CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)
Situational Update
December 22, 2021
New data from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention indicates that the Omicron variant is now the dominant strain in the United States, accounting for 73% of new cases.
# COVID-19 METRICS

## COVID-19 Key Metrics Summary Table
Data through December 20, 2021

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<th>Weekly Case Rate per 100,000 population</th>
<th>Daily Case Rate per 100,000 population</th>
<th>Hospitalization % of COVID-19 Cases</th>
<th>Contact Attempts among &quot;high risk&quot; cases</th>
<th>Interviews among &quot;high risk&quot; cases</th>
<th>Fully Vaccinated DC residents</th>
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<td><strong>Recent Value</strong></td>
<td>866.8</td>
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<td><strong>One Month Prior</strong></td>
<td>96.0</td>
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COVID-19 METRICS: POSITIVE CASES BY AGE

Symptom onset dates between 11/27 and 12/3

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**Age** | **OCTO NEW** | **Total Number** | **% of Total cases**
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0-4 | 74 | 6.10% 
5-11 | 179 | 14.76% 
12-19 | 120 | 9.89% 
20-24 | 144 | 11.87% 
25-34 | 306 | 25.23% 
35-44 | 156 | 12.86% 
45-54 | 97 | 8.00% 
55-64 | 75 | 6.18% 
65-74 | 38 | 3.13% 
75+ | 24 | 1.98% 
Grand Total | 1,213 | 100.00%
Nationally, unvaccinated people are **five times more likely** to get infected with COVID-19 than fully vaccinated people.
Nationally, hospitalization rates for unvaccinated adults are 8 times higher than fully vaccinated adults.
Nationally, unvaccinated people are 14 times more likely to die of COVID-19 than fully vaccinated people.
BOOSTERS ARE BEST

RECENT CDC DATA:

Fully vaccinated people with boosters

less likely than unvaccinated people to get infected with COVID-19.

10 TIMES

Fully vaccinated people with boosters

less likely to get infected with COVID-19 than fully vaccinated people without boosters, and 4 times less likely to die from COVID-19.

2.5 TIMES

Fully vaccinated people with boosters

less likely than unvaccinated people to die from COVID-19.

20 TIMES
GET VACCINATED AND BOOSTED

THE DATA IS CLEAR:

FULLY VACCINATED PEOPLE WHO ARE BOOSTED HAVE THE BEST PROTECTION AGAINST COVID-19.

Many people, both vaccinated and unvaccinated, will get COVID-19 in the coming days and weeks. Fully vaccinated people are likely to have no symptoms or mild symptoms. Fully vaccinated people with boosters are the safest.
DC RESIDENTS FULLY VACCINATED BY AGE

Fully Vaccinated Coverage (%) by Age Group - DC Residents*

*Includes DC residents who were vaccinated within DC and outside DC, and by Federal Entity.
Residents 65+ will be able to move to the front of the line at DC vaccination sites.
### COVID-19 ACTION PLAN

#### STATE OF EMERGENCY 2022 WINTER SURGE

1. Expanding testing
2. Reinstating the indoor mask mandate
3. Instituting DC Government vaccine mandate, to include boosters
4. COVID-19 Testing & Vaccination Centers
5. DCPS Winter Break return, distribution of rapid tests
6. Do Your Part

[CORONAVIRUS.DC.GOV](https://www.coronavirus.dc.gov)
DC Health has ordered an additional 5 million rapid antigen tests, for a total of 6 million ordered.

Currently, DC Health has 260,000 rapid tests on hand:

- 100,000 to schools
- 30,000 to childcare centers
- 50,000 to high-risk congregate settings

The rest to be distributed to residents through Test Yourself Express
Mayor Bowser is requesting the DC National Guard to assist with operations and logistics support.

Thank you to all the residents who answered our call to volunteer.
MODIFIED OPERATIONS AT SENIOR CENTERS

Many programs and events at senior sites are temporarily transitioning to virtual programming.

Seniors should call ahead or check online before attending a program or event to find out if it is now virtual.
#7: CITYWIDE VACCINE REQUIREMENT
Beginning Saturday, January 15, 2022, at 6:00 a.m. certain establishments will be required to verify that patrons ages 12 and older have received at least one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine.
Enforcement of the vaccine requirements will begin on January 15, 2022.
Covered Locations

Proof of vaccination will be required at:

- Restaurants, bars, nightclubs
- Indoor cultural and entertainment facilities
- Indoor exercise and recreational establishments
- Indoor event and meeting establishments

Exceptions will be carved out for instances when a person is only briefly entering an establishment, e.g., to use a restroom or pick up an order.
ACCEPTED TYPES OF PROOF OF VACCINE

ACCEPTABLE TYPES OF PROOF OF VACCINATION WILL INCLUDE:

- CDC issued vaccination card: original or photocopy or photo
- Immunization record print out from the patient portal of their vaccine/healthcare provider
- A COVID-19 Verification App such as VaxYes or CLEAR
More information, including signage for businesses, can be found at VAXDC.DC.GOV
This month, the DC Council passed the Coronavirus Immunization of School Students and Early Childhood Workers Regulation Emergency Amendment Act of 2021.

Beginning March 1, 2022, all students eligible for a COVID-19 vaccine that has been fully approved by the FDA must be immunized against COVID-19.

- Applies to DCPS, charter, and independent, private, and parochial school students.

Students have 70 days from date of eligibility to get their vaccination.

The legislation also requires that licensed child care facilities must keep records of staff COVID-19 immunization.

Enforcement will begin in School Year 2022-2023.
CELEBRATE SAFELY

HOLIDAY GATHERINGS

- Outdoor activities are safer than indoor activities.
  - Avoid crowded indoor and outdoor settings.
- Wear a mask
- Avoid events held in poorly ventilated indoor spaces.

- Choose less busy times to attend holiday activities.
- Choose to attend (or host) small gatherings instead of large gatherings.

Use testing to know your status and the status of people around you.