals who have been tested or identified as a direct contact of an individual who has tested positive for COVID-19 and has received a call from the 'Results Center' or any of our community partners may return the call to 610.278.5923 to find out their results or status. All information discussed on the call is strictly confidential and is only used to trace COVID-19 cases.

The COVID-19 outbreak continues to be a rapidly evolving situation. Please visit the Montco COVID-19 Data Hub at <a href="https://www.montcopa.org/covid-19">www.montcopa.org/covid-19</a> to get the latest news, geographic and demographic information, and updates.

Montgomery County COVID-19 Weekly Report - September 2, 2020 through September 8, 2020

		Case Type			Age Distribution									Genders				
Date	Cases	Community	LTC	Other Congregate*	Unknown	Range**	Average**	0-19	20-39	40-59	62-09	66-08	100+	Unknown	Male	Female	Unknown	Municipalities Affected
Wednesday 9/2	37	31	4	2	0	1-95	36.2	11	13	6	4	3	0	0	15	22	0	23
Thursday 9/3	57	55	1	1	0	12-88	38.7	12	18	20	5	2	0	0	29	28	0	29
Friday 9/4	48	46	2	0	0	8-88	33.7	10	23	12	1	2	0	0	28	20	0	26
Saturday 9/5	54	53	0	1	0	1-79	37.3	11	19	14	10	0	0	0	26	28	0	28
Sunday 9/6	57	55	2	0	0	17-87	35.0	14	24	9	9	1	0	0	17	40	0	28
Monday 9/7	51	50	1	0	0	8-89	30.6	14	24	9	1	3	0	0	27	24	0	32
Tuesday 9/8	43	42	1	0	0	10-84	34.3	11	16	12	3	1	0	0	21	22	0	25
Weekly Total	347	332	11	4	0	1-95	35.2	83	137	82	33	12	0	0	163	184	0	54
Previous Week	288	282	5	1	0	6-94	37.3	63	102	78	38	7	0	0	141	147	0	49
Difference	+59	+50	+6	+3	-	N/A	-2.1	+20	+35	+4	-5	+5	-	-	+22	+37	1	+5
Overall Total	11233	8211	2498	521	3	1-110	49.6	1026	3258	3097	2299	1525	26	2	5278	5917	38	62

<sup>\*</sup>Other Congregate includes the Montgomery County Correctional Facility (MCCF), State Correctional Institution – Phoenix (SCI-Phoenix), Norristown State Hospital, behavioral health facilities, and other congregate living settings that do not meet the definition of Long Term Care (LTC) facilities.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Ages less than 1 are listed as 1 for the purposes of the age range and average age.

			Genders		<b>Location of Death</b>				Race Information						
Date	Deaths	Age Range	Male	Female	Hospital	TLC	Residence / Other	Unknown	Asian	Asian Indian	Asian Korean	Black	White	Unknown***	
Wednesday 9/2	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Thursday 9/3	1	85	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	
Friday 9/4	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Saturday 9/5	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Sunday 9/6	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Monday 9/7	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Tuesday 9/8	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Weekly Total	1	85	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	
Previous Week	1	74	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	
Difference	-	N/A	-	-	-1	+1	-	-	-	-	-	-1	-	+1	
Overall Total	828	36-104	385	443		N	I/A	18	3	3	102	326	376		

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Race not provided by Coroner's Office.