What Matters Most

1. Cleveland is experiencing a surge in new COVID-19 cases. The city had a 7-day incidence rate of 171 new cases per 100,000 residents this reporting week, up from 148 cases per 100,000 residents in the previous week. Universal masking in all public spaces regardless of vaccination status as part of a layered mitigation strategy is highly recommended.

2. 63.5% of new cases this week were among residents under 40. The high incidence and low vaccination rate among this age group has increased the level of transmission for all Cleveland residents. Every age group, except for those over 80, now have a high level of transmission.

3. A total of 144,362 (37.9%) Cleveland residents have safely completed a vaccination series. All eligible individuals should receive a vaccine, even if they consider themselves healthy or have already had COVID-19. Vaccines are the most important tool available to protect loved ones and end the pandemic.

4. 618 positive variant cases have been identified among Cleveland residents, including four types of variants (396 cases of Alpha, 116 cases of Delta, 10 cases of Epsilon, and 95 cases of Gamma, and 1 case of a co-infection of Delta and Gamma). Not all positive COVID-19 specimens are genomically sequenced so the prevalence of these variants is likely greater than counts reported here. COVID-19 variants are highly transmissible, but evidence has shown that the available vaccines are effective against variants known and unknown and can prevent infection, hospitalization, and death.
Figure 1. COVID-19 Cases in Cleveland by Week

Figure 2. COVID-19 Cases in Cleveland by Age (August 1 - August 28)

* Cases here are reported by specimen collection dates for COVID-19 diagnostic tests. If the specimen collection date is unknown, the earliest known date associated with a case is used.

* Figure 1 does not include cases reported prior to February 15, 2020.
Figure 3. Weekly Case Demographics (N = 652)

**Age**

- 0-19: 21.6%
- 20-29: 22.4%
- 30-39: 19.5%
- 40-49: 13.8%
- 50-59: 9.8%
- 60-69: 7.8%
- 70-79: 3.5%
- 80-89: 0.6%
- 90+: 0.9%

- **Average Age**: 34.89
- **Median Age**: 32
- **Minimum Age**: 0
- **Maximum Age**: 95

**Race**

- Black: 56.8%
- White: 28.1%
- Other: 11.0%
- Asian: 2.5%
- Two or More Races: 1.2%
- NHPI: 0.4%

**Gender**

- Female: 51%
- Male: 49%

**Ethnicity**

- Hispanic or Latino: 8%
- Non Hispanic or Non Latino: 54%
- Unknown: 38%

*CIAIN = American Indian/Alaska Native
* NHPI = Native Hawaiian and other Pacific Islander.
* Race does not include 171 cases whose race unknown. Gender does not include 7 case whose gender is unknown.
Summary of Vaccinations Administered to Cleveland Residents

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37.9% of Cleveland Residents have been fully vaccinated

32,821 Individuals have been vaccinated by CDPH

Demographics of Cleveland Residents Vaccinated (N = 161,571)

Age

Vaccinated

Gender

Total Vaccinated

Race

Total Vaccinated

Ethnicity

Total Vaccinated

Vaccination data are preliminary and reported as of August 31, 2021. Summaries for individuals and demographics are shown as available and may not include all individuals vaccinated at the time of reporting. Data presented this reporting week are subject to change. Unknown data is not shown for age, gender or race.

AIAN = American Indian or Alaska Native, NHPI = Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander

* Started vaccinations include those who have received the initial dose of a SARS-CoV-2 vaccination series.

** 17 Cleveland residents received an unspecified SARS-CoV-2 vaccine; these individuals' vaccination statuses are unknown.