

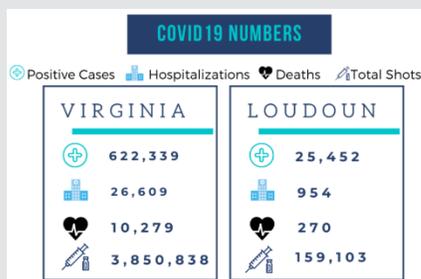


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COVID-19 Update



State and Local COVID-19 Data Summary

Loudoun's seven-day positivity rate slightly increased to 6.7% this week. [Loudoun's data dashboard](#) shows the seven-day average case count also has increased to 85.3 per day. At the state level, Virginia's seven-day average of

daily cases have stagnated since last week. By continuing to socially distance and registering for the vaccine when you are eligible, Loudoun residents can help blunt the potential resurgence of COVID-19.

One of Loudoun County Public Schools' CDC [core indicators](#) remains at the highest risk level (158 new cases per 100,000 in the last 14 days). The Department of Education and LCPS now are using secondary indicators to help inform decision-making, including the move back to hybrid learning. Schools will begin offering in-school instruction four days a week for hybrid students on April 20. The local school indicators can be seen here: [Loudoun County Public Schools COVID-19 Case Data](#).

More data resources provided by Loudoun County can be accessed [here](#).

View Comprehensive Data on the Virginia Department of Health Website:

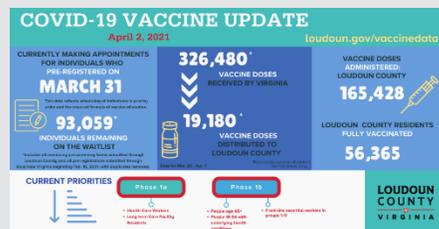
- [Cases, demographics, localities, outbreaks, testing, and more](#)
- [Virginia's Key COVID-19 Measures](#)
- [COVID-19 Data Insights](#)
- [COVID-19 Vaccinations Summary](#)

Have questions? Call the VDH hotline 877-ASK-VDH3 (877-275-8343). Language translation services available. Si usted tiene alguna pregunta llámenos al 877-275-8343.



Residents Aged 16+ to be Eligible for Vaccine Starting April 18

Eligibility for COVID-19 vaccinations will be expanded to all Virginians 16 and older on April. Based on the supply projected by the federal government, all local health districts will have enough vaccine to open appointments to the general public, Gov. Ralph Northam said. Those at highest risk will continue to receive priority in the scheduling process. [Read details in this news release from the governor's office.](#)



Weekly Vaccinations Update

As of today, Loudoun has started offering appointments to individuals who submitted pre-registration forms online or by phone on March 31, 2021. The current waitlist is down 8,966 since last week's update, but is expected to grow as more individuals become eligible for pre-registration. Any person in Virginia may pre-register [here](#). Those interested in viewing vaccine data may do so by accessing Loudoun's [vaccine dashboard](#).



Loudoun Officials Encourage Vaccine Pre-Registration

Loudoun County health officials encourage anyone in the [Phase 1a](#) or [Phase 1b](#) priority groups to pre-register for the vaccine. As reported in an [earlier blog post](#) from the county, Loudoun has made significant progress in working through the waitlist of people who are pre-registered for a COVID-19 vaccine.

- Anyone who has not yet pre-registered can do this in one of two ways:
 - **Online:** Visit vaccinate.virginia.gov. The fastest method for receiving a vaccination appointment is to include email addresses in the pre-registration form for each individual who will receive a vaccine.

- **Phone:** Individuals who do not have access to the internet can pre-register by calling 1-877-829-4682.
- Anyone who is in the 1a or 1b groups and pre-registered with the county and has not been contacted should:
 - Check your spam or junk email folder for an email from the CDC (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention) which is an invitation to register in VAMS and sign up for an appointment;
 - If you have not received an email, contact the county by calling 703-737-8300, Monday through Friday, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

More information about the county's vaccinations efforts is available at loudoun.gov/covid19vaccine.

COVID-19 TESTING

April 2021

Multiple Locations
Tuesdays
10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Drive-thru only. Free & open to everyone.

loudoun.gov/COVID19testing

COVID-19 Testing Continues

Loudoun County is holding weekly drive-thru COVID-19 testing events on Tuesdays in April. The next event is scheduled for April 6, 2021, 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., at Philip A. Bolen Memorial Park, 42405

Claudia Drive, Leesburg (Enter the park on Crosstrail Boulevard from Sycolin Road.) The complete schedule and links to required registration forms that can be filled out in advance are available at loudoun.gov/covid19testing.



COVID-19 Funeral Assistance

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has announced that it will begin providing financial assistance for funeral expenses incurred after January 20, 2020, for deaths related to COVID-19 to help ease some of the financial stress and burden caused by the pandemic. Details of the funeral assistance program are still being finalized and FEMA is expected to begin accepting applications for assistance later this month. [Read more about the new program on FEMA's website.](#)



Virtual Caregiver Series

The Loudoun County Area Agency on Aging (AAA) is offering a new spring series of virtual education and support sessions for caregivers. Upcoming topics include the warning signs of Alzheimer's disease, Medicare for caregivers and dementia.

- April 6: The National Capital Area Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association will present "Know the 10 Warning Signs," 2:00 – 3:00 p.m.
- April 13: AAA specialist Mary Lou Wilkins will present "Medicare for Caregivers," 1:00 – 2:00 p.m.
- May 4: The National Capital Area Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association presents "Healthy Living for Brain and Body," 2:00 – 3:00 p.m.
- May 19: Dementia care consultant and author, Rachel Wonderlin, will present "Embracing Their Health: How to Better Communicate in Dementia Caregiving," 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.

The sessions are free. [Find details and information on how to sign up here.](#)



Governor's Updates

Governor Ralph Northam today announced that an additional \$203.6 million in federal stimulus funds and expanded eligibility criteria for the Child Care Subsidy Program will help further stabilize Virginia's early childhood care and education system, provide child care assistance to additional families as they seek stable employment or return to work, and deliver critical operational and technical resources to new and returning child care providers. For more information about child care assistance in Virginia, visit ChildCareVA.com. Families can learn more about expanded eligibility and how to apply [here](#).

Governor Northam also announced several efforts aimed at increasing Virginia's vaccinator workforce to support the continued expansion of COVID-19 vaccinations across the Commonwealth, including a new initiative to recruit eligible individuals interested in administering vaccines. Health care providers who are now authorized to administer the COVID-19 vaccine in Virginia include but are not limited to dentists, dental hygienists, veterinarians, optometrists, and health professions students enrolled in an accredited Virginia program. [Eligible providers](#) may serve as vaccinators if they have the appropriate training and meet the

supervision requirements. All COVID-19 vaccine providers are responsible for ensuring that individuals who administer shots at their site are authorized by law to do so.

Eligible health care providers may register to volunteer as a COVID-19 vaccinator through either the Virginia Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) or the newly-established Virginia Volunteer Vaccinator Registry (VVVR).



How to Receive Updates or get Questions Answered

Loudoun County staff continues to coordinate answering your COVID-19 health related constituent questions. Please call the Health Department COVID-19 Information Hotline at 703-737-8300 for a quick response (Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday through Sunday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.) or Email the Health Department.

Please visit the County's COVID-19 webpage. The questions and answers page is continually updated.

Please encourage your constituents to view and sign up for updates from Loudoun

- Text LCCCOVID19 to 888777 to receive text alerts from Loudoun County about COVID-19
- Sign up for email and text updates on COVID-19 in Notify Me, Blogs category
- Follow the Loudoun County Government Facebook Page and Twitter @LoudounCoGovt

If you are having trouble paying your utilities because of COVID-19, help is available. Visit the County's webpage on COVID-19 Utilities for program information on:

Columbia Gas
Dominion Power
Loudoun Water
NOVEC
Washington Gas
Wi-fi Connectivity

For More Current COVID-19 Information

Visit: www.loudoun.gov/CoronaVirus

Call: (703) 737-8300
Email: Health@Loudoun.gov

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