



COVID-19 UPDATE WALLINGFORD HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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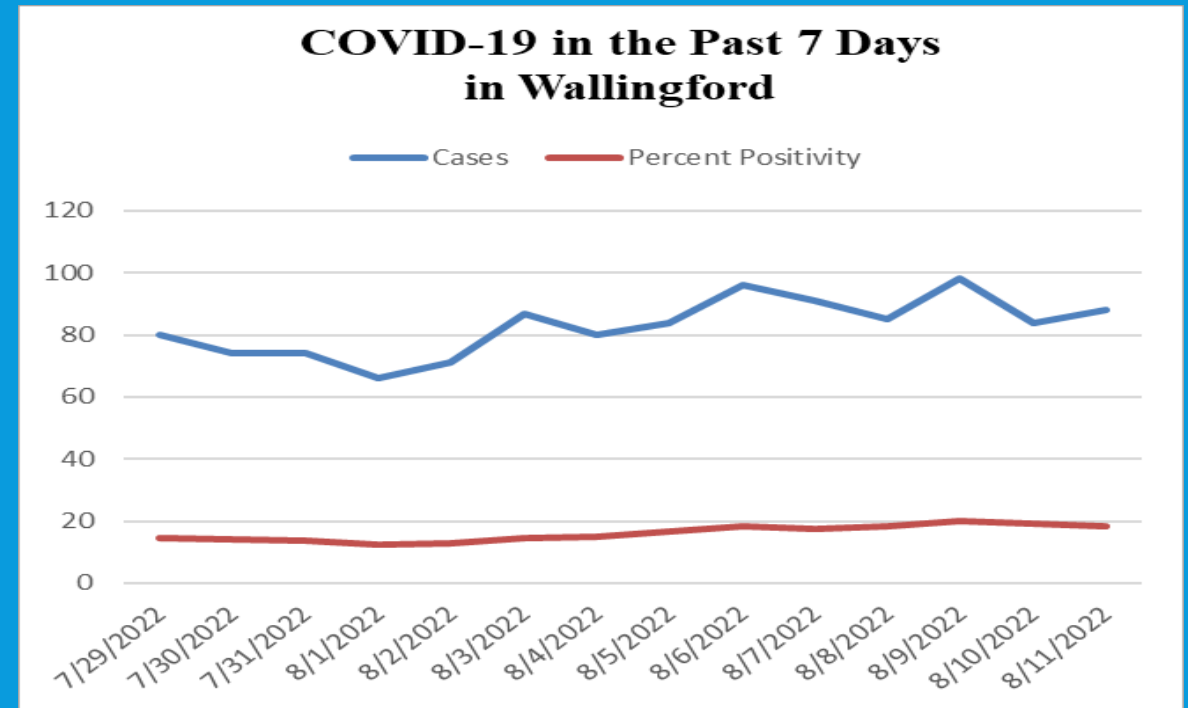
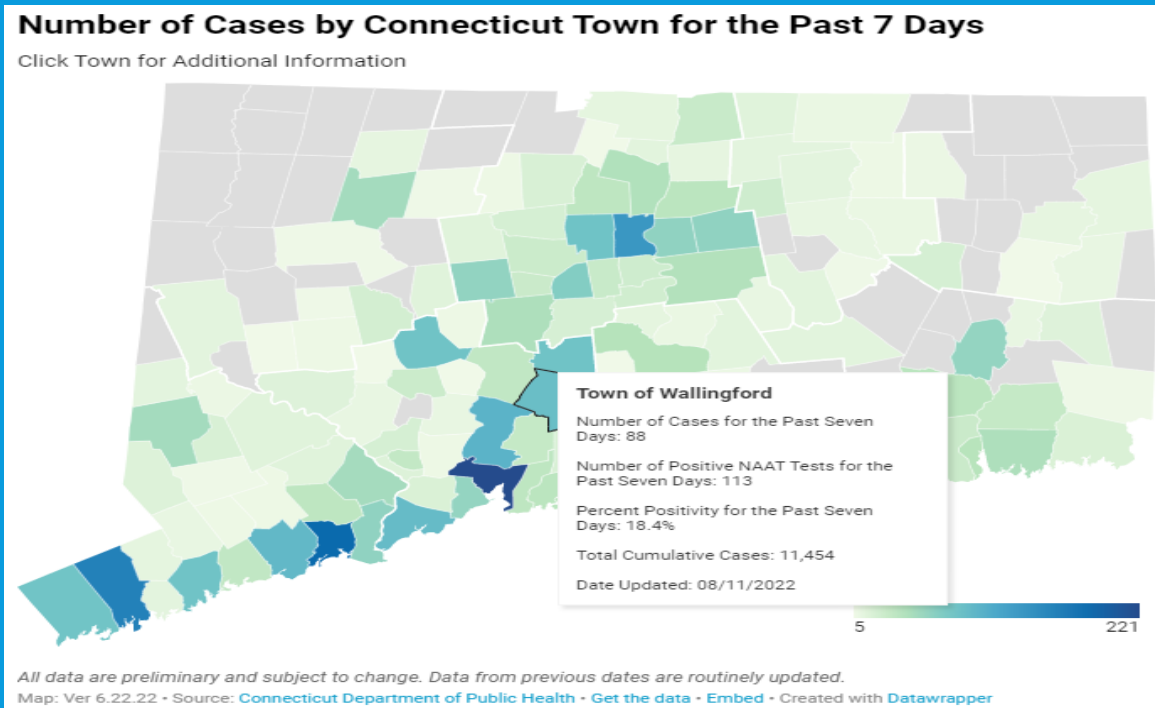
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WEEKLY CONFIRMED CASE TOTALS

The week of August 5th to August 11th, 2022, Wallingford had 88 confirmed cases of COVID-19, and the percent positivity for the past seven days is 18.4%.

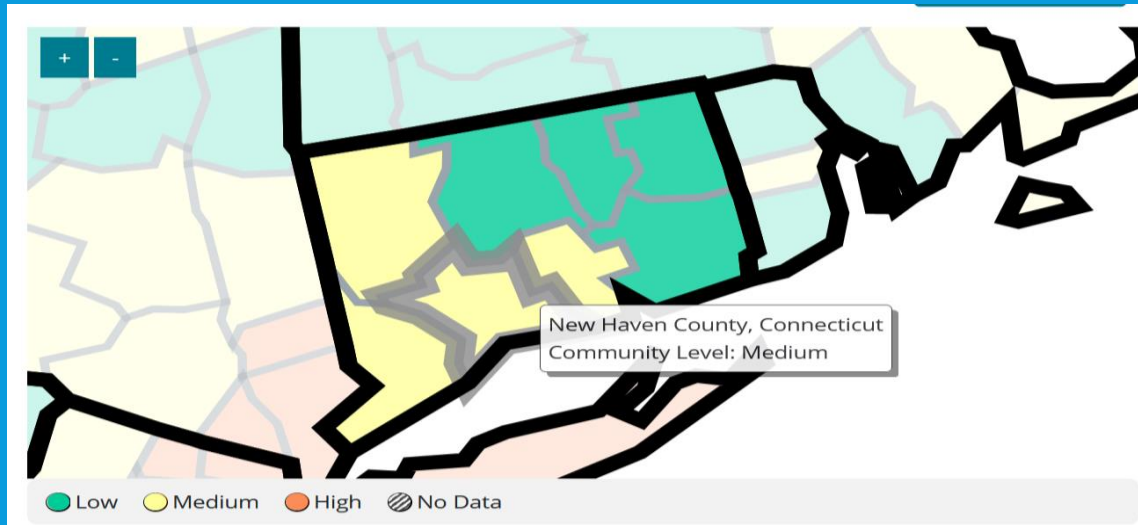
No Fatalities in CT Surveillance System recorded in Wallingford since June 22nd.





COMMUNITY LEVEL NEW HAVEN COUNTY

COVID-19 Community Levels help communities decide which prevention actions to take based on the latest information. Using these data, communities are classified as low, medium, or high. For each level, CDC recommends actions you can take to help you protect yourself and others from severe impacts of COVID-19.



COVID-19 County Check

Find community levels and prevention steps by county. Data updated weekly.

Select a Location (all fields required)

Connecticut

New Haven County

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● Medium

In **New Haven County, Connecticut**, community level is **Medium**.

- If you are at high risk for severe illness, talk to your healthcare provider about whether you need to wear a mask and take other precautions
- Stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccines
- Get tested if you have symptoms

People may choose to mask at any time. People with symptoms, a positive test, or exposure to someone with COVID-19 should wear a mask.

If you are immunocompromised, learn more about how to protect yourself.

Find out more about the COVID-19 situation in **New Haven County, Connecticut** with COVID-19 Data Tracker.



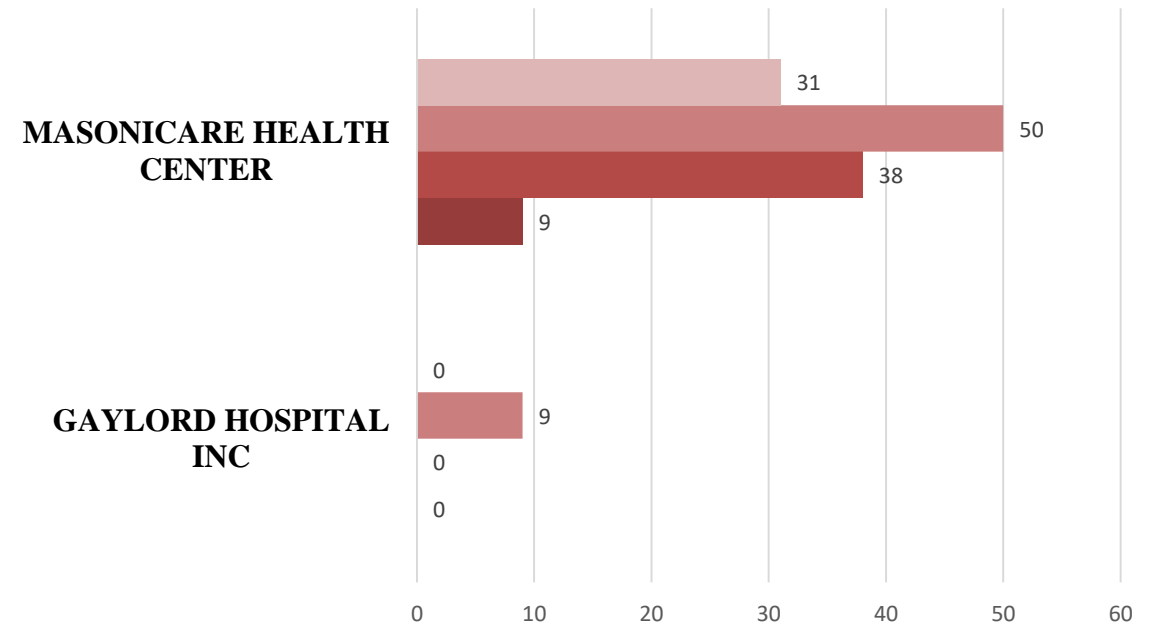
COVID-19 HOSPITALIZATIONS AT WALLINGFORD HOSPITALS

During the week of July 22nd to July 28th, the Masonicare Health Center had 9 adult patients hospitalized, and the Gaylord Hospital had zero adult patients hospitalized.

Both had no adult patients in the ICU, and no pediatric patients hospitalized during this week.

COVID-19 Hospitalizations at Wallingford Hospitals

■ Week 07/01 - 07/07 ■ Week 07/08 - 07/14
■ Week 07/15 - 07/21 ■ Week 07/22 - 07/28





COVID-19 IN CONNECTICUT

As of August 10th, 2022, the total of laboratory-confirmed and probable COVID-19 cases reported among Connecticut residents is 863,132; 4,029 have been reported in the past 7 days. Three hundred twenty-five patients are currently hospitalized with laboratory-confirmed COVID-19; of these, 115 (35.38%) are not fully vaccinated. The positivity rate in Connecticut is 12.07%.

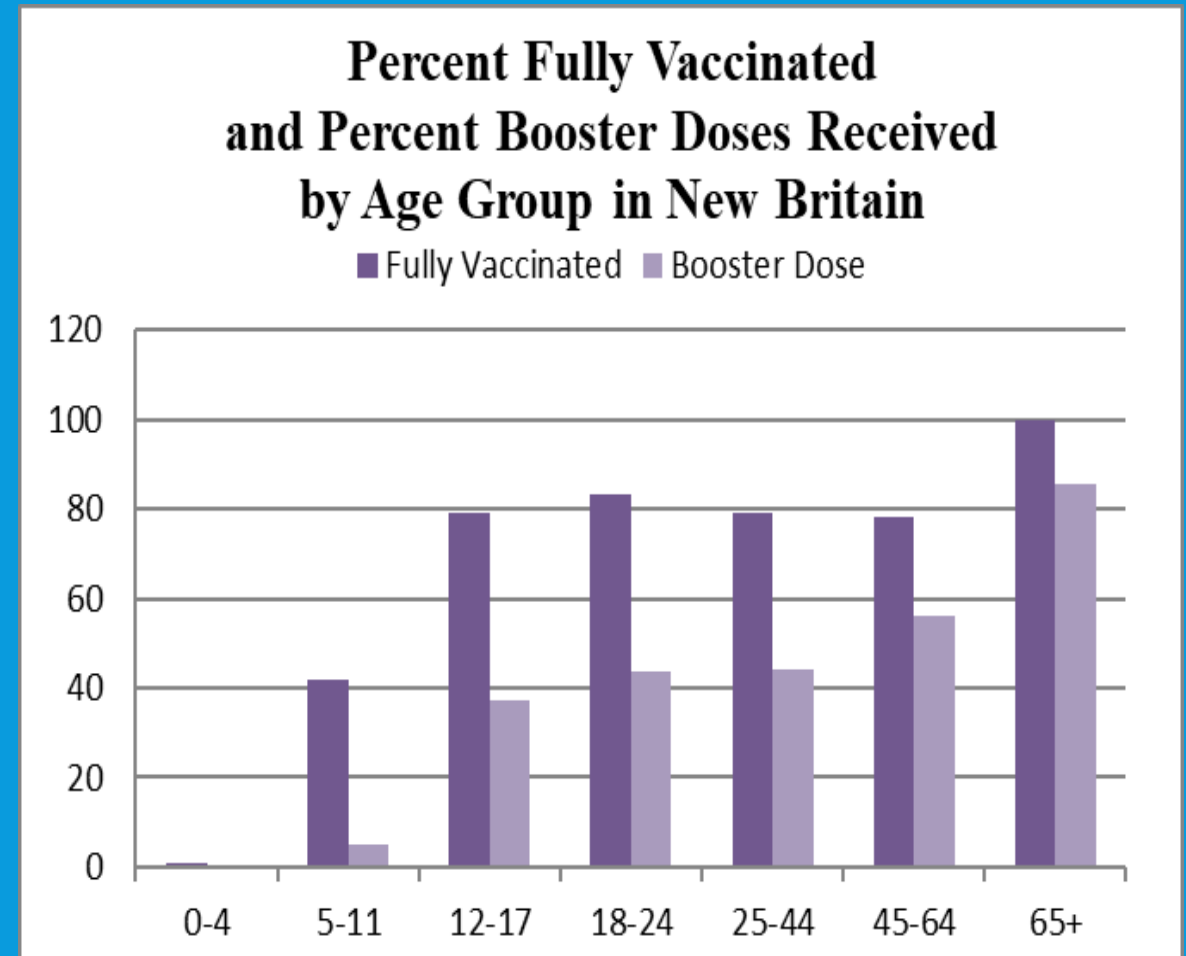
Overall Summary	Cumulative (except for hospital census)	Past 7 days*
Positive PCR/NAAT Tests	937,458	4,849
All PCR/NAAT Tests	15,130,054	40,165
Test Positivity (pos/all PCR/NAAT)		12.07%
Patients currently hospitalized with COVID-19	325	-27
COVID-19-Associated Deaths	11,164	+34



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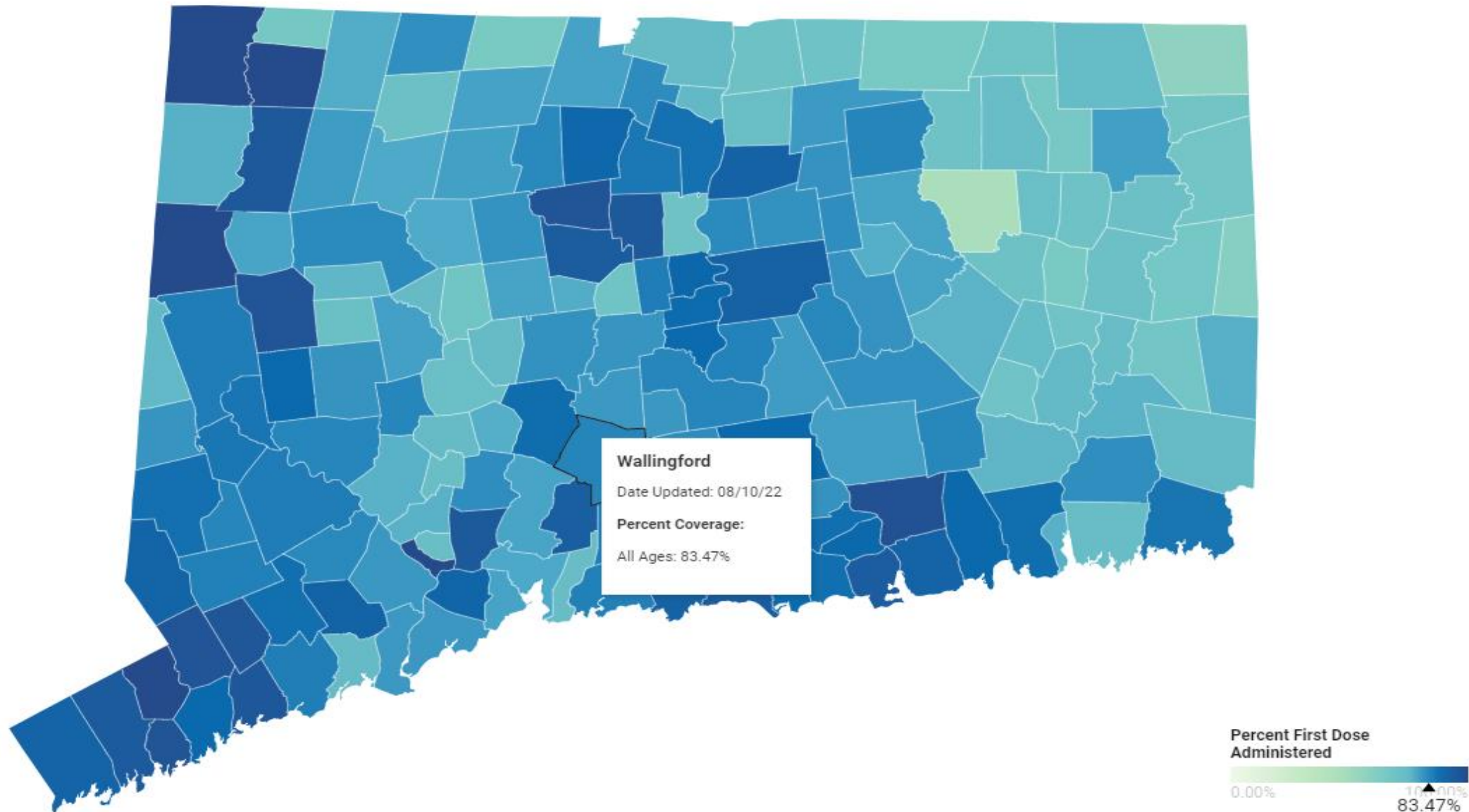
As of August 10th, 2022, 78.47% of Wallingford residents are fully vaccinated, 64.54% are up to date with COVID-19 vaccines, 50.65% have received a booster dose, and 83.47% have received at least one dose of a COVID-19 vaccine.

The age group with the highest percent of fully vaccinated individuals is 65 and older (100%), followed by 18-24 (83.25%), 25-44 (79.02%), 12-17 (78.90%), 45-64 (78.08%), 5-11 (41.89%), and 0-4 (1.13%).



Cumulative Percent of Population All Ages Who Have at Least One Dose of COVID-19 Vaccination by Town

As reported to the CT Immunization Registry (CT WIZ)



Data are preliminary and are subject to change

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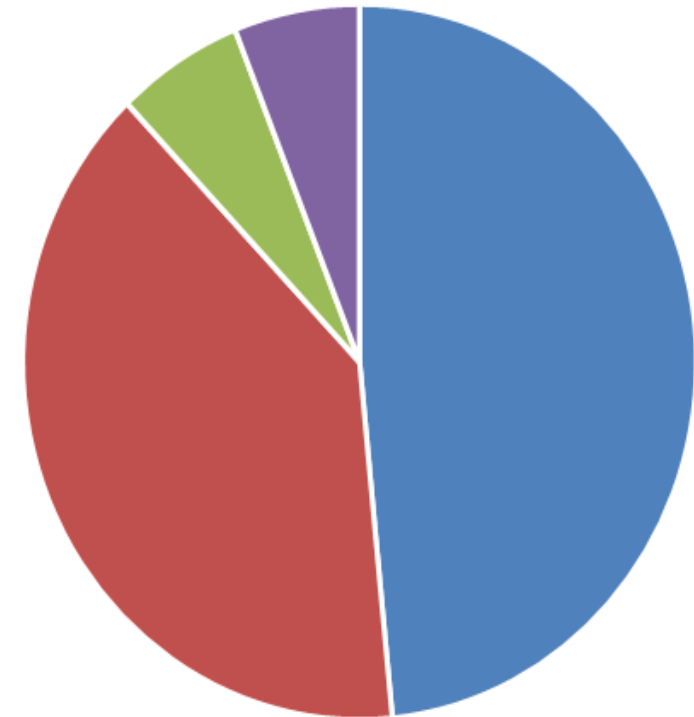


COVID-19 HOSPITALIZATIONS AT WALLINGFORD HOSPITALS

As of August 10th, 2022, 41,332 valid specimen of SARS-CoV-2 sequences were reported to CT DPH. Specimen collections were between 01/12/2021 and 08/01/2022. Omicron is considered a variant of concern, representing 48.45%, being followed by variants that are being monitored, Delta (39.41%), Alpha (6.11%), and others (6.03%).

At the moment, the omicron sublineage of most concern is BA.5, which represents 81.6% of the omicron specimen as of July 30th, followed by BA.4 (12.7%), and BA.2.12.1 (5.1%).

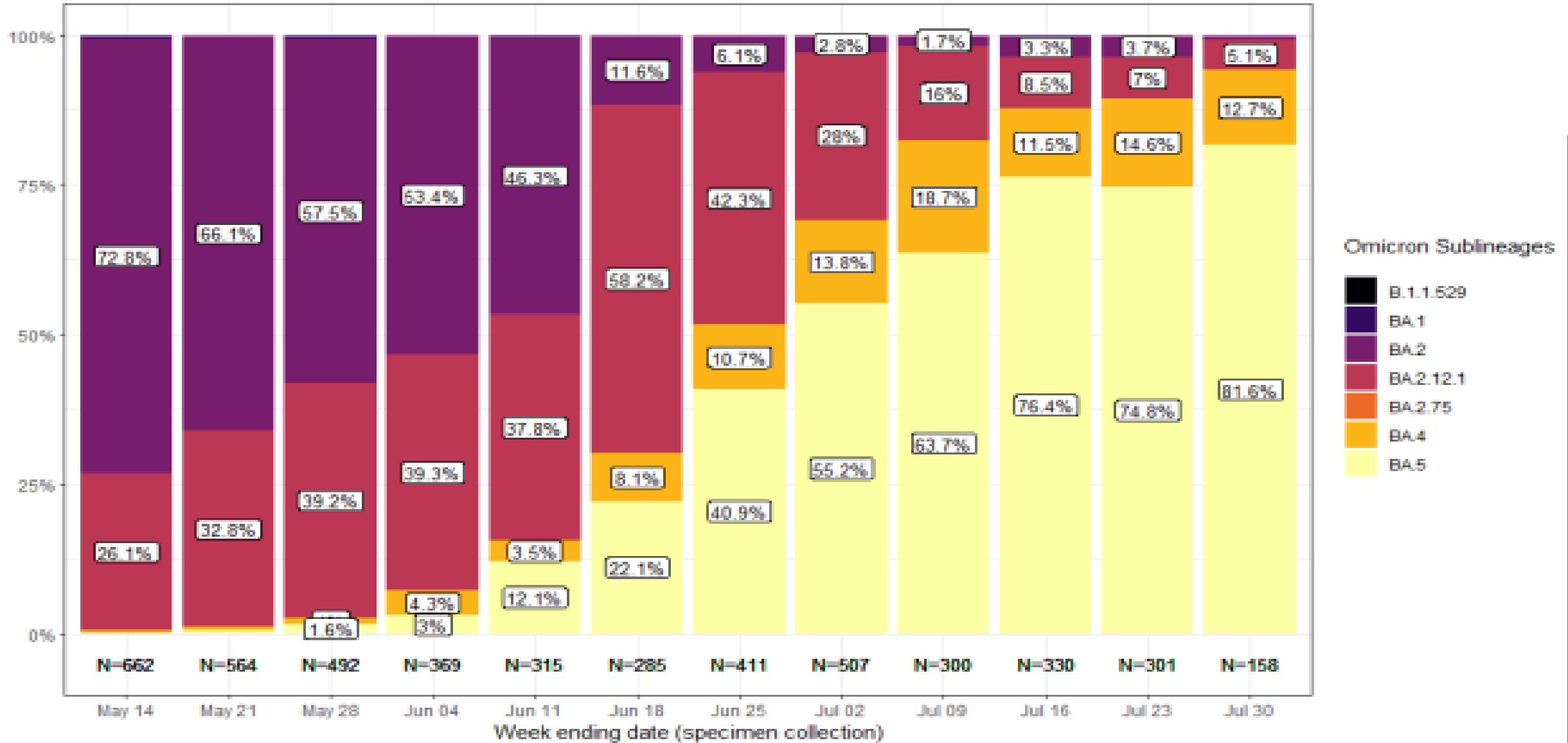
Variants in Connecticut as of 08/10/2022



■ Omicron ■ Delta ■ Alpha ■ Others

Proportion of Circulating Omicron Sublineages, CT

Of known lineages



N = total number of viruses sequenced



UPCOMING CLINICS

There are currently no upcoming clinics provided by the Wallingford Health Department at the moment.

We will continue to offer vaccination to homebound individuals as needed.

Find a COVID-19 vaccine near you: <https://www.vaccines.gov/>



COVID-19 VACCINE CLINIC

The Connecticut Department of Public Health (CT DPH) is organizing a COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic with the Yellow Van in Wallingford on **Thursday, August 18th**, for all eligible ages (6 months and older) at the:

Wallingford Public Library, 200 North Main Street

Hours: 4:00PM to 7:00PM

Setting: Indoor

- ✓ No appointment is needed
- ✓ Wait times are variable
- ✓ Vaccines are free to all eligible individuals (6 months and older)
 - ✓ No insurance or identification are required
 - ✓ Bring your COVID-19 vaccine card for boosters

Source: https://portal.ct.gov/vaccine-portal/DPH-van-clinics?language=en_US



FREE COVID-19 TESTING SITES

(NO APPOINTMENT IS REQUIRED FOR THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS)

Meriden

Location: Parking Lot of
[13 Orange St, Meriden, CT 06451](#)

Regular Hours:

Thursday, 3pm - 6pm

Saturday, 9am - 12pm

Middletown

Location: Cross Street AME Zion Church,
[440 West St, Middletown, CT 06457](#)

Regular Hours:

Tuesday, 3pm - 6pm

Saturday, 1pm - 4pm

*For additional testing locations please visit:

<https://portal.ct.gov/Coronavirus/Covid-19-Knowledge-Base/State-Supported-COVID-Testing-Sites>



GET FREE AT-HOME COVID-19 TESTS

Every home in the U.S. is eligible to order a 3rd round of free at-home tests.

Order yours today at the USPS website.

Need help placing an order for your at-home tests?

Call 1-800-232-0233 (TTY 1-888-720-7489).

Source: <https://www.covid.gov/tests>



FDA APPROVAL

- As of August 23rd 2021, COVID-19 Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine was fully approved by the FDA.
- As of January 31st 2022, COVID-19 Moderna vaccine was fully approved by the FDA.
- As of May 5th 2022, the FDA has decided to limit the use the Janssen (Johnson & Johnson) COVID-19 vaccine. It has not yet received FDA's approval. For more information regarding the status of the Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 vaccine, please, visit: <https://www.fda.gov/news-events/press-announcements/coronavirus-covid-19-update-fda-limits-use-janssen-covid-19-vaccine-certain-individuals>
- As of July 13th 2022, FDA Authorizes Emergency Use of Novavax COVID-19 Vaccine as primary series for individuals 18 years and older. Source: <https://www.fda.gov/news-events/press-announcements/coronavirus-covid-19-update-fda-authorizes-emergency-use-novavax-covid-19-vaccine-adjuvanted>



COVID-19 VACCINES

- Adults ages 18 years and older¹

- *Pfizer-BioNTech*: 2 doses and 1 booster at least 5 months after last dose
- *Moderna*: 2 doses and 1 booster at least 5 months after last dose
- *Johnson & Johnson's Janssen*: 1 dose and 1 booster at least 2 months after last dose
- *Novavax*: 2 doses (Not authorized for use as a booster at this time, only primary series)

¹ Adults ages 50 years and older are eligible for a 2nd booster 4 months after the 1st booster

- Children and teens ages 12 – 17 years

- *Pfizer-BioNTech*: 2 doses and 1 booster at least 5 months after last dose
- *Moderna*: 2 doses (Boosters are not recommended at this time for any children or teens who have completed the Moderna COVID-19 primary series)

- Children ages 11 years and under

- *Pfizer-BioNTech*: 5 – 11 years: 2 doses and 1 booster at least 5 months after last dose
6 months – 4 years: 2 doses (Boosters are not recommended for anyone in this age group at this time)
- *Moderna*: 2 doses (Boosters are not recommended at this time for any children or teens who have completed the Moderna COVID-19 primary series)

**** If you are moderately or severely immunocompromised talk to your healthcare provider about when to get your booster**



TRAVEL ADVISORY

Mandates and requirements regarding travel are no longer in effect in CT as of March 19, 2021. However, residents and visitors to Connecticut are strongly urged to follow travel-related guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the CT Department of Public Health (CT DPH).

Travelers should review [CDC's travel guidance](#) when planning travel outside of their local community.

Do not travel if you are sick or are considered infectious after testing positive for Covid-19 or should be quarantining after exposure to a person with covid-19. Also do not travel if you are waiting for your Covid-19 test result.



MASK MANDATE

As of February 28th, 2022, all statewide mask mandates have been lifted.

Know the Community Level in the New Haven County!

Every week, the CDC updates the community level of our county to help our community decide what prevention steps residents should take.

If the community level in New Haven is high, a well-fitting mask or respirator is recommended indoor in public. But people may choose to wear a mask at anytime.



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

For more information on COVID-19, call the CT COVID-19 2-1-1 hotline.

The [CT Virtual Assistant](#) and 2-1-1 info hotline are available 24-hours a day, 7 days a week. Other languages are available.

These services are for general questions about COVID-19.

**If you're experiencing symptoms, contact your medical provider.