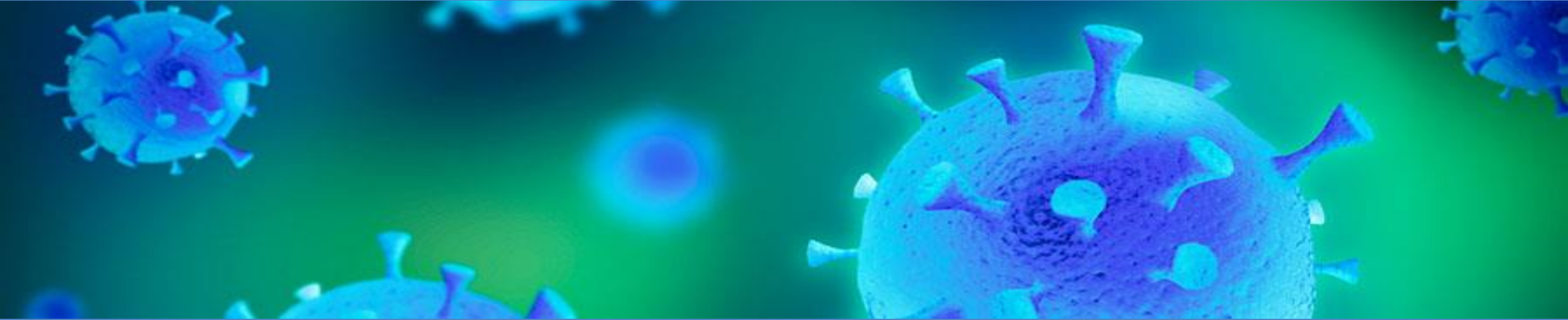


VCHIP / CHAMP / VDH COVID-19 UPDATES



Wendy Davis, MD FAAP - Senior Faculty, Vermont Child Health Improvement Program, UVM
Breena Holmes, MD FAAP – VCHIP Senior Faculty & Physician Advisor, MCH Division, VDH
May 26, 2021

Technology Notes

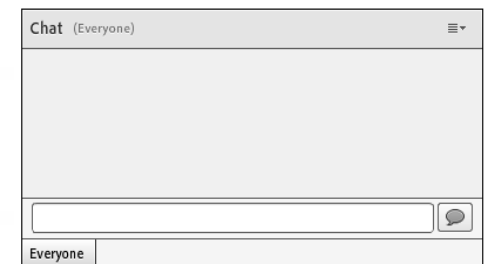
- 1) All participants will be muted upon joining the call.
- 2) If you dialed in or out, **unmute by pressing #6** to ask a question (and press *6 to mute).
If you are having audio difficulties and are using your computer speakers, you may wish to dial in:

Call in number – 1-866-814-9555

Participant Code – 6266787790

Presenters: Please avoid the use of speakerphone and make sure your computer speaker is muted if you dialed in via phone.

- 3) To ask or respond to a question using the **Chat** box, type your question and click the  icon or press Enter to send.



Overview

- Celebrating **World Redhead Day!**
- In case you missed it:
 - ▣ May 25 – Towel Day
 - ▣ Also National Wine day
- Reminder – weekly event schedule:
 - ▣ **VCHIP/CHAMP/VDH calls: M/W/F**; Gov. Media Briefings Tues/Fri;
VMS call with VDH Comm. Levine Thursday
- Situation, VDH, CDC, AAP updates; Tuesday Media Briefing
- Practice Issues: ***Transition to COVID-19 Recovery Phase***
- Q & A/Discussion



[Please note: the COVID-19 situation continues to evolve very rapidly – so the information we're providing today may change quickly]

Scheduling Notes

Currently *NOT* planning to hold calls on:

- ❑ **THIS Friday, May 28, 2021**
- ❑ **Monday, May 31, 2021** (Memorial Day)
- ❑ Friday, **June 4**, 2021 (Annual Child Psychiatry in Primary Care Conference – please register!)
- ❑ Wednesday, **June 9**, 2021 (Narkewicz Visiting Professor)
- ❑ Considering dropping to 1 – 2 days/week this summer; then continuing with frequency TBD in the fall – perhaps to include new/different topics?
- ❑ **Survey under way** – please complete if you haven't already!
- ❑ Please send us your thoughts/feedback: vchip.champ@med.uvm.edu

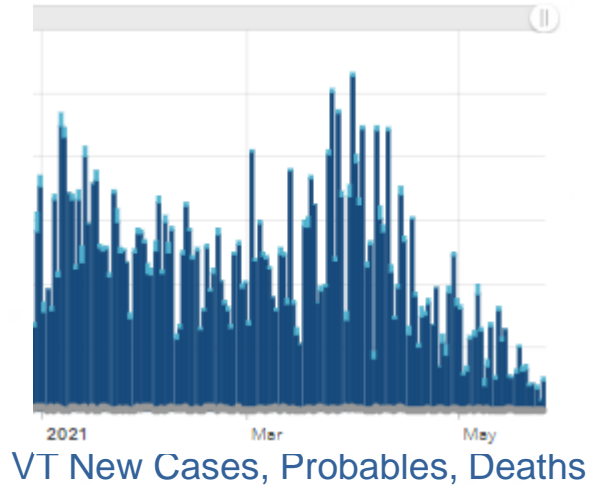
Future Scheduling: *Request Your Assistance!*

- **Brief** REDCap survey to collect your feedback on future call frequency, day(s) of the week, topics
- Click the link in chat and take right now (but please come right back)!
- **OR**, see email 5/19/21 from “**VCHIP CHAMP**”
- Please complete this survey even if you have already sent us individual feedback
- **Survey will close 6/2/21**
- **Thank you!**



Situation update

New Cases 26 24,162 Total
Currently Hospitalized 11
Hospitalized In ICU 2
Hospitalized Under Investigation 2
Percent Positive 7-day Avg. 1.1% People Tested 392,832
Total Tests 1,687,769
Recovered 22,724 94% of Cases
Deaths 255 1.1% of Cases
Last Updated: 5/26/2021, 10:53:56 AM



<https://www.healthvermont.gov/covid-19/current-activity/vermont-dashboard>

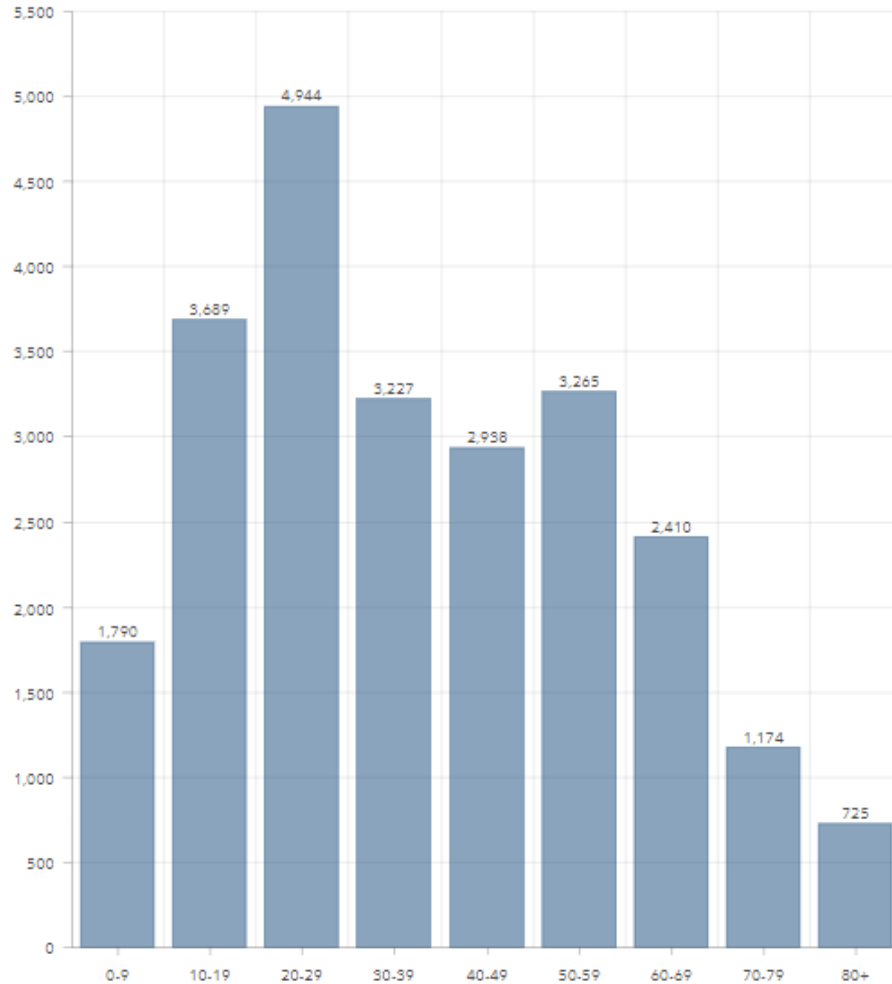
- U.S. **33.1 million+** cases; **590,628 deaths**
 - <https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2021/us/covid-cases.html> (updated 5/26/21)
 - 5/25/21: **22,581 new cases; 695 deaths**
 - Past week: av. 24,034 cases/day (14d. change -37%)
 - 3.4 million+ deaths worldwide; 167.8 million+ cases** (-9% & -32% 14-day change respectively)

VDH Weekly Data Summary(5/21/21)

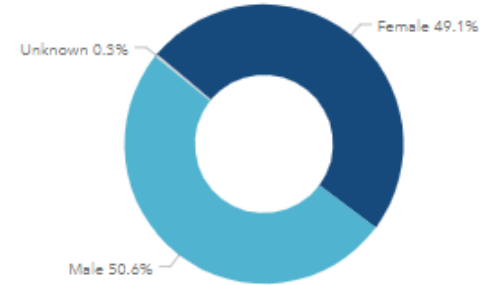
- Weekly Spotlight Topic – **Cases among Black, Indigenous and People of Color (BIPOC):** disproportionate number of BIPOC w/COVID-19 in VT. 2,674 Vermont resident cases who are Asian, African American or Black, American Indian or Alaskan Native, Hispanic or race other than white.
- Find previous summaries at: <https://www.healthvermont.gov/covid-19/current-activity/weekly-data-summary>

Situation update

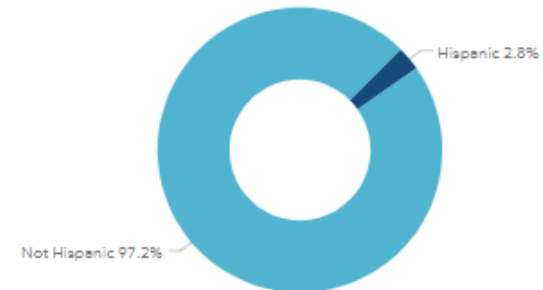
Vermont COVID-19 Cases by Age Group



Vermont COVID-19 Cases by Sex



Vermont COVID-19 Cases by Ethnicity if Known



Vermont COVID-19 Cases by Race if Known



VERMONT FORWARD

ROADMAP TO REOPENING

Please refer to vermont.gov for complete guidance and additional details. Education and health care retain specialized guidance.

Note: All dates are subject to change.



Vermont Forward – Effective 5/14/21

STEP 3

VACCINATION PROGRESS (FIRST DOSE):

60–70% of all Vermonters; 70–85% of Vermonters 16+

CROSS STATE TRAVEL

REVISED: Effective 5/14

6/3 No quarantine or testing requirements

GATHERINGS AND EVENTS

REVISED: Effective 5/14

6/3 Indoor: 1 unvaccinated person per 50 sq ft up to 300, plus any number of vaccinated people

Outdoor: 900, plus any number of vaccinated people

MASKS AND PHYSICAL DISTANCING

REVISED Not required if vaccinated. Required if unvaccinated.

JULY 4

BUSINESS OPERATIONS

Universal guidance encouraged for all sectors

GATHERINGS AND EVENTS

No capacity restrictions

MASKS AND PHYSICAL DISTANCING

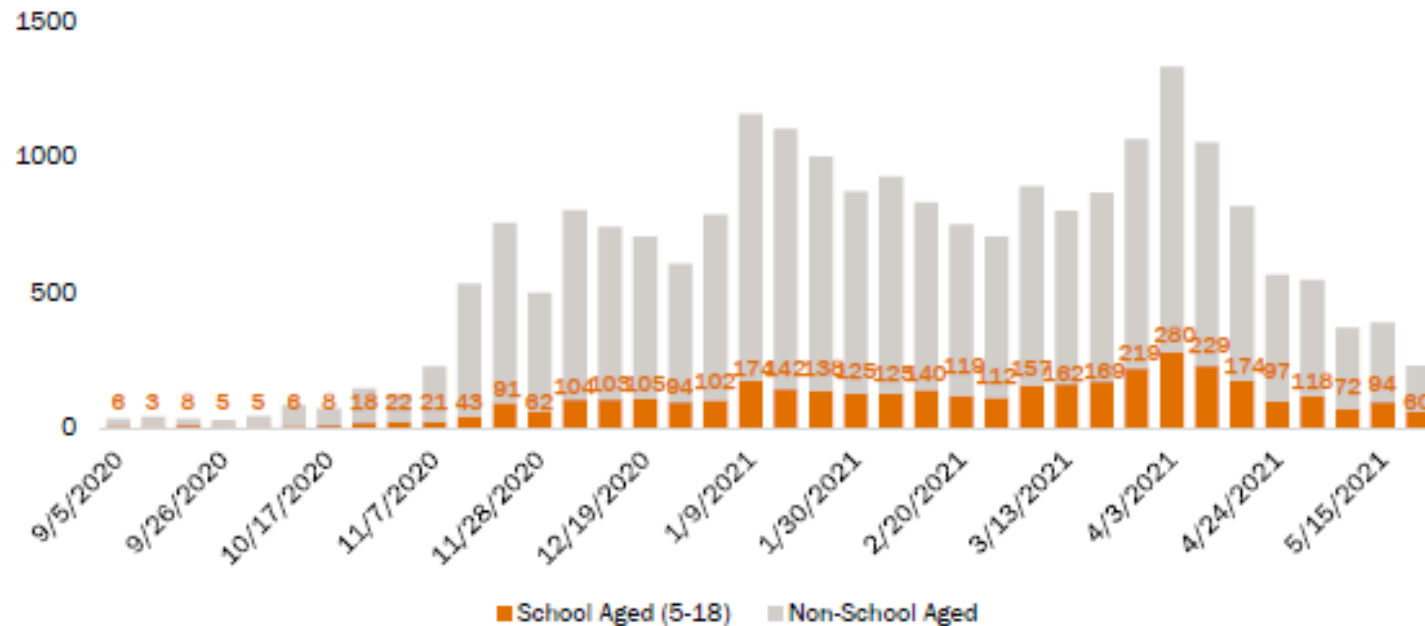
REVISED Encouraged if unvaccinated



State of Vermont
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

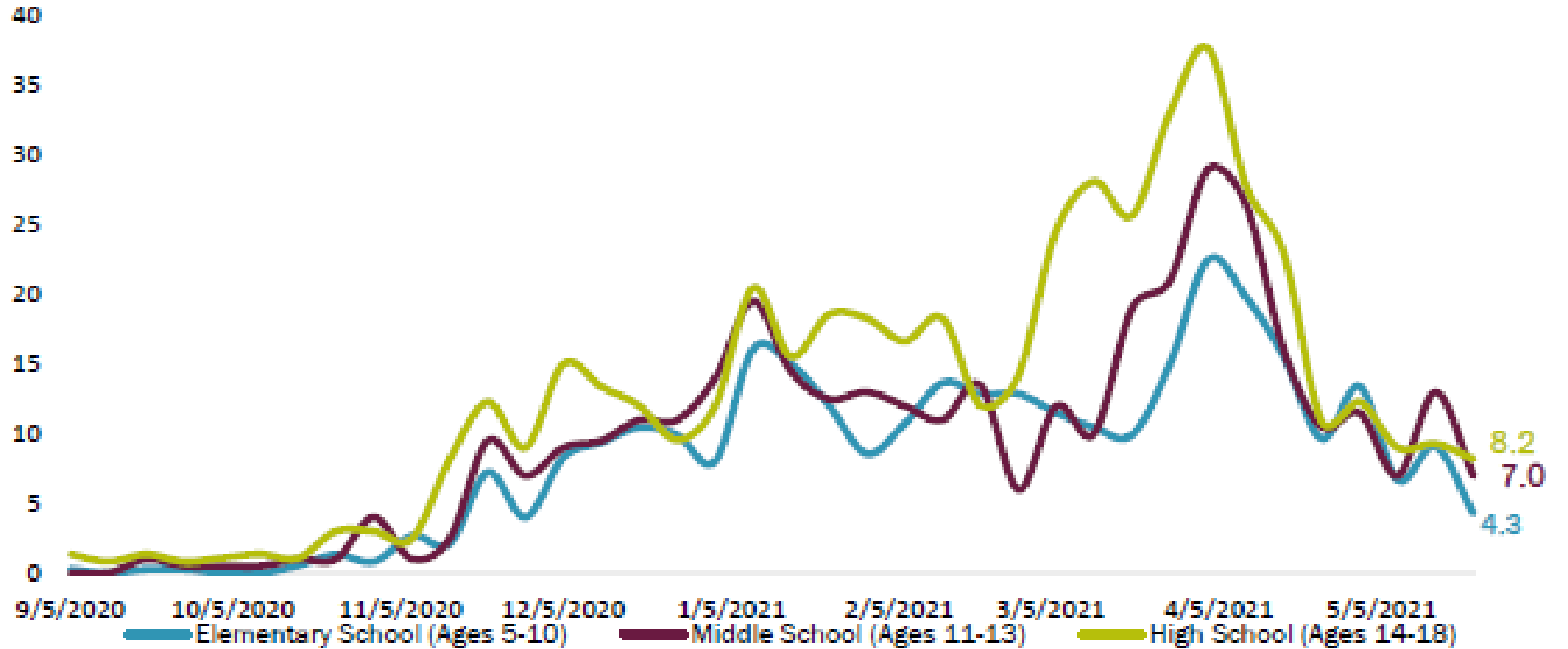
This brief reflects data as of May 22, 2021 at 7 pm (the last complete MMWR week). All rates are calculated per 10,000 people. The 14-18 year old age group does not include college students. Data is preliminary and subject to change.

Number of Cases by Week



COVID-19 Cases Among Vermont's School-Aged Children

Rates by Week by School Category



Note: rate among middle school aged children doubled compared to previous week.

[Compare to data from previous week: rates were 9.3/10K (HS), 13.0 (MS), and 9.1 Elementary School respectively]

COVID-19 Cases in VT K-12 Learning Communities (While Infectious)

- COVID-19 Cases in Vermont K-12 Learning Communities While Infectious
 - ▣ <https://www.healthvermont.gov/sites/default/files/documents/pdf/COVID19-Transmission-Schools.pdf>
 - ▣ Table updated **Tuesday & Friday** w/data through previous Sunday & Wednesday.

May 23, 2021

Cases in Vermont K-12 Learning Communities While Infectious

Learning Community	Cases Reported In the Past 7 Days	Total Cases
Schools with less than 25 students are reported in the "Total for all Suppressed Schools" row at the end of the table.		
TOTAL FOR ALL SCHOOLS	15	1379

May 19, 2021

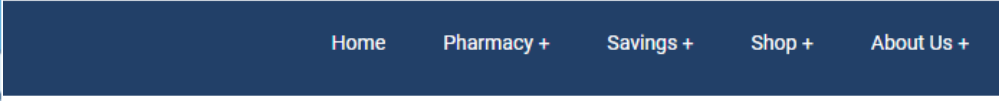
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TOTAL FOR ALL SCHOOLS	25	1371

- VT College & University dashboards:
 - ▣ **UVM update** (week of 5/17): 0 new cases off campus; 0 on campus; 0 faculty; 0 staff – **graduation 5/20-21/21**
 - ▣ **Bennington College** (May 19, 2021): 0 new/active cases – **graduation 5/28-29/21**
 - ▣ **Middlebury College results** (updated 5/24/21): 0 new cases & 0 active cases – **grad. 5/29/21**

VDH COVID-19 Vaccine Registration & Sites

<https://www.healthvermont.gov/covid-19/vaccine/getting-covid-19-vaccine>



ELIGIBILITY

Anyone age 12 and older is eligible to be vaccinated, regardless of residency. Learn about vaccines for people 12-15 years old.

GET YOUR VACCINE WITHOUT AN APPOINTMENT!

> [Find a walk-in clinic here](#)

More ways to get your vaccine!

- Vaccine clinics for restaurant, hospitality, and tourism workers
- Vaccine clinics for school and community, open to 12 -15-year-olds

MAKE AN APPOINTMENT

ONLINE

COVID-19 Vaccination Scheduling at Kinney Drugs in

...ly, the State of Vermont allows Kinney Drugs Pharmacists to administer COVID-19 vaccines to the State of Vermont residents age 12 and older, including 12 teachers and on-site child care workers. Expanded public health services for people 16+ with

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Home > Pharmacy > COVID-19 Vaccine

Now offering the FREE* COVID-19 vaccine in select stores

We're administering the vaccine by appointment only based on local eligibility guidelines.

No cost with insurance or through federal program for the uninsured.

of age and ability

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VDH COVID-19 Vaccine Dashboard (Summary Page)

- Daily updates Tuesday thru Saturday
- Data = counts reported by end previous day; subject to change.
- <https://www.healthvermont.gov/covid-19/vaccine/covid-19-vaccine-dashboard>
- **NEW:** See our progress toward the **Vermont Forward** target of 80%... percentages draw on state-level data from **CDC**; incl. some data not reported to VDH (CDC data more inclusive/less detailed than VDH & may differ from VDH dashboard).

Vermont Vaccination Data

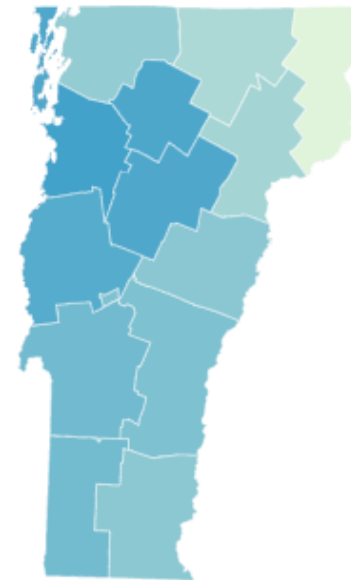
Blue headers indicate CDC data
Gray headers indicate Vermont data

Vaccination by County Age 12+

The percent of the county population age 12+ that has received at least one dose of the vaccine

Show Rates By:

County	Overall progress
Addison	76.8%
Bennington	72.4%
Caledonia	64.7%
Chittenden	79.9%
Essex	55.3%
Franklin	67.3%
Grand Isle	77.9%
Lamoille	78.4%
Orange	68.7%
Orleans	63.5%
Rutland	72.5%
Washington	78.1%
Windham	68.5%
Windsor	70.6%



55.3% 79.9%

Summary

Vermont Forward

Looking for info on the Vermont Forward plan?
Visit <https://www.vermont.gov/vermont-forward>

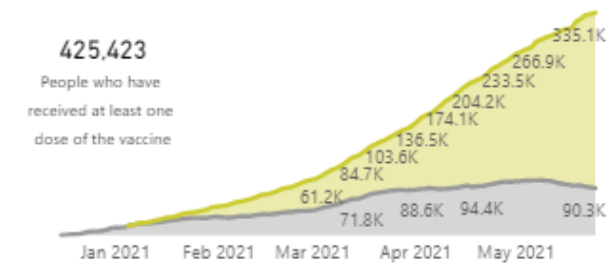
Vaccine Distribution



Total People Vaccinated



Started Completed



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VDH COVID-19 Vaccine Dashboard (Age/Sex/Race/Ethnicity)

- Daily updates Tuesday thru Saturday
- Data = counts reported by end prev. day; subject to change.
- <https://www.healthvermont.gov/covid-19/vaccine/covid-19-vaccine-dashboard>
- By Age – Statewide (≥ 1 dose):
 - 12-15 = 40.6%
 - 16-17 = 62.3%
 - 18-29 = 50.4%
 - VT Age 12+ = 73.6%

Vermont Vaccination Data

By Age - Statewide

The percent of the statewide population of each age group that has received at least one dose of the vaccine

Age	%*
12 - 15	40.6%
16 - 17	62.3%
18 - 29	50.4%
30 - 39	71.3%
40 - 49	73.5%
50 - 59	78.5%
60 - 64	85.6%
65 - 69	92.5%
70 - 74	98.7%
75+	93.3%
VT Age 12+	73.6%

Statewide numbers and percentages are capped at 100%. County numbers and percentages are capped at 95%. Values above 95% are suppressed to protect personal health information. See notes below for more information.

Select County

All

Summary

By Age, Sex, Race, Ethnicity

By Race - Statewide

The percent of the statewide population age 12+ of each race that has received at least one dose of the vaccine

Race	%*
Asian	65.9%
Black or African American	55.6%
Native American, Indigenous, or First Nation	25.5%
Pacific Islander	13.3%
Two or more races	52.9%
White	70.7%
VT Age 12+	69.9%

Race information is missing for 5% of people vaccinated.

By Ethnicity - Statewide

The percent of the statewide population age 12+ of each ethnicity that has received at least one dose of the vaccine

Ethnicity	%*
Hispanic	77.7%
Not Hispanic	67.2%
VT Age 12+	67.4%

Ethnicity information is missing for 8% of people vaccinated.

By Race/Ethnicity and Age - Statewide

The percent of the statewide population age 12+ of each race/ethnicity that has received at least one dose of the vaccine

Race*	12-30	31-64	65+	Age 12+
BIPOC	50.6%	68.2%	81.3%	61.7%
Non-Hispanic White	45.2%	69.1%	88.3%	67.3%
Vermont	45.8%	69.1%	88.0%	67.0%

Race/ethnicity information is missing for 9% of people vaccinated.

BIPOC refers to Black, Indigenous, and people of color.

By Sex - Statewide

The percent of the statewide population age 12+ of each sex that has received at least one dose of the vaccine

Sex	%*
Female	76.2%
Male	70.7%
VT Age 12+	73.5%

Sex information is missing for 0% of people vaccinated.

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Vermont COVID-19 Vaccine Coverage: Exactly Where *ARE* We?

- Follow @GovPhilScott
- Latest numbers:
 - ▣ 1,891 VTers vax 5/25/21 =
 - ▣ **77.2%** elig. population
 - ▣ Need **15,359** more to reach goal of **80%** – then
 - ▣ Drop remaining COVID-19 restrictions

Governor Phil Scott 3,318 Tweets Following

Governor Phil Scott @GovPhilScott · 50m

The latest numbers are in: Another 1,891 Vermonters were vaccinated yesterday, bringing us to 77.2% of the eligible population.

We need 15,359 more to reach our goal of 80%, meaning we'll drop the remaining COVID-19 restrictions. Sign up at healthvermont.gov/myvaccine. #OurShotVT

80%
77.2% (as of 5/25)

To Goal: 15,359

+1,891
Increase Today

425,401
Total at Least 1 Dose

Vermont Forward

Goal: Vaccinate 80% of Eligible Vermonters

Pace to Fully Reopen

If ~1,000 Vermonters get vaccinated a day we will reopen **June 10**

If ~1,500 Vermonters get vaccinated a day we will reopen **June 5**

If ~2,560 Vermonters get vaccinated a day we will reopen **Memorial Day**

Percent of eligible Vermonters who have started vaccination

Source: CDC (VDH Adjusted)—May 25, 2021

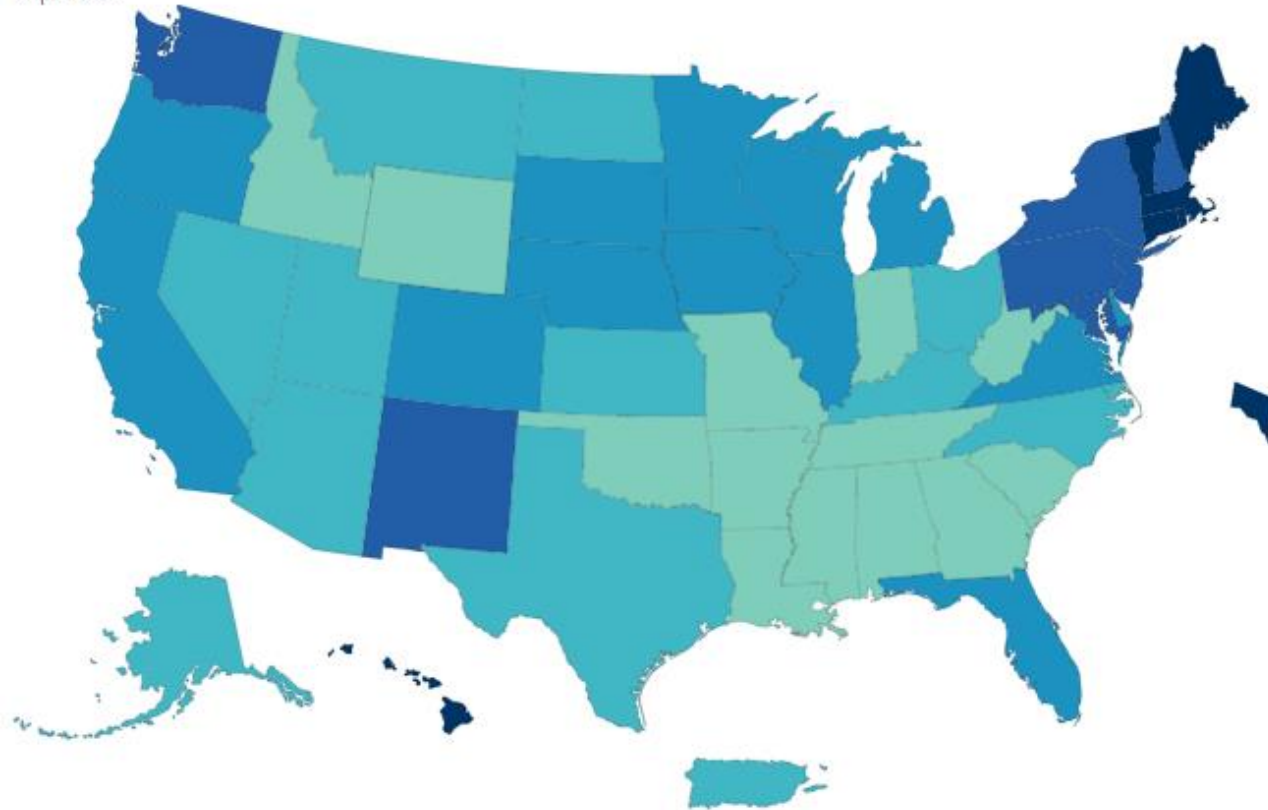
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#OurShotVT

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From the CDC Vaccine Tracker

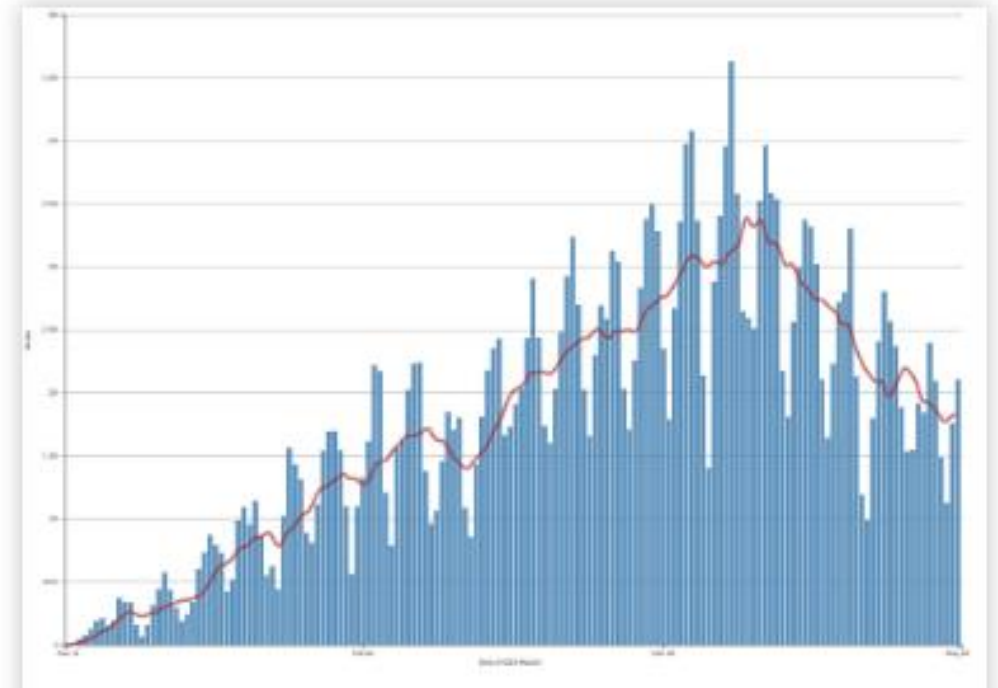
Total Doses Administered Reported to the CDC by State/Territory and for Select Federal Entities per 100,000 of the Total Population



Total Doses Administered per 100,000

- No Data
- 0
- 1 - 75,000
- 75,001 - 85,000
- 85,001 - 95,000
- 95,001 - 105,000
- 105,001+

7-Day moving average



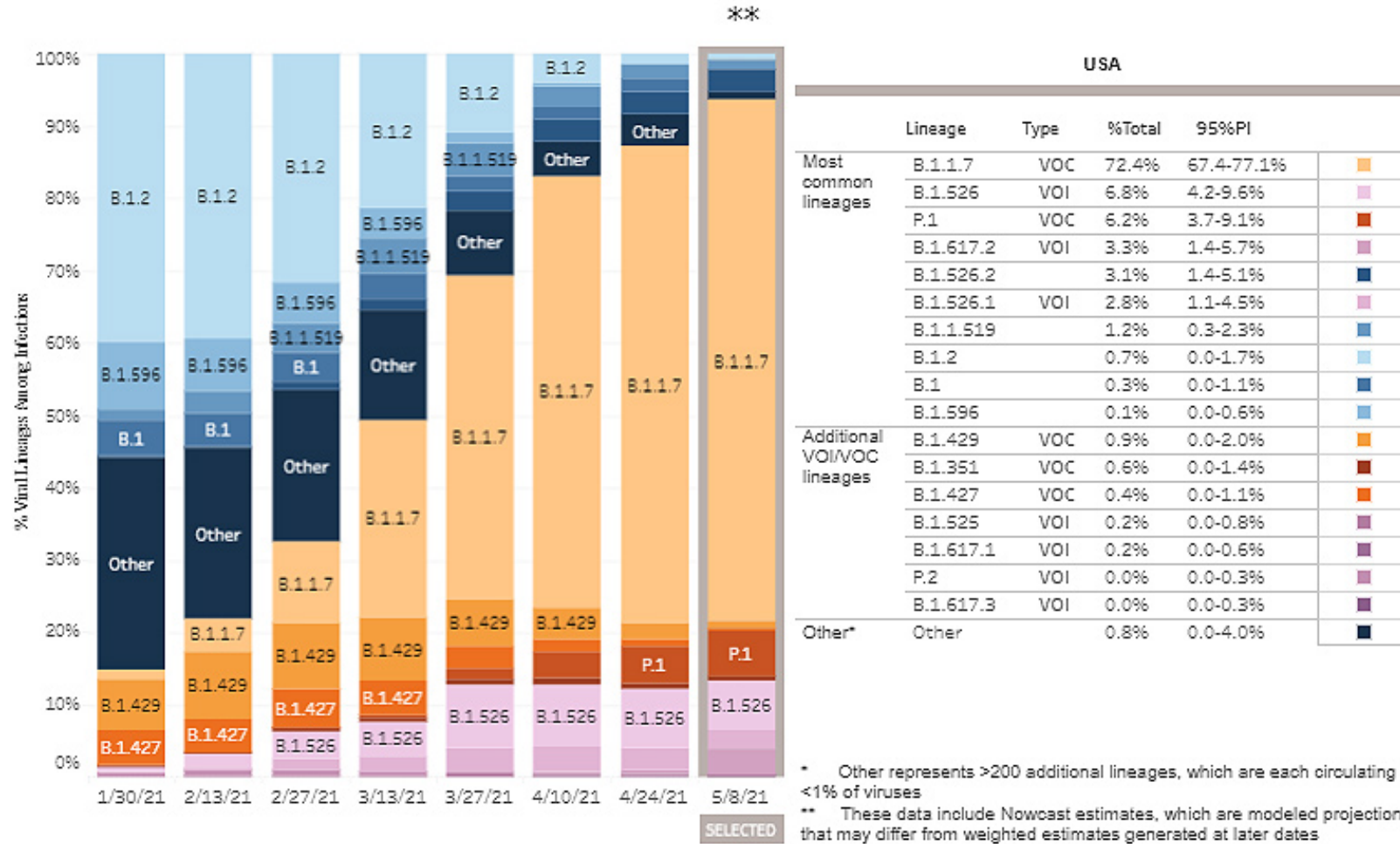
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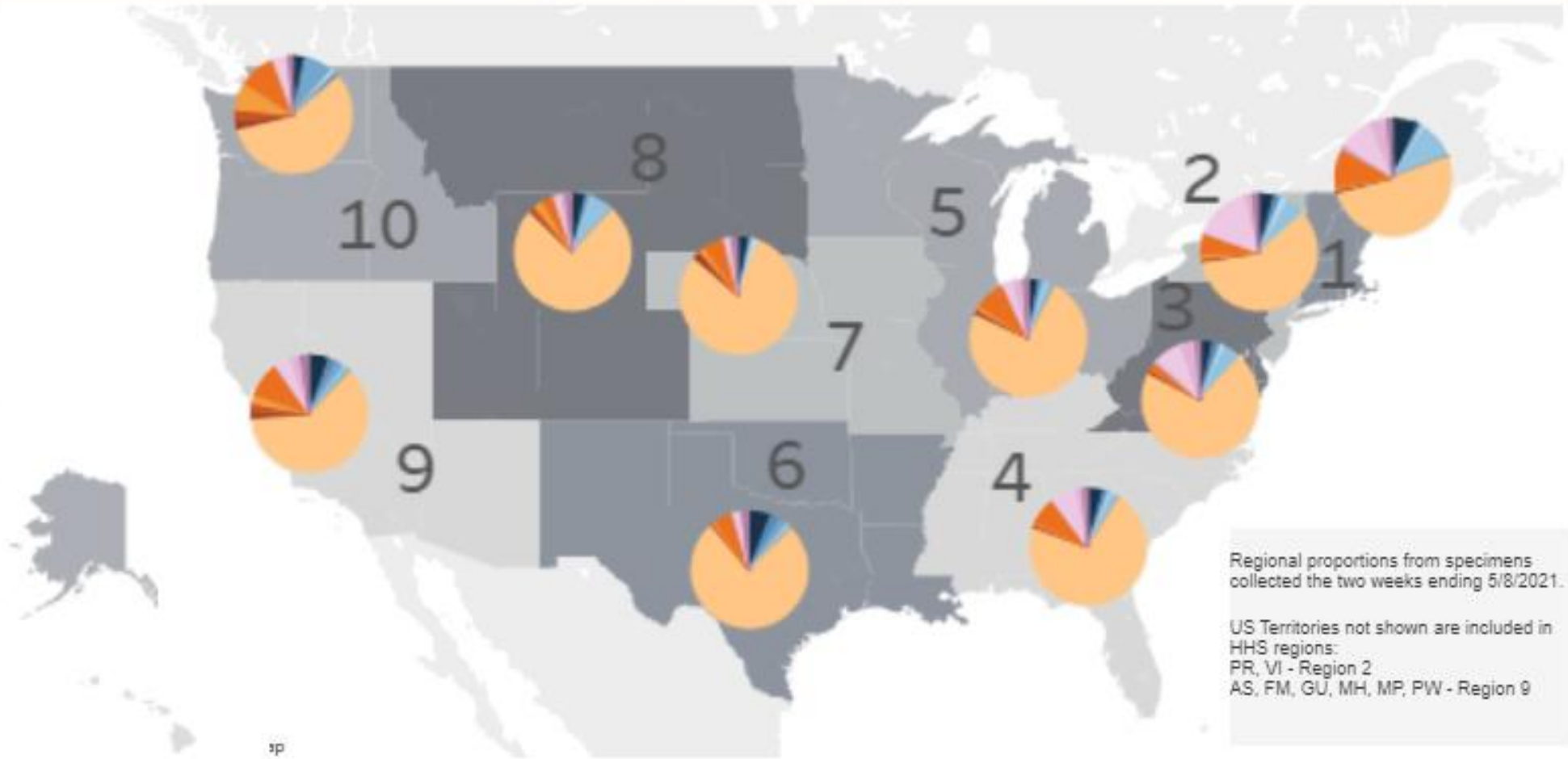
From the CDC: SARS-CoV-2 Variants in the U.S.

United States: 1/17/2021 – 5/8/2021 United States: 4/25/2021 – 5/8/2021 NOWCAST



From the CDC: SARS-CoV-2 Variants in the U.S.

United States: 4/25/2021 – 5/8/2021



Updated May 25, 2021

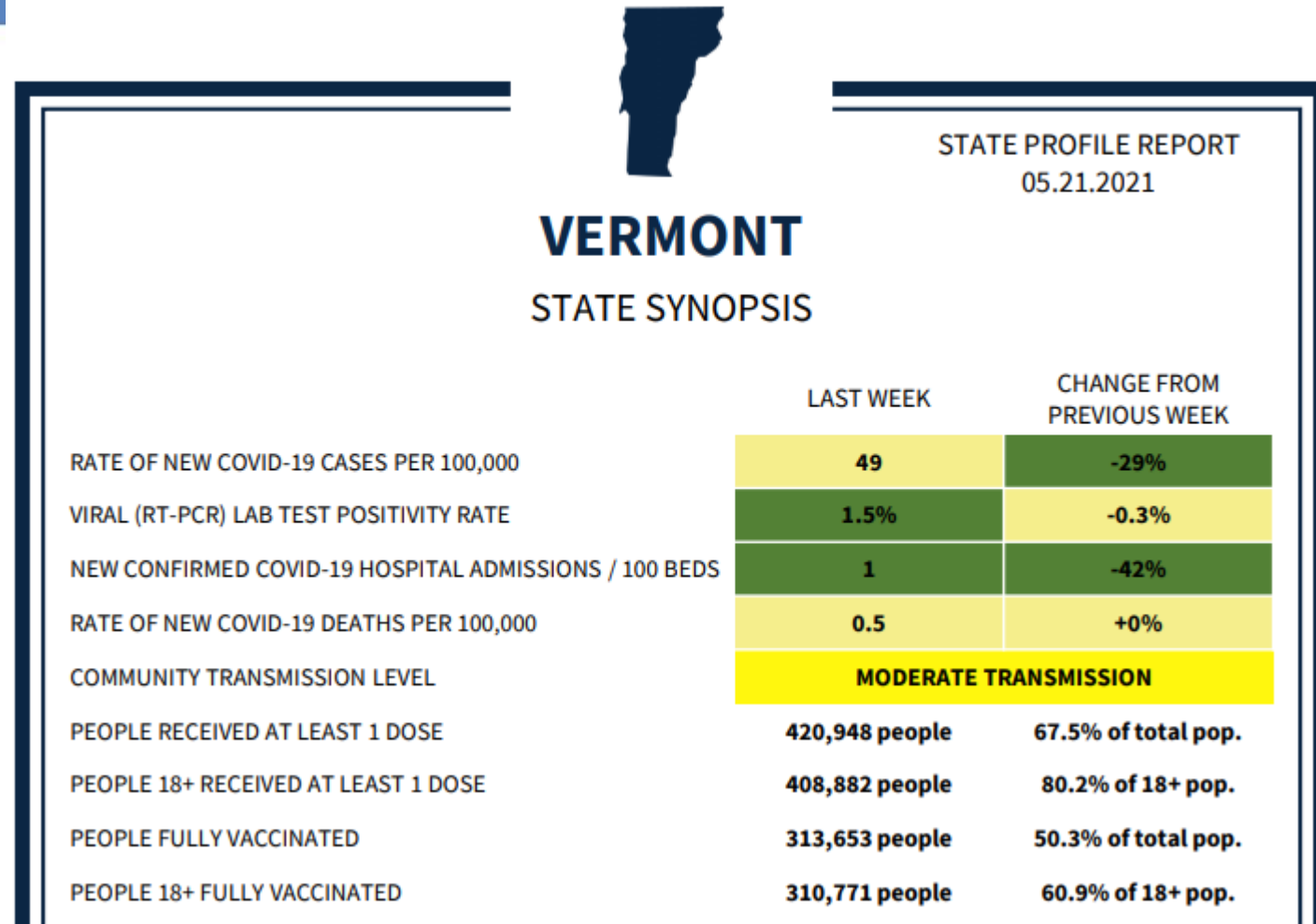
SARS Co-V-2 Variants in Vermont

- VDH detects variants of concern through genetic sequencing of certain viral specimens (people who already tested pos. in various parts of VT); only a small percentage of samples are sequenced.
- Table: **cumulative #** variants identified & co. of residence (NOT actual # variants circulating).
- Absence of a county in table does NOT mean variant is not present (table updated Tuesdays and Fridays).
- <https://www.healthvermont.gov/covid-19/current-activity/covid-19-communities>

COUNTY	B.1.1.7	B.1.429	B.1.427	P.1	B.1.351
Addison	1	3	0	0	0
Bennington	7	0	0	1	0
Caledonia	15	2	0	0	0
Chittenden	97	6	0	6	1
Essex	1	0	0	0	0
Franklin	18	9	0	1	0
Grand Isle	0	1	0	0	0
Lamoille	13	1	0	1	0
Orange	4	0	0	0	0
Orleans	15	6	0	0	0
Rutland	7	2	0	2	0
Washington	1	3	0	0	0
Windham	10	0	1	3	0
Windsor	1	0	0	0	0

From the CDC: Detailed State Profile Reports (SPR)

- Generated in coord. w/White House & managed by an interagency team (DHHS, CDC, ASPR, IHS).
- Provides easily interpretable information on key indicators at state/town/county levels.
- Weekly snapshot:
 - ▣ Focuses on recent outcomes (past 7d.) & changes relative to the month prior
 - ▣ Additional contextual information at county level for each state; incl. national level info.
 - ▣ Supports rapid visual interpretation of results with color thresholds.
- <https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#state-report-profile>



From the CDC: Education-Related MMWRs

- [Mask Use and Ventilation Improvements to Reduce COVID-19 Incidence in Elementary Schools](#) - rates of COVID-19 were 37% lower in elementary schools that required teachers and staff to use masks, and 39% lower in schools that took steps to improve ventilation.
- [COVID-19 Testing to Sustain In-Person Instruction and Extracurricular Activities in High Schools](#) - Learn how a majority of Utah public high schools used routine, school-based COVID-19 testing to identify and isolate people with COVID-19 and continue in-person instruction and extracurricular activities.
- [Characteristics of COVID-19 Cases and Outbreaks at Child Care Facilities](#) - Incidences in outbreaks in childcare facilities are discussed, along with prevention measures and outcomes.

Vaccine News

- Moderna: TeenCOVE Study of COVID-19 Vaccine in Adolescents Meets Primary Endpoint (company news release 5/25/21)
 - Primary endpoint of non-inferior immunogenicity versus the Phase 3 study adult comparator group was met
 - No cases of COVID-19 observed after two doses of vaccine using the primary case definition, consistent with a vaccine efficacy of 100%
 - Safety and tolerability generally consistent with Phase 3 COVE study in adults; no significant safety concerns identified
 - Company plans to submit data to regulators globally in early June
- Moderna plans to submit data to regulators / apply to the FDA in early June for authorization to use the vaccine in adolescents.
- <https://investors.modernatx.com/news-releases/news-release-details/moderna-announces-teencove-study-its-covid-19-vaccine>

More on Pediatric COVID-19

From The Lancet Child and Adolescent Health:

- 6-month multidisciplinary follow-up and outcomes of patients with paediatric inflammatory multisystem syndrome (PIMS-TS) at a UK tertiary paediatric hospital: a retrospective cohort study
 - ▣ Retrospective cohort study 46 children admitted 4/1-9/20/20
 - ▣ Despite initial severe illness, few organ-specific sequelae observed at 6 mos. Ongoing concerns: need for physical re-conditioning & MH support; PT assessments revealed poor exercise tolerance. Need longer-term follow-up to determine extended natural history of PIMS-TS.
 - ▣ [https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lanchi/article/PIIS2352-4642\(21\)00138-3/fulltext](https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lanchi/article/PIIS2352-4642(21)00138-3/fulltext)

A Good Read

- *The Atlantic* America's Bluest State Loves Its Republican Governor
 - ▣ "Vermont has weathered the pandemic better than any other state, making Phil Scott a surprising star in Bernie Sanders's backyard."
 - ▣ Russell Berman – May 21, 2021
 - ▣ <https://www.theatlantic.com/politics/archive/2021/05/phil-scott-vermont-republican/618944/>



A Year of Racial Reckoning

- May 25: remembering George Floyd
 - ▣ Floyd family, including daughter Gianna Floyd, met with President Biden and Vice-President Harris at the White House

As we approach **Memorial Day**, consider learning about / reflecting on the history of the **Tulsa Race Massacre**

- NYT: What the Tulsa Race Massacre Destroyed
 - ▣ Interactive format that leads reader through the “marquee block” of Greenwood Avenue, described as “the pulse of the Black business community.” The offices of **eight physicians** are included therein.
 - ▣ <https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2021/05/24/us/tulsa-race-massacre.html>
- CBS 60 Minutes (5/23/21): <https://www.cbsnews.com/video/tulsa-race-massacre-60-minutes-video-2021-05-23/#x>



A Year of Racial Reckoning

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- **History Channel** presentation: **Tulsa Burning** (Sunday, May 30 at 8 p.m. Eastern)
 - ▣ <https://play.history.com/specials/tulsa-burning-the-1921-race-massacre>
- Personal reflection in ***The Conversation*** by Gregory Fairchild, Research Assoc. Prof. Business Admin., U. of Virginia's Darden School of Business, about his grandfather's experience 100 years ago in Tulsa and his own work on the economic and social effects of segregation.
 - ▣ <https://theconversation.com/100-years-after-the-tulsa-race-massacre-lessons-from-my-grandfather-161391>



Tuesday Media Briefing (5/25/21)



AHS Secretary Mike Smith

- ❑ Governor will join after White House call w/fellow Governors.
- ❑ May 21, Governor Scott laid out challenge to Vermonters – if 80% have at least one dose prior to July 4, will lift restrictions ***that day***.
- ❑ CDC reported Mon. (5/24): **78.9%** eligible population vaccinated; we reached out to CDC to verify the numbers.
 - ❑ Found duplicate reporting in VA & pharmacy data.
 - ❑ Corrected percentage is **76.9%**. Now need **17,250 VTers** get vax to reach 80%.
- ❑ VT being careful not to overstate progress; taking steps to prevent duplic.
- ❑ Cont'd. efforts to make vaccine easily accessible: EMS clinics; Thunder Road (5/30); many state parks (6/12); events in mobile home parks; “barnstorming” Rt. 22A; Higher Ground in S. Burl.; Burlington Jazz Fest.

Tuesday Media Briefing (5/25/21)



AHS Secretary Mike Smith

- Working with 27 businesses to host clinics – next wave for small businesses (w/100+ employees OR have a large event coming up: SEE www.accd.vermont.gov/event-types/vaccine-clinics
- Walk-in appointments available at all vaccination sites.
- Moderna vaccine being distributed to some primary care sites.
- Strategies for homeless population, incarcerated individuals, prob./parole.
- Surveillance testing program for summer camps: **unvaccinated** children/youth/staff via CIC Health in MA (thru Broad Laboratory) for summer day camps and day programs (form available for elig. programs to sign up): <https://www.healthvermont.gov/covid-19/your-community/child-care-programs>

Tuesday Media Briefing (cont'd.)



DMH Commissioner Sarah Squirrell

- Keenly aware of long-term impacts on health & well-being.
- Recent uptick in children & youth presenting to ED for mental health (MH) needs; increased demand for services.
- Poised to leverage our assets: *“VT is #1 in access to mental health care & has robust school-based MH systems.”*
- Summer goals: support VT children/youth by increasing recreational camps/programs & enrichment opportunities to promote protective factors & build social-emotional competence – **connection** is key!
- Coming soon: Vermont Afterschool summer program grant recipients.
 - ▣ **SEE resource page** (includes tips to prepare youth for participation):

<https://www.vermontafterschool.org/summermatters/programs/>

Tuesday Media Briefing (cont'd.)



Modeling – Commissioner Pieciak:

- 7th straight week of good news – better than any time in past 6 mos. No deaths in over one week; May will have the fewest fatalities in over 6 months.
- VT has lowest hosp. rate in U.S.; rates trending down.
- 7-day **case** average trended down 38% this week & down 85% from April 1.
- 17 new cases in K-12 = lowest weekly total since before Thanksgiving last year.
- Colleges had 1,167 cases this semester. Positivity rate very low.
- Vermont projections: steady decline and will soon be in the single digits.
- Estimated 235 lives have been saved in VT through vaccination.
- Northeast region cases lowest in over 7 months; 78% decline over last 5 weeks.
- Quebec vaccination is increasing, now over 55%.

Tuesday Media Briefing (cont'd.)



VDH Commissioner Levine

- ❑ Tues. VDH met w/colleges; very successful collaboration/experience.
- ❑ More than $\frac{3}{4}$ of all eligible have gotten at least one dose of vaccine, quickly approaching 80% benchmark.
- ❑ Many need time to adjust to lifting of restrictions – encourage you to embrace the change at whatever pace is comfortable for you.
- ❑ Moderna is now reporting trial results in 12-18 age group – results promising.
- ❑ Please keep your masks still with you, as you might be required to wear them.
- ❑ Reminder: If you get a shot that requires 2 doses, make sure you come back for the second dose; we don't know how well or how long 1 dose will protect you. Booster doses are still being studied.

Tuesday Media Briefing (cont'd.)



VDH Commissioner Levine

- Memorial Day: VDH usually shares holiday guidance re: what we ***shouldn't*** do.
- PH accused of being wet blanket & finger-wagger.
- This time we'll celebrate all things those who are fully vaccinated ***CAN*** do.
 - ▣ Get together with friends and family without masks or distancing.
 - ▣ Grill, boat, swim
 - ▣ Go to a farmer's market, race, or concert.
 - ▣ Travel without having to get tested or quarantine.

Tuesday Media Briefing (5/4/21)



Governor Phil Scott

- Just off phone w/fellow Governors and the Whitehouse, Dr. Fauci, Dr. Walensky – she emphasized #s all moving in the right direction.
- Steady VT vaccine allocation Pfizer & Moderna, no J&J doses this week. Can meet our goals w/current allocation & order more thru fed. pool.
 - Only 7 states ordered more through the federal pool, VT is among them.
- When we hit 80%, we will still push hard to get as many vaccinated as possible.
- **I signed a proclamation to make today George Floyd Remembrance Day in Vermont. It's important that we reflect on what happened 1 year ago.**

Q & A (selected)

- **Q: Will the AOE consider lifting guidelines for distancing for year-end celebrations?**
 - ▣ Dr. Levine and I are having those conversations now.
- **Q: Has the state seen any post-COVID cardiac complications in youth?**
 - ▣ There have been reports of myocarditis; most came from Europe, though there have been some in the US. CDC says under review and reluctant to call it a causal situation. There are very few cases. I don't believe we have had anything or much in Vermont.
- **Q: What are you planning on doing in the next year to address systemic issues on racism in Vermont?**
 - ▣ A lot of it includes education, law enforcement, calling it out when we see it, being transparent. We have a director, Xusana Davis, who is part of the Cabinet. We will continue to try and do better. We have made some giant strides and have a lot of strides left to go.

Practice Issues

Transition to COVID-19 Recovery Phase



Transition to COVID-19 Recovery Phase

- Anticipate update soon re: Gov. Scott's Executive Order and continued lifting of restrictions per ***Vermont Forward*** plan
 - ▣ Expect continued clarification by AOE of guidance to Vermont schools
- Vermont child/family health & human service professionals will likely be called upon to provide guidance as “personal choice” replaces “mandates” and we navigate this intersection of science & common sense.
- Large urban public school districts planning for fall 2021
 - ▣ New York City public schools will be open for in-person learning 5 days/week with NO remote learning option
 - ▣ Los Angeles schools also plan to open for in-person learning 5 days/week but will also offer online option
- MA Gov. Baker may maintain Executive Order (funding reasons), even as mandates lifted.

AAP-VT Resources



Available for your use!

- PowerPoint presentation
- Video message from AAP-VT Chapter President Rebecca Bell: *“We are so excited that the COVID Vaccine is available for young people....”*
- Posters for your office

5 REASONS TEENS SHOULD GET THE COVID VACCINE



Vermont Chapter

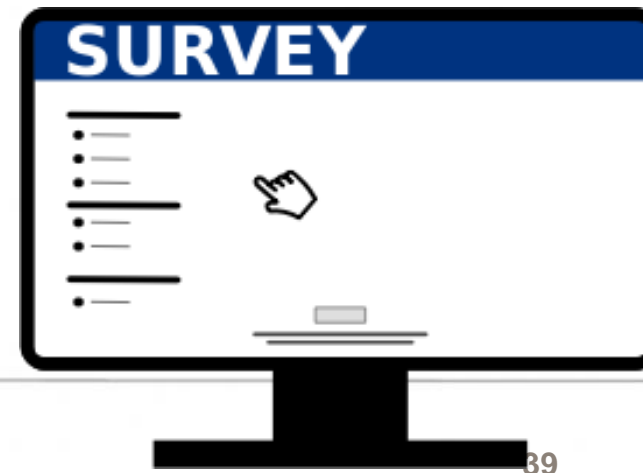
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Future Scheduling: *Request Your Assistance!*

- **Brief** REDCap survey to collect your feedback on future call frequency, day(s) of the week, topics
- Click the link in chat and take right now (but please come right back)!
- **OR**, see email 5/19/21 from “**VCHIP CHAMP**”
- Please complete this survey even if you have already sent us individual feedback
- **Survey will close 6/2/21**
- **Thank you!**



Scheduling Notes

Currently *NOT* planning to hold calls on:

- ❑ **THIS Friday, May 28, 2021**
- ❑ **Monday, May 31, 2021** (Memorial Day)
- ❑ Friday, **June 4**, 2021 (Annual Child Psychiatry in Primary Care Conference – please register!)
- ❑ Wednesday, **June 9**, 2021 (Narkewicz Visiting Professor)
- ❑ Considering dropping to 1 – 2 days/week this summer; then continuing with frequency TBD in the fall – perhaps to include new/different topics?
- ❑ **Survey under way** – please complete if you haven't already!
- ❑ Please send us your thoughts/feedback: vchip.champ@med.uvm.edu

- From VDH/MCH: ***Vermont 2-1-1 is ready and willing to help families navigate finding summer program***
- Recorded Summer Ambassador Webinar (from last week) is available for viewing: <https://youtu.be/guhz6pKSXDk>
- Visit the web site: resources for families & highlights of the summer health guidance for programs.

Save the Date/Register NOW: Friday, June 4, 2021



Course Director
David C. Rettew, M.D.

Join us virtually for the 14th Annual Child Psychiatry in Primary Care Conference, featuring faculty from UVM and the community.

Topics this year include:

- Assessing Risks After School Violence Threats
- Mental Health Care Needs in Primary Care
- Child Psychiatry in the Emergency Department
- Integrated Care Forum
- Praising and Overpraising
- Post COVID Mental Health
- Anxiety Disorders
- Motivational Interviewing Techniques
- Social Media Use and Mental Health

Questions/Discussion

- Q & A Goal: monitor/respond in real time; record/disseminate/revisit later as needed.
- **For additional questions, please e-mail: vchip.champ@med.uvm.edu**
 - ▣ **What do you need** – how can we be helpful (specific guidance)?
- **VCHIP CHAMP VDH COVID-19 website:**
https://www.med.uvm.edu/vchip/projects/vchip_champ_vdh_covid-19_updates
- Next CHAMP call – **Wednesday, June 2, 12:15 – 12:45 pm**
 - ▣ **NO VCHIP-VDH CALL Friday, May 28 OR Monday, May 31, 2021!**
- Generally back to **Monday/Wednesday/Friday** schedule
- Please tune in to VMS call with VDH Commissioner Levine:
Thursday, May 27, 2021 – 12:30-1:00 p.m. – Zoom platform & call information:
- **Join Zoom Meeting:**
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86726253105?pwd=VkJuNTJlZFQ2R3diSVdqdlJ2ZG4yQT09>
 - ▣ Meeting ID: 867 2625 3105 / Password: 540684
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