

Dear Shutesbury Residents:

The week's data:

Known cases of Covid-19 currently in isolation: 5

Total known cases with onset in the two-week period 8/18 – 8/32/22: 7

If you test positive for the virus, please inform us at publichealth@shutesbury.org. Please include the date of onset of symptoms, if any. If you have no symptoms, please include the date of the test.

Community level in Franklin County: medium

In Hampshire County: low

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/>

According to the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, “Updated COVID-19 vaccine boosters were recommended by the CDC on September 1, 2022, and will be available in Massachusetts starting the week of September 5.”

[CDC Recommends the First Updated COVID-19 Booster](#)

No doubt you've heard that this booster was formulated expressly for the omicron variant that is now at large; it is hoped that significant vaccine uptake will head off a major surge this fall and winter. For all individuals over 12 years of age, only the new booster will now be available.

You can find and schedule a vaccination now at <https://vaxfinder.mass.gov/>

The Shutesbury Board of Health