



Daily Status Report Templeton MA

Overall Status:
Significant Risk

Plan Name: COVID-19 Response

Daily Update for: 21 April 2020

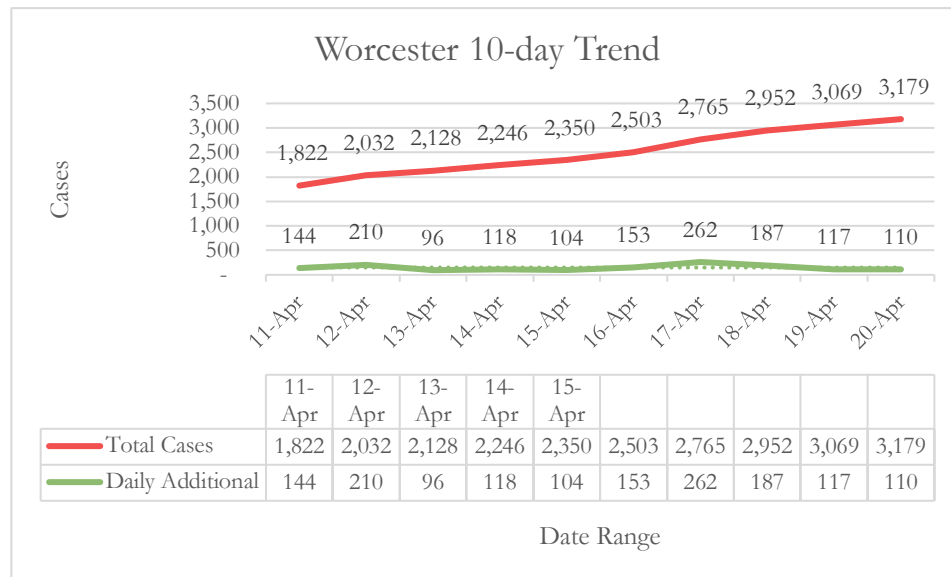
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Current News / Situation

- Templeton is in a state of emergency (16 MAR 2020); The Town Administrator (also the Incident Commander) has extended the closure of town offices until May 4th.
- Priorities in community: Personal Protective Equipment, Food Pantry (donations), Critical Staff
- AlertsMA: Unemployment benefit application for self-employed, gig economy, other workers now available. Learn more and apply: www.mass.gov/pua
- There are many opportunities for employment in this current downturn. They fall into several main buckets:
 - Contact Tracing & Case Investigators: [Click Here](#)
 - MA DPH: Temporary support at health facilities [Click Here](#)
 - Private Sector: Ranging from Amazon to Walmart [Click Here](#)
 - MA Job Quest: [Click Here](#) for the State's EOLWD data base of available jobs
- The Alliance Health Long Term Care facility has sustained a significant amount of positive COVID-19 cases. The recent testing help from the Massachusetts National Guard has assisted in portraying a more accurate picture of the situation. The MA Department of Public Health, the Montachusett Public Health Network, and the Templeton Health Team are working together to assist the Alliance Health staff in reducing the surge in cases.
- COVID-19 symptoms of this infection may appear 2-14 days after exposure and include: Fever, Cough, and shortness of breath, and in severe cases, pneumonia (fluid in the lungs). Call your healthcare professional if you develop symptoms, and have been in close contact with a person known to have COVID-19. Cover your mouth and nose with a cloth face cover when around others.

COVID-19 Statistics

- MA DPH COVID-19 related statistics; [New Dashboard!](#)
- Change rates below are from last report 4/20: *Rates are from CDC and MDPH.
 - National Cases: 746,625 (+25,995)
 - MA State Cases: 39,643 (+1,566)
 - Worcester County Cases: 3,179 (+110)



The following Templeton-specific numbers are real time from reports received from the Massachusetts Virtual Epidemiologic Network (MAVEN).

Active cases: 76
 Cases attributed to BNH (Alliance Health) 60 (32 not symptomatic)
 Cases attributed to Templeton residents 16

Previous cases:
 Recovered 9
 Total deaths including (BNH) 14

At the request of Baldwinville Nursing Home, National Guard tested all residents and employees of BNH (Alliance Health) those tests were priority processed and results were received on Friday, April 17, 2020; prior to that testing, there were 15 positive cases.

With the spike in the total number of confirmed cases, the Board of Health felt it was in the best interest of the town residents to know that their hard work in following the protocols of handwashing, use of a masks and individuals able to stay home is working; the total set forth by the State reflects the total including Baldwinville Nursing Home.

Town Offices and Partner Status:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town Hall: closed for public access until 4 May; use the website for transactions or call; Safety of citizens during any future elections being planned for, supplies ordered; next BoS meeting 4/22 @6:30pm (on-line); • Board of Health; publishing revision of data report to follow updated state guidance; continual close coordination with Allied Health (Baldwinville Nursing) • NRSD Facilities: closed for school session until 4 May; Central Office (978) 939-5661; on-line classroom learning in use; 1st wave of Chromebook distribution commenced (survey) • Senior Center/COA: closed; minimally staffed; EMD, CERT, and Senior Services have enabled a targeted 'wellness call' program, about 100/week • Food Pantry: open Tuesday 9-12am, Thursday 12-3pm and 5-7pm with specific instructions; Located in back of Senior Center; Donations (food and money) are still needed, checks may be made out to: Town of Templeton ("Food Pantry" in the memo); thank you to Narragansett Music Boosters for your help and donations!; our current demand is level from the last week • Emergency Services: vestibules only; sign up for CodeRed on town website or text "templetonma" to 99411 or call (866) 939-0911; • DPW: full operations; office closed to public; cemeteries are closed for new burials; playgrounds closed • TCTV: Cable Station 8, YouTube Channel;
Citizen Resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MA State resource for push notifications on coronavirus: text "COVIDMA" to 888-777 • 2-1-1 call center; phone service has long wait times; recommend using chat or local resources
Contact / Information	<p>Board of Health (978) 894-2770</p> <p>Town Administrator/Board of Selectmen (978) 894-2755</p> <p>Town Website: www.templetonma.gov</p> <p>MA DPH: www.mass.gov/orgs/departments-of-public-health</p> <p>Town Official Social Media: www.facebook.com/TownofTempleton/</p>