

COVID-19 Vaccines Update from Montgomery County Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)

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Note: Estimates based on best available data from 03.15.2021. For the most up-to-date information, please see: montgomerycountymd.gov/covid19/vaccine/#dashboard

Covid-19 Cases Per Capita Over Time

The seven-day average of new confirmed cases per one hundred thousand residents includes 64,857 cumulative cases. March 15 reported 84 new cases.

Given the seven-day average, there is a 10.6 risk of transmission, which is still considered high risk.

Covid-19 Vaccinations – Where We Are Today

Thanks to our County-wide vaccination sites, we now have 228,266 residents, or 21.7% of our population, vaccinated with at least one dose. We have 118,157, or 11.2% of our population, fully vaccinated. This includes the Johnson and Johnson single dose vaccine.

The State average for the first dose of the vaccines is 19.8%, and 11.1% for fully vaccinated individuals. We are above the State average.

About 74% of our residents aged 75 or older have received their first dose, and 43% have received their second dose. About 62% of residents between 65 and 74 have received their first dose, and 24% have received their second dose.

State-wide, Hospitals administered 36% of vaccines, local Health Departments account for 33%, and Long-term Care, Retail, and “Other” account for 31%.

In our County, 63% of the vaccinations used the Moderna vaccine, 36% used the Pfizer vaccine, and 1% used the Johnson and Johnson vaccine.

The status of the Priority Groups for the County-run vaccination clinics are as follows:

We are currently actively vaccinating Priority Group 1A in Tiers 1, 2, and 3. This includes those working and living in hospital and assisted living, urgent care workers, public safety, other healthcare workers, and shelter staff. We are currently actively vaccinating Priority Group 1B in Tiers 1, 2, and 3. This includes adults aged 75 and older, essential frontline workers, homeless residents, and detainees, and essential manufacturing workers. We are currently actively vaccinating Priority Group 1C Tier 1, which is adults aged 65 to 74.

We are planning on vaccinating Tiers 2 and 3 in the coming months. This includes residents with high risk medical conditions.

County- Wide Vaccinations and Maryland Comparisons

Montgomery County continues to have the highest number of administered vaccine doses across Maryland. 22% of the County's population is vaccinated, making it ninth in state rankings of percentage of vaccinated population.

Vaccinations of County Residents by Age Group Over Time

As more of our residents aged 75 and over have received the vaccine, we have also noticed a decline in vaccinations in that age group, indicating that almost everyone in this group who wants to get a vaccine has received it.

Vaccines Administered by Race/Ethnicity

Out of all residents who received at least one Covid-19 vaccine, currently 51% are white, 15% are Asian and Hawaiian or Pacific Islander, 11% are Black or African American, 9% are Hispanic or Latino, and 14% identified as other races or ethnicities.

The seven-day average of doses administered per 10,000 residents included 59% female residents and 40% male residents.

In the 65 to 74 age range, we saw a surge in doses administered shortly after the County opened its clinics to this age group. The genders of these residents are 55% female and 49% male. The race and ethnicity of these groups are about 56% white, 13% Asian and Hawaiian or Pacific Islander, 10% Black or African American, 6% Hispanic or Latino, and 15% identified as other races or ethnicities.

We have noticed that since the second week of March, rates for the daily per capita vaccinations for minority groups relative to whites have notably improved to allow minority groups to catch-up. Hispanic per-capita daily vaccination rate relative to white residents ages 65 to 74 has gone up 9%. Asian per-capita daily vaccination rate relative to white residents ages 65 to 74 has gone up 36%. Black and African American per-capita daily vaccination rate relative to white residents ages 65 to 74 has gone up 29%.

County Government Coordinated Vaccines

The primary vaccine sites in our County include Richard Montgomery High School and Quince Orchard High School.

We have administered 97,261 vaccines, and rank number one out of all 24 Maryland Counties. We administer 90% of all vaccines allocated.

We have allocated 107,650 vaccines, also ranking number one out of all 24 Maryland Counties. We administered 11,933 vaccines in the last seven days, including 6,567 first doses and Johnson and Johnson vaccines. The expected delivery for our next shipment is March 16 where we expect to receive 4,500 doses.

Provider Breakdown by Race and Ethnicity

Minority residents disproportionately rely on the public vaccination program operated by Montgomery County's Department of Health and Human Services. Over the past 14 days of reporting, the Department of Health and Human Services accounts for half of vaccinated Hispanic residents, 43% of Black and African American residents, and 37% of Asian and Pacific Islander residents aged 65 and older. By improving access for underserved communities, the Department of Health and Human Services' Equity Framework has helped improve equity in vaccination administration.

The Department of Health and Human Services continues to primarily vaccinate residents 65 and older located in high impact neighborhoods

Pre-Registration

In the last seven days we have received 28,410 pre-registrations. We currently have 203,774 active pre-registrations excluding for vaccinated residents and duplicates. All time, we have received 463,141 pre-registrations. Over the last seven days, 82% of pre-registrations were for residents 64 or younger, 14% were for residents aged 65 to 74, and 4% are for residents aged 75

and over. Over the last seven days, there residents that pre-registered were 44% white, 19% Asian or Pacific islander, 18% Hispanic, and 16% Black or African American.

Since the start of the year, we notice that minority residents account for a growing share of pre-registrations.

Equity Framework – Priority Tier-1 Zip Codes

The following zip codes are prioritized in Montgomery County's Department of Health and Human Services Equity Framework.

The Montgomery County zip codes include: 209866, 20874, 20876, 20878, 20877, 20879, 20886, 20901, 20902, 20903, 20904, 20906, 20912.