



# TOWN OF MONROE

## OFFICE OF THE FIRST SELECTMAN

### COVID-19 Pandemic Update

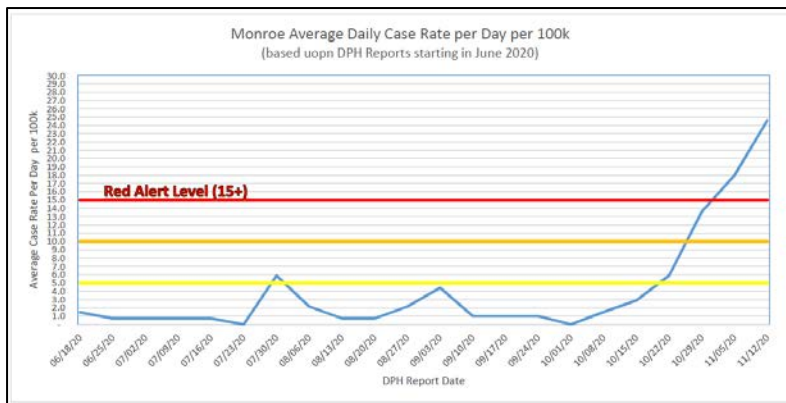
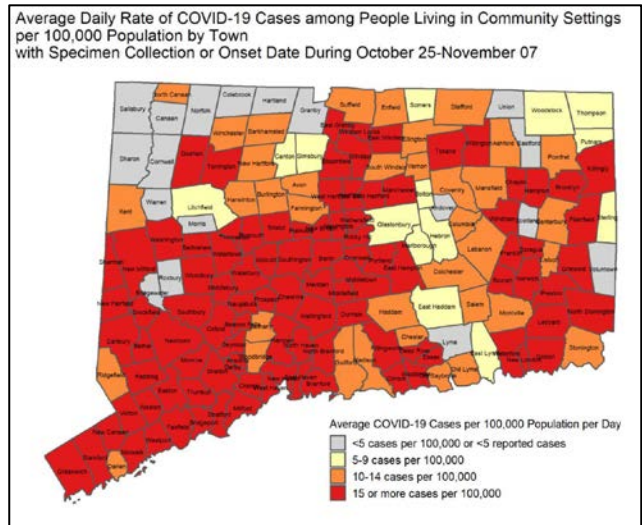
#### November 13, 2020

#### STATE

- The trend of a significant increase in cases statewide and in Fairfield County continues. The state's rolling 7-day testing positivity rate is 4.4%.
- The number of hospitalizations due to COVID-19 have doubled in the last 2 weeks.
- 100 of Connecticut's 169 municipalities are in the red category, representing over 80% of the state's population.
- All but two towns in Fairfield County are red. The City of Bridgeport is currently experiencing the highest rate of infection in the state.

#### MONROE

- As of today's report, DPH reports a total of 276 confirmed and 27 probable cases in Monroe.
- Monroe's case rate has continued to climb along with Fairfield County.
- Our 2-Week Average Daily Case Rate is now averaging 4.8 cases, which equals an average of 24.6 per 100,000 population.
- In the past few days, DPH has reported over 10 cases per day in Monroe.
- While we continue to see an increase in cases impacting our school community, the primary origin of the cases appear to be coming from infected family members and small social gatherings outside of school. We continue to see numerous "clusters" of cases that involve an entire household. However, due to the increase in cases in the community, all Monroe schools will return to the original hybrid model on Monday.



With Thanksgiving a couple weeks away, the State is reminding those who are travelling to remember the travel advisory rules regarding quarantine and testing, and to avoid quarantining with someone else at high risk. Avoid large gatherings and remember the current state rule limiting private gatherings to 10 people. The state recommends that individuals over 60 or with risk factors should stay home as much as possible.

We are aware that many testing locations in the region have become overwhelmed. We have been, and continue to be, in regular contact with pharmacies, healthcare providers, urgent care centers, and the State Department of Public Health, to advocate for regular testing sites in Monroe. While these efforts are ongoing, you may continue to find testing locations by visiting <https://portal.ct.gov/prioritytesting>. I thank everyone for continuing to follow the strategies to reduce transmission. State public health experts advise that this may be just the beginning of a more significant resurgence that could continue over the upcoming months. Please follow the rules regarding masks and social distancing, and avoid unnecessary gatherings.

Thank you.

Kenneth M. Kellogg, First Selectman

Municipal COVID-19 Case Rates in Fairfield County					
Town	Daily Cases Rate per 100k population	Total cases	Category	Total Tests	Percent Test Positivity
Bridgeport	53.2	1,079	RED	12,442	9.0
Danbury	49.9	592	RED	6,972	9.6
Norwalk	46.2	576	RED	8,384	8.1
Stamford	36.2	657	RED	9,419	8.2
Fairfield	35.6	309	RED	7,018	4.2
Trumbull	29.3	147	RED	2,280	6.2
Stratford	28.6	208	RED	3,274	6.5
Shelton	26.4	152	RED	2,499	6.0
Monroe	24.6	67	RED	1,080	6.2
Westport	22.4	88	RED	2,139	4.2
Brookfield	22.3	53	RED	1,224	4.8
New Canaan	20.8	59	RED	1,574	3.7
Bethel	20.7	57	RED	1,571	3.6
Weston	20.2	29	RED	680	4.1
Newtown	19.8	77	RED	1,945	4.4
Easton	18.1	19	RED	356	6.5
Wilton	16.7	43	RED	1,183	3.7
Greenwich	16.6	146	RED	3,209	4.8
New Fairfield	16.0	31	RED	973	3.3
Sherman	15.8	8	RED	189	4.8
Redding	15.7	20	RED	678	3.4
Darien	13.5	41	ORANGE	1,311	3.6
Ridgefield	10.3	36	ORANGE	1,781	2.6