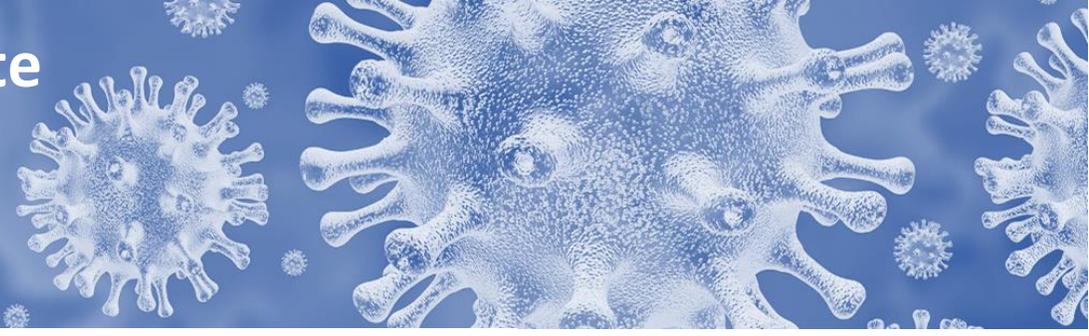


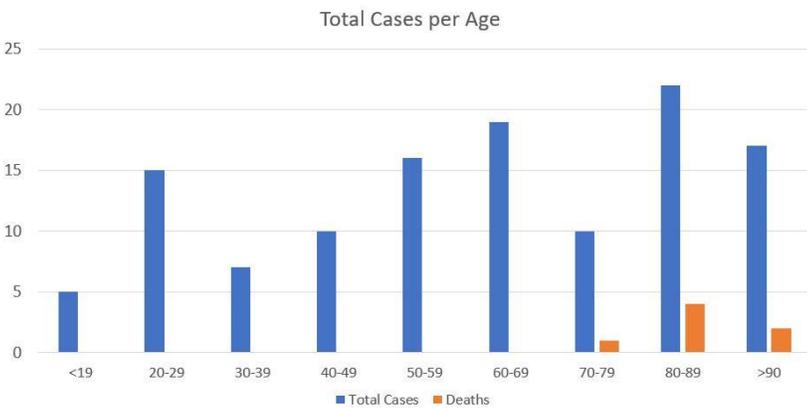
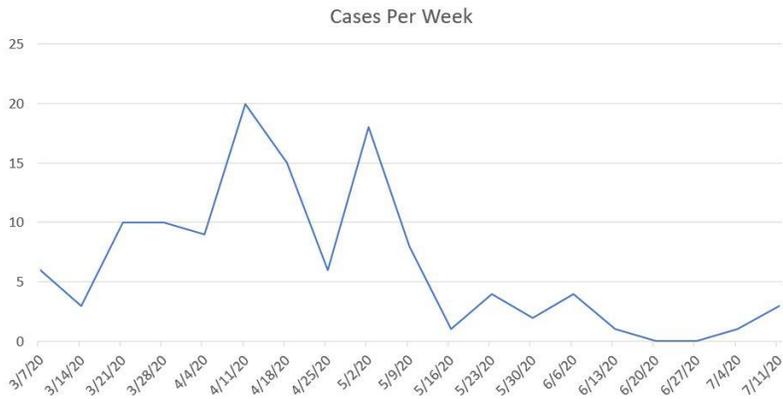
# COVID-19 Update Winchester MA

As of July 18, 2020

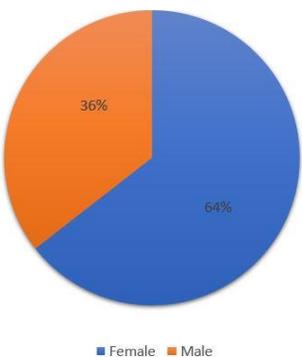


*This data only reflects Winchester Residents who tested positive for COVID-19 since March 2020. The initial lack of COVID-19 testing and current testing protocol, limits our ability to capture all possible cases in Winchester. Please take these limitations into consideration when reviewing this update. Current numbers for Winchester:*

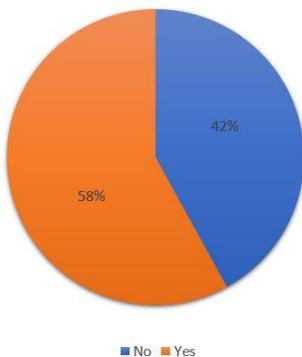
**121 total tested positive cases, 2 active case, 7 deaths**



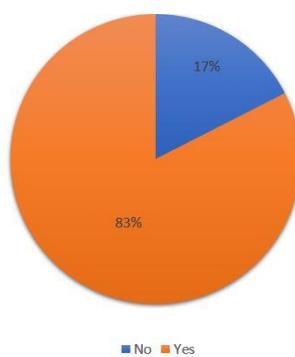
Gender Breakdown



High-Risk\*



Displayed Symptoms\*\*



\*As Defined by CDC at time of diagnosis. Current high-risk categories:

[www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/need-extra-precautions/people-with-medical-conditions.html](http://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/need-extra-precautions/people-with-medical-conditions.html)

\*\*As defined by CDC at time of diagnosis. Current symptoms include:

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*The Town of Winchester has limited the spread of COVID-19 in several meaningful ways and continues to do so through:*

**Case Monitoring:** The Winchester Health Department's Public Health Nurse and supporting nurses:

- Monitor all positive cases and their close contacts in Winchester
- Provide education on proper isolation and quarantine procedures and provide daily symptom consultation
- Ensure isolated and quarantined residents in need receive: masks, thermometers, food and medicine (through a coordinated effort with local volunteers)
- Public Health Nurse communicates frequently with 2 nursing homes in town and reviews facilities infection control measures to ensure compliance with evolving MA DPH protocol

**Policies and Guidance:**

- Board of Health and Select Board members voted to declare a public health emergency and adopt several Orders to protect residents and limit spread of COVID-19
- Health Department advocated early for universal screening at the Nursing Homes, which was conducted and proved to be beneficial
- The Town created a mandate to require wearing face coverings over nose and mouth indoors in public places, outdoors at the Transfer Station and when 6 feet from others cannot be maintained outdoors.

**Communication:** The Health Department develops and shares communications with a focus on how to limit COVID-19 transmission within the community and protect the most vulnerable:

- Outreach is conducted to inform the general public, businesses and high-risk sectors of the community
- Several communication channels are utilized including WinCam, Town website, Facebook, Twitter, mail and signage around town