



Daily Status Report, Templeton MA

Overall Status: **Significant Risk**

13 May 2020 (changes noted in blue text, links in red text)

Plan Name: **COVID-19 Response**

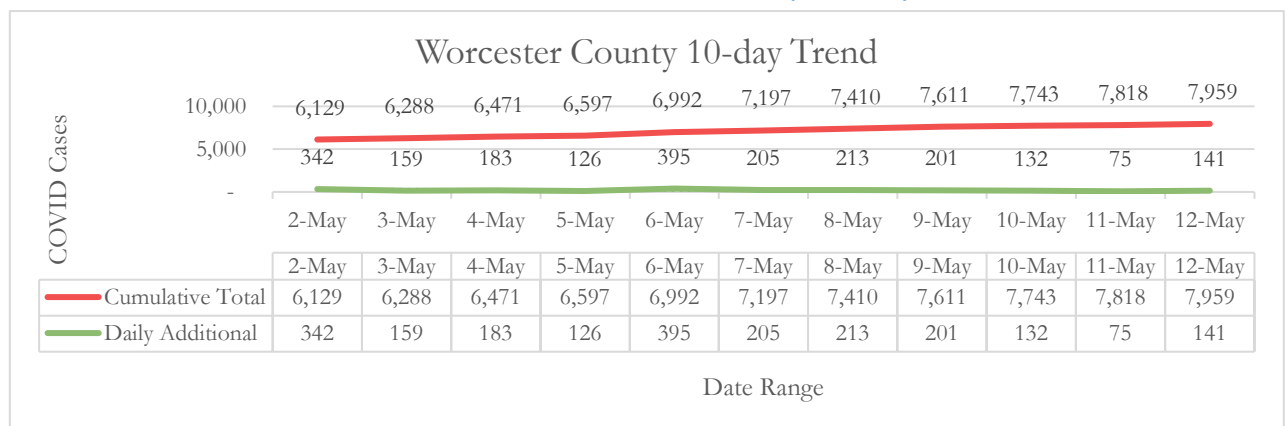
Current News / Situation

- Templeton is in a state of emergency (16 MAR 2020); The Town Administrator (also the Incident Commander IC) has extended the closure of town offices until May 18th.
- Deputy Incident Commander: awaiting guidance on when/how to conduct ATM from Lt. Governor (Karen Polito); [Next MMA Zoom is 20 May](#); as of 8 May Daily Status Reports will revert to a twice-a-week publication to mirror ICS-staff meetings and input (Wed & Fri); TA and DPW are formulating a plan (Short Term and Permanent) to protect employees and visitors once Town offices re-open to the public
- The Baker-Polito Administration announced a four-phase approach to reopening the Massachusetts economy amidst the COVID-19 pandemic, and published Mandatory Workplace Safety Standards that will apply across all sectors and industries once reopening begins. The goal of the phased reopening, based on public health guidance, is to methodically allow certain businesses, services, and activities to resume, while protecting public health and limiting a resurgence of new COVID-19 cases.
 - Phase 1 will be "Start:" limited industries resume operations with severe restrictions
 - Phase 2 will be "Cautious:" additional industries resume operations with restrictions and capacity limits
 - Phase 3 will be "Vigilant:" additional industries resume operations with guidance
 - Phase 4 will be the "New Normal:" development of vaccine and/or therapy enables resumption of new normal
- 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.

COVID-19 Statistics

MA DPH COVID-19 related statistics; [New Dashboard! \(12 May\)](#)
[MA by-town list \(as of 6 May\) *updates 4pm on Wednesdays](#)

- National Cases: 1,342,516 (+25,253▼) *Rates are from CDC and MDPH.
- MA State Cases: 79,332 (+870▼)
- Worcester County Cases: 7,959 (+141►)



Intelligence Officer: Numbers across the chart are showing less cases in general. However, we are still Mondays are low number gradually increasing throughout the week, Saturday and Sundays declining again. Worcester county is still showing an incline in cases. We are #7 in counties within MA for rate of confirmed cases. With May 6th a high of 395 positive cases. Churches and golf courses are defying governors' orders for nonessential businesses to stay closed till May 18. More news about upset citizens protesting wearing of masks and business closures.

Templeton Specific Statistics: (as of 12 May)

The following numbers are real time from reports received from the Massachusetts Virtual Epidemiologic Network (MAVEN) and tracked in the Board of Health office.

Active cases:	15
Cases attributed to BNH (Alliance Health)	3 (asymptomatic)
Cases attributed to Templeton residents	12
Previous cases:	
Recovered	102
Total deaths including (BNH)	17

(all numbers as of 12 May 2020, updates on Tuesdays)

Baldwinville Nursing Home continues to improve every day! All staff at the facility are being tested through the 25th of May with the help of the National Guard. Recent staff results were all negative. Thank you to all who are wearing masks in public settings, we can't do this without your help! Please continue to follow protocols (i.e. handwashing, hand sanitizer, clean frequently touched surfaces and wear a face covering when going into public settings).

**Town
Offices and
Partner
Status:**

Town Hall: closed until 18 May; use the website for transactions; BoS moved 4th Quarter tax due date to June 1st, [Annual Town Meeting moved to June 3rd](#) (Target is 17 June pending decision by Moderator); Town Election to June 22nd; next BoS business meeting 27 May

Board of Health: continual close coordination with Allied Health (Baldwinville Nursing); numbers updated 12 May; [Per the order of the Governor of MA and the Local Board of Health](#)

Face coverings are required at all times when:

- Inside or waiting in line outside of grocery stores, pharmacies, **and other retail stores**
- Providing or using the services of any taxi, car, livery, ride-sharing, or similar service
- On any form of public transit, including trains and buses
- In enclosed or semi-enclosed transit stop or waiting areas

Per COVID-19 order number 31, violations of the masking order shall be punished in the following manner: (a) the first offense shall result in a warning and (b) the second offense may result in a civil citation and fine of \$50, and up to \$300 for subsequent offenses. Templeton Police have been authorized by the Board of Health to assist the health agent.

- For more information, please go to <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-updates-and-information>.



- For more information on how to make masks please go to: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/downloads/DIY-cloth-face-covering-instructions.pdf>

NRSD Facilities: closed for school session for remainder of academic year; Central Office (978) 939-5661; <https://www.nrsd.org/district/resources-for-parents>;

	<p>Senior Center/COA: closed; minimally staffed;</p> <p>Food Pantry: open Tuesday 9-12am, Thursday 12-3pm and 5-7pm, Saturday 12-3pm; the American Legion will be hosting a veteran's food event May 16th, registration required click here</p> <p>Emergency Services: vestibules only; sign up for CodeRed on town website or text "templetonma" to 99411 or call (866) 939-0911; phone outreach continues on Wed; 187 volunteer hours logged</p> <p>DPW: full operations; office closed to public; cemeteries are closed, limited burials will be allowed with strict measures (<10 people) click here for memo; playgrounds closed; DPW will begin measuring/installing clear barriers as safety enhancements for offices when open to public interaction</p> <p>TCTV: Cable Station 8, YouTube Channel;</p> <p>Recreation: Rec Comm voted to cancel the spring Templeton Youth Softball season and Summer Camp Playground for 2020; Learn to Swim is still in planning</p>
Citizen Resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Let's assess your risk for coronavirus(click me) ... a symptom/risk check tool from MA DPH • 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 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>