



# COVID-19 NUMBERS

## Daily COVID-19 Update for Thursday, August 19, 2021

COVID-19 related hospitalizations have been increasing since mid-July. They are now at similar levels to May 2021, but far below the peak seen in January of this year.

Covid-19 Data (as of 8/19/21)			
	Maryland	Prince George's	Bowie
Cases	483,641 (+1,060)	89,642 (+175)	<b>Cases: 7,801 (+12)</b>
Deaths	9,916 (+9)	1,616 (+0)	20715: 1,707 (+2)
Positivity Rate	5.04%	6.74%	20716: 1,709 (+1)
Case Rate Per 100K	15.42	18.62	20720: 1,979 (+5)
Currently Hospitalized	643 (+2.0%)	NA	20721: 2,406 (+4)
<i>Figures above in parentheses are daily increases since 8/18/21</i>			
Vaccine Progress			
	Maryland	Prince George's	
1st of 2 Dose Received	3,742,275 (61.90% pop.)	478,505 (52.62% pop.)	
2nd of 2 Dose Received	3,372,472 (55.78% pop.)	421,921 (46.40% pop.)	
Single Dose	280,014 (4.63%)	29,473 (3.24% pop.)	
Vaccine totals represent total population, not eligible population. Source: Maryland Department of Health at <a href="http://www.coronavirus.maryland.gov">http://www.coronavirus.maryland.gov</a>			

### Governor Provides COVID Update

At a press conference on August 18, Governor Hogan made the following announcements:

- 94% of Marylanders 65 and older have been vaccinated and 79.7% of those 18+ are vaccinated.
- The number of daily COVID vaccinations each day has increased 20% over last month.
- 9% of current hospitalizations are COVID-related.
- 79% of staff at Maryland nursing homes have been vaccinated and 18 facilities are averaging above 95% for staff vaccination rates. However, some facilities have staff vaccination rates below 50%.
- To help protect nursing home residents, effective immediately, employees of Maryland nursing homes will be required to show proof of vaccination OR adhere to regular screening and COVID testing.
- Nursing homes that fail to comply with these protocols and/or fail to report their vaccination data will be subject to increased fines, civil penalties, and additional enforcement actions.
- Also, effective immediately, all employees of Maryland hospitals will be required to show proof of vaccination OR adhere to regular screening and COVID testing.

- Maryland health officials are recommending wider use of monoclonal antibody therapy to treat symptomatic COVID patients. They recommend that patients ask their healthcare provider if the treatment might be helpful in treating their case of COVID.

[Read the Maryland Department of Health order](#) regarding vaccination of healthcare workers and nursing home staff.