



Nov. 19, 2020 update
Massachusetts COVID-19 map as of Nov. 19, 2020

MDPH is no longer issuing the Risk Map color-coded by town but WCVB TV is producing a similar weekly map using MDPH data shown above. See link to map below.

<https://www.wcvb.com/article/massachusetts-coronavirus-covid-19-community-spread-risk-map-color-coded/33646711>

Data source: <https://www.mass.gov/doc/weekly-covid-19-public-health-report-november-19-2020/download>

New MDPH metric for color coding of Risk Level

Group	Population		
	Under 10K	10K-50K	Over 50K
Grey	Less than or equal to 10 total cases	Less than or equal to 10 total cases	Less than or equal to 15 total cases
Green	Less than or equal to 15 total cases	<10 avg cases/100k AND >10 total cases	<10 avg cases/100k AND >15 total cases
Yellow	Less than or equal to 25 total cases	≥10 avg cases/100k OR ≥5% pos rate	≥10 avg cases/100k OR ≥ 4% pos rate
Red	More than 25 total cases	≥10 avg cases/100k AND ≥5% pos rate	≥10 avg cases/100k AND ≥4% pos rate

New risk metrics better account for differences in population in different towns. In the previous metric, a small increase in the number of cases in smaller towns quickly elevated that town to a yellow or red status. The new metric also accounts for test positivity rate in the Yellow and Red and categories. The new metric aligns more closely with how other jurisdictions are assigning risk category.