



**HEALTH**  
Department

# COVID-19 Update

October 27, 2021



# Executive Summary: COVID-19 Mass Testing and Containment Plan

## MITIGATION ROADMAP



## INCIDENT ACTION PLAN OBJECTIVES

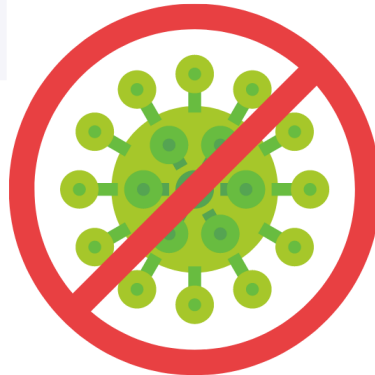
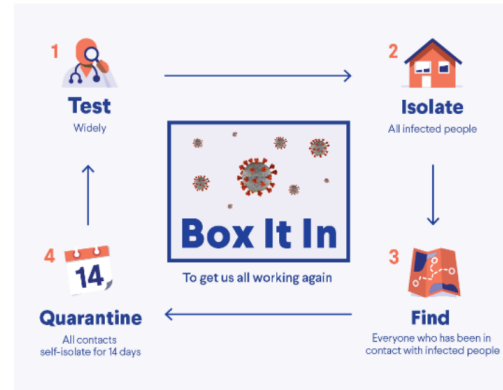
1. Identify cases, isolate the sick, quarantine the exposed, and protect vulnerable populations
2. Provide information to the public, media, and County staff to increase public awareness, address misinformation, and protect the public and increase community resiliency
3. Prepare, mitigate, and recover from widespread transmission in Allegan County

## STATE & LOCAL ORDERS

Michigan Public Health Code



## EPIDEMIOLOGICAL MODEL



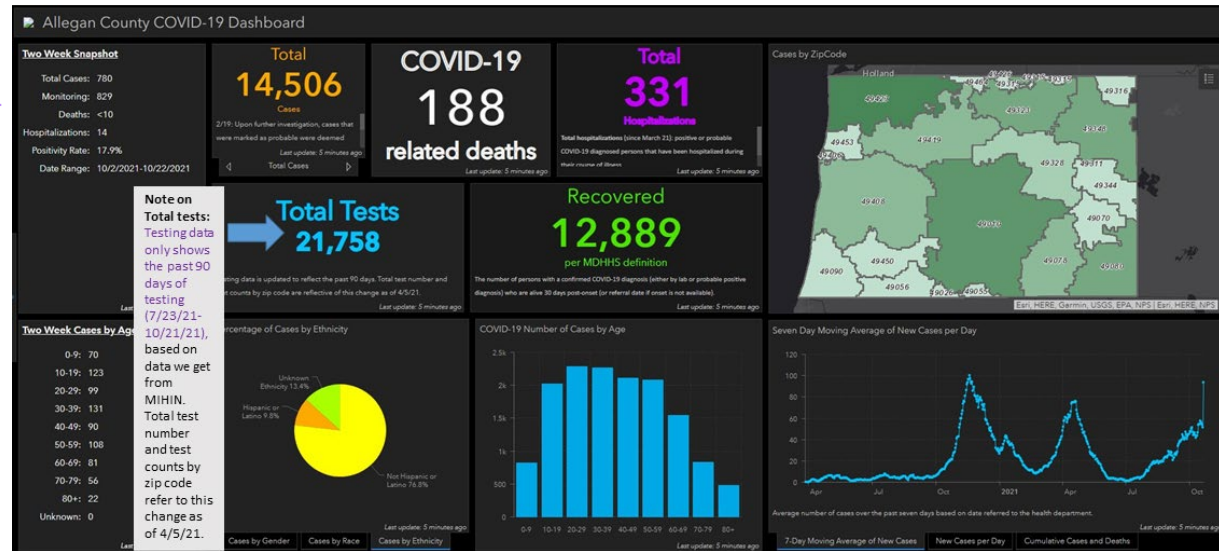
# Allegan County COVID-19 Dashboard

updated weekly on Fridays at 3pm.

<https://alleganco.maps.arcgis.com/apps/opsdashboard/index.html#/792287b41e3f485c97f968335b45ca6c>

Allegan County's COVID-19 data is updated Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays on the MDHHS COVID-19 website. Find the state's dashboard for COVID-19 cases and trends by visiting

[www.michigan.gov/coronavirus](http://www.michigan.gov/coronavirus)



# Cases

DAILY NEW CASES

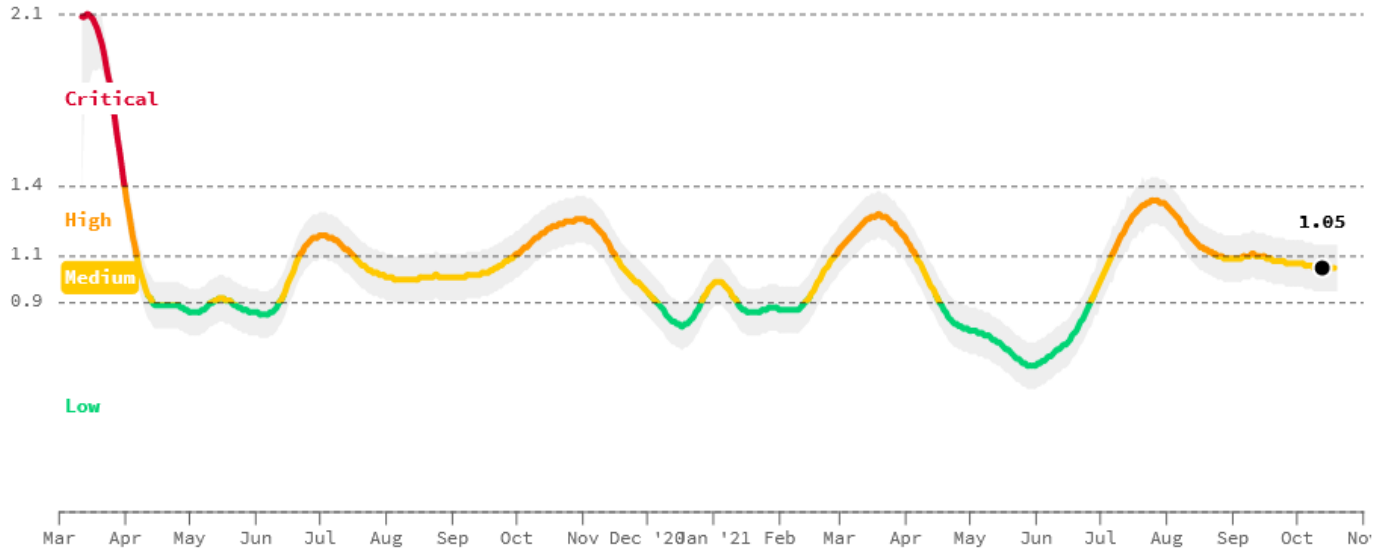
● **40.1** PER 100K

INFECTION RATE

● **1.05**

POSITIVE TEST RATE

● **9.5%**



On average, each person in Michigan with COVID is infecting 1.05 other people. Because this number is around 1.0, it means that COVID continues to spread at about a constant rate. [About this data](#)

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Updated 10/21/2021, data from 10/13/21

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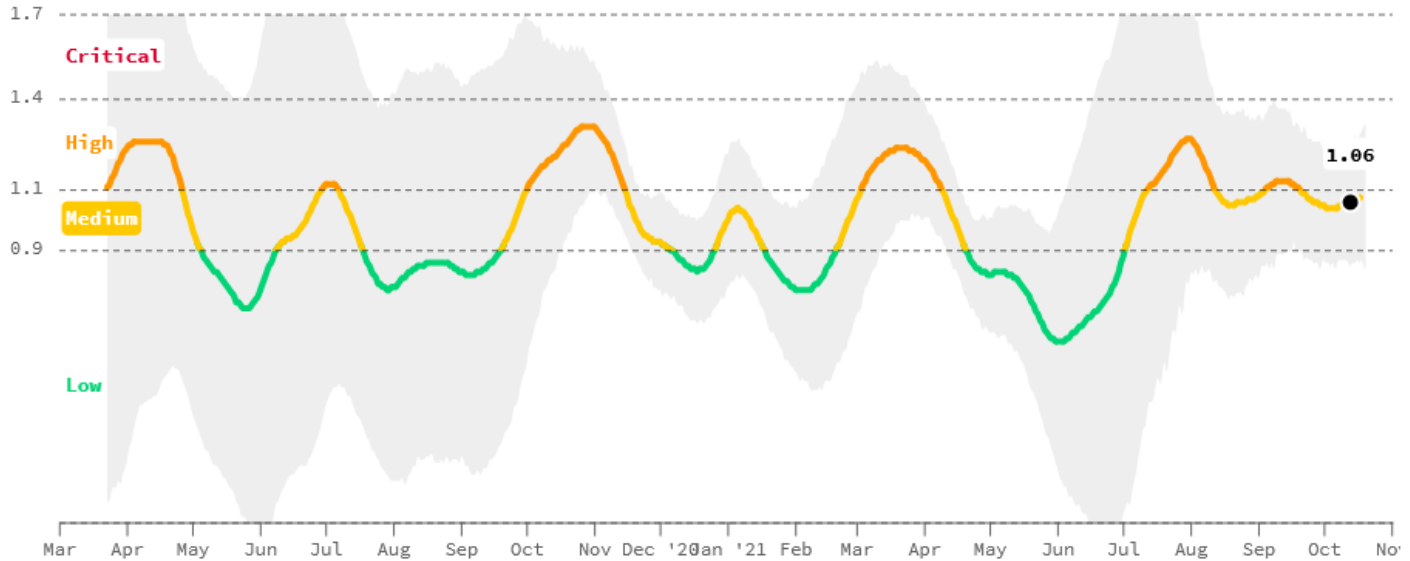
● **46.0** PER 100K

INFECTION RATE

● **1.06**

POSITIVE TEST RATE

● **17.4%**



On average, each person in Allegan County, Michigan with COVID is infecting 1.06 other people. Because this number is around 1.0, it means that COVID continues to spread at about a constant rate. [About this data](#)

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# Enhanced Ability to Test, <https://mistartmap.info/>

Allegheny County, data as of 10/21/2021

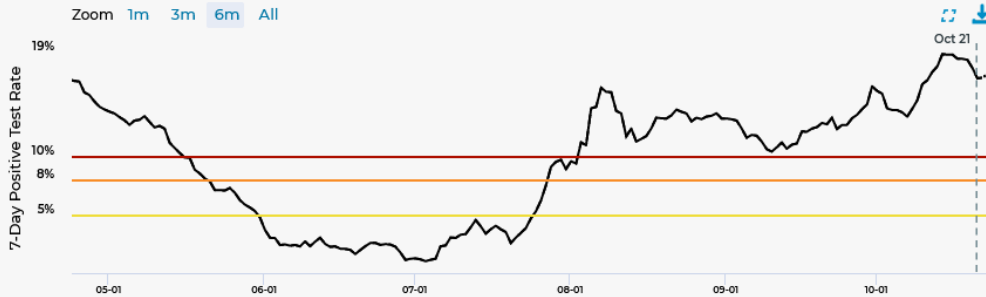
✓ **Test Positivity**  
Oct 15 - Oct 21

**16.8%**  
positive tests

**3k**  
daily tests  
administered  
per million

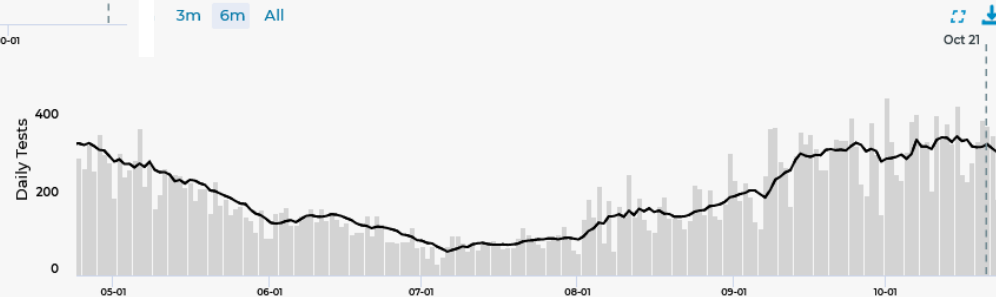
↗ **1 week** ⓘ  
Oct 08 - Oct 15  
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**7-Day Positive Test Rate**  
ALLEGHENY COUNTY



**Daily Tests**  
ALLEGHENY COUNTY

3m 6m All



**Risk Thresholds (% Positive)**



Low: <5%



Moderate 5--<8%



Substantial 8--<10%



High >=10%

# New Cases,

<https://mistartmap.info/> Allegan County, data as of 10/21/2021

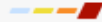


## New Cases

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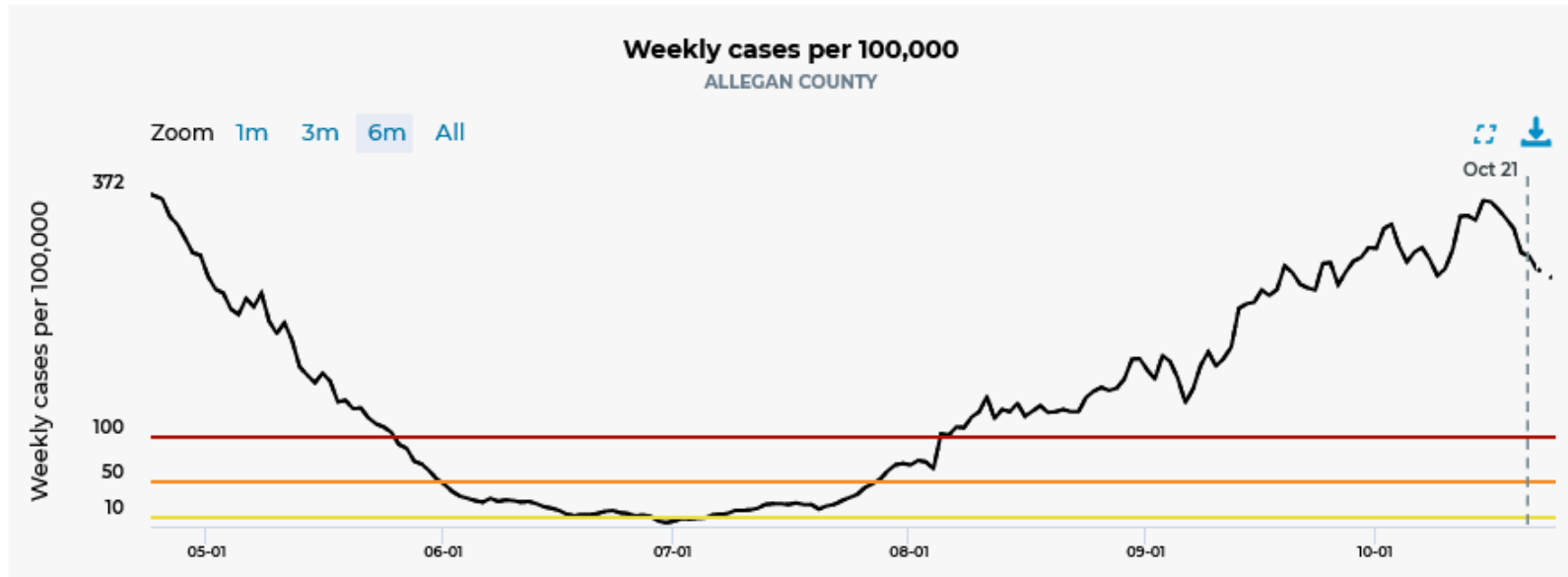
**301.5**

weekly cases per  
100,000 population



**356**

weekly cases



Risk Thresholds (Cases per 100,000)



Low: <10



Moderate 10-49



Substantial 50-99



High  $\geq 100$

# Comparison with Neighboring Counties, <https://mistartmap.info/>

Allegan County, data as of 10/19/2021

## Compare Geographic Areas

| AREA                      | REGION RISK LEVEL<br>(OCT 19) | COUNTY RISK LEVEL<br>(OCT 19) | DAILY CASES PER MIL.<br>(OCT 06 - OCT 12) | CDC CASE TREND<br>(OCT 12) | % POSITIVE TESTS<br>(OCT 13 - OCT 19) | % POSITIVE WEEKLY<br>TREND<br>(OCT 19) | DAILY TESTS PER MIL.<br>(OCT 13 - OCT 19) |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|---|
| <a href="#">Allegan</a>   | E                             | E                             | 401.6                                     | 13d ↘                      | 18.4%                                 | 1w ↗                                   | 2,878.2                                   |
| <a href="#">Barry</a>     | E                             | E                             | 387.7                                     | →                          | 19.6%                                 | 2w ↗                                   | 2,740.3                                   |
| <a href="#">Kalamazoo</a> | E                             | E                             | 265.4                                     | →                          | 8.9%                                  | 2w ↗                                   | 3,711.6                                   |
| <a href="#">Kent</a>      | E                             | E                             | 373.4                                     | ↗                          | 16.8%                                 | 4w ↗                                   | 3,867.4                                   |
| <a href="#">Ottawa</a>    | E                             | E                             | 358.1                                     | 6d ↘                       | 15.2%                                 | 3w ↗                                   | 3,461.4                                   |
| <a href="#">Van Buren</a> | E                             | E                             | 320.7                                     | 10d ↘                      | 13.5%                                 | 1w ↘                                   | 3,247.3                                   |



# Epidemiologic Information, All Ages Allegan County

| Overall  | Percent |
|--|---------|
| Healthcare Worker                              | 5.8%    |
| Live or work in high-risk/congregate facility  | 7.7%    |
| First Responder                                | 0.8%    |
| Other Essential Worker/Critical Infrastructure | 13.8%   |
| Healthcare Contact to confirmed case           | 0.5%    |
| Community Contact to confirmed case            | 9.5%    |
| Household Contact to confirmed case            | 17.7%   |
| <b>Total Cases: 14,506</b>                     |         |

| Cases Reported in Past two weeks                     | Percent |
|--|---------|
| In quarantine at time of onset/positive test         | 14.7%   |
| Associated with known cluster/outbreak               | 2.1%    |
| Any Contact to confirmed case                        | 21.5%   |
| Healthcare contact to confirmed case                 | 0.4%    |
| Community contact to confirmed case                  | 3.9%    |
| Household contact to confirmed case                  | 18.0%   |
| Attended Community Event/Mass Gathering              | 2.7%    |
| Any Travel (international, domestic, in state)       | 3.8%    |
| Source of Infection is unknown                       | 24.7%   |
| <b>Number of cases reported in past 2 weeks: 791</b> |         |

# Epidemiologic Information, Symptoms, **All Ages** Allegan County

| Symptoms                   | Percent |
|----------------------------|---------|
| Fatigue/Lethargy/ Weakness | 70.5%   |
| Cough                      | 69.2%   |
| Fever                      | 52.1%   |
| Chills                     | 45.9%   |
| Shortness of breath        | 22.6%   |
| Muscle aches               | 57.5%   |
| Headaches                  | 68.4%   |
| Runny Nose                 | 51.9%   |
| Nausea                     | 24.8%   |
| Congestion                 | 62.6%   |
| Sore throat                | 44.4%   |
| Diarrhea                   | 25.5%   |
| Loss of Taste              | 43.9%   |
| Loss of Smell              | 43.9%   |

**Asymptomatic Cases: 11.6%**

**Total Cases: 14,506**

Data as of 10/22/2021. Source: Michigan Disease Surveillance System

# Elementary School Ages 5-10, As of October 22, 2021

As of March 2020,

47.6 % were household contact to a confirmed case

18.9 % were asymptomatic cases (no symptoms but tested positive for COVID-19)

## CASES REPORTED IN PAST TWO WEEKS Data from 10/09/2021 to 10/22/21

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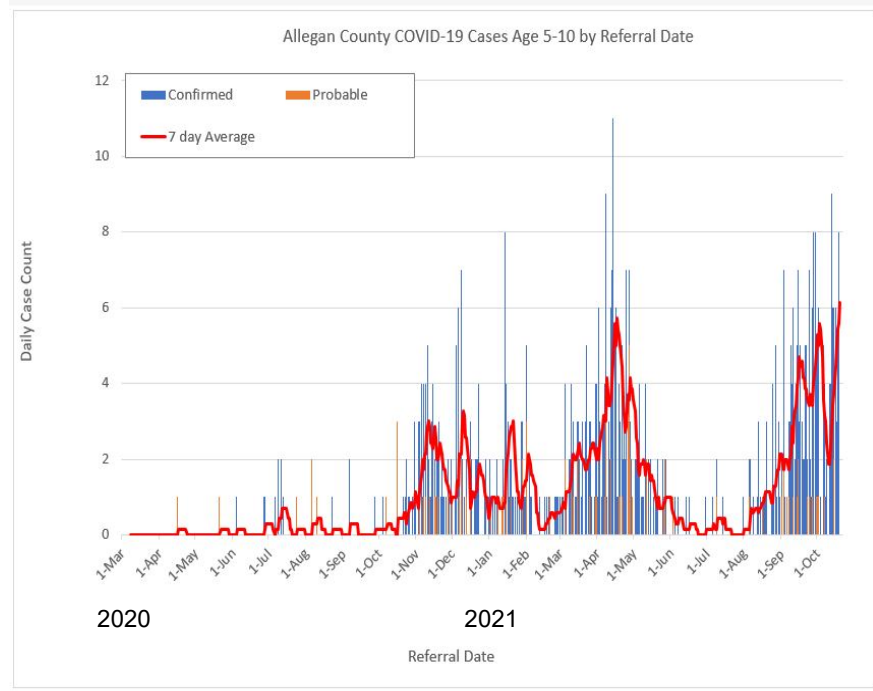
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Number of Cases reported in past two weeks 61

|  | Count | % **  |
|--|-------|-------|
| In quarantine at time of onset/positive test   | 12    | 19.7% |
| Associated with known cluster/outbreak         | 1     | 1.6%  |
| Any contact (HC, Comm, HH) to confirmed case   | 25    | 41.0% |
| Healthcare Contact to confirmed case           | 0     | 0.0%  |
| Community Contact to confirmed case            | 4     | 6.6%  |
| Household Contact to confirmed case            | 22    | 36.1% |
| Attended Community Event/Mass Gathering        | 0     | 0.0%  |
| Any Travel (international, domestic, in state) | 1     | 1.6%  |
| Source of infection is unknown                 | 28    | 45.9% |

\*\* Denominator is the number of cases reported in past two weeks

Total Cases March 2020 to October 22, 2021: 654



# Middle School Ages 11-13, As of October 22, 2021

As of March 2020,

44.5 % were household contact to a confirmed case

15.2 % were asymptomatic cases (no symptoms but tested positive for COVID-19)

## CASES REPORTED IN PAST TWO WEEKS Data from 10/09/2021 to 10/22/21

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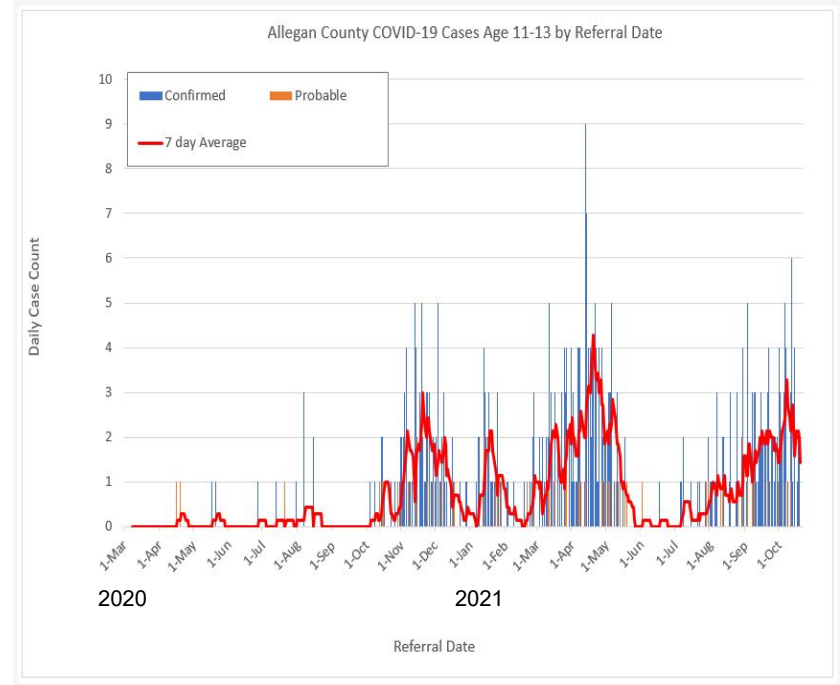
Number of Cases reported in past two weeks

24

|  | Count | % **  |
|--|-------|-------|
| In quarantine at time of onset/positive test   | 7     | 29.2% |
| Associated with known cluster/outbreak         | 0     | 0.0%  |
| Any contact (HC, Comm, HH) to confirmed case   | 14    | 58.3% |
| Healthcare Contact to confirmed case           | 0     | 0.0%  |
| Community Contact to confirmed case            | 0     | 0.0%  |
| Household Contact to confirmed case            | 14    | 58.3% |
| Attended Community Event/Mass Gathering        | 0     | 0.0%  |
| Any Travel (international, domestic, in state) | 1     | 4.2%  |
| Source of infection is unknown                 | 5     | 20.8% |

\*\* Denominator is the number of cases reported in past two weeks

Total Cases March 2020 to October 22, 2021: 445



# High School Ages 14-17, As of October 22, 2021

As of March 2020,

24.0 % were household contact to a confirmed case

12.9 % were asymptomatic cases (no symptoms but tested positive for COVID-19)

## CASES REPORTED IN PAST TWO WEEKS Data from 10/09/2021 to 10/22/21

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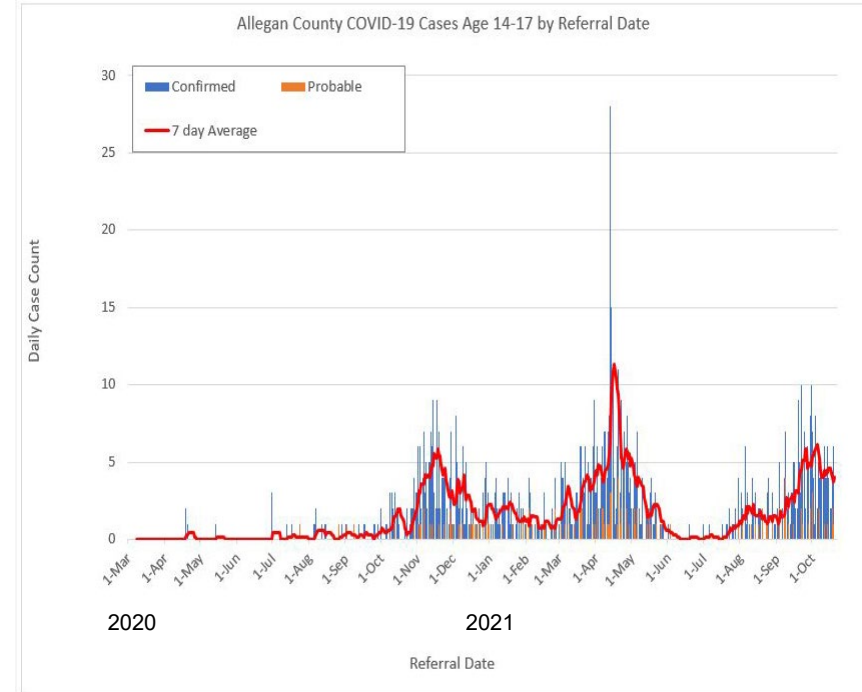
Number of Cases reported in past two weeks

66

|  | Count | % **  |
|--|-------|-------|
| In quarantine at time of onset/positive test   | 11    | 16.7% |
| Associated with known cluster/outbreak         | 2     | 3.0%  |
| Any contact (HC, Comm, HH) to confirmed case   | 20    | 30.3% |
| Healthcare Contact to confirmed case           | 0     | 0.0%  |
| Community Contact to confirmed case            | 3     | 4.5%  |
| Household Contact to confirmed case            | 17    | 25.8% |
| Attended Community Event/Mass Gathering        | 1     | 1.5%  |
| Any Travel (international, domestic, in state) | 0     | 0.0%  |
| Source of infection is unknown                 | 29    | 43.9% |

\*\* Denominator is the number of cases reported in past two weeks

Total Cases March 2020 to October 22, 2021: 964



## Allegan County Breakdown of Total COVID-19 Cases by School Age (3-17) , from March 2020 to October 22, 2021

### Breakdown of Cases by School Age Categories

|                           |        |
|---------------------------|--------|
| Total Case Count          | 2189   |
| Number of Cases <18 years | 2189   |
| % cases <18 years         | 100.0% |

| Approximate Grade Level | Age         | Case Count* | % total cases | % cases <18 years |
|-------------------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|-------------------|
|                         | 0-2 years   | 0           | 0.0%          | 0.0%              |
| Pre-K age               | 3-4 years   | 126         | 5.8%          | 5.8%              |
| K-5th grade age         | 5-10 years  | 654         | 29.9%         | 29.9%             |
| 6-8th grade age         | 11-13 years | 445         | 20.3%         | 20.3%             |
| 9-12th grade age        | 14-17 years | 964         | 44.0%         | 44.0%             |

*\*Case counts are based on case ages, which have been grouped into approximate grade levels. These counts may not reflect the actual grade level of cases. To prevent double-counting of cases, the age brackets do not overlap.*

## Allegan County Breakdown of COVID-19 Cases by School Age (3-17) Past 2 Weeks , As of October 22 2021

### Breakdown of Cases by School Age Categories

|                           |        |
|---------------------------|--------|
| Total Case Count          | 156    |
| Number of Cases <18 years | 156    |
| % cases <18 years         | 100.0% |

| Approximate Grade Level | Age         | Case Count* | % total cases | % cases <18 years |
|-------------------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|-------------------|
|                         | 0-2 years   | 0           | 0.0%          | 0.0%              |
| Pre-K age               | 3-4 years   | 10          | 6.4%          | 6.4%              |
| K-5th grade age         | 5-10 years  | 61          | 39.1%         | 39.1%             |
| 6-8th grade age         | 11-13 years | 23          | 14.7%         | 14.7%             |
| 9-12th grade age        | 14-17 years | 62          | 39.7%         | 39.7%             |

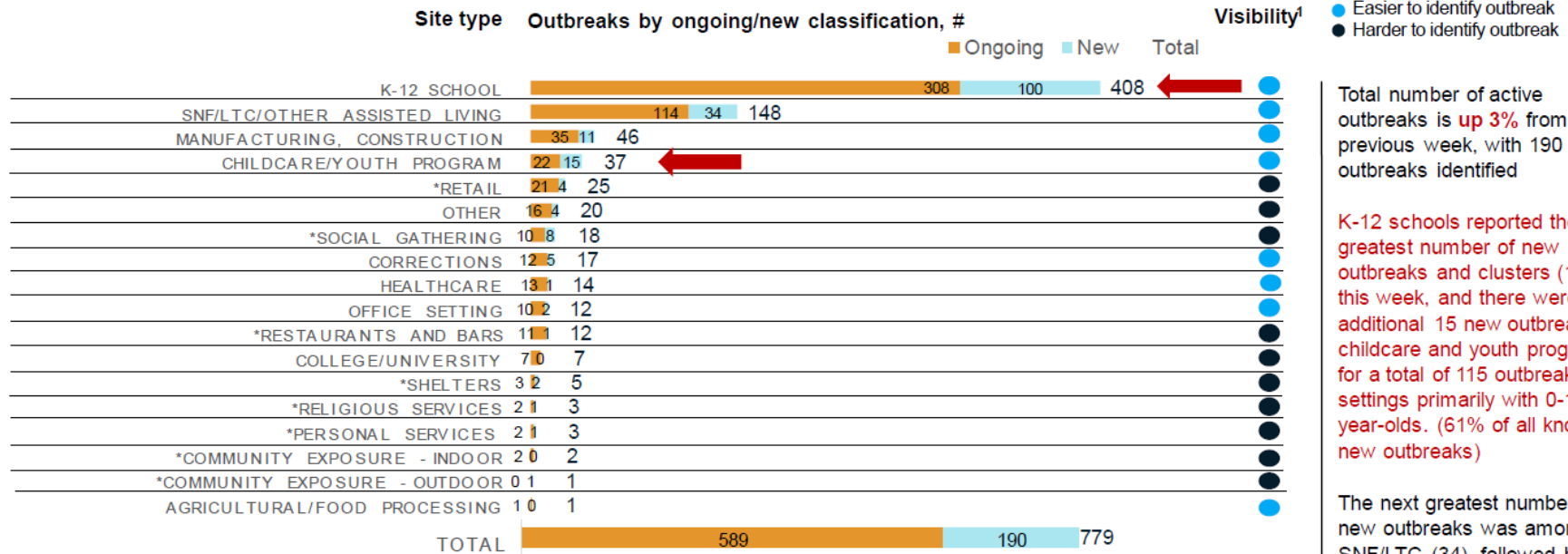
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### Household Contacts to a Confirmed Case:

5-10 years: 36.1%  
 11-13 years: 58.3%  
 14-17 years: 25.8%

# Number of Weekly Reported Outbreaks

## Number of outbreak investigations by site type, week ending Oct 14



● Easier to identify outbreak  
● Harder to identify outbreak

Total number of active outbreaks is **up 3%** from previous week, with 190 new outbreaks identified

K-12 schools reported the greatest number of new outbreaks and clusters (100) this week, and there were an additional 15 new outbreaks in childcare and youth programs for a total of 115 outbreaks in settings primarily with 0-19-year-olds. (61% of all known new outbreaks)

The next greatest number of new outbreaks was among SNF/LTC (34), followed by manufacturing/construction (11), social gathering (8), and 10 other settings with at least 1 new outbreak in the last week.

1. Based on a setting's level of control and the extent of time patrons/residents spend in the particular setting, different settings have differing levels of ability to ascertain whether a case derived from that setting

NOTE: Many factors, including the lack of ability to conduct effective contact tracing in certain settings, may result in significant underreporting of outbreaks. This chart does not provide a complete picture of outbreaks in Michigan and the absence of identified outbreaks in a particular setting in no way provides evidence that, in fact, that setting is not having outbreaks.

NOTE (10/4): MDHHS adopted the new [CSTE school cluster and outbreak definition](#) which impacts how transmissions within school-sponsored settings are reported to the health department

Source: LHD Weekly Sitreps

As of 10/21/21, ACHD has identified **3 ongoing** outbreaks and **3 new** outbreaks.

- 2 in Manufacturing/Construction
- 2 School K-12 setting
- 2 LTCF

# Identified COVID-19 Cases Caused by Variants of Concern (VOC) in US and Michigan

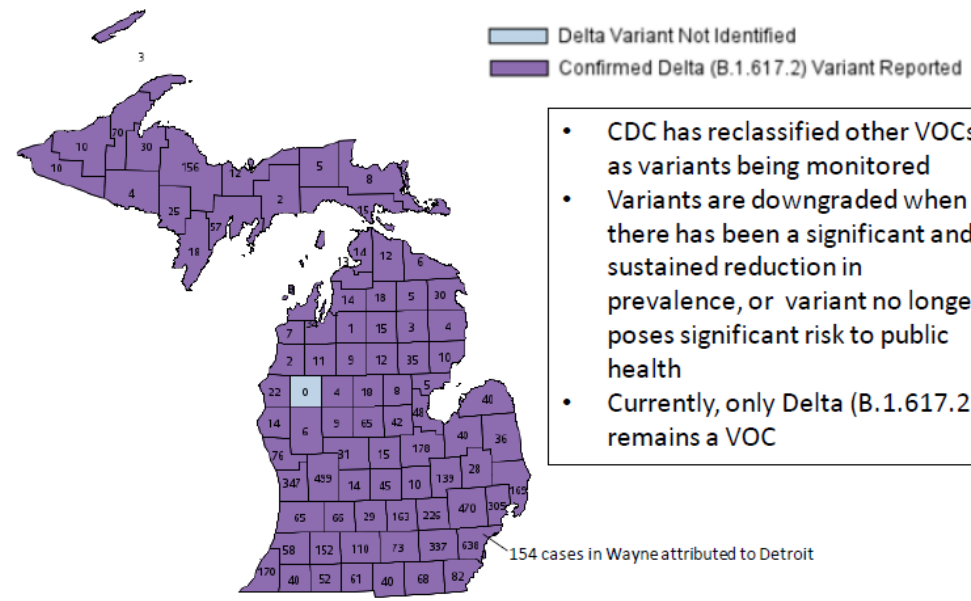
## SARS-CoV-2 Variants Circulating in the United States, Oct 1 – Oct 9 (NOWCAST)

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| USA       |           |          |        |            |
|-----------|-----------|----------|--------|------------|
| WHO label | Lineage # | US Class | %Total | 95%PI      |
| Alpha     | B.1.1.7   | VBM      | 0.0%   | 0.0-0.0%   |
| Gamma     | P.1       | VBM      | 0.0%   | 0.0-0.0%   |
| Delta     | B.1.617.2 | VOC      | 99.9%  | 99.8-99.9% |
|           | AY.1      | VOC      | 0.0%   | 0.0-0.1%   |
|           | AY.2      | VOC      | 0.0%   | 0.0-0.0%   |
| Mu        | B.1.621   | VBM      | 0.0%   | 0.0-0.0%   |
| Other     | Other*    |          | 0.0%   | 0.0-0.1%   |

\* Enumerated lineages are US VOC and lineages circulating above 1% nationally in at least one week period. "Other" represents the aggregation of lineages which are circulating <1% nationally during all weeks displayed.  
 \*\* These data include Nowcast estimates, which are modeled projections that may differ from weighted estimates generated at later dates  
 # Sublineages of P.1 and B.1.621 are aggregated with the parent lineage and included in parent lineage's proportion.  
 Q.1-Q.8 are aggregated with B.1.1.7. AY.3-AY.38 and their sublineages are aggregated with B.1.617.2.

## Variants of Concern in Michigan, Oct 18



| Variant           | MI Reported Cases <sup>1</sup> | # of Counties | MDHHS Est. Prevalence |
|-------------------|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------|
| B.1.617.2 (delta) | 5,916                          | 82            | 100%                  |

Data last updated Oct 18, 2021  
 Source: MDSS

Allegan County has **65** reported Delta variant cases (as of 10/18/21). Note: not every positive case is serosequenced for a variant.



# Sufficient Health Care Capacity

Region 5: Allegan/Kalamazoo Hospital Systems  
 Region 6: Grand Rapids/Ottawa Hospital Systems

Statewide Hospital Capacity Report COVID-19 10/25/2021\*\*

| Region   | All Hospital Beds | All Adult Hospital Beds | All Hospital Inpatient Beds | All Hospital Inpatient Bed Occupancy | Adult Hospital Inpatient Beds | Adult Hosp Inpatient Bed Occupancy | ICU Beds | ICU Bed Occupancy | Adult ICU Beds | Adult ICU Bed Occupancy |
|----------|-------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------|-------------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| Region 5 | 1684              | 1667                    | 1430                        | 1022                                 | 1390                          | 998                                | 199      | 152               | 186            | 144                     |
| Region 6 | 3186              | 2804                    | 2890                        | 2322                                 | 2526                          | 2004                               | 384      | 335               | 230            | 193                     |

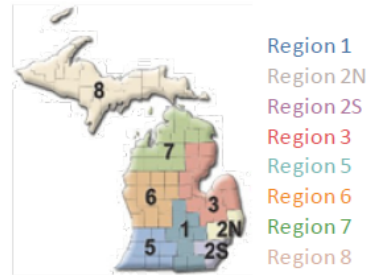
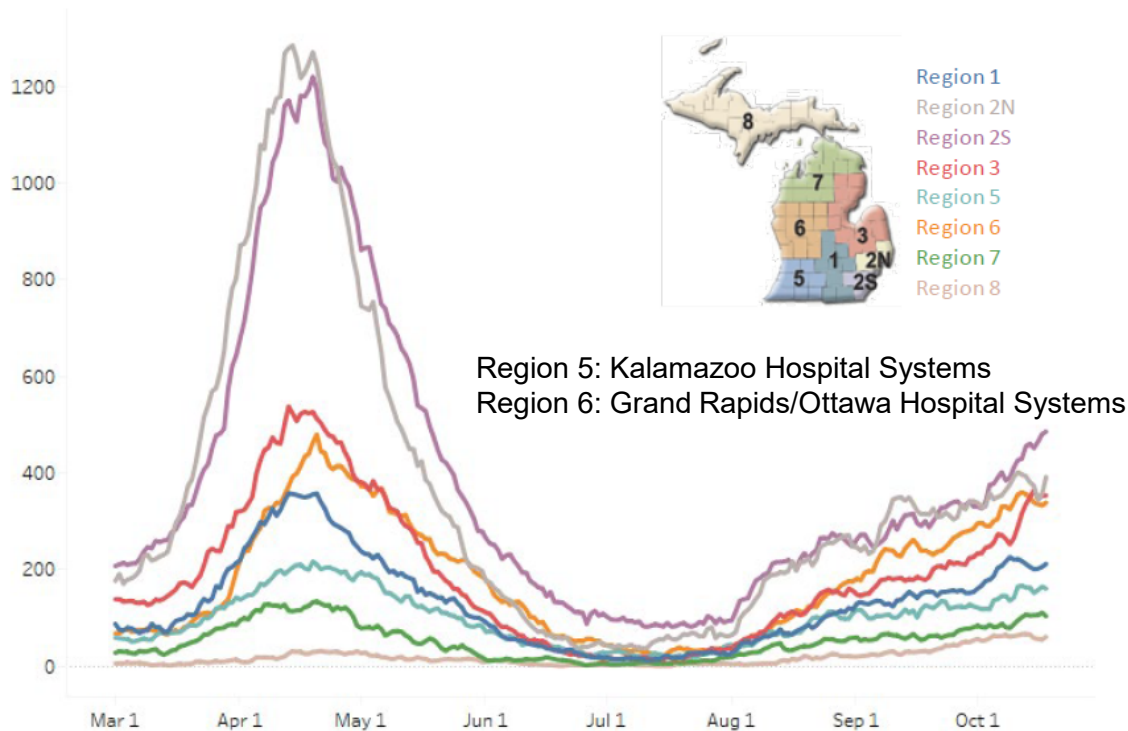
**COVID-19 Metrics**  
 10/25/21, by HCC Region

| HCC Region                                   | Region 5 | Region 6 |
|--|----------|----------|
| Total Hospitalized Adult Suspected/Confirmed | 157      | 367      |
| Adult Confirmed-Positive COVID               | 149      | 359      |
| Hospitalized Peds Confirmed/Suspected        | 3        | 10       |
| Hospitalized Ped Confirmed-Positive          | 2        | 9        |
| Hospitalized and Ventilated COVID            | 16       | 70       |
| Adult ICU Confirmed/Suspected COVID          | 38       | 90       |
| ICU Adult Confirmed-Positive COVID           | 37       | 87       |
| Prev Day COVID Related ED Visits             | 146      | 159      |

| Region 5 | Region 6 |
|----------|----------|
| ↓        | ↑        |
| ↓        | ↑        |
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# Statewide Hospitalization Trends: Regional COVID+ Census

Hospitalization Trends 3/1/2021 – 10/18/2021  
Confirmed Positive by Region

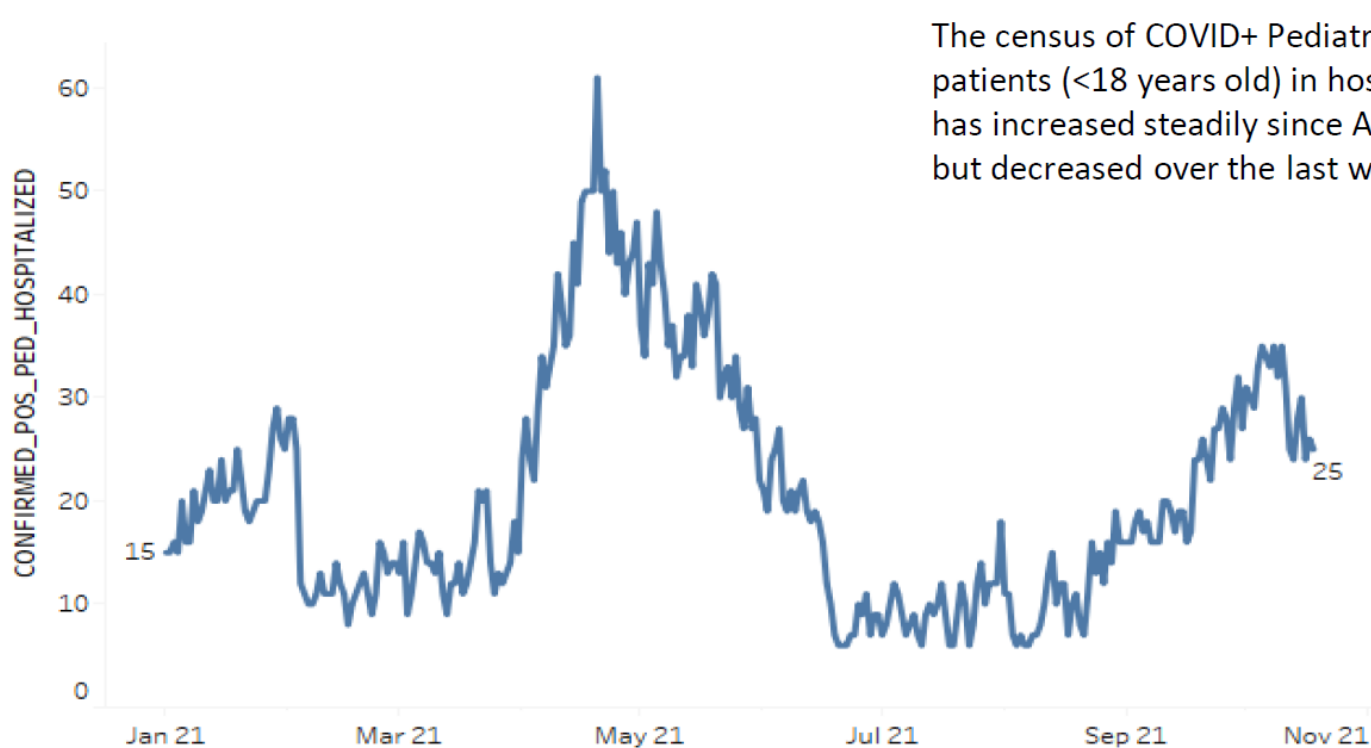


The census of COVID+ patients has increased in 3 regions and decreased slightly in the other regions of the state. Regions 2S and 3 show the largest increases this week.

Regions 3 is over 300/M population hospitalized and Regions 2S, 6 and 7 have greater than 200 hospitalizations/M.

| Region    | COVID+ Hospitalizations (%<br>Δ from last week) | COVID+ Hospitalizations /<br>MM |
|-----------|---|---------------------------------|
| Region 1  | 211 (-5%)                                       | 195/M                           |
| Region 2N | 391 (-2%)                                       | 177/M                           |
| Region 2S | 485 (14%)                                       | 218/M                           |
| Region 3  | 353 (23%)                                       | 311/M                           |
| Region 5  | 160 (-2%)                                       | 168/M                           |
| Region 6  | 338 (-5%)                                       | 230/M                           |
| Region 7  | 103 (10%)                                       | 206/M                           |
| Region 8  | 60 (-5%)  | 193/M                           |

# Statewide Hospitalization Trends: Pediatric COVID+ Census



The census of COVID+ Pediatric patients (<18 years old) in hospitals has increased steadily since August but decreased over the last week

Source: [MDHHS October 19 Data Update](#)



# Allegan County BREAKTHROUGH CASE DATA

## All Ages in Allegan County

As of 10/12/21, there are **0.94%** (516/54,846) reported vaccine breakthrough cases.

## 12-19 year olds in Allegan County

As of 10/12/21, there are **0.46%** (21/4,533) reported vaccine breakthrough cases, **16 cases** are under age of 18.

### What do these numbers mean?

To calculate breakthrough cases, we take the number of fully vaccinated COVID positive cases, divided by the total number of fully vaccinated individuals in Allegan County.

Vaccine Breakthrough % = (number of fully vaccinated, COVID+ cases / total number of fully vaccinated individuals)

Age Group Vaccine Breakthrough % = (number of fully vaccinated, COVID+ cases in age group / total number of fully vaccinated individuals in age group)

## Comparing hospitalizations and death of unvaccinated and vaccinated in Allegan County

Since 1/1/21 to 10/12/21, there have been **167 hospitalizations** and **80 deaths** due to COVID-19



- **24 of the 167 hospitalizations (14.4%)** were fully-vaccinated individuals. All breakthrough case related hospitalizations were over the age of 40.
- **6 of the 80 deaths (7.5%)** were fully-vaccinated individuals. All breakthrough case related deaths were over the age of 65.

# Allegan County VACCINE DATA

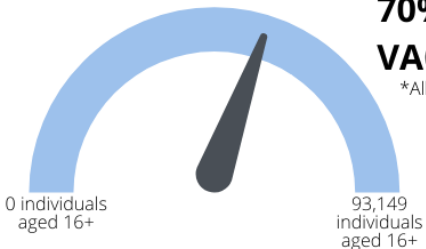
Updated 10/25/21  
Data as of 10/22/21



**61.5%**

**70% OF ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUALS\*  
VACCINATED BY END OF 2021**

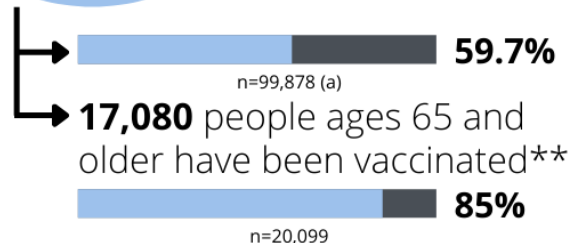
\*Allegan County residents age 16+



0 individuals  
aged 16+

93,149  
individuals  
aged 16+

As of October 22, **59,627** people have been vaccinated\*\*



n=99,878 (a)

**59.7%**

**17,080** people ages 65 and older have been vaccinated\*\*

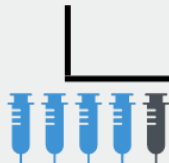
n=20,099

**85%**

\*\*Individuals given at least 1 dose of vaccine. On 5/18, we began including the population 12 years and older.  
a): 2019 American Community Survey (ACS) population estimates for 12+ in Allegan County



**Over 1 in 2** individuals are fully vaccinated (56%).



**Over 4 in 5** individuals aged 65 and older are fully vaccinated (80.7%).

**Fully Vaccinated:** Individuals (12 years and older) receiving 2 doses of Pfizer or Moderna or 1 dose of J&J.

Total Doses Distributed\*

**96,780**

\*includes 1st and 2nd doses. Based on allocation process established by MDHHS to each county.

Total Doses Administered\*

**109,783**

\*includes 1st and 2nd doses and based on person's residence.

**PLANNED CLINICS**

October 26, 2021 to November 9, 2021

**7**  
Clinics

**250**  
Doses

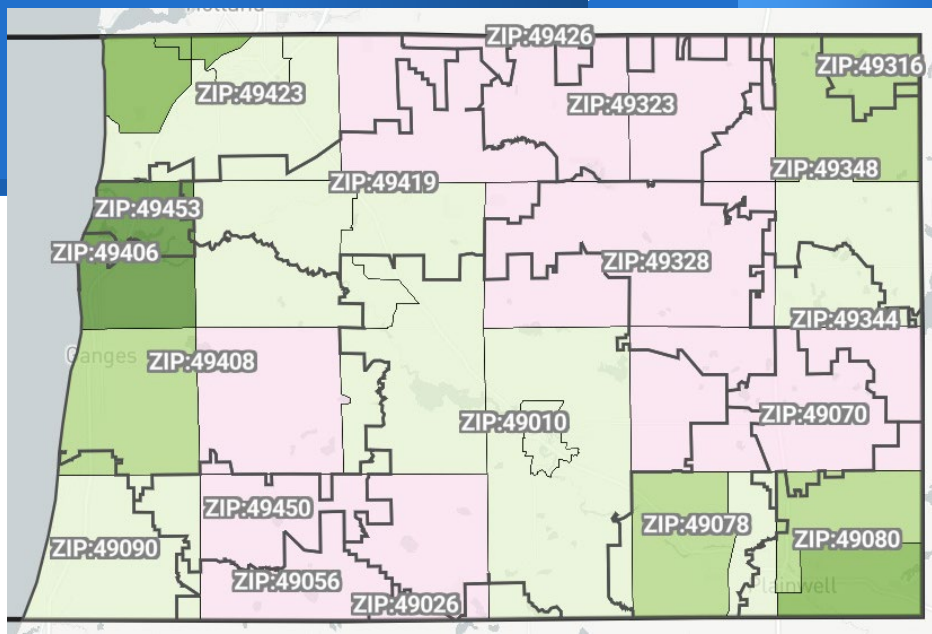
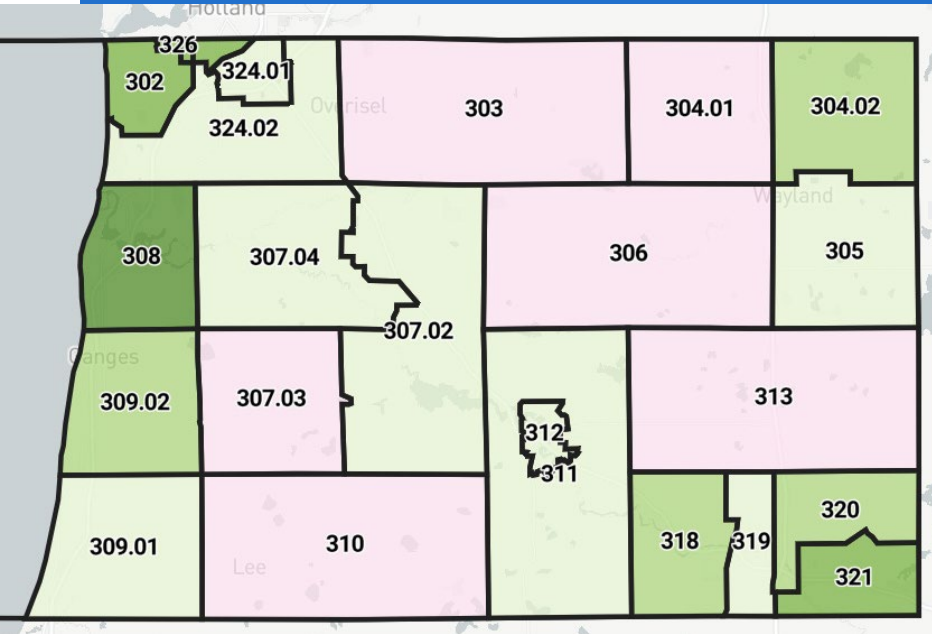
**Note:** Our goal of vaccinating 70% of the population accounted for the 16 and older population. With increasing the eligibility population, our vaccine coverage decreased. We are continuing to strive towards our goal of vaccinating 70% of residents 16 and older, which will reflect on the gauge at the top of this graphic.

**6/1/2021 Update:** Previous vaccine graphics included 96,451 as the population of Allegan County residents 12 years and older. After further review, 99,878 is a more accurate population estimation.



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Data as of 10/24/21



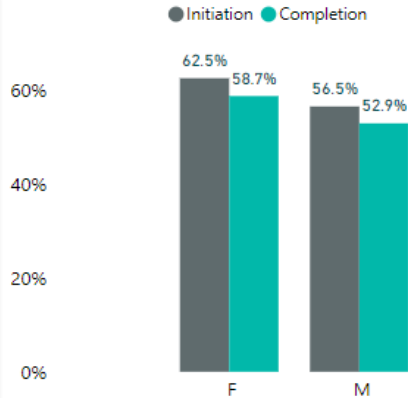
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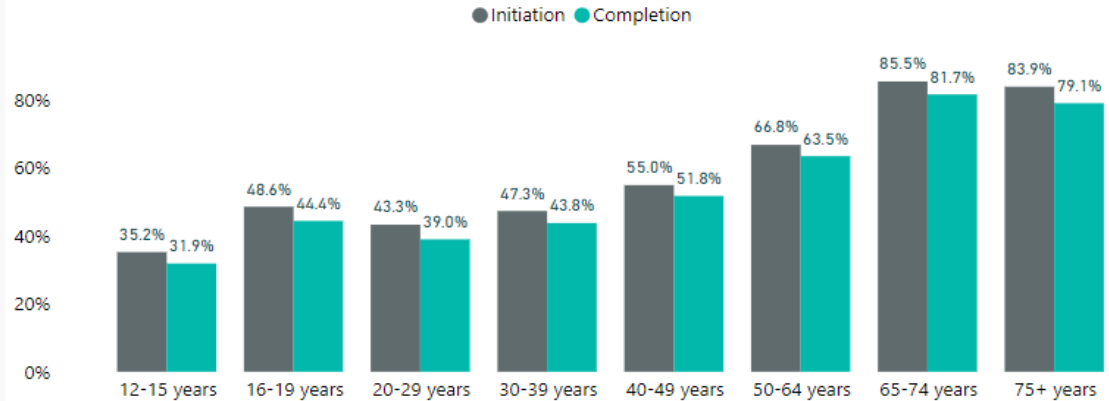


## Allegan Vaccination Rates by Age, As of October 22, 2021

### COVID Vaccine Coverage by Sex



### COVID Vaccine Coverage by Age Group



#### Age 12-15

Initiated: 2,371: **35.2%**

Completed: 2,145: **31.9%**

#### Age 16-19

Initiated: 2,807: **48.6%**

Completed: 2,566: **44.4%**

#### Definitions:

**Initiation:** Percentage who have received either 1 or more doses of ANY vaccine.

**Completion:** Percentage of Allegan County Residents receiving 2 doses of Pfizer or Moderna or 1 dose of J&J.

# Public Health COVID-19 Advisory

Level of Community Transmission: High

Allegan County Health Department strongly recommends everyone to:



## Wear a mask in public

In settings with a lot of people (restaurants, festivals, fairs, events, stores, etc.), wearing a mask provides you extra protection



## Get a COVID-19 vaccine

This helps lessen the impact of severe illness, resulting in hospitalization or death

Actions including **social distancing, frequent handwashing, screening and testing, and isolation/quarantine** help lessen the level of transmission



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# #DoYourPart

# CDC Levels of Community Transmission

Allegan County Level of Community Transmission: High

| Indicator - If the two indicators suggest different transmission levels, the higher level is selected | Low Transmission Blue | Moderate Transmission Yellow | Substantial Transmission Orange | High Transmission Red |
|---|-----------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Total new cases per 100,000 persons in the past 7 days  | 0-9.99                | 10-49.99                     | 50-99.99                        | ≥100                  |
| Percentage of NAATs <sup>1</sup> that are positive during the past 7 days                             | 0-4.99%               | 5-7.99%                      | 8-9.99%                         | ≥10.0%                |

**Footnote:**

Level of Community Transmission: This metric \*\* uses two indicators for categorization (1. Total number of new cases per 100,000 persons within the last 7 days and 2. Percentage of positive diagnostic and screening nucleic acid amplification tests (NAAT) during the last 7 days). INAAAT remains the "gold standard" for clinical diagnostic detection of SARS-CoV-2 and includes viral testing such as Nucleic Acid Amplification Tests (NAATs), which include reverse transcriptase-polymerase chain reaction (RT-PCR) tests. Total number of new cases per 100,000 persons within the last 7 days is calculated by adding the number of new cases in the county (or other administrative level) in the last 7 days divided by the population in the county (or other administrative level) and multiplying by 100,000. Percentage of positive diagnostic and screening NAAT during the last 7 days is calculated by dividing the number of positive tests in the county (or other administrative level) during the last 7 days by the total number of tests resulted over the last 7 days. If the two indicators suggest different transmission levels, the higher level is selected. Transmission categories include Blue (Low Transmission); Control is achieved largely through individual prevention behaviors and the public health response to identify and isolate cases or clusters. Threshold: Counties with fewer than 10 cumulative cases per 100,000 population in the past 7 days, and a cumulative NAAT percent test positivity result below 5% in the past 7 days. Yellow (Moderate Transmission); Adherence to individual and selected community level prevention strategies are needed. Threshold: Counties with 10-49 cumulative cases per 100,000 population or a cumulative NAAT test positivity result between 5.0-7.9% in the past 7 days. Orange (Substantial Transmission); Everyday activities should be limited to reduce spread and protect the health care system. Threshold: Counties with 50-99 cumulative cases per 100,000 population or a cumulative NAAT test positivity result between 8.0-9.9% in the past 7 days. Red (High Transmission); Significant measures are needed to limit contact between persons, with priority given to maintaining essential community activities and services (e.g., health care, transportation, food and agriculture, schools). Threshold: Counties with cumulative cases ≥100 per 100,000 population or a cumulative NAAT test positivity result ≥10.0% in the past 7 days. The Level of Community Transmission table displays the number of counties in each level and the change from the prior week.



# TOOLS THAT HELP PREVENT COVID-19 IN SCHOOLS/BUSINESSES



**What we are trying to do is to get the virus transmission level so low in the community that it can't continue to spread.**

- These tools by themselves are helpful, but when paired together, we can get to our intended outcome (low to no virus transmission) quicker.
  - As community transmission increases, we need more tools to help provide protection
  - As vaccination rate within a community increases, fewer tools need to be practiced since there is a layer of protection

# Mitigation vs. Adaptation of COVID-19

- ▶ Mitigation strategies help reduce the severity of illness and burden. Effective mitigation takes community cooperation.
- ▶ Adaptation is learning how to adjust and live with COVID-19 in our communities. **What is the new normal?**
  - ▶ Healthy workplace policies



# Halloween

- ▶ Tips for all persons include getting the COVID-19 vaccine if you are eligible (ages 12 and over), staying home if you are sick, wearing a mask that covers both the mouth and nose, washing hands often and/or using hand sanitizer containing at least 60 percent alcohol, and coughing or sneezing into your elbow.
- ▶ **We strongly recommend outdoor activities**

## HALLOWEEN SAFETY TIPS

### FOR TRICK-OR-TREATERS AND PARENTS:

- Talk with children about Halloween safety and staying home when sick
- Trick or treat in small groups and avoid gathering around homes
- Do not wear a costume mask over a protective cloth mask if wearing both causes difficulty breathing, instead consider using a Halloween-themed cloth mask
- Stay outdoors for socially-distanced activities, particularly if you are unvaccinated
- If indoors or in crowded outdoor settings, wear a face mask covering both mouth and nose (a costume mask alone is not a substitute for a cloth mask)



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# Monoclonal Antibody (MAB) Treatment for COVID-19



## What is MAB Treatment?

Generally, antibodies are proteins that people's bodies make to fight viruses, including COVID-19. Monoclonal antibodies (MABs) are made in a laboratory that act a lot like natural antibodies to limit the amount of virus in your body.

MAB treatment is for people who have tested positive for COVID-19 and have mild to moderate symptoms. These treatments are allowed by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) under an Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) while clinical studies continue to look at their usefulness and safety. Recently the FDA approved the use of monoclonal antibodies to treat certain high-risk adult and pediatric patients who have been exposed to COVID-19. This treatment method is known as post-exposure prophylaxis, or PEP.

## Who can receive MAB Treatment?

Individuals that have mild to moderate COVID-19, or are a close contact with the following risk factors:

Are over the age of 65

Have other health conditions considered by their health care provider to place them at higher risk for severe illness

**OR**

Over the age of 12 with:

- chronic kidney disease
- heart or lung disease
- obesity
- diabetes
- pregnancy
- immunosuppressive disease

## How do I get MAB Treatment?

Antibodies may be administered only in settings where health care providers have immediate access to medications to treat any reactions and where emergency medical systems are available, if needed.

Talk to your doctor or primary provider about MAB treatment if you have COVID-19 or are a close contact at high risk for severe disease or hospitalization.

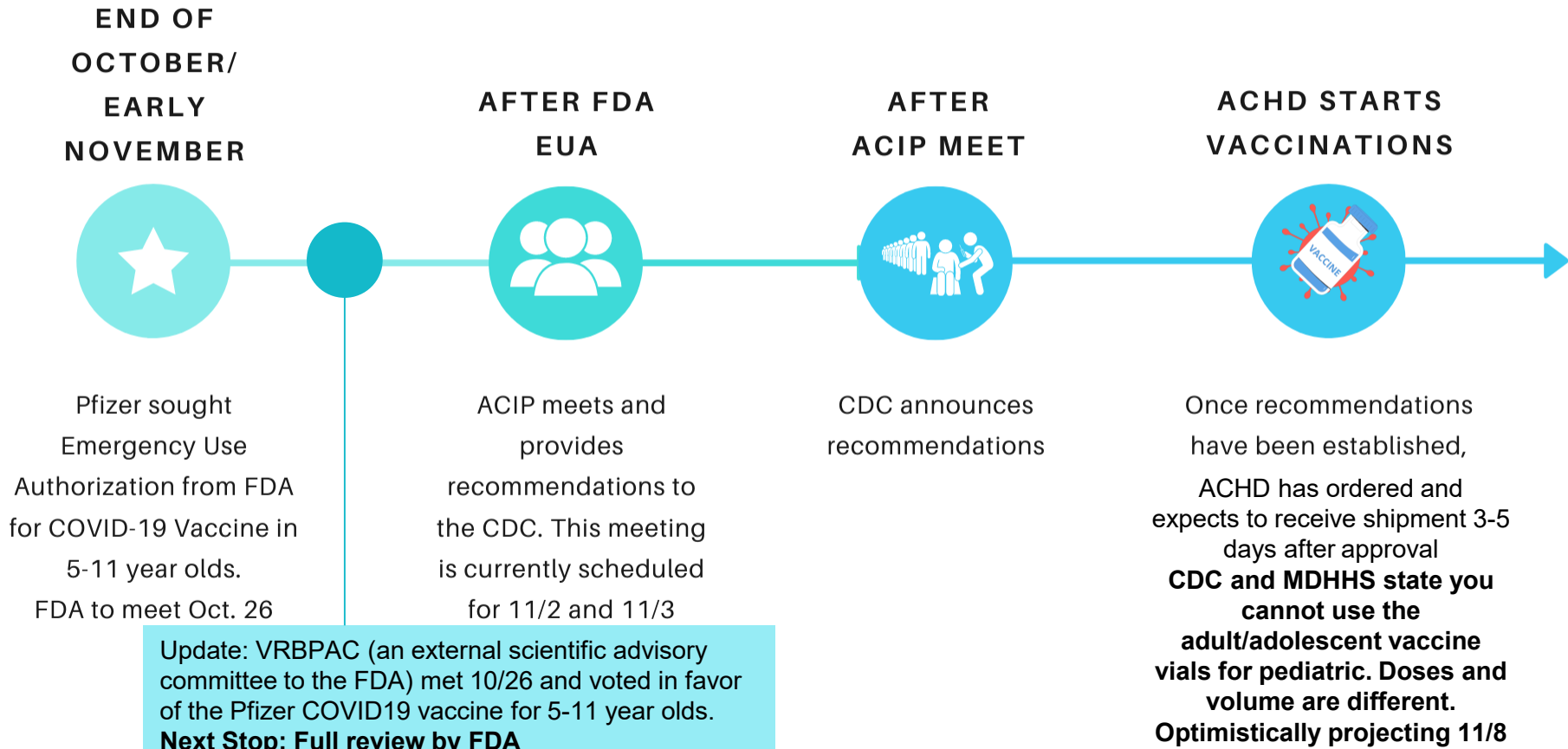


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Learn more about MAB treatment by visiting [www.michigan.gov/coronavirus](http://www.michigan.gov/coronavirus).



# 5-11 YEAR OLD COVID-19 VACCINE AUTHORIZATION

Timeline



## Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccines

PRELIMINARY – SUBJECT TO CHANGE PENDING REGULATORY GUIDANCE AND AUTHORIZATION/APPROVAL

| Description                        | Current Adult/Adolescent Formulation<br>(1170 and 450 packs)                                | Future Pediatric Formulation  |
|------------------------------------|---|---|
|                                    | Dilute Prior to Use   | Dilute Prior to Use   |
| Age Group                          | 12 years and older  | 5 to <12 years**  |
| Vial Cap Color                     | PURPLE<br> | ORANGE<br> |
| Dose                               | 30 mcg  | 10 mcg  |
| Injection Volume                   | 0.3 mL  | 0.2 mL  |
| Fill Volume (before dilution)      | 0.45 mL   | 1.3 mL  |
| Amount of Diluent* Needed per Vial | 1.8 mL  | 1.3 mL  |
| Doses per Vial                     | 6 doses per vial (after dilution)   | 10 doses per vial (after dilution)  |
| Storage Conditions                 |   |   |
| ULT Freezer (-90°C to -60°C)       | 9 months  | 6 months  |
| Freezer (-25°C to -15°C)           | 2 weeks   | N/A   |
| Refrigerator (2°C to 8°C)          | 1 month   | 10 weeks  |

**Q: Can the current adult/adolescent formulation (purple cap) be used to vaccinate children 5 to <12 years old once the vaccine is authorized for this age group?**

**A: No.** For children under 12 years of age, you cannot use the current formulation and will need to use the future pediatric (orange cap) formulation.

**Purple Cap – Adult/Adolescent:** Authorized only for aged 12 years and older



**Orange Cap – Pediatric:** Future authorization for aged 5- to 12 years. A separate vaccine formulation specific for a 10mcg dose will be introduced.



**NOTE:** Use of the current adult/adolescent formulation (purple cap) to prepare doses for children 5 to <12 years would result in an injection volume for the 10mcg dose of 0.1mL, which is both generally considered too small for typical IM injections and has not been studied.

Full Series expected to be two doses three weeks apart

\*Diluent: 0.9% sterile Sodium Chloride Injection, USP (non-bacteriostatic); DO NOT USE OTHER DILUENTS

\*\*The vaccine is currently under emergency use authorization review by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for children 5 to <12 years old

# What's the difference between a COVID-19 vaccine booster dose and an additional dose?



An **additional dose** is sometimes needed for people who are moderately to severely immunocompromised because they were likely unable to build enough protection after the initial primary vaccine series. **Also known as 3<sup>rd</sup> dose**

A **booster** is the next dose in a vaccination series to likely boost immunity that has waned over time.

The risk of severe illness from COVID-19 increases with age, and can also increase for adults of any age with underlying medical conditions. Please contact your primary care provider to see if you need an additional or booster dose.



**booster dose**



**additional dose**

For

People aged 65 years and older, residents aged 18 years and older in long-term care settings, and people aged 56–64 years with certain underlying medical conditions **should get a booster dose.**

Based on individual benefits and risks, people aged 18–49 years who are at high risk for severe COVID-19 due to certain underlying medical conditions and people aged 18–64 years who are at increased risk for COVID-19 exposure because of occupational\* or institutional setting **may get a booster dose.**

People who are moderately to severely immunocompromised **should get an additional dose.**

Minimum time after 2<sup>nd</sup> dose

**6 months**

**28 days**

Initial vaccine

**Pfizer**

**Pfizer or Moderna**

Plan to get the same type of vaccine for all doses.

\*Per CDC, occupations at increased risk for COVID-19 exposure and transmission include frontline essential workers and health care workers.

# Booster Eligibility

- ▶ **Eligibility groups for a Moderna or Pfizer vaccine booster include:**
  - ▶ Anyone 65 and older.
  - ▶ Anyone 18 and older with a [medical condition](#) that increases their risk of severe COVID-19 illness such as obesity, diabetes, high blood pressure, kidney disease and others.
  - ▶ Anyone 18 years or older who lives or works in a [high-risk setting](#) for being exposed to COVID-19 such as residents of congregate living facilities, health care workers, first responders, educators, childcare staff, food and agriculture workers, manufacturing workers, and others.
  - ▶ Anyone described above who previously received two doses of Moderna or Pfizer vaccine with a second dose being at least 6 months ago
- ▶ **Eligibility groups for J&J vaccine booster include:**
  - ▶ All Johnson & Johnson recipients age 18 and older at least two months after their initial shot





## What is "mixing and matching"?

**"Mixing and matching" is getting a different COVID-19 booster than your initial vaccine.**

**The CDC advises people to get the same booster as their initial vaccine, but allows people to mix and match if they have a different preference.**

As of 10/22/2021

# Boosters

- ▶ **How can I get my booster dose?**  
We will provide booster doses for anyone in the eligible groups at scheduled ACHD Vaccine clinics. We provide walk-in availability or the option to make an appointment. People can also visit [www.vaccines.gov](http://www.vaccines.gov) for pharmacies that are providing booster doses. Please bring your vaccine card or copy of your record when you get your booster dose.

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# Am I eligible for a booster shot?

## Who?

If you received a Pfizer or Moderna series:

- > 65 years and older
- > Age 18+ who live in long-term care settings
- > Age 18+ who have underlying medical conditions
- > Age 18+ who work or live in high-risk settings

If you received a J&J vaccine:

- > Age 18+

## When?

- > At least 6 months after Pfizer or Moderna
- > At least 2 months after J&J

## Which booster shot do I get?

- > You may have a preference, but you can get any booster shot.



**FIND OUT MORE AT [CDC.GOV](http://CDC.GOV) & [VACCINES.GOV](http://VACCINES.GOV)**

# Testing Expanded

- ▶ ACHD has worked with partners to expand testing availability. Drive Thru testing will be available at the vaccine clinic locations. More information will be available in a press release.
- ▶ **Data on Testing Events, Wednesdays from 1-7pm at ACT**
  - ▶ September: 283 (3 testing events)
  - ▶ October: 389 (3 testing events, 1 happening today)

# COVID-19 Vaccination and Non-COVID-19 Mortality Risk

- ▶ A new study looking at millions of vaccinated and unvaccinated people found no increased risk of death among COVID-19 vaccine recipients.
- ▶ The report looks at 7 months of data from a large population. COVID-19 vaccines are effective at helping prevent COVID-19 infection, including severe illness and death.
- ▶ This study's findings provide additional information that vaccines are safe, and the benefits outweigh potential risk.

[View the study referenced here](#)



**COVID-19 vaccines are safe**

COVID-19 vaccines reduce risk for infection, serious illness, and death

A study of 11 million people found no increased risk of death among COVID-19 vaccine recipients

**Get vaccinated as soon as possible**

Data from December 2020 to July 2021  
[bit.ly/MMWR7043e2](https://bit.ly/MMWR7043e2)

The infographic features a woman in a black face mask and a teal patterned scarf, with a green bandage on her left shoulder, standing in a clinical setting. The text is presented in white and green on a dark background.

# Upcoming COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics\* for anyone 12 years and older



## OCTOBER VACCINE CLINICS



Make an appointment ahead of time by visiting [www.allegancounty.org/covid](http://www.allegancounty.org/covid)

**Friday, October 1 | 11:00am–3:00pm**

Love INC., 943 56th St., Pullman

**Friday, October 8 | 1:00pm–4:00pm**

Plainwell Department of Public Safety,  
119 Island Ave., Plainwell

**Sunday, October 10 | 3:00pm–6:00pm**

Hamilton High School, 4911 136th Ave., Hamilton

**Tuesday, October 12 | 3:00pm–6:00pm**

Casco United Methodist Church,  
880 66th St., South Haven

**Thursday, October 14 | 5:00pm–7:30pm**

Starr Elementary School,  
601 School Dr., Plainwell

**Monday, October 18 | 3:00pm–6:00pm**

Allegan High School, 1560 M-40, Allegan

**Tuesday, October 19 | 3:00pm–6:00pm**

Casco United Methodist Church,  
880 66th St., South Haven

**Thursday October 21 | 10:00am–2:00pm**

First Baptist Church, 1290 32nd St., Allegan

**Monday, October 25 | 3:00pm–6:00pm**

Allegan High School, 1560 M-40, Allegan

**Tuesday, October 26 | 3:00pm–6:00pm**

Casco United Methodist Church,  
880 66th St., South Haven

**Friday, October 29 | 1:00pm–4:00pm**

Plainwell Department of Public Safety,  
119 Island Ave., Plainwell

Due to increased demand with boosters, we highly recommend you schedule an appointment ahead of time by visiting

[www.allegancounty.org/covid](http://www.allegancounty.org/covid)

**\*Pfizer–BioNTech Booster Shots available to those who are eligible\***

(Minors ages 12 to 17 will need a parent or legal guardian to accompany them to their appointment in order to provide consent to receive the COVID-19 vaccine)



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# NOVEMBER VACCINE CLINICS



Make an appointment ahead of time by visiting [www.allegancounty.org/covid](http://www.allegancounty.org/covid)

**Monday, November 1 | 3:00pm-6:00pm**

Allegan High School, 1560 M-40, Allegan

**Tuesday, November 2 | 3:00pm-6:00pm**

Casco United Methodist Church,  
880 66th St., South Haven

**Thursday, November 4 | 5:00pm-7:30pm**

Starr Elementary School,  
601 School Dr., Plainwell

**Monday, November 8 | 3:00pm-6:00pm**

Allegan High School, 1560 M-40, Allegan

**Tuesday, November 9 | 3:00pm-6:00pm**

Casco United Methodist Church,  
880 66th St., South Haven

**Saturday, November 13 | 10:00am-1:00pm**

Wayland High School,  
870 E. Superior St., Wayland

**Sunday, November 14 | 3:00pm-6:00pm**

Hamilton High School,  
4911 136th Ave., Hamilton

**Tuesday, November 16 | 3:00pm-6:00pm**

Casco United Methodist Church,  
880 66th St., South Haven

**Thursday, November 18 | 5:00pm-7:30pm**

Starr Elementary School,  
601 School Dr., Plainwell

**Friday, November 19 | 1:00pm-4:00pm**

Plainwell Department of Public Safety,  
119 Island Ave., Plainwell

**Monday, November 22 | 3:00pm-6:00pm**

Allegan High School, 1560 M-40, Allegan

**Tuesday, November 23 | 3:00pm-6:00pm**

Casco United Methodist Church,  
880 66th St., South Haven

**Monday, November 29 | 3:00pm-6:00pm**

Allegan High School, 1560 M-40, Allegan

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**FREE**

# DRIVE THRU COVID-19 TESTING EVENTS



**GRATIS**

# CONDUCE A TRAVÉS DE EVENTOS DE PRUEBA DE COVID 19



**Every Wednesday: 1pm - 7pm**  
Allegan County Transportation Building  
750 Airway Dr., Allegan

**FREE Drive-thru Rapid COVID-19 testing**  
**Available to individuals of any age, regardless of symptoms.**  
Individuals under the age of 18 will need parental/guardian consent.

**No pre-registration | No insurance needed | No doctor's note needed**



**NOTICE:** In the event of severe weather, ACHD will cancel testing events for the protection of staff and residents. Please check our Facebook page @AlleganCountyHD or call 269-686-4546 for any cancellation notices the day of the event.



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**Cada Miércoles: 1pm - 7pm**  
Allegan County Transportation Building  
750 Airway Dr., Allegan

**COVID-19 rápido para conducir GRATIS**  
**Disponible para personas de cualquier edad\*, independientemente de los síntomas.** Las personas menores de 18 años necesitarán el consentimiento de los padres / tutores.

**Sin preinscripción | No se necesita seguro | No se necesita una nota del médico**



**AVISO:** En caso de mal tiempo, ACHD cancelará los eventos de prueba para la protección del personal y los residentes. Consulte nuestra página de Facebook @AlleganCountyHD o llame al 269-686-4546 para recibir avisos de cancelación el día del evento.



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# Confirmed Cyanobacteria Blooms in Swan Lake

**ADVISORY  
CONFIRMED  
CYANOBACTERIA  
HARMFUL BLOOMS  
PRESENT.**

**KEEP PEOPLE  
AND PETS  
OUT OF AREA.**

This Advisory remains in effect until future testing shows no harmful cyanobacteria present.



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Environmental Health (269) 673-5415



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3255 I22nd Avenue, Suite 200  
Allegan, MI 49010

# FREE

## Preschool and Kindergarten Entrance Hearing and Vision Screenings

Please call (269) 673-5411 to  
make an appointment.



### Upcoming Clinics

9am - 12pm

By Appointment Only

Friday, September 3rd

Friday, October 1st

Friday, November 5th

"The ability to  
hear and see--  
the ability to  
learn--is the  
key to a child's  
success."



Michigan's Public Health Code requires screening during preschool (ages 3 to 5) and again prior to kindergarten entry. Once a child begins elementary school, free screenings continue on a regular basis and are conducted by your local health department.



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screening programs



October  
**24-30**  
**2021**



## National LEAD POISONING PREVENTION Week



#LeadFreeKids

#NLPPW2021



Pregnant women and children under the age of 6 are more susceptible to lead poisoning

### Why is it important to test for lead poisoning?

There is no safe blood lead level in children, and even relatively low levels of lead exposure can impair a child's cognitive development.

Children with blood lead levels can experience delayed growth and development, damage to the brain and nervous system, learning and behavior problems, and a host of other health-related issues.

**The only way to know if you have a recent or on-going exposure to lead is to get a blood lead test.** You can contact your healthcare provider to request a blood test to see if you and your loved ones are being exposed.

# Get the **FLU** **SHOT** not the flu!

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**Wed, Oct 6, 9am-11am**

**Thurs, Oct 28, 2pm-4pm**

**Wed, Nov 17, 11am-1pm**

| Vaccines Available   |   |
|--|---|
| <i>If you are unsure which vaccine to choose, please talk with your healthcare provider.</i> |   |
| Flu  | Pneumonia<br><i>(discuss with your healthcare provider)</i> |
| High Dose Quadrivalent (65 years and up)   | Pneumovax 23 (19 years and up)                              |
| Quadrivalent (6 months and up)   | Prevnar 13 (19 years and up)                                |
| Quadrivalent FluMist Nasal Spray (2-17 years)  |   |

**NOTE:** All vaccines listed may not be available at every clinic. Delivery times are expected to be delayed due to the increased quantities manufacturers are producing.

Flu and pneumonia vaccines are FREE with most insurances.

All Medicare Part B plans and most commercial insurances are accepted.

We are not able to accept any Medicaid or Medicaid HMO insurances. Anyone with Medicaid or Medicaid HMO insurance should contact their primary care physician for an immunization.

Appropriate COVID-19 guidelines will be followed.  
Each patient will undergo COVID-19 screening.



**ACHD COVID-19 Updates  
are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and  
last Wednesday of every  
month.**

# Questions?

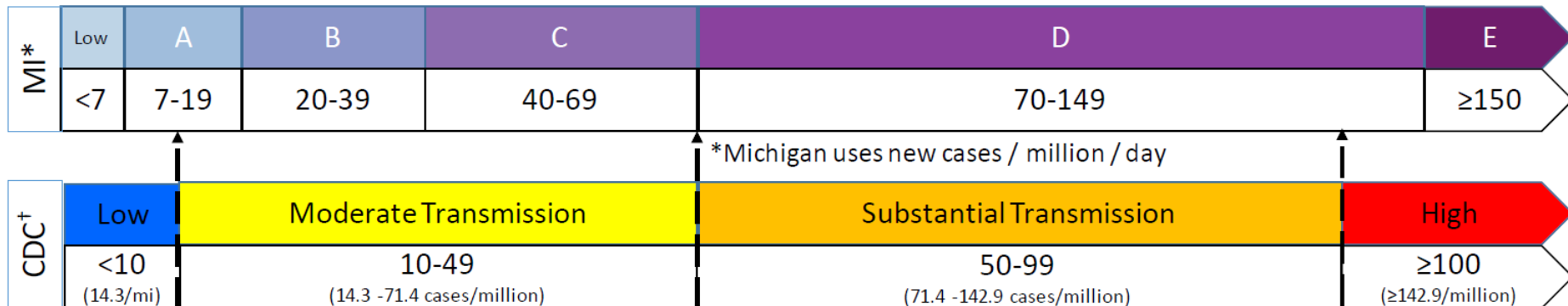
Questions, concerns, or more information needed? Please complete an [inquiry form](#)

# Appendices

## Appendix A

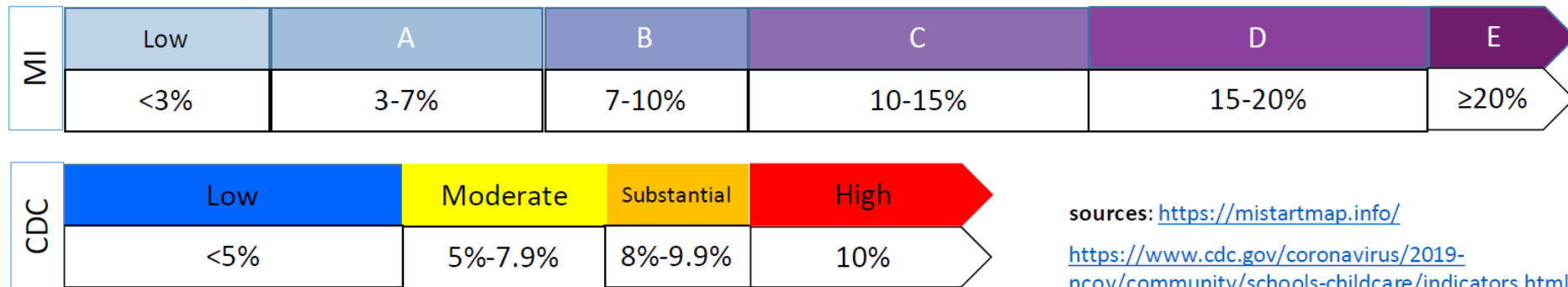
# Comparing CDC community transmission thresholds to MI levels

## Case Rate\*†



† CDC uses cases / 100,000 / week (conversion to MI metrics in paratheses)

## Percent Positivity



sources: <https://mistartmap.info/>

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/indicators.html>