



# COVID-19 UPDATE

**Friday, April 2, 2021**

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## COVID Data Tracker Weekly Review

Every Friday the CDC publishes a Weekly COVID review, summarizing the COVID stats and news for the week. Read this week's Weekly Review on the CDC [website](#).

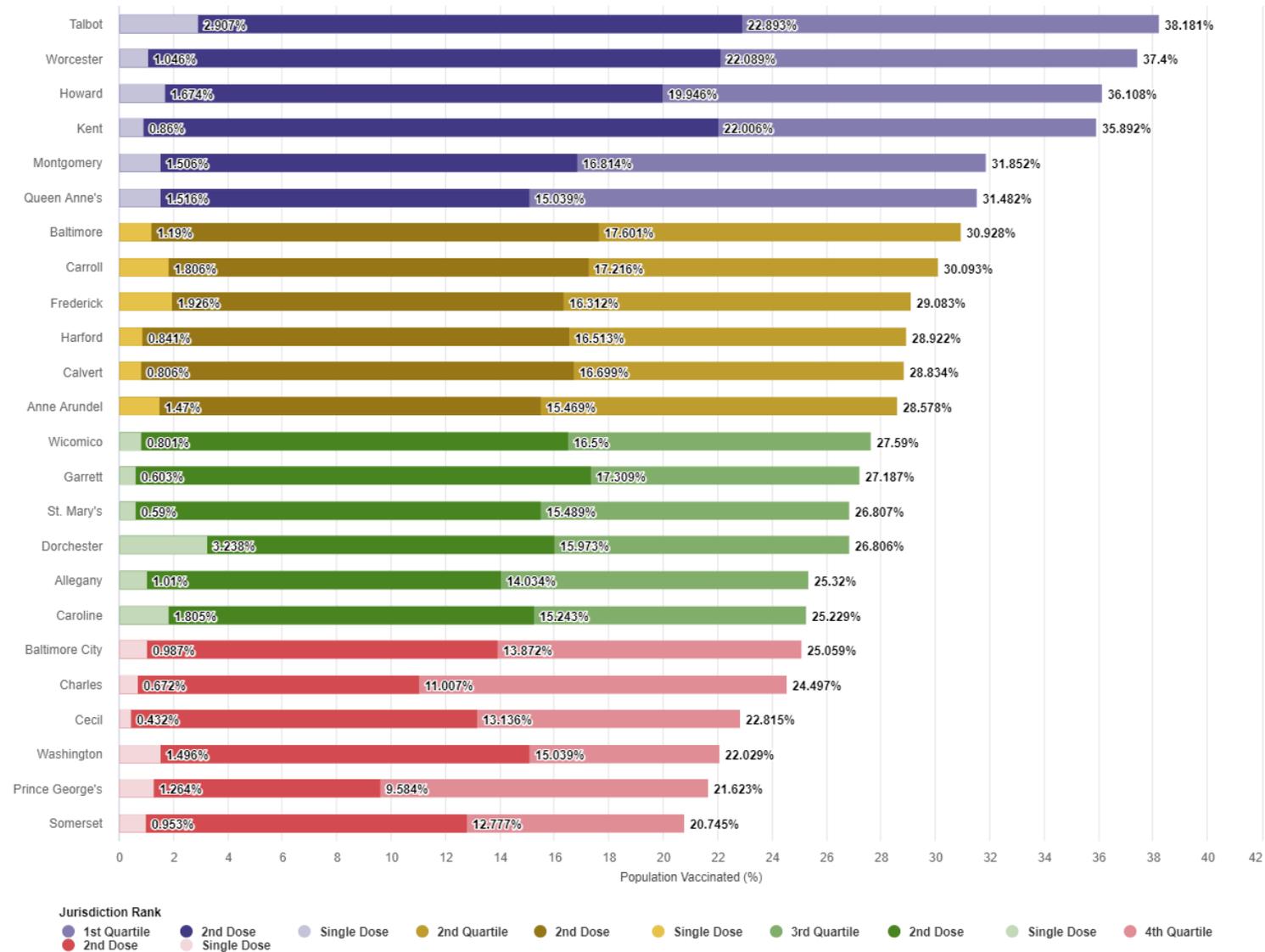
## Today's COVID Brief

The United States recently administered a record 3.38 million doses of COVID-19 vaccine in a single day. As of April 1, 2021, nearly 154 million doses of COVID-19 vaccine have been administered in the United States, with over 56 million people having been fully vaccinated. 73.7% of people 65 or older have received at least one dose of vaccine; 52% are fully vaccinated. More than one-third (38.4%) of people 18 or older have received at least one dose of vaccine; 21.7% are fully vaccinated.

Today the Maryland case rate per 100k and infection rates are higher than the levels in Prince George's County. While the County positivity rate is slightly higher than the state's, they are both just under 6%.

As of Friday, April 2, Prince George's County has administered a total of 295,270 vaccinations, with with over 76,590 doses administered yesterday and at least 21.623% of county residents receiving at least 1 vaccine dose. Despite continued vaccination progress, Prince George's County remains near the bottom for percentage of residents fully vaccinated among Maryland jurisdictions.

Percent of Population Vaccinated, by County - Full Screen View



Percent of Population Vaccinated by County

**Prince George's County Metrics**

Currently vaccinating **Phase 2B**. [Description of groups eligible for vaccination now.](#)

Key Metrics	Yesterday's stats	Today's stats*	Goal
Positivity rate	5.81%	5.88%	Remain below 3%
Cases per 100K	20.30	20.25	New cases below 5 per 100K (low risk)
Infection rate	1.06	1.05	Low risk range (<0.9)

(\* ) Green represents a decrease in these figures. Red represents an increase. Black signifies no change.

Vaccines Administered	% of County Population
First doses	21.623%
Second does	9.584%
Single doses	1.264%
<b>Total doses</b>	<b>295,270</b>

Prince George's County has entered Phase 2B for vaccine distribution. Pre-registered individuals who live or work in the County and are eligible in Phase 2B will begin to receive appointments at County Health Department's vaccination clinics.

## **COVID Update from Governor Hogan**

Governor Hogan provided a COVID-19 update on Thursday afternoon. Here are some highlights:

### **The state of COVID in Maryland**

- 677 variant cases have been detected so far in Maryland, 86% of the variants detected are the UK one.
- Cases are increasing around the state, but lately the greatest increases have been among younger residents in Baltimore City and Baltimore County.

### **Future plans**

- The Maryland pre-registration website is now open to all Marylanders, age 16 and up.
- The governor expects to accelerate the vaccine phasing timetable soon, but still plans to prioritize those in Phase 1 and 2A and 2B.
- The Department of Aging is working on plans to reopen some senior centers.
- Prior to that, the state will be working with community partners to host closed vaccination clinics for seniors at some senior centers around the state. (Please note: The Bowie Senior Center will host be one of the sites for these closed vaccination clinics. More details to come soon on this.)

### **More Mass Vaccination Sites are Coming Soon**

- Baltimore County – week of April 5
- Greenbelt Metro Station (FEMA) – April 7
- Anne Arundel and Frederick counties – week of April 12
- Harford and Howard counties – week of April 26.

[Press release](#)

### **Maryland Opens Phase 2B Eligibility**

As of March 30, Maryland is in Vaccination Phase 2B. Eligible individuals in Phase 2B include:

- Residents 16 and older with medical conditions that increase their risk for severe COVID-19 illness. See the [CDC website](#) for the will list of medical conditions.
- Residents 16 and older with disabilities who are receiving SSI or SSDI benefits, Maryland Medicaid EID individuals, Maryland Medicaid REM recipients, and Marylanders receiving TDAP benefits.

Effective immediately, any Marylander 16+ can pre-register at one of the state's mass vax sites by visiting the [pre-registration website](#) or calling 1-855-MD-GOVAX.

Phase 2C is scheduled to begin April 13. That phase will include Marylanders ages 55 and older as well as workers in critical industries, including construction workers, food services, utilities, transportation, financial services, IT and other infrastructure. Phase 3, the final stage, is slated to begin April 27 and covers the general population ages 16 and up.

**2A****WHO: Marylanders age 60 and older****WHEN: March 23****2B****WHO: Marylanders age 16 and older with underlying medical conditions that increase the risk for severe COVID-19 illness****WHEN: March 30****2C****WHO: Marylanders age 55 and older, as well as essential workers in critical industries****WHEN: April 13****3****WHO: All Marylanders age 16 and older****WHEN: April 27**

*Issued March 18, 2021. Timeline may accelerate depending upon vaccine supply.*

**PRE-REGISTRATION OPEN  
NOW FOR ALL MARYLANDERS:**

**COVIDvax.maryland.gov**

**1-855-MD-GOVAX**

### **Vaccine Appointment Scheduling**

Not only are the numbers of vaccine shipments increasing, but so too are the number of locations in Maryland offering vaccine appointments. There are now more than 300 vaccine locations in the state.

### **There are four major options for scheduling vaccine appointments:**

1. **Mass vaccination sites** include Six Flags, M & T Bank, Regency Stadium, & Montgomery College. More sites are coming this month. Preregister at <https://onestop.md.gov/preregistration> or by calling the state's COVID-19 vaccination support center at 1-855-MD-GOVAX (1-855-634-6829). Six Flags is administering approximately 4,000 shots per day. Up to 2,100 appointments per week are set aside for Prince George's County residents who have pre-registered through the County pre-registration list.
2. **Prince George's Health Department clinics** (see list below) [Preregister](#) or call 3-1-1 for assistance with pre-registration.
3. **Pharmacies** – [Giant](#), [Safeway](#), [CVS](#), [Rite Aid](#), [Walgreens](#) and [Walmart](#) and independently owned pharmacies under the EPIC pharmacies umbrella.
4. **Healthcare systems** – [Luminis](#) (Anne Arundel Hospital/Doctor's Hospital), [University of Maryland](#), (includes Prince George's Hospital), [MedStar](#), [Holy Cross Hospital](#), [Johns Hopkins](#) and [Adventist](#).

Appointments may be at hospitals or community clinics that the healthcare system are supporting, such as the Luminis-run clinic at Reid Temple in Glenn Dale or the University of Maryland Medical System clinic at the First Baptist Church of Glenarden.

Links to schedule appointments at pharmacies and health care systems can be found at [covidvax.maryland.gov](https://covidvax.maryland.gov) or you can visit each organization’s website to see what is currently available. Some of the healthcare systems also have their own pre-registration processes.

You may also wish to join the [Vaccine Hunters Group on Facebook](#). Group members share information in real time about when appointments open up at various pharmacies, hospitals or other vaccination sites. They also provide tips such which days or what time of day a particular pharmacy chain updates their information.

**Note:** All COVID-19 vaccination appointments at the Sports and Learning Complex this week (March 29 – April 3rd) are being relocated to another County vaccination site and/or rescheduled to the nearest possible open appointment.

### Prince George’s County Health Department Vaccine Clinics

The Health Department currently operates five vaccination clinics:

- [Cedar Heights Community Center in Seat Pleasant](#)
- [Cheverly Health Center in Cheverly](#)
- [Kentland Community Center in Landover](#)
- [Laurel-Beltsville Senior Activity Center in Laurel](#)
- [Southern Regional Technology and Recreation Center in Fort Washington](#)
- [Sports and Learning Complex in Landover](#)

Complete the County [pre-registration](#) form to secure an appointment at one of these sites.

### CDC: When You’ve Been Fully Vaccinated

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) released [guidance for people who have been fully vaccinated](#). People are considered fully vaccinated two weeks after their second dose of Pfizer or Moderna vaccines, or two weeks after the single-dose Johnson & Johnson vaccine.

### Key COVID-19 Metrics Charts

These charts provide data for the last seven days on key COVID-19 metrics that are being tracked and analyzed to identify trends and to make reopening decisions.

COVID-19 New Case Tracking							
	20715	20716	20720	20721	Bowie Cases	Prince George's Cases	Maryland Cases
<b>Today</b>	<b>1,483 (+2)</b>	<b>1,492 (+6)</b>	<b>1,710 (+6)</b>	<b>2,066 (+11)</b>	<b>6,751 (+25)</b>	<b>78,442 (+200)</b>	<b>414,385 (+1,457)</b>
1-Apr	+2	+4	+5	+5	+16	+231	+1,584
31-Mar	+4	+11	+6	+6	+27	+191	+1366
30-Mar	+1	+3	+6	+5	+15	+119	+903
29-Mar	+4	+3	+4	+2	+13	+128	+1,031
28-Mar	+8	+9	+6	+9	+32	+203	+1,335
<b>27-Mar</b>	<b>1,462</b>	<b>1,456</b>	<b>1,677</b>	<b>2,028</b>	<b>6,623</b>	<b>77,370</b>	<b>406,709</b>

7-Day Positivity Rates				
	County Tests Completed	County %	State Tests Completed	State %
<b>Today</b>	<b>517,841 (+1,053)</b>	<b>5.88%</b>	<b>8,837,610 (+37,505)</b>	<b>5.60%</b>
1-Apr	+1,129	5.81%	+33,396	5.51%
31-Mar	+1141	5.47%	+27,795	5.30%
30-Mar	+705	5.36%	+11,905	5.24%
29-Mar	+751	5.34%	+17,562	4.99%
28-Mar	+1,178	5.07%	+34,462	4.70%
27-Mar	+1,384	5.05%	+41,760	4.58%

Cases per 100K Persons			Infection Rates		
	County Cases per 100K	State Cases per 100K		County Infection Rate	State Infection Rate
<b>Today</b>	<b>20.25</b>	<b>21.37</b>	<b>31-Mar</b>	<b>1.05</b>	<b>1.10</b>
1-Apr	20.30	21.14	30-Mar	1.05	1.10
31-Mar	19.81	20.66	29-Mar	1.05	1.10
30-Mar	19.37	20.21	28-Mar	1.06	1.11
29-Mar	19.17	19.78	27-Mar	1.05	1.10
28-Mar	18.90	18.95	26-Mar	1.05	1.10
27-Mar	18.44	18.18	25-Mar	1.05	1.10
			<b>14-Day Weighted Average</b>	<b>1.05</b>	<b>1.10</b>

### Maryland Hospitalizations

Hospitalizations		
Currently Hospitalized:	1,045	3.1%
Acute Care:	794	2.1%
Intensive Care	251	6.3%
Ever Hospitalized	38,016	9.1%

### Other News

Stand Up & Deliver Meals and Groceries



### **Saturday, April 3 at 10 a.m. (Groceries)**

- Ebenezer Church of God – 7550 Buchanan Street, Landover Hills, MD 20784
- First Baptist Church of Highland Park – 6801 Sherriff Road, Landover, MD 20785

### **Maryland Health Connection Special Enrollment Period Extended with Reductions in Plan Costs**

The Maryland Health Connection has extended its COVID-19 special enrollment period. If you need health coverage for yourself or your family, you now have until May 15 to sign up. Sign up to get covered on the Maryland Health connection [website](#). As part of this extension, health plan costs have been reduced to reflect additional financial help available through the federal American Rescue Plan Act.

### **Bans on Evictions and Foreclosures Extended**

The Maryland Department of Labor's Office of the Commissioner of Financial Regulation [announced](#) the extension of the moratorium on new residential foreclosures to May 3, 2021. It was due to expire today.

CDC Director Dr. Rochelle Walensky has signed an extension to the eviction moratorium further preventing the eviction of tenants who are unable to make rental payments. The moratorium that was scheduled to expire on March 31, 2021 is now extended through June 30, 2021. For more information about the moratorium and who is covered, visit the [CDC COVID-19 website](#).

### **Beware COVID-19 post-vaccine Survey Scam**

The federal government is investigating reports of fraudulent COVID-19 vaccine surveys enticing consumers to provide personal information with the promise of cash or prizes at the end of the survey. These fraudulent surveys are used to unlawfully capture consumers' personal information and potential steal money from consumers. Currently, no post-vaccine surveys are being conducted by Pfizer, Moderna or Johnson & Johnson. Do not open the messages or provide any personal information, including credit card and/or bank information.

### **South Lake Stakeholders Meeting April 6**

Developers of the large South Lake project on US 301, south of Central Avenue, have submitted two Detailed Site Plans to the City for review.

1. **South Lake Multi-Family (Detailed Site Plan #DSP-21002)** This project proposes the construction of 325 multi-family dwelling units in five 4-story buildings; 589 on-site parking spaces, some within garage buildings; and, a 1-story, 8,363 sq. ft. clubhouse with in-ground swimming pool on 15.86 acres.
2. **South Lake Retail/Commercial/Office (Detailed Site Plan #DSP-19021)** This project proposes the construction of 902,064 sq. ft. retail/commercial/office development, including: three hotels, with a total of 394 rooms; a 207,770 sq. ft. sports complex; a 66,500 sq. ft. grocery store; gas station/convenience store; a 5-story office building; and, several retail/restaurant pad sites on 59.83 acres.

Residents and other interested parties can learn more about these projects at a virtual Stakeholders Meeting on April 6 at 7 p.m. For information about this meeting, please contact the Planning Department at 301-809-

3047. Stakeholders Meeting Zoom link: <http://bowie.fyi/stakeholdersmtg4-6>

### Assistance for Businesses

The Maryland Small Business COVID-19 Grant Program is accepting applications through April 6. The grant offers working capital to assist eligible small businesses with disrupted operations due to COVID-19. Also, the US Small Business Administration announced that the application deadline for the Payroll Protection Plan is extended to May 31.

### City of Bowie Museums are Open

The City of Bowie Museums have reopened. The schedule is Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays from 12 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. and 2 p.m. – 4 p.m.

All visitors will be expected to follow CDC and social distancing guidelines including:

- Submitting to a temperature check and health questionnaire upon entry to each museum.
- Signing a COVID-19 waiver form. (Parents/legal guardians must sign for individuals under the age of 18 and minors must be under adult supervision at all times).
- Wearing a mask at all times in all areas, both inside and outside.
- Abiding by all social distancing guidelines and remaining at least 6 feet apart.

### Hydrant Flushing Schedule

# Hydrant Flushing

Hydrant flushing will take place in areas served by Bowie Water, Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m., according to the schedule below:

DATES	NEIGHBORHOODS
APRIL 5 & 6	Buckingham, Derbyshire, & Forest Dr
APRIL 7 & 8	Somerset & Bowie Forest
APRIL 9 & 12	Tulip Grove
APRIL 13 & 14	Foxhill & Long Ridge
APRIL 15, 16 & 19	Kenilworth
APRIL 20	Heather Hills
APRIL 21, 22 & 23	Meadowbrook
APRIL 26	Gradys Walk & Glenridge
APRIL 27	Chapel Forge
APRIL 28	Victoria Heights & Race Track Rd Townhouses
APRIL 29	Idlewild
APRIL 30	Yorktown & Overbrook
MAY 3	Whitehall
MAY 4	Rockledge

Flushing may cause some discoloration of the water for up to 24 hours.  
Clothes washing should be avoided during this time.

Visit [www.cityofbowie.org/flushing](http://www.cityofbowie.org/flushing) for more information