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COVID-19 UPDATE
OCTOBER 25, 2021

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MORE THAN
8.3 MILLION

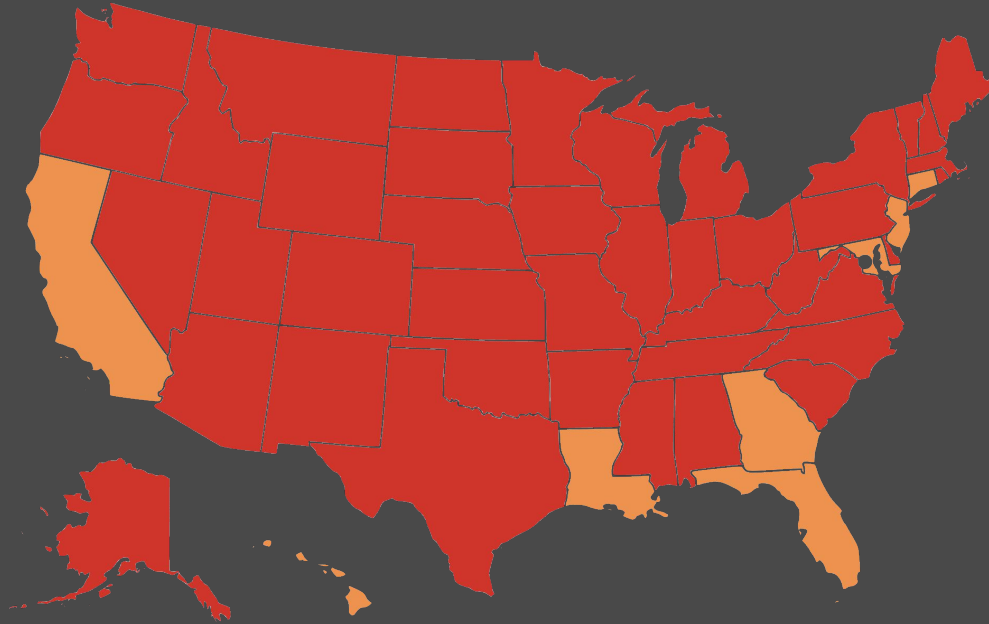
COVID-19 VACCINES

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- **98%** of seniors vaccinated
- **85.9%** of adults vaccinated
- **84.9%** of all eligible vaccinated

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Health Metrics Among Lowest in the Country



Level of Community Transmission of COVID-19 (CDC)

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Key Metrics Down Across the Board

CASE RATE PER 100K



39%

POSITIVITY RATE



37%

HOSPITALIZATIONS



28%

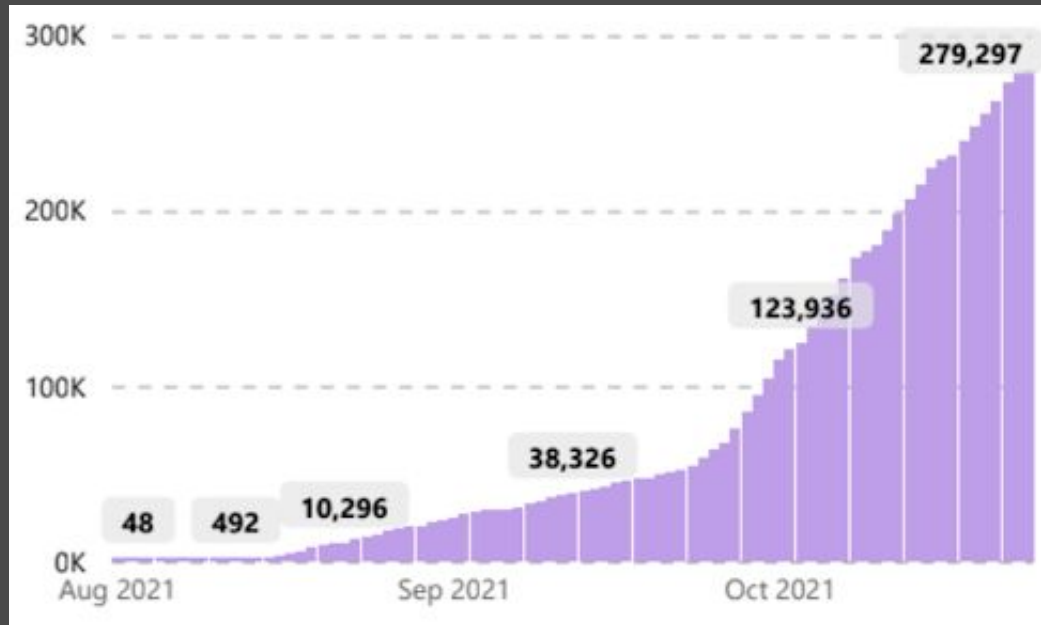
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Nearly 1.4 million Marylanders
are eligible for
COVID-19 booster doses.

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NEARLY 280,000 BOOSTER SHOTS STATEWIDE

Additional Doses Administered Starting 8/1/2021



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FOR PFIZER AND MODERNA

FIRST, check your COVID-19 vaccination card:

- Has it been at least SIX months since your second dose?

THEN, do you meet any of the following criteria:

- 65 years and older
- 18 years and older with underlying conditions, including asthma, diabetes, obesity
- 18 years and older who work and live in high-risk settings, including health care and grocery store workers

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FOR JOHNSON & JOHNSON

FIRST, check your COVID-19 vaccination card:

- Has it been at least **TWO** months since your single dose?

There are NO special criteria.

CDC and FDA recommend ALL J&J recipients get a booster.

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New: 'Mix and Match' Approved

You can choose ANY vaccine as a booster shot,
no matter what you received initially.



Booster Eligibility

Answer the questions below to determine your eligibility for a COVID-19 booster. Responses are not recorded.

What type of vaccine did you previously receive?

Moderna

Pfizer

Johnson and Johnson

Date of first dose administered:

MM/DD/YYYY

Date of second dose administered:

MM/DD/YYYY

Verify

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Vaccines Remain Highly Effective

Post-Vaccination Hospitalizations: 0.055%

Post-Vaccination Deaths: 0.007%

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Increase in Share of Post-Vaccination Infections

	5/1/21 - 5/31/21	9/19/21 - 10/19/21
% of Post-Vaccination Infection	5.9% (617/10,449)	30.3% (9,193/30,305)
Gender	41.7% Male / 58.3% Female	44.9% Male / 55.1% Female
Age Distribution	0.81% - (0-19 years old) 8.7% - (20-29 years old) 13.8% - (30-39 years old) 13.6% - (40-49 years old) 17.2% - (50-59 years old) 17.8% - (60-69 years old) 14.9% - (70-79 years old) 13.1% - (80+ years old)	4.9% - (0-19 years old) 11.2% - (20-29 years old) 17.1% - (30-39 years old) 15.9% - (40-49 years old) 18.1% - (50-59 years old) 16.5% - (60-69 years old) 10.1% - (70-79 years old) 6.1% - (80+ years old)

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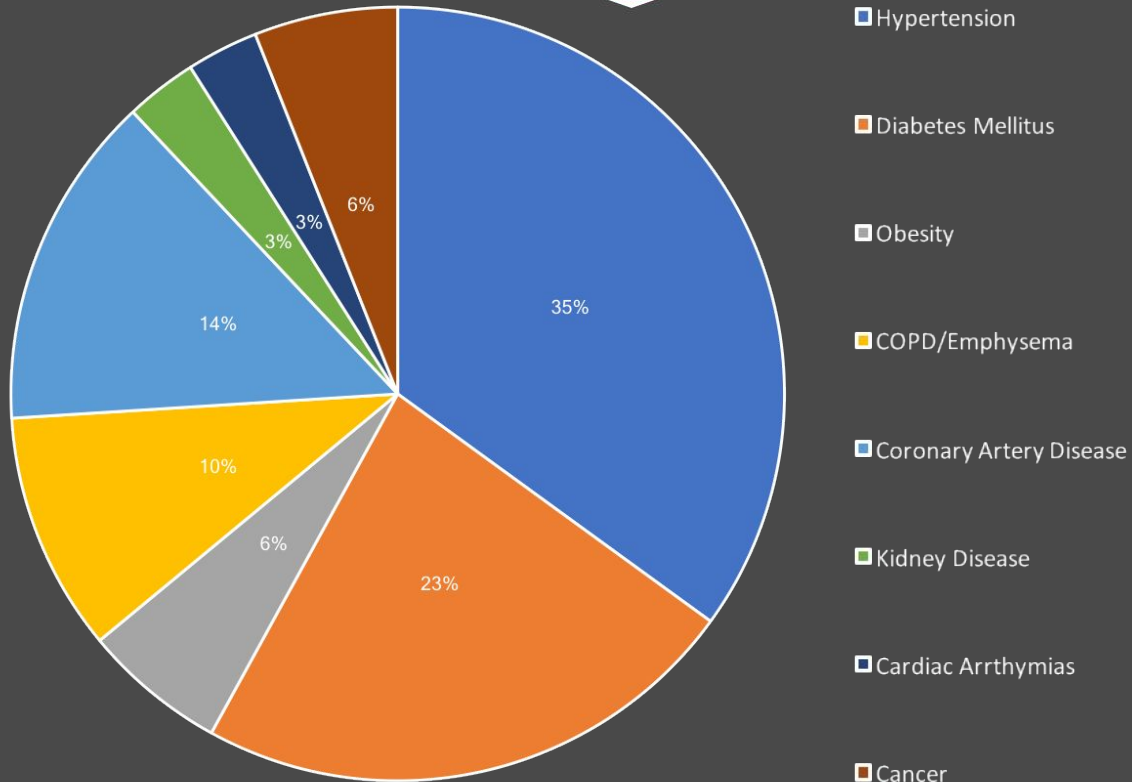
Increase in Share of Post-Vaccination Deaths

	May	July	Oct. 1-14
Unvaccinated	89%	68%	64%
Vaccinated	11%	32%	36%

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The vast majority of post-vaccination deaths are linked to underlying conditions and comorbidities.

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Underlying Medical Conditions Associated with Higher Risk for Severe COVID-19

- Cancer
- Chronic kidney disease
- Chronic liver disease
- Chronic lung diseases
- Dementia or other neurological conditions
- Diabetes (type 1 or type 2)
- Down syndrome
- Heart conditions
- HIV infection
- Immunocompromised state
- Mental health conditions
- Overweight and obesity
- Pregnancy
- Sickle cell disease or thalassemia
- Smoking, current or former
- Solid organ or blood stem cell transplant
- Stroke or cerebrovascular disease
- Substance use disorders
- Tuberculosis

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NEW PUBLIC HEALTH ADVISORY:

It is strongly recommended that people with comorbidities receive either an additional dose or booster dose of a COVID-19 vaccine immediately.

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Our statewide call center has
scheduled more than 100,000
appointments for booster shots.

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covidvax.maryland.gov
or call **1-855-MD-GOVAX**

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VACCINATIONS FOR 5- TO 11-YEAR-OLDS

- **90.7% effective against symptomatic COVID-19**
- **State's initial allocation is 180,000 doses**
- **Vaccines will go to pediatricians, pharmacies, school systems**

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