COVID-19 Day 568
Press Update

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State-wide progress for 18+ fully vax

Percentage Of New Mexicans 18+ With At Least One Dose**

79.9%

Percentage Of New Mexicans 18+ With Vaccination Series Completed**

70.5%

Number Of New Mexicans 18+ With At Least One Dose

1,298,117

Number Of New Mexicans 18+ With Vaccination Series Completed

1,145,161

Week ending | Weekly relative increase
---|---
9/24 | 1.1 %
9/17 | 1.2 % ↑
9/10 | 0.9 % ↑
9/3 | 0.8 %
8/27 | 1.5 % ↑
8/20 | 0.8 % ↑
8/13 | 0.7 %
8/6 | 0.8% –
7/30 | 0.8% ↑

https://vaccinenm.org/public-dashboard.html 09/28/21**Includes doses from the Indian Health Service, Veterans Administration, Department of Defense, Bureau of Prisons, and doses from other states administered to New Mexico residents.

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State-wide progress for 18+ at least 1 dose

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State-wide progress for ages 12 - 17

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<td>7/16</td>
<td>↑ 3.3%</td>
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Note: denominator changed 7/8/21 to align with CDC. Now reporting ages 12 – 17 and 18+

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Weekly COVID-19 vaccines administered in NM since 12/24/20

Total Weekly NM COVID-19 Doses Administered

Each date represents 1 week (date is end of the week)

https://cv.nmhealth.org/vaccine-reports/

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Booster Dose Update
Timeline for New Mexico boosters

**Sept. 23rd**

**FDA:** Approval for Booster for 65+
Those at High Risk for Severe COVID

**ACIP/ CDC:**

**Should get vaccine:**
- 65+, Residents in LTCF, 50-64 years old with underlying medical conditions

**May get Vaccine:**
- 18-49 years old with underlying medical conditions
- 18-64 years old in high risk occupational and institutional settings

**Sept. 24th**

**Review:**
By NM Medical Advisory Team

**Sept. 27th**

**Booster Doses for “Should” Groups**

**Oct. 11th**

**Booster Doses for “May” Groups**

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**FDA** = US Food and Drug Administration  
**CDC** = Center for Disease Control  
**ACIP** = Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices

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# Booster dose eligibility

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<th>Reasons for Booster</th>
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<tr>
<td>People 65+</td>
<td>Risk increases with age</td>
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<tr>
<td>Residents in Long Term Care Facilities</td>
<td>Risk due to age and congregate setting</td>
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<td>50-64 years old with underlying medical conditions</td>
<td>Risk due to age and medical conditions</td>
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| 18-49 years old with underlying medical conditions | • Based on increased risk for COVID19 exposure and transmission  
• Based on individual benefits and risks  
• Those with mild disease may not be able to work |
| People 18-64 years old in high risk occupational and institutional settings |
Underlying medical conditions

- Cancer
- Chronic Kidney Disease
- Chronic Lung Disease (COPD, Asthma, interstitial lung disease, cystic fibrosis, pulmonary hypertension)
- Dementia or Neurological Conditions
- Diabetes (Type 1 or 2)
- Down Syndrome
- Heart Conditions (i.e. heart failure, coronary artery disease, cardiomyopathies, or hypertension)
- HIV Infection
- **Overweight and obesity** (defined as body mass index (BMI): Overweight: (BMI) > 25 kg/m² but < 30 kg/m²), Obesity (BMI ≥30 kg/m² but < 40 kg/m²), or Severe Obesity (BMI of ≥40 kg/m²): [BMI Calculator](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/need-extra-precautions/people-with-medical-conditions.html)
- Pregnancy
- Sickle cell disease or thalassemia
- Smoking: Current or former
- Solid organ of blood stem cell transplant
- Stroke or Cerebrovascular disease
- Immunocompromised
- Liver Disease
- Substance use disorders
High risk occupational and institutional settings

Occupations at increased risk for COVID-19 exposure and transmission include front line essential workers and health care workers as previously detailed by the CDC:

- First responders (healthcare workers, firefighters, police, congregate care staff)
- Education staff (teachers, support staff, daycare workers)
- Food and agriculture workers
- Manufacturing workers
- Corrections workers
- U.S. Postal Service workers
- Public transit workers
- Grocery store workers

Recap: Booster vs. additional dose

**Booster:**
- **Pfizer Only**

**Purpose:** To “boost” immunity from waning antibodies from vaccine

**Who Qualifies?**
- **“Should” Group**
  - People 65+
  - Residents in Long Term Care Facilities
  - 50-64 years old with underlying medical conditions
- **“May” Group**
  - 18-49 years old with underlying medical conditions
  - People 18-64 years old in high risk occupational and institutional settings

**When Can I get the Shot?**
- 6 months after completed 2-dose Pfizer

**Additional Dose:**
- **Pfizer and Moderna**

**Purpose:** Additional shot to help build an effective immune response against severe infection and death

**Who Qualifies?**
- People who are immunocompromised and less likely to mount an effective response to vaccine

**When can I get shot?**
- At least 28 days after second shot
COVID-19 vaccines may be approved for more populations soon

In the coming months, the FDA and ACIP will likely review authorization for potential expansion of vaccine eligibility for:

- Pfizer for children ages 5-11
- Moderna and J & J boosters
- Pfizer booster for more subgroups
Rolling out Booster Doses
Many still not vaccinated and at risk: Hispanic/Latino and African American

Many geographic areas in NM still not fully vaccinated

https://cvvaccine.nmhealth.org/public-dashboard.html
COVID-19 can cause serious illness, deaths and poor pregnancy outcomes

Nationwide Pregnancy and COVID: 125,000 cases | 22,000 hospitalized | 161 deaths

Characteristics and Maternal and Birth Outcomes of Hospitalized Pregnant Women with Laboratory-Confirmed COVID-19 — COVID-NET, 13 States, March 1–August 22, 2020
https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/69/wr/mm6938e1.htm
COVID-19 vaccine is safe in pregnancy and does not affect fertility

- Pregnant and recently pregnant people are more likely to get severely ill with COVID-19 compared to non-pregnant people
- Only 31% vaccinated nationwide
- Getting a COVID-19 vaccine can protect you from severe illness
- Vaccination does not affect fertility

Vaccine Recommended for people who are:
- Pregnant
- Breastfeeding
- Trying to get Pregnant
- Might become pregnant in the future

New CDC Data: COVID-19 Vaccination Safe for Pregnant
https://www.cdc.gov/media/releases/2021/s0811-vaccine-safe-pregnant.html

New CDC Health Advisory: CDC_HAN_453.pdf
### NMDOH prioritization of vaccine doses

Eligible Groups who SHOULD Get Vaccine
(first priorities in New Mexico)

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<th>Eligible Groups</th>
<th>Population Due in October</th>
<th>First Appointment Date Available</th>
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<td>Unvaccinated New Mexicans 12+</td>
<td>520,395</td>
<td>Now!</td>
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<td>People ≥ 65  NMSIIS</td>
<td>124,500</td>
<td>Week 1 (Sept. 27) and on</td>
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<tr>
<td>Residents in Long Term Care Facilities</td>
<td>50</td>
<td>Week 1 (Sept. 27) and on</td>
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<tr>
<td>50-64 years old with underlying medical conditions</td>
<td>70,625</td>
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Eligible Groups who MAY Get Vaccine

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<td>18-49 years old with underlying medical conditions</td>
<td>58,506</td>
<td>Week 3 (Oct. 11) and on</td>
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<tr>
<td>People 18-64 years old: high risk occupational and institutional settings</td>
<td>106,083</td>
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Find out if you’re eligible for a booster.

Visit [VaccineNM.org](https://VaccineNM.org) to use the NMDOH’s booster eligibility screening tool.

**Am I eligible for a booster?**

Answer the questions below to determine whether or not you are eligible for a booster dose at this time.

Did you receive the Pfizer COVID-19 Vaccine?

- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No

[STAY AHEAD NEW MEXICO.
Get Vaccinated.](https://VaccineNM.org)

The Delta variant is at least two to four times more contagious than previous COVID variants—but our vaccines are working. You can help protect the lives of our children and our most vulnerable—by getting vaccinated today.

**SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT**

Find a Vaccine Location | Find a Ride | Access My Profile
Schedule your vaccine appointment at VaccineNM.org today

New Mexicans are encouraged to:

- Talk to your provider if you have questions about the COVID-19 vaccine or your eligibility for a booster dose
- Schedule your COVID-19 vaccine appointment with your provider or at a pharmacy
- Schedule at the same time as your flu shot

Notice from DOH to “name”: our records show that you are eligible for a Pfizer booster.

Sign up for an appointment at vaccineNM.org. Your confirmation code is “xxxxxxx”.

If you need help scheduling an appointment, call 1-855-600-3453; option 0.
NMDOH Call Center is here for New Mexicans without access to website

- **Call Center Purpose:** To advance equity by supporting people without internet or capacity to schedule online
- Option 3 or 9 takes callers directly to Spanish speaker
- 8 AM to 8 PM, Monday-Sunday
Number of providers offering COVID-19 in New Mexico continues to increase
Ask your provider for your next COVID-19 vaccine dose

- COVID-19 vaccines, like other vaccines, should be given in provider offices
- Good timing to get both the flu shot and COVID-19 vaccine together (and in same arm, if necessary)
- Ask your provider if they currently give COVID-19 vaccines, and, if not, when they will be making booster doses available
NM COVID-19 Cases
Level of community transmission of COVID-19 remains high in most counties

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<tr>
<th>County</th>
<th>Population Count</th>
<th>Number of Cases (14 days)</th>
<th>Number of Cases + Negative Tests (14 days)</th>
<th>Total New Cases per 100,000 persons</th>
<th>Percentage of Tests that are Positive During the Past 14 days</th>
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<td>11903</td>
<td>100</td>
<td>938</td>
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<td>Quay</td>
<td>8396</td>
<td>100</td>
<td>908</td>
<td>85.1</td>
<td>11.01%</td>
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<td>Chaves</td>
<td>64104</td>
<td>473</td>
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<td>166</td>
<td>1422</td>
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<td>Eddy</td>
<td>58252</td>
<td>483</td>
<td>4088</td>
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<td>Torrance</td>
<td>15923</td>
<td>108</td>
<td>884</td>
<td>48.4</td>
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<td>Mora</td>
<td>4566</td>
<td>36</td>
<td>278</td>
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<td>Lea</td>
<td>71570</td>
<td>601</td>
<td>4538</td>
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COVID-19 surveillance definition update

• On Sept. 1, the national case definition for COVID-19 changed slightly
• Going forward, new cases will include individuals who test positive more than 90 days following a prior infection with COVID-19 as new cases (reinfection)
• Beginning on Sept. 27, NMDOH began including these cases in the reported case counts
• Overall rate of reinfection is not clear, but reinfection appears to be infrequent
• Patients who recover from COVID-19 appear to have low risk of reinfection, but not clear how long that protection lasts or if they are protected against variants
• We are monitoring both reinfection and vaccine breakthrough cases

Case rates as of 9/28/21 [https://cv.nmhealth.org/]
Masks are effective in limiting COVID-19 outbreaks in schools

New data from the CDC found that the odds of a school-associated COVID-19 outbreak in schools with no mask requirement were 3.5 times higher than those in schools with an early mask requirement.
NM COVID-19 Testing Update
New Mexico - testing volume continues to increase while test percent positivity is decreasing

New Mexico Total Tests and Percent Positivity Rate, by two-week periods
New Mexico Test positivity 7-Day Rolling Average, March 17, 2020-September 27, 2021

Test Positivity Rate

Target: 7.5%

09/27/21: 6.6%
## New Mexico testing turnaround time

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<th>Reporting Laboratory</th>
<th>Test Results, 09/18/2021-09/24/2021</th>
<th>Percent of Total Test Results, 09/18/2021-09/24/2021</th>
<th>Median Turn Around Time in Days, 09/18/2021-09/24/2021</th>
<th>Cumulative Test Results, 03/11/2020-09/27/2021</th>
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<td>Curative</td>
<td>22,687</td>
<td>31.1%</td>
<td>1.32</td>
<td>697,686</td>
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<td>LabCorp</td>
<td>7,085</td>
<td>9.7%</td>
<td>2.03</td>
<td>352,319</td>
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<td>Pathology Consultants</td>
<td>1,267</td>
<td>1.7%</td>
<td>2.30</td>
<td>96,967</td>
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<tr>
<td>Quest</td>
<td>1,529</td>
<td>2.1%</td>
<td>1.97</td>
<td>257,719</td>
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<td>SLD</td>
<td>4,582</td>
<td>6.3%</td>
<td>1.19</td>
<td>726,251</td>
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<td>659</td>
<td>0.9%</td>
<td>0.12</td>
<td>47,214</td>
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<td>TriCore</td>
<td>10,119</td>
<td>13.4%</td>
<td>1.07</td>
<td>1,015,832</td>
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<td>Vault</td>
<td>8,029</td>
<td>11.0%</td>
<td>3.38</td>
<td>141,597</td>
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<td>Other</td>
<td>16,883</td>
<td>23.2%</td>
<td>1.30</td>
<td>1,192,307</td>
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<td>TOTAL</td>
<td>72,840</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>1.46</td>
<td>4,527,892</td>
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New Mexicans: Get tested for COVID-19 if...

...you have COVID-19 symptoms;
...you don’t have symptoms but were in close contact to a positive case;
...you don’t have symptoms but live or work in a high-risk congregate setting; or
...you are a patient scheduled for surgery or hospital admission

Regardless of vaccination status!

COVID-19 TESTING IS AVAILABLE AT NO COST TO NEW MEXICANS.

Visit FindATestNM.org
NM COVID-19
Hospitalizations and Deaths

Crisis Standards of Care

Contingency Level 1

Contingency Level 2

9/28/21: 32.5

Weighted Score
ICU Beds

Total beds available: 10

Available COVID ICU Beds
September 28, 2021

Med/Surgical Beds

Total beds available: 69

Available Med/Surgical Beds (COVID)
September 28, 2021
NM continues to have net “exported” hospitalizations

- 86 patients transferred out of state for hospitalization
- 19 patients from out of state hospitalized in NM
  - 1 transferred here for hospitalization
- Net = 67 patients “exported”

### Exported Patients 09/27/21

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### Out of State Admissions 09/27/21

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NM Out of State Hospital Transfers for Admissions by Week
Nationally, NM leading in hospitalization and vaccination rates

• More than a third of the country is in the low vaccination/high-hospitalization category shaded bright purple

• New Mexico is in the high-vaccination/low-hospitalization shaded green


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NM hospital employee vaccination rates

As of September 26, 2021:

• 88% of New Mexico’s hospital employees are fully vaccinated
• 4% are partially vaccinated
• 7% have an approved exemption
• 1% remain unvaccinated
As expected, we continue to see an increase in COVID-19 deaths


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COVID-19 Treatments
There has been a significant increase in inpatient and outpatient mAbs treatments, but not enough!

Remdesivir (moderately ill, given in hospital)

mAbs (symptoms + >64, obese, OR one risk factor, given as outpatient)
20 reported NM ivermectin exposures to UNM Poison Control Center in 2021

- Total NM Calls to Poison control center in August + September = 15
  - Dose range: 1.7mg – 117 mg (Normal adult dose = 3 mg)
  - 11 received treatment at a hospital or urgent care
  - 9 were confirmed COVID-19 positive
  - 10 were exposed to veterinarian paste, tablets, injection, or pour-on
  - 8 reported taking product to *prevent* COVID-19
  - 8 reported taking product to *treat* COVID-19
  - 1 individual took product in a suicide attempt

Number of Exposures Reported to NM Poison Control Center, by Month, 2021
Geographic locations and ages of 2021 ivermectin exposures in NM

New Mexico Counties with Ivermectin Exposures Reported in 2021

Number of Ivermectin Exposures Reported to NM Poison Control Center, by Age Range, Jan.-Sept. 2021

Number of Exposures Reported

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Age range: 02-79 years old
Symptoms/side effects reported due to ivermectin exposure

- Agitation
- Confusion
- Drowsiness
- Diarrhea
- Cough
- Fever
- Headache
- Hallucinations
- Seizure
- Vomiting
- Respiratory depression
- Abdominal pain
- Kidney failure
- Tachycardia (rapid heartbeat)
- Tachypnea (rapid breathing)
- Death (2)
The most important side effects of *all* unproven COVID-19 treatments

- Not taking proven measures to avoid serious COVID-19 infection (instead of vaccination)
- Not taking proven treatments to avoid hospitalization and death from serious COVID-19 infection (instead of monoclonal antibody treatment)
Lovelace Health System shares video of the experience of COVID-19 through the eyes of an unvaccinated patient – Please get vaccinated!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZUJjvTy3rDl

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Thank you, New Mexico healthcare heroes!
Delta is >2x more infectious; we need to be >2x more careful

- Get tested if you think you have COVID-19 or have been exposed to someone who is positive.
- If you have a COVID-19 positive test, symptoms and risk factors, seek out monoclonal antibody treatment.
- Be especially careful indoors no matter where you live in NM.

CASE COUNTS REMAIN TOO HIGH. WE ALL STILL MUST FIGHT THE VIRUS.

- Wash hands, clean surfaces, cough into tissue/elbow.
- Everyone mask up and maintain social distancing (minimum 6’).
- Get needed preventive healthcare.
- Get vaccinated!