



# COVID-19 UPDATE WALLINGFORD HEALTH DEPARTMENT

October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022

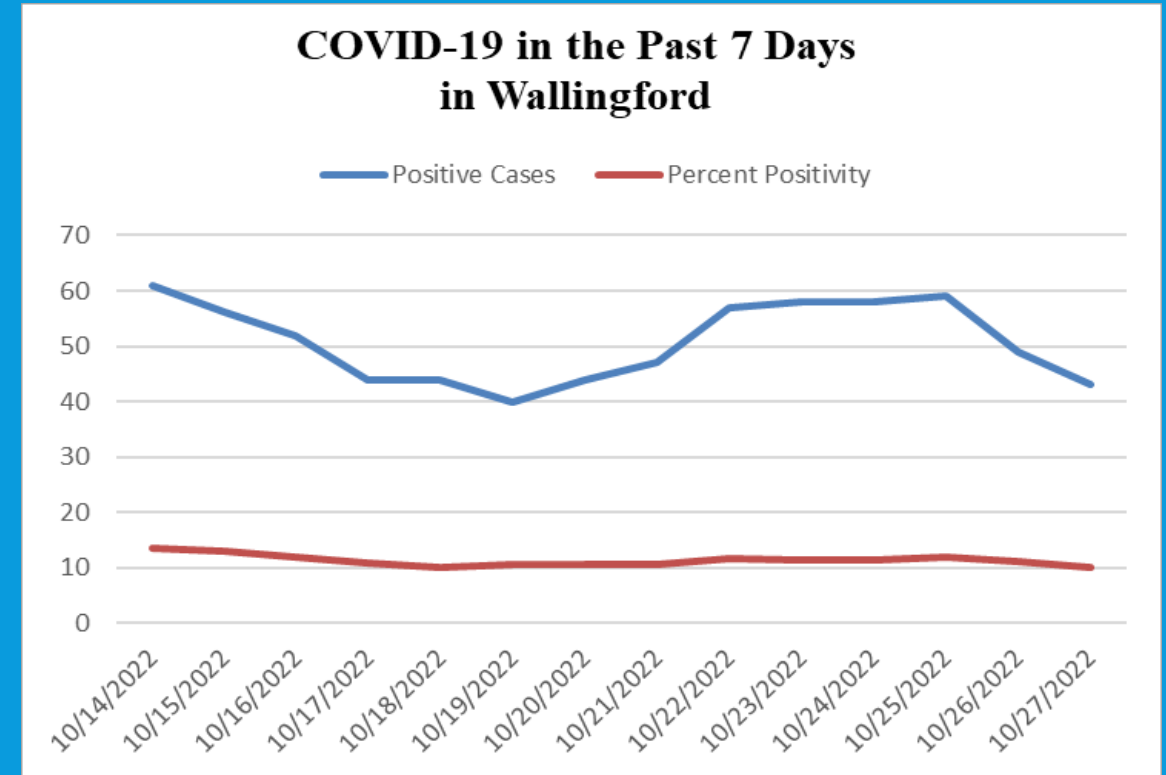
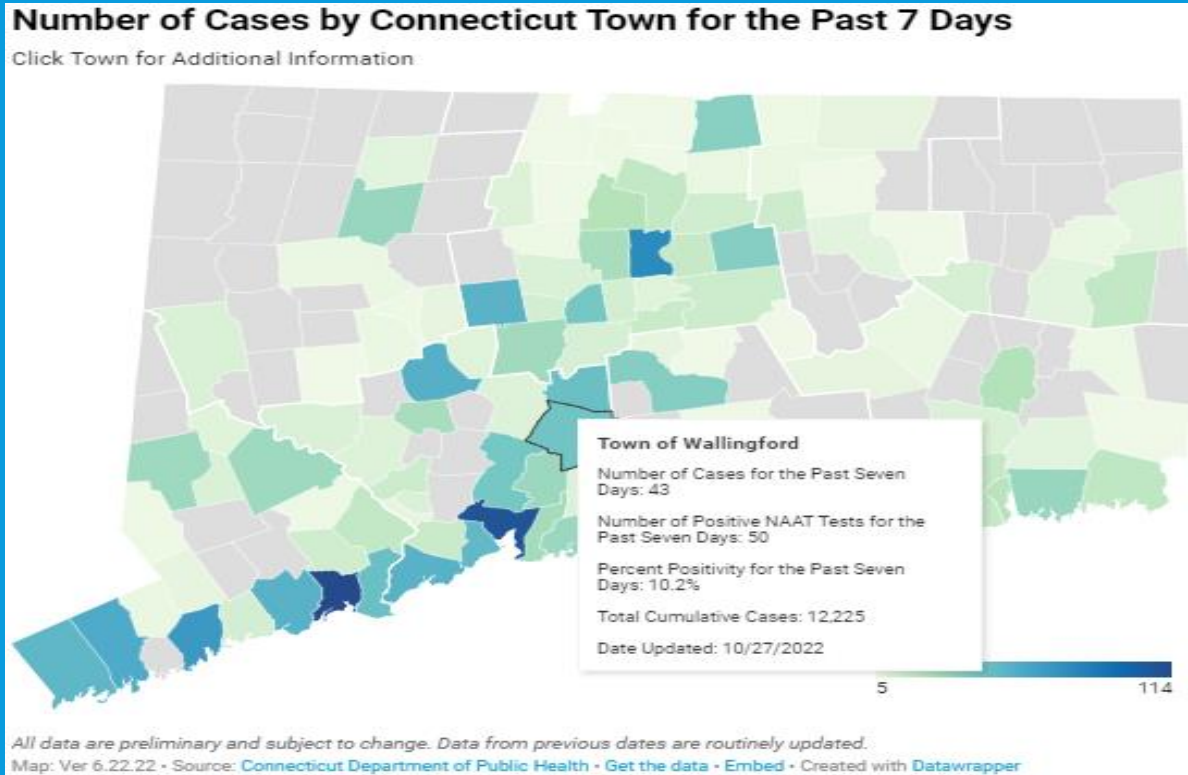
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# WEEKLY CONFIRMED CASE TOTALS

As of October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022, in Wallingford, for the past 7 days, there were 43 confirmed cases of COVID-19, and the percent positivity (NAAT) for the past 7 days is 10.2%.





# COVID-19 DEATHS IN WALLINGFORD

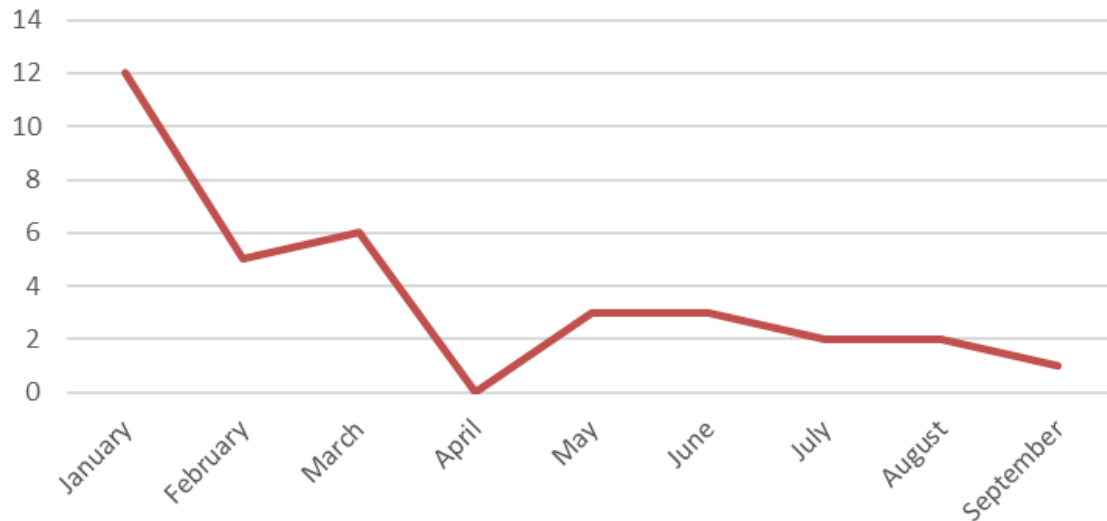
As of October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022, Wallingford has recorded 222\* fatalities due to COVID-19 since March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020.

In 2022, a total of 33 fatalities were recorded. In 2021, 59, and in 2020, 130.

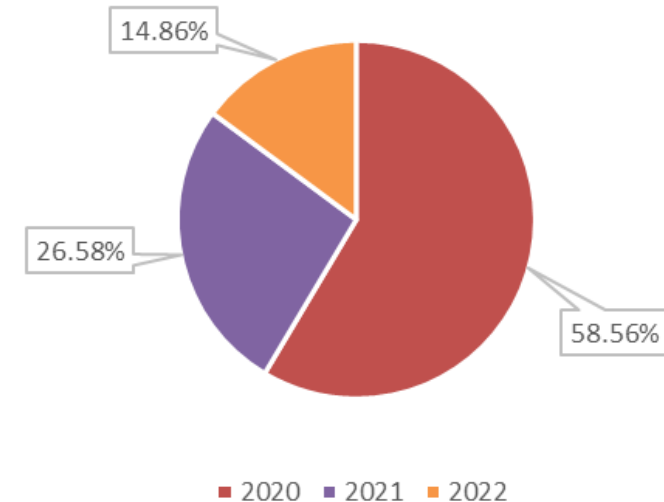
No deaths recorded since September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

\*On October 15<sup>th</sup>, DPH updated the number of cumulative deaths from 223 to 222. Possibly a duplicated person.

**Total of COVID-19 Deaths  
in 2022 in Wallingford**



**Total of COVID-19 Deaths since  
March 3rd, 2020 in Wallingford**

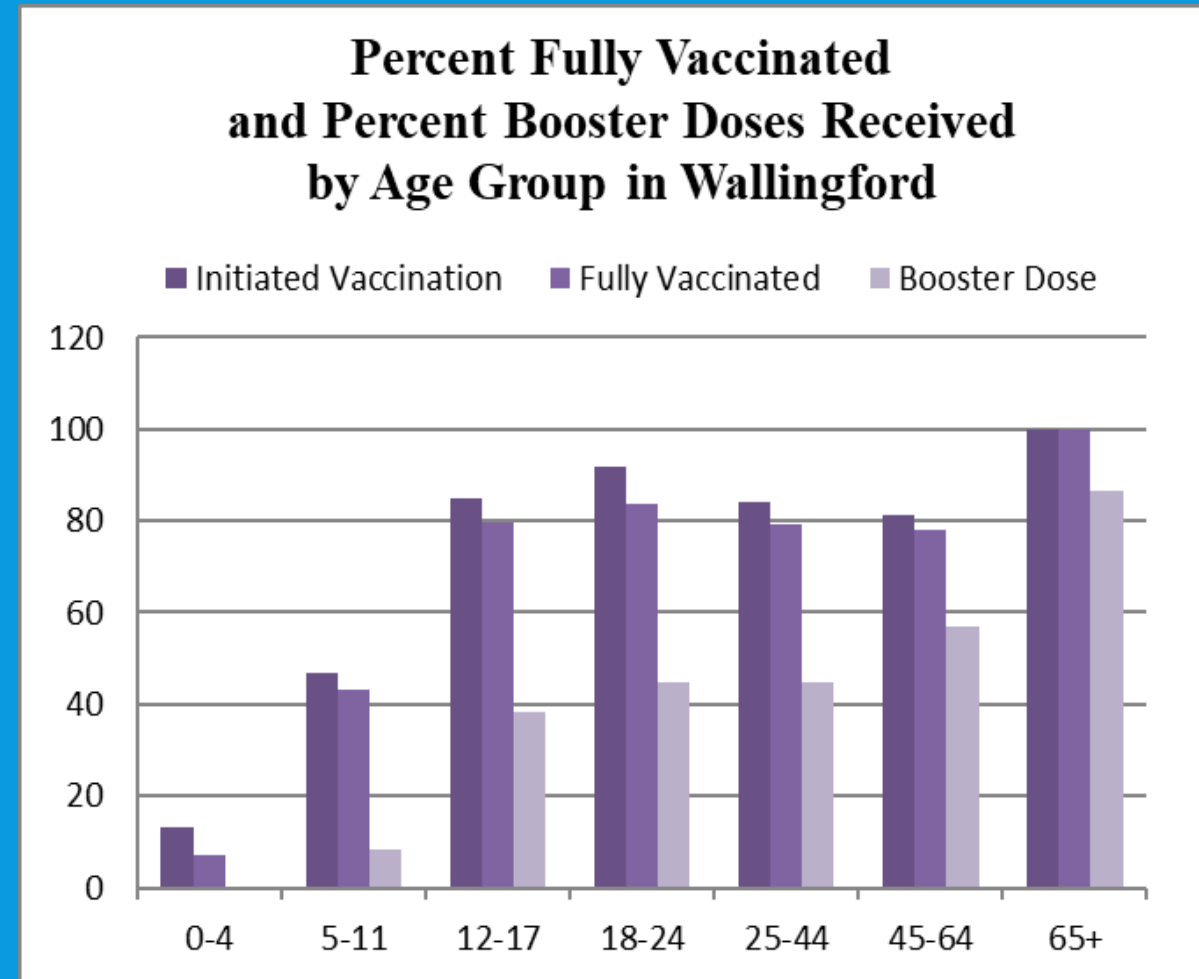




# COVID-19 VACCINATIONS IN WALLINGFORD

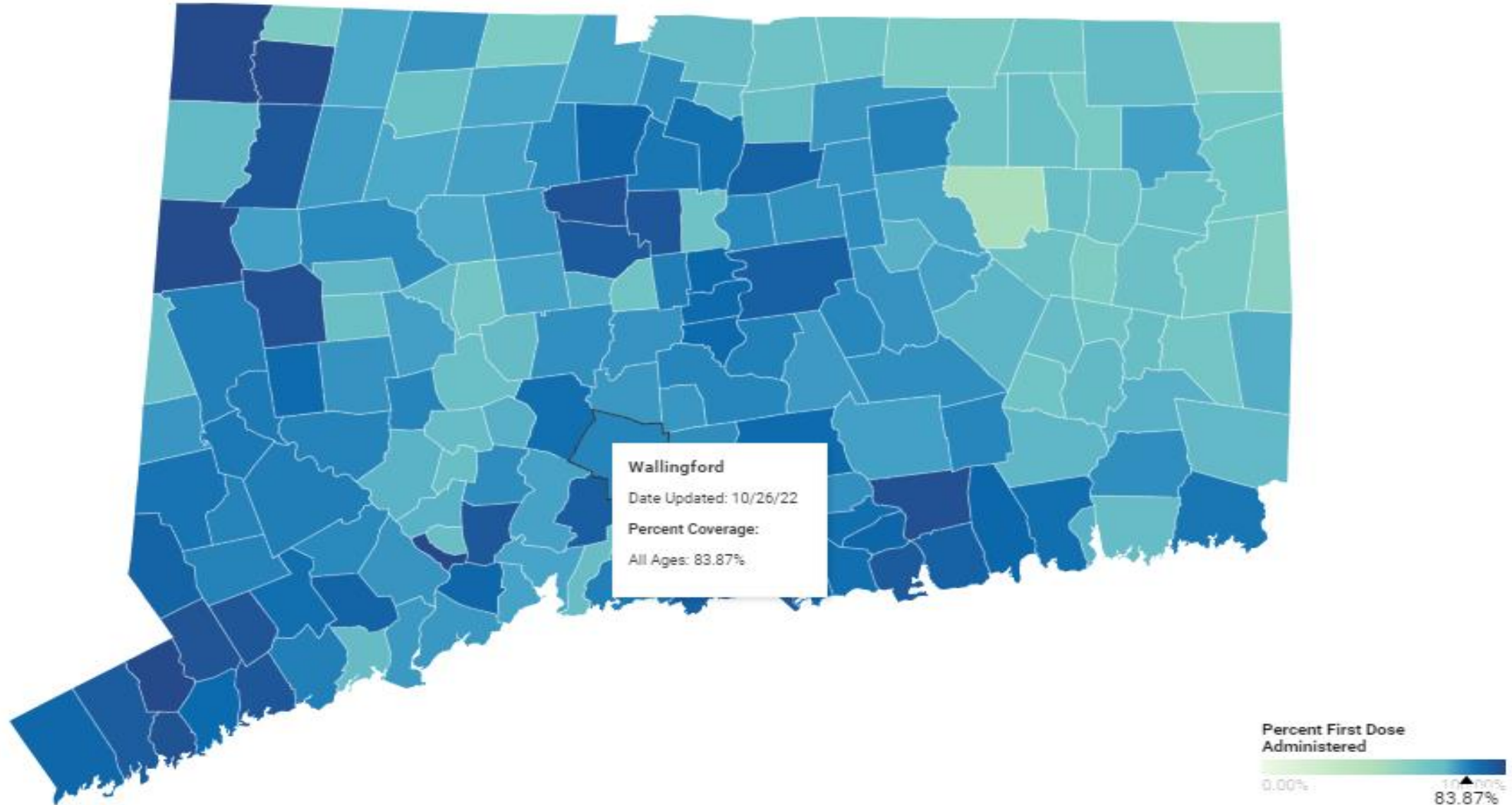
As of October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2022, 79.08% of Wallingford residents are fully vaccinated, 65.13% are up to date with COVID-19 vaccines, 51.51% have received a booster dose, and 83.87% have received at least one dose of a COVID-19 vaccine.

The age group with the highest percent of fully vaccinated individuals is 65 and older (100%), followed by 18-24 (83.78%), 12-17 (79.62%), 25-44 (79.04%), 45-64 (78.19%), 5-11 (43.19%), and 0-4 (7.23%).



# 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

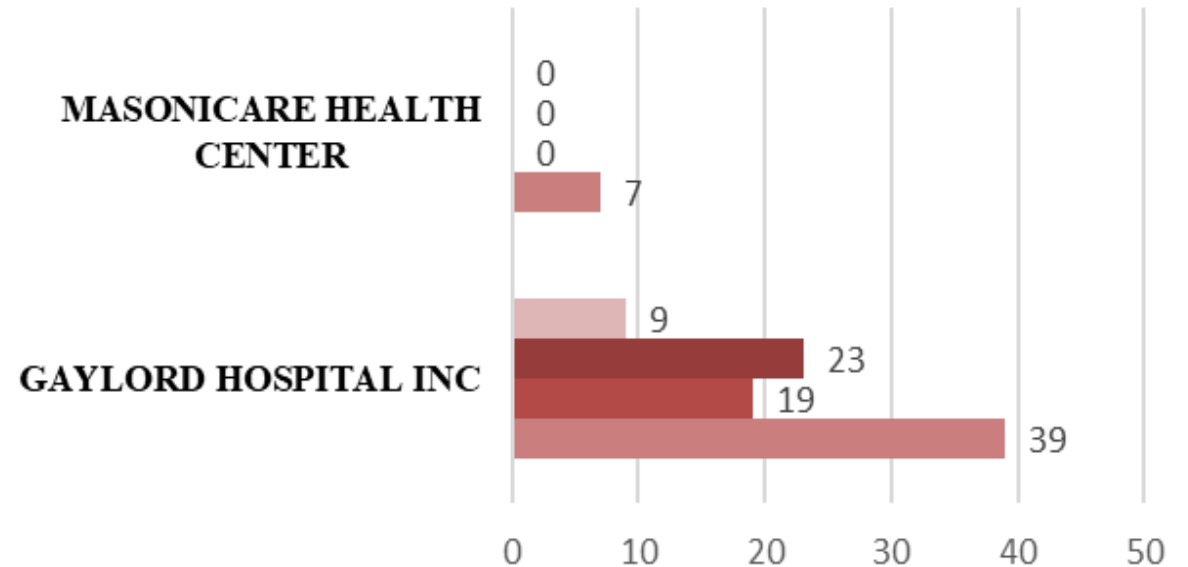
During the week of October 14<sup>th</sup> to October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022:

The Gaylord Hospital had 9 adult patients hospitalized, and zero adult patients in the ICU.

CT DPH has not updated the most recent data for the Masonicare Health Center. Previous week (October 7<sup>th</sup> to October 13<sup>th</sup>), they have reported zero adult patients hospitalized, and zero adult patients in the ICU.

## COVID-19 Hospitalizations at Wallingford Hospitals

■ Week 10/14 - 10/20 ■ Week 10/07 - 10/13  
■ Week 09/30 - 10/06 ■ Week 09/23 - 09/29





# COVID-19 AT SCHOOLS IN WALLINGFORD

## Academic Year 2022 – 2023

Number of students\* and staff\*\* who tested positive for COVID-19 from the period of 10/20 to 10/26, 2022 . The reporting period is from Thursday to Wednesday.

If school name is not in the table, then no cases were reported.

If a school reported 1-5 cases, <6 is displayed. If 6 or more cases were reported, the exact number is displayed. In order to ensure confidentiality, data are suppressed for all schools reporting 1-5 cases for a particular reporting period.

The data does not show where the student or staff got infected.

\*A student is any student enrolled at the school, regardless of which town they live in.

\*\*Staff are employees or contractors that work at the school, such as teachers, custodial staff, clerical, bus transport, food service, administrators. They may or may not work directly with students. Administrative staff that work in a central district office who do not spend time in any school buildings are not included.

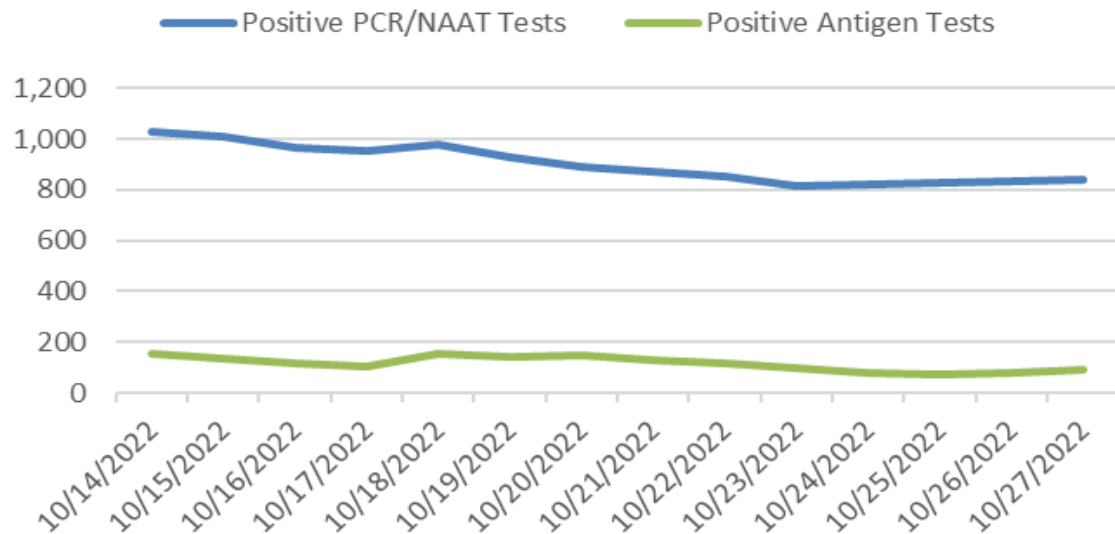
School	Total Cases
Cook Hill School	< 6
Dag Hammarskjold Middle School	< 6
Evarts C. Stevens School	< 6
Highland School	10
James H. Moran Middle School	< 6
Lyman Hall High School	8
Mark T. Sheehan High School	10
Parker Farms School	6
Pond Hill School	< 6
Rock Hill School	< 6



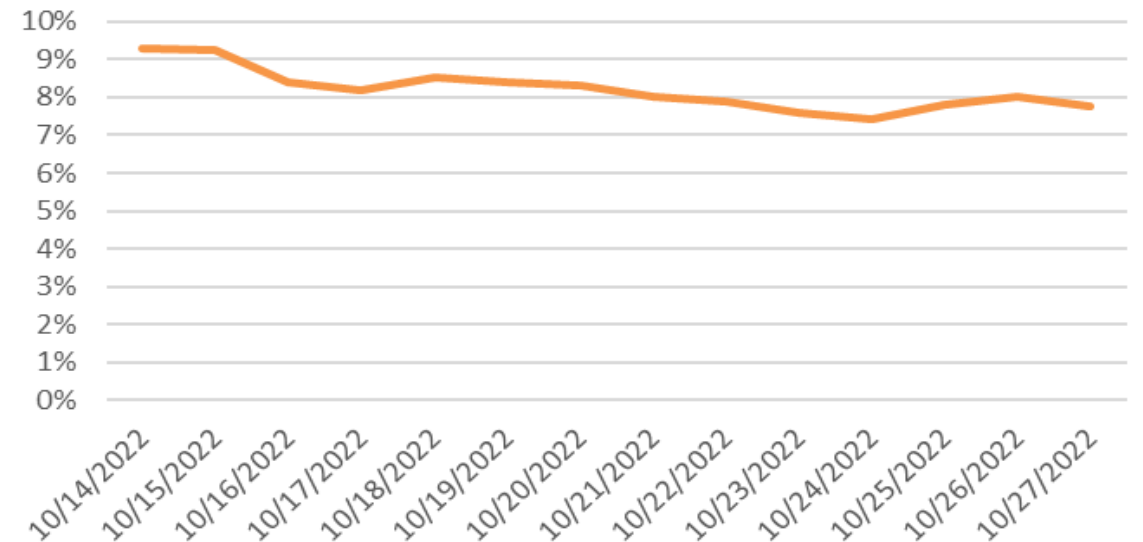
# COVID-19 CASES IN NEW HAVEN COUNTY

As of October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022, in the past 7 days, New Haven County had 843 positive PCR/NAAT tests, and 94 positive antigen tests.  
The percent positivity for New Haven County is 7.78%.

### New Haven County Positive COVID-19 in the Past 14 Days



### Percent Positivity of NAAT Tests in the Last 7 Days







# 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.

## Important links below:

- [Stay up to date](#) with COVID-19 vaccines.
- [Get tested](#) if you have symptoms.
- Wear a mask if you have symptoms, a positive test, or exposure to someone with COVID-19. [Wear a mask on public transportation](#).
- You may choose to [wear a mask](#) at any time as an additional precaution to protect yourself and others.
- If you are [at high risk for severe illness](#), consider wearing a mask indoors in public and taking [additional precautions](#).

## New Haven County, Connecticut

[State Health Department](#)

### COVID-19 Community Level

Medium

#### Recommended actions based on current level

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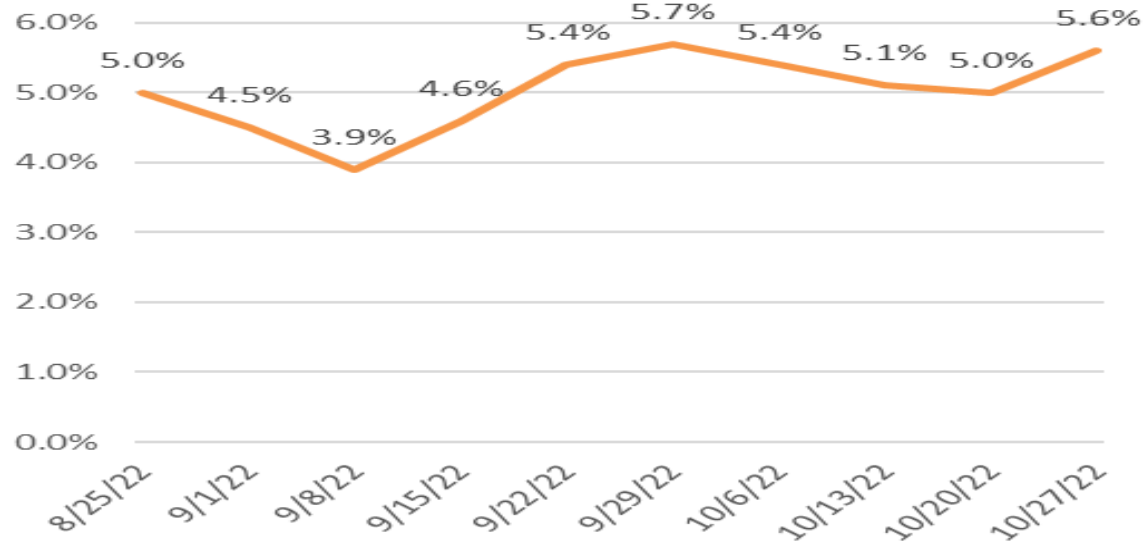
#### Weekly Metrics Used to Determine the COVID-19 Community Level

Case Rate per 100,000 population	92.31
New COVID-19 admissions per 100,000 population	14.5
% Staffed inpatient beds in use by patients with confirmed COVID-19	5.6%

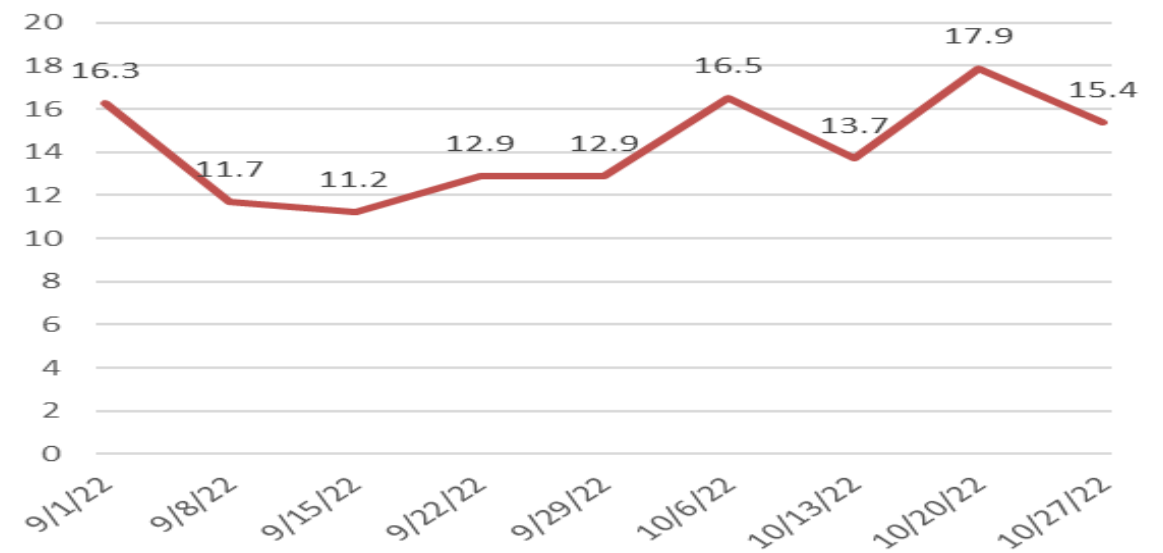
[How are COVID-19 Community Levels calculated?](#)

*Note: The COVID-19 Community Level and associated metrics presented above are updated weekly on **Thursday**; the values for the same hospital-based metrics presented below may differ because they are updated daily.*

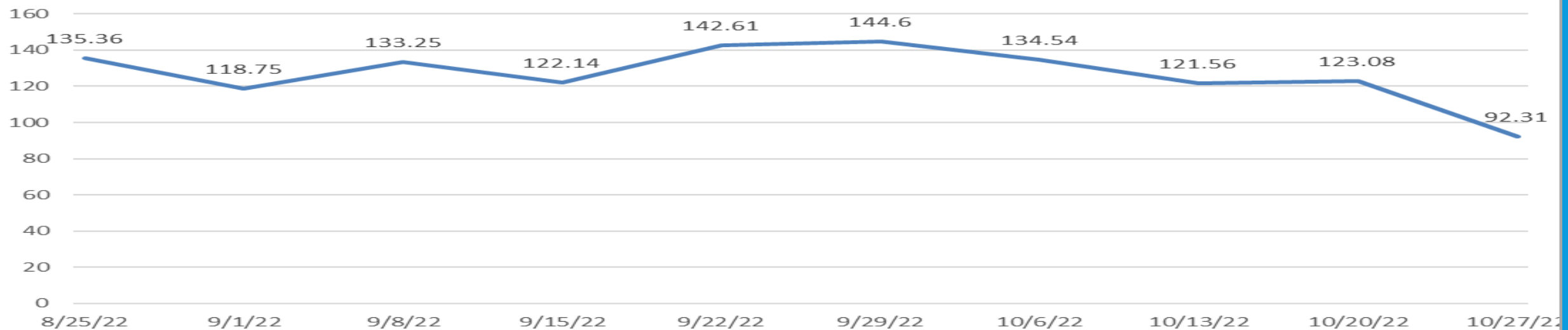
### Inpatient bed utilization in New Haven County



### Hospital admissions per 100k in New Haven County



### Cases per 100k in New Haven County





# COVID-19 IN CONNECTICUT

According to [Connecticut Department of Public Health \(CT DPH\)](#), as of October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2022, the total of laboratory-confirmed and probable COVID-19 cases reported among Connecticut residents is 910,919; 2,346 have been reported in the past 7 days. Three hundred eighty-nine patients are currently hospitalized with laboratory-confirmed COVID-19; of these, 117 (30.08%) are not fully vaccinated.

The percent positivity in Connecticut is 8.29%.

OVERALL SUMMARY	CUMULATIVE	PAST 7 DAYS
POSITIVE PCR/NAAT TESTS	988,706	2,771
ALL PCR/NAAT TESTS	15,644,358	33,422
TEST POSITIVITY (POS/ALL PCR/NAAT)	-	8.29%
PATIENTS CURRENTLY HOSPITALIZED WITH COVID-19	389	-16
COVID-19 ASSOCIATED DEATHS	11,462	+39
NUMBER AND PERCENT OF PATIENTS CURRENTLY HOSPITALIZED WITH COVID-19 THAT ARE NOT FULLY VACCINATED	-	117 – 30.08%



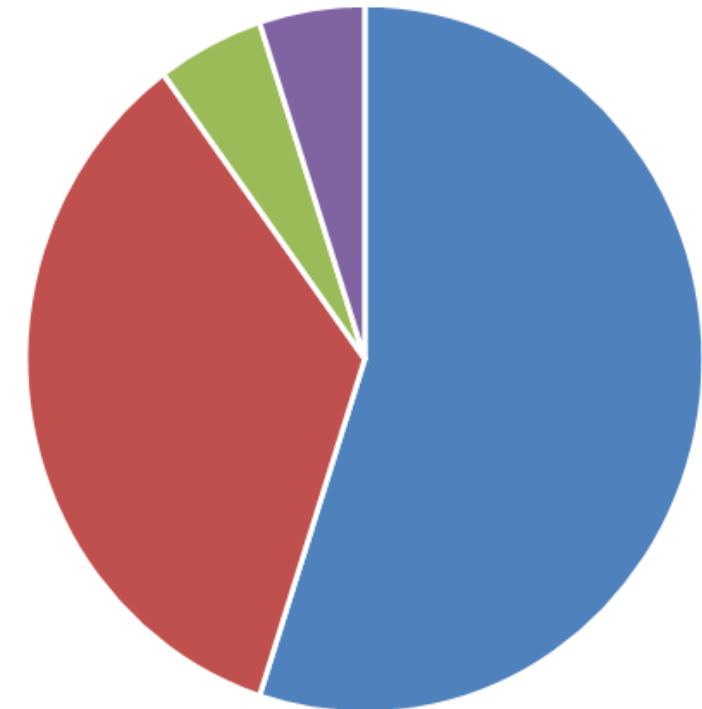
# COVID-19 VARIANTS IN CONNECTICUT

As of October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2022, 49,469 valid specimen of SARS-CoV-2 sequences were reported to CT DPH.

Specimen collections were between 01/12/2021 and 10/16/2022. Omicron is considered a variant of concern, representing 55.03%, being followed by variants that are being monitored, Delta (34.84%), Alpha (5.10%), and others (5.03%).

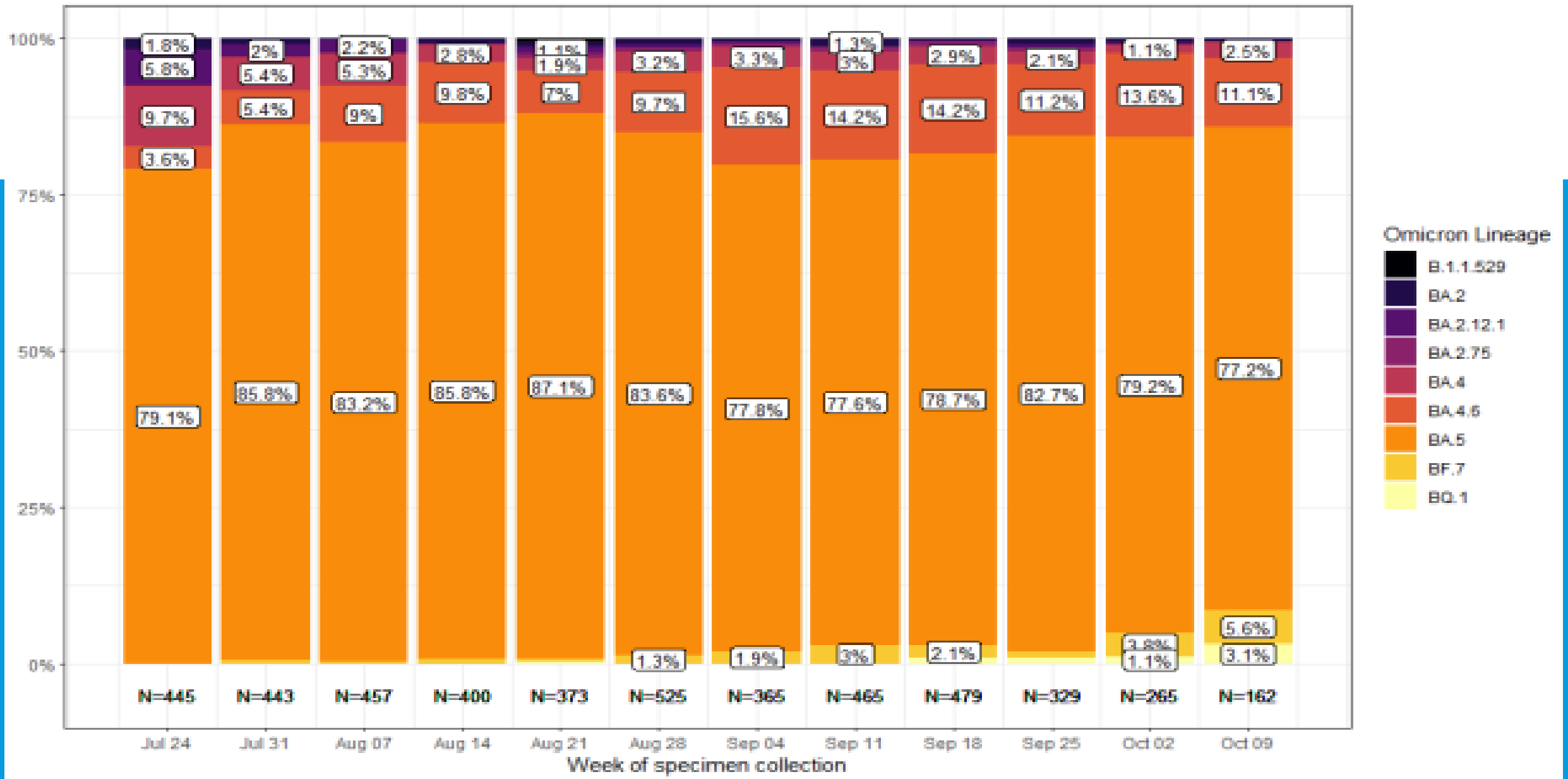
As of October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022, the omicron sublineage of most concern is BA.5, which represents 77.2% of the omicron specimen, followed by BA.4.6 (11.1%), BF.7 (5.6%), BQ.1 (3.1%) and BA.4 (2.5%).

**Variants in Connecticut as of 10/26/2022**



■ Omicron ■ Delta ■ Alpha ■ Others

# Proportion of Circulating Variants of Concern, CT



N = total number of viruses sequenced



# UPCOMING CLINICS

The Wallingford Health Department will provide two COVID-19 vaccine clinic.

We will be providing Moderna-Bivalent booster for ages 18 and older.

## *When?*

- **Wednesday, November, 2<sup>nd</sup> from 10am until 1pm.**
- **Wednesday, November 16<sup>th</sup> from 10am until 1pm.**

## *Where?*

At the **Wallingford Public Library** (200 N Main Street, Wallingford, CT 06492)

*Questions?* E-mail: [health@wallingfordct.gov](mailto:health@wallingfordct.gov) or call (203) 294-2065

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

# COVID-19 VACCINE CLINIC

## HOSTED BY THE WALLINGFORD HEALTH DEPARTMENT



### GET YOUR COVID-19 BIVALENT BOOSTER

A single booster dose with an updated bivalent COVID-19 vaccine provides broad protection against COVID-19 and is expected to provide better protection against COVID-19 caused by the currently circulating Omicron variant.

- Wednesday, November, 2nd: 10AM to 1PM
- Wednesday, November 16th: 10AM to 1PM

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(200 N Main Street, Wallingford, CT 06492)

\*For ages 18 and older



#### Questions?

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# COVID-19 VACCINE CLINIC

The Connecticut Department of Public Health (CT DPH) is organizing  
COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics with the Yellow Van in Wallingford

**Wednesday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022**

**For ages 6 months and older**

SCOW – 284 Washington Street (Indoor)

Hours: 1:00PM to 6:00PM

**Friday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**For ages 12 and older**

Choate Rosemary Hall – 333 Christian Street (Indoor)

Hours: 2:00PM to 7:00PM

- ✓ 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](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

Testing sites provide **COVID-19 PCR** tests through the collection of saliva. Individuals planning to visit those sites should avoid drinking water or other drinks, brushing teeth, using mouth wash, eating food, chewing gum, vaping/smoking, and nasal sprays for 30 minutes before sample collection.

\*For additional testing locations please visit:

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



# COVID-19 AND FLU VACCINES

- Both COVID-19 and flu vaccines have been shown to reduce illness, hospitalizations, and deaths.
- As flu season approaches and COVID-19 vaccine recommendations are updated, you might be wondering if you need to wait after getting a flu vaccine before getting a COVID-19 vaccine? The answer is “no!”
- You can get them both at the same time if you are eligible and the timing works. Experience with other vaccines has shown that immune response (the way our bodies develop protection) and possible side effects are generally the same whether you get one vaccine at a time or two.
- If you have concerns about getting both vaccines at the same time, speak with your healthcare provider.
- For more information, see: [Frequently Asked Questions about COVID-19 Vaccination](#) and [Frequently Asked Questions about Influenza: 2022-2023](#).



# COVID-19 VACCINES

## WHAT DO YOU NEED TO KNOW?

- People **ages 6 months through 4 years** should get all COVID-19 primary series doses
- People **ages 5 years to 11 years** are recommended one updated (bivalent) booster at least 2 months since their last COVID-19 vaccine dose (either final primary series or an original (monovalent) booster)
- People **ages 12 years and older** are recommended to get the updated (bivalent) booster
  - This includes people who have received all primary series doses and people who have previously received one or more original (monovalent) boosters.
- People **ages 6 months through 64 years, and especially males ages 12 through 39 years**, may consider getting the 2nd primary dose of an mRNA COVID-19 vaccine (Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna) 8 weeks after the 1st dose.
  - A longer time between the 1st and 2nd primary doses may increase how much protection the vaccines offer, and further minimize the rare risk of myocarditis and pericarditis.



# COVID-19 VACCINES

## WHAT DO YOU NEED TO KNOW?

- Getting a COVID-19 vaccine after you recover from COVID-19 infection provides added protection against COVID-19.
- If you recently had COVID-19, you **may** consider delaying your next vaccine dose (primary dose or booster) by 3 months from when your symptoms started or, if you had no symptoms, when you first received a positive test.
- People who are moderately or severely immunocompromised have different recommendations for COVID-19 vaccines.
- COVID-19 vaccine and booster recommendations may be updated as CDC continues to monitor the latest COVID-19 data.



# COVID-19 VACCINES PER AGES

- **Children ages 6 months – 4 years (only monovalent doses) <sup>1</sup>**
  - Pfizer-BioNTech: primary series: 3 doses, and no booster
  - Moderna: primary series: 2 doses, and no booster
  - Novavax: not eligible at this moment
  - Johnson & Johnson's Janssen (J&J): not eligible at this moment
- **Children and teens ages 5 years – 11 years**
  - Pfizer-BioNTech: primary series: 2 doses, and 1 booster at least 5 months after last dose
  - Moderna: primary series: 2 doses, and no booster
  - Novavax: not eligible at this moment
  - Johnson & Johnson's Janssen (J&J): not eligible at this moment

**<sup>1</sup> If you are moderately or severely immunocompromised talk to your healthcare provider about when to get your booster.**

**Last update: 09/21/2022**

**Source:** <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/stay-up-to-date.html>

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# COVID-19 VACCINES PER AGES

- **Children and teens ages 12 years – 17 years (only bivalent doses) <sup>1</sup>**
  - Pfizer-BioNTech: primary series: 2 doses, and 1 booster at least 2 months after last dose (only Pfizer)
  - Moderna: primary series: 2 doses, and 1 booster at least 2 months after last dose (only Pfizer)
  - Novavax: primary series: 2 doses, and 1 booster at least 2 months after last dose (only Pfizer)
  - Johnson & Johnson's Janssen (J&J): not eligible at this moment
- **Adults ages 18 and older <sup>1</sup>**
  - Pfizer-BioNTech: primary series: 2 doses, and 1 booster at least 2 months after last dose or last booster (Pfizer or Moderna)
  - Moderna: primary series: 2 doses, and 1 booster at least 2 months after last dose or last booster (Pfizer or Moderna)
  - Novavax: primary series: 2 doses, and 1 booster at least 2 months after last dose or last booster (Pfizer or Moderna)
  - Johnson & Johnson's Janssen (J&J): 1 dose, and 1 booster at least 2 months after last dose or last booster (Pfizer or Moderna)

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## At-a-Glance

# COVID-19 Vaccination Schedule for Most People

(People who are NOT Moderately or Severely Immunocompromised)



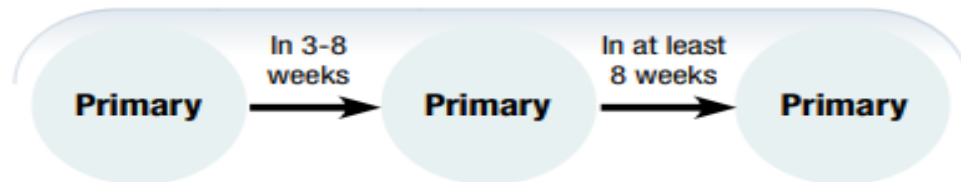
People ages 6 months through 4 years

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**Pfizer-BioNTech**



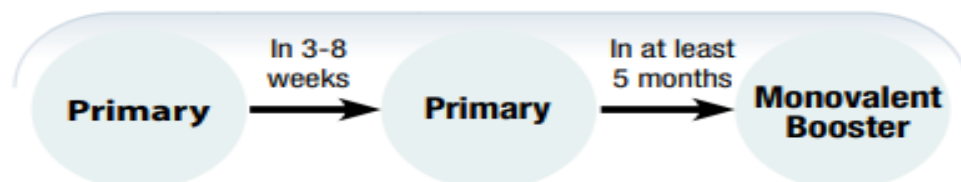
People ages 5 through 11 years

**Moderna**



-OR-

**Pfizer-BioNTech**



People ages 12 years and older

**Moderna, Novavax, or Pfizer-BioNTech**



People ages 18 years and older who previously received Janssen primary series dose<sup>†</sup>



For more specific clinical guidance, see:

- [Pre-exposure prophylaxis](#)
- [Interim COVID-19 Immunization Schedule](#)
- [Interim Clinical Considerations for Use of COVID-19 Vaccines Currently Approved or Authorized in the United States](#)

**Note:** This schedule does not include clinical details necessary for administering COVID-19 vaccines. For clinical details, see the resources at the end of this document.

\* The bivalent booster dose is administered at least 2 months after completion of the primary series. For people who previously received a monovalent booster dose(s), the bivalent booster dose is administered at least 2 months after the last monovalent booster dose.

† Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine should only be used in certain limited situations. See: <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/clinical-considerations/interim-considerations-us-appendix.html#appendix-a>



### People ages 6 months through 4 years

#### Moderna



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#### Pfizer-BioNTech



### People ages 5 years through 11 years

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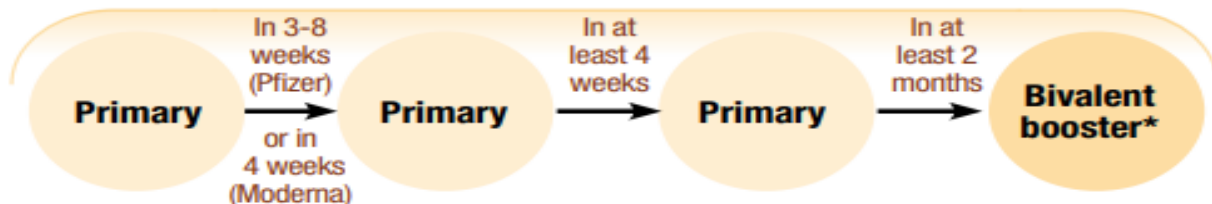
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### People ages 12 years and older

#### Moderna or Pfizer-BioNTech



#### Novavax



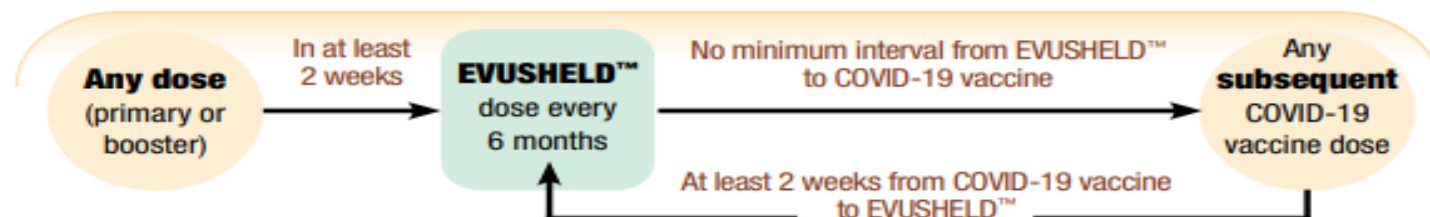
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### People ages 18 years and older who previously received Janssen primary series dose†



## Monoclonal antibodies (EVUSHELD™) for COVID-19 pre-exposure prophylaxis

### People ages 12 years and older (must weigh at least 40kg)



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# 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.

For more information: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/international-travel-during-covid19.html>



# TRAVEL ADVISORY

On August 24<sup>th</sup>, CDC posted updated [travel recommendations](#) for domestic and international travelers to align with CDC's [recently updated guidance](#) for people with COVID-19 or who have been exposed to a person with COVID-19.

These changes include:

- Updated travel recommendations for people who are sick with or tested positive for COVID-19
- Updated travel recommendations for people who were exposed to a person with COVID-19
- Updated post-travel recommendations to prevent the spread of COVID-19

CDC's [COVID-19 Travel Health Notices](#) will also be updated to align with these changes.



# MASK MANDATE

As of February 28<sup>th</sup>, 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.**