

COVID-19 Emergency Response Strategy Update

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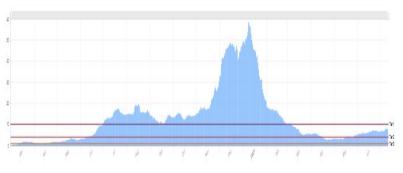
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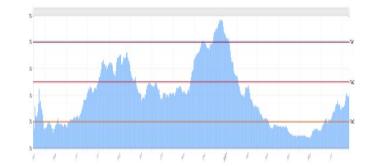
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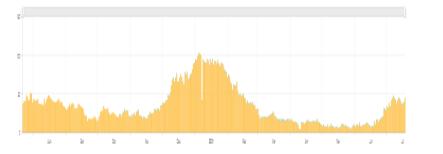
Overall Countywide Trends



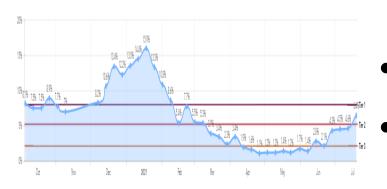
New cases per 100,000 residents per day



Overall test positivity



COVID-19 hospitalizations

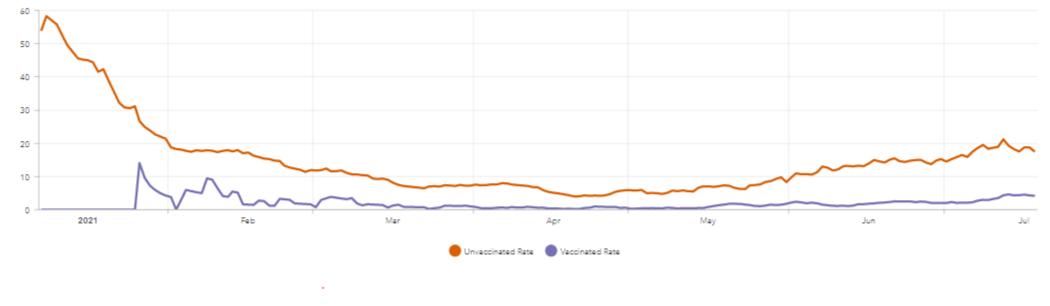


Lowest HPI test positivity

- Number of new cases per 100,000 residents per day and testing positivity continue to rise
- Metrics as of 07/26:
 - 9.8 new cases per 100,000 residents per day
 - 4.6% overall test positivity
 - 6.9% test positivity in lowest HPI quartile
- COVID-19 hospitalizations remain above 40 per day
- 14 people have died from COVID-19 since June

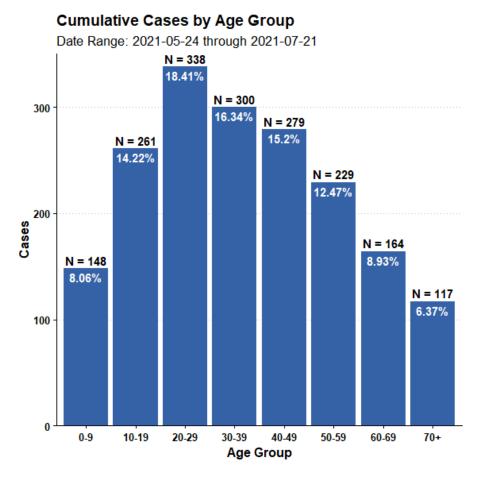
Sonoma County Case Rate by Vaccination Status (07/26)

New Cases per Day per 100,000 Residents, by Vaccination Status (7 day average, 7 day lag)



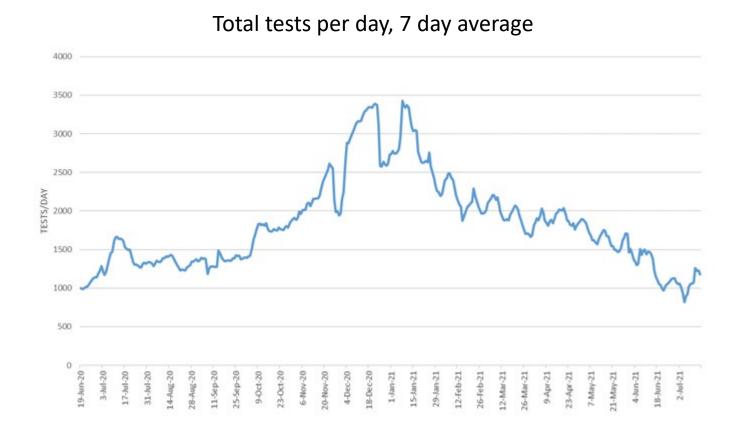
- Unvaccinated population: **17.5** new cases per 100,000 per day
- Fully Vaccinated population: 4.2 new cases per 100,000 per day

Age of Cases in Past 60 Days (07/26)



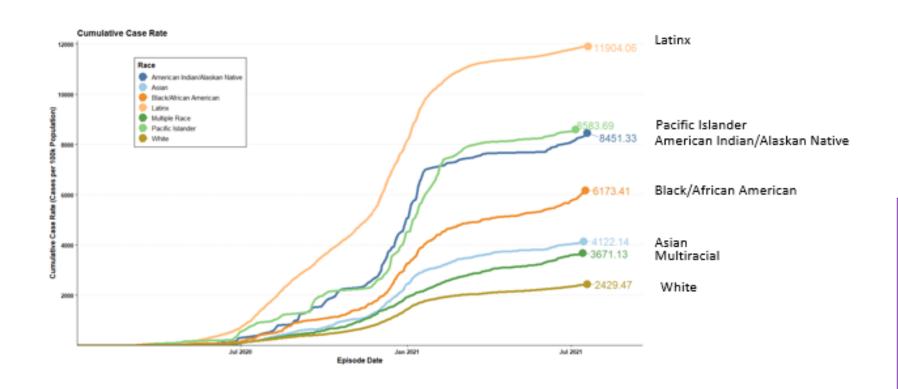
- 72% of cases are among individuals
 49 and younger
 - Majority in 20-39
 year age range

COVID-19 Testing and Test Positivity



- Conducting 233.6 tests per 100,000 residents per day (07/26)
 - State testing median=223.4
- Testing is slightly above the State average and has increased in the past two weeks
- Test positivity is increasing overall, and is highest among
 - Latinx and Black residents –
 9.3% and 10.6%, respectively
 - Individuals aged 25-34 and 55-64 year olds (~5% for both age groups)

What Racial/Ethnic Groups Have Been Most Disproportionately Impacted Over the Course of the Pandemic?



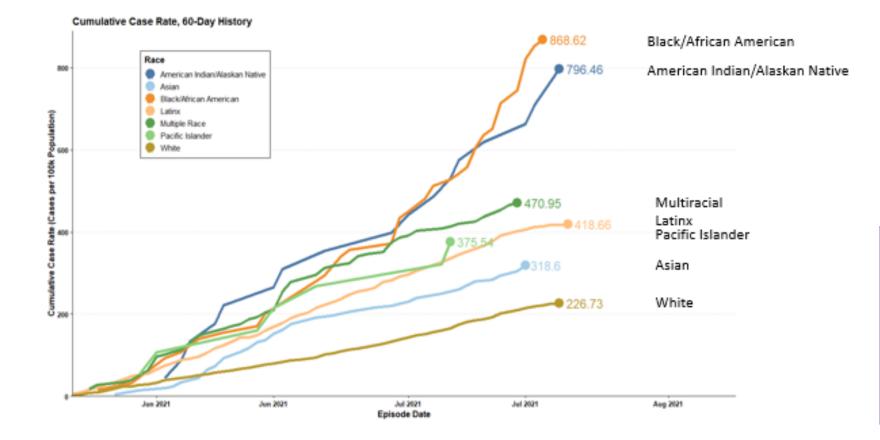
Latinx residents have had the highest rate of cases per 100,000 population of all racial/ethnic groups

Total cases (07/21)

- Latinx (16,065)
- White (7,533)
- Asian (841)
- Multiracial (647)
- Black (398)
- Amer. Indian/Alaskan Native (191)
- Pacific Islander (160)

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Case Trends by Racial/Ethnic Group in the Past 60 Days



In comparison to population size, increased case rates have recently been observed among multiple racial/ethnic groups including Black/African American, American Indian/Alaskan Native, and Multiracial residents

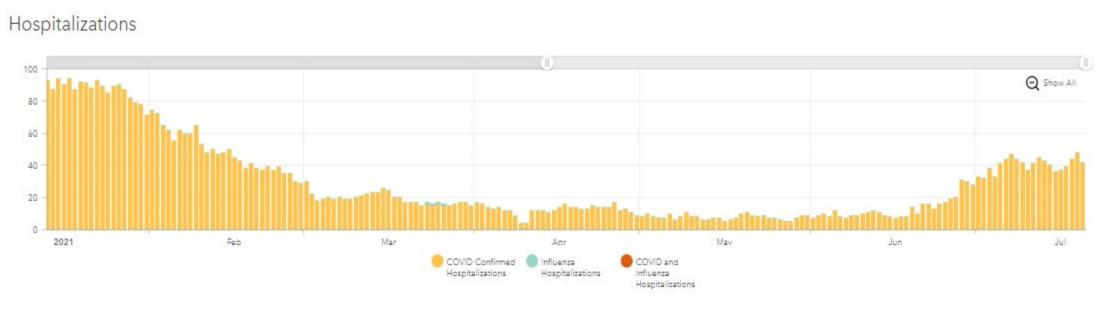
Cases in past 60 days (07/21)

- White (703)
- Latinx (565)
- Multiracial (83)
- Asian (65)
- Black (56)
- Amer. Indian/Alaskan Native (18)
- Pacific Islander (7)

Delta Variant

- The highly transmissible Delta variant now accounts for the majority (83%) of cases in the United States
 - Delta variant was identified in 135 Sonoma County case samples as of 07/23
 - Local surveillance has started and is expanding
- Delta spreads quickly through unvaccinated, partially vaccinated, and vulnerable populations
- Research indicates this variant may increase the risk of hospitalization

Hospitalizations



- COVID positive hospitalizations remain elevated, but stable, with an average of 42 hospitalizations per day in the past two weeks
- Since June 1st, **83%** of those hospitalized with COVID-19 and **100%** of COVID positive ICU patients have been unvaccinated
 - All fully vaccinated hospitalized patients had other significant underlying conditions

Sam Jones Shelter Outbreak Update (07/26)

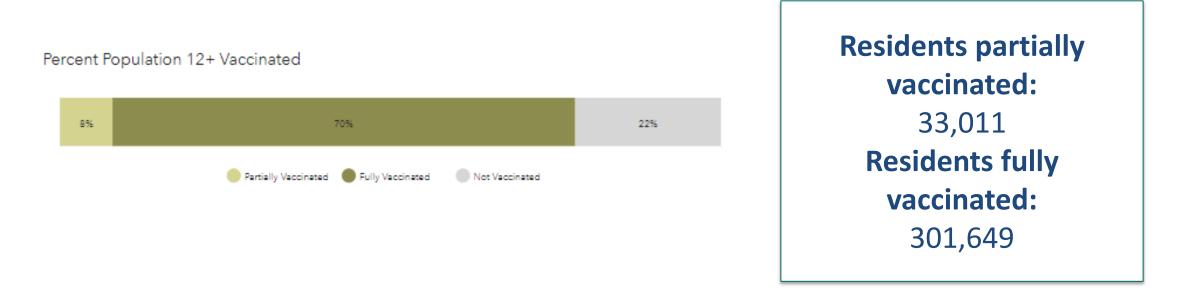
• Number of Cases

- Of 153 shelter residents, **110** tested positive for COVID-19
- Vaccination status of shelter residents/cases:
 - 54% (82) of the 153 shelter residents were fully vaccinated
 - 64 of the 110 COVID-19 cases were fully vaccinated
- Hospitalizations
 - 9 shelter residents were hospitalized
 - 6 have been discharged
 - 3 remain hospitalized



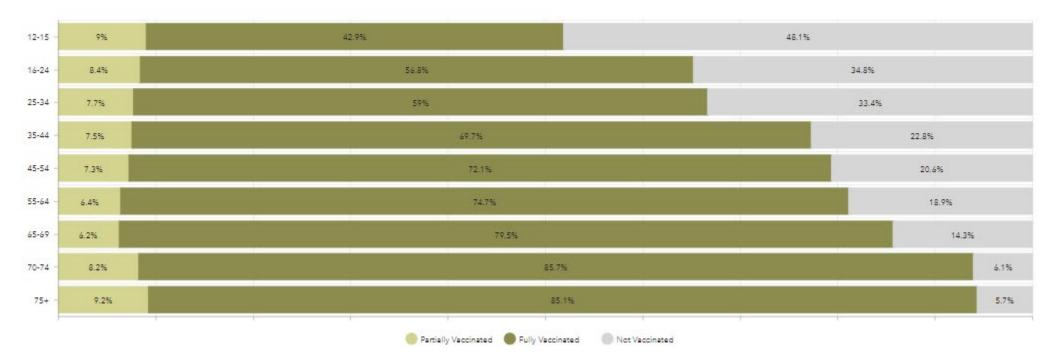
Vaccine Administration

619,074 doses administered (as of 07/26)



78% of the Sonoma County population aged 12+ is at least partially vaccinated (8% partial, 70% full)

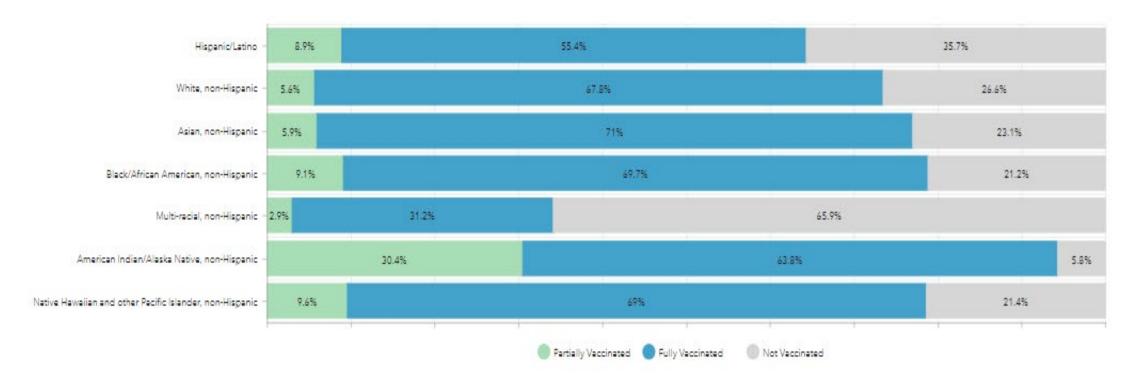
Proportion of Each Age Group Vaccinated (07/26)



Vaccination in younger age groups:

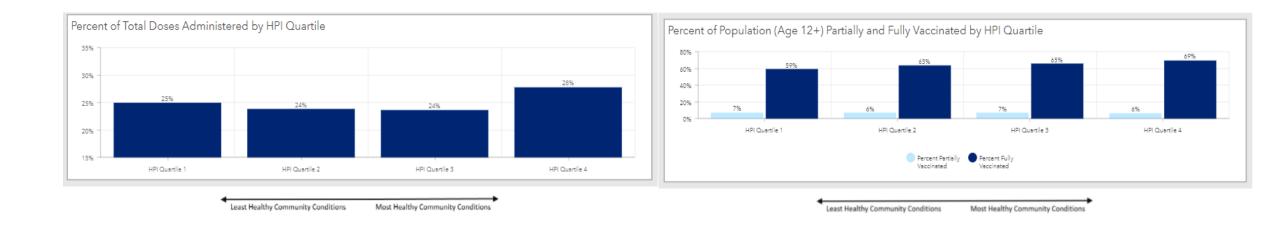
- 12-15 year olds: 52% at least partially vaccinated (43% fully vaccinated; 9% partial)
- **16-24 year olds:** 65% at least partially vaccinated (<u>57% fully vaccinated</u>, 8% partial)
- 25-34 year olds: 67% at least partially vaccinated (59% fully vaccinated, 8% partial)

Proportion Vaccinated Within Each Race/Ethnicity (07/26)



 Less than 60% of residents identifying as Latinx and Multiracial have been fully vaccinated

Vaccine Equity Measures (07/26)

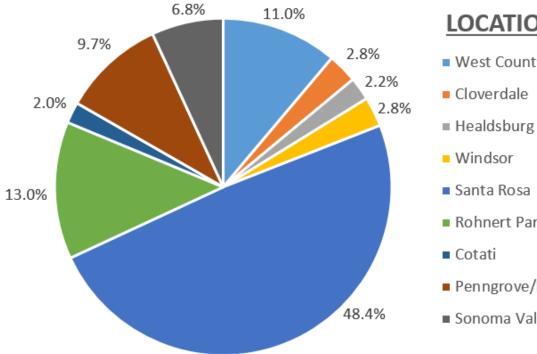


- Currently, 25% of vaccine doses have been administered to residents in the lowest quartile of the Healthy Places Index in which residents have access to the fewest resources
- 66% of residents in this quartile are at least partially vaccinated (7% partially vaccinated; 59% fully vaccinated)

Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP) For the period of 4/19/21 – 7/15/21

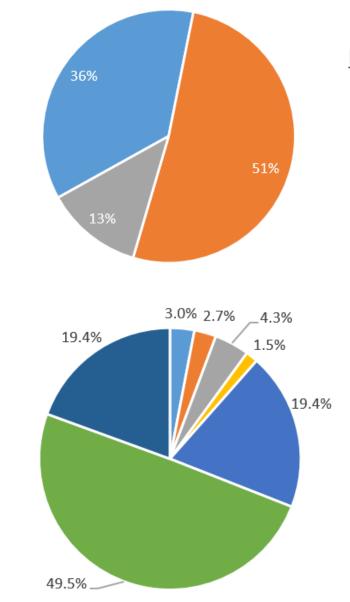
- Tenant Applications Submitted: 1,959
- Landlord Application Submitted: 823
- Total: 2,468
- Disbursed to CBOs for Direct Assistance: **\$5,302,388.45**

ERAP Demographics



LOCATION

- West County
- Cloverdale
- Windsor
- Santa Rosa
- Rohnert Park
- Penngrove/Petaluma
- Sonoma Valley



ETHNICITY

- Hispanic or Latino
- Non-Hispanic or Latino
- Decline to Answer

RACE

- American Indian or Alaska Native
- Asian
- Black or African American
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
- Other Multi-Racial
- White

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New ERAP Guidance

- Since May 2021 there has been an increase in application processing by 24.4%
- Rental Assistance need may not be as high as projected
- Evidentiary requirements have been considerably reduced self-attestations
- AB 832 allows for payment of 100% of rental arrears/assistance; retroactive to previous awardees
- Total of 18 months of assistance allowable
- Previous tenant (non-residency) debt allowable
- Relocation expenses now eligible for payment to tenants
- Debt accumulation is not an eligible expense