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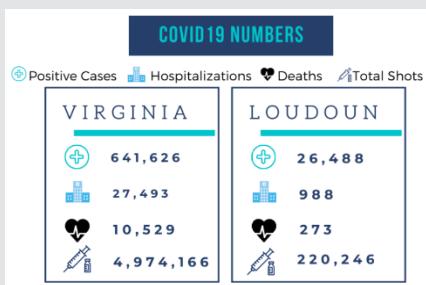
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## COVID-19 Update



## State and Local COVID-19 Data Summary

Loudoun's seven-day positivity rate has remained stagnant with the latest number standing at 7.7%. [Loudoun's data dashboard](#) shows the seven-day average case count increased to 90.9 per day, which represents an increase of 18.6 since April 8. At the state level, Virginia's seven-day average of daily cases has 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 (147.2 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.



## Did You Receive the J&J Vaccine?

Out of an abundance of caution, the Food and Drug Administration and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention called for a pause on the use of the Johnson & Johnson (J&J) COVID-19 vaccine after six recipients in the United States developed a rare disorder involving blood clots within about two weeks of vaccination. Anyone who has received the J&J vaccine who develops severe headache, abdominal pain, leg pain or shortness of breath within three weeks after vaccination should contact their health care provider. Anyone who has already received the J&J vaccine does not need to receive another type of vaccine. The vaccine will provide protection against COVID-19.



## How to Pre-Register for a COVID-19 Vaccine

Now that more people are eligible to pre-register for a COVID-19 vaccine, it's a good time to review how to do that. All Loudoun County residents 16 and older are eligible to pre-register to receive a COVID-19 vaccination. There are two ways to pre-register:

- **Online:** Visit [vaccinate.virginia.gov](https://vaccinate.virginia.gov) to submit a pre-registration form. The fastest method for receiving a vaccination appointment is to include a unique email address in separate pre-registration forms 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.



## Other Vaccination Opportunities

In addition to receiving a vaccine from Loudoun County, people can also look for available appointment slots at pharmacies and other locations near them by visiting [vaccinefinder.org](https://vaccinefinder.org). Note that these

entities do not coordinate their registrations with the Health Department.

### 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](http://loudoun.gov/COVID19testing)

Loudoun County's next COVID-19 testing event will be held Tuesday, April 20, 2021, 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., at Dulles South Recreation & Community Center in South Riding. The county is holding free, drive-thru COVID-19 testing events on Tuesdays in April. More information, including the complete schedule of events, is online at [loudoun.gov/COVID19testing](http://loudoun.gov/COVID19testing).



Force Chairman Dr. John Farrell. Get details on the upcoming awards ceremony May 16 and the complete list of honorees from Loudoun Cares.

## COVID-19 Volunteers in Loudoun Recognized

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## Governor's Update



Governor Ralph Northam today announced an allocation of more than \$6.3 million in Growth and Opportunity for Virginia (GO Virginia) grants to help the Commonwealth continue addressing the economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. This funding will support a total of 15 projects, including eight regional GO

Virginia projects and seven projects through GO Virginia's Economic Resilience and Recovery Program.

The projects receiving funds will provide additional capacity to expand workforce development and talent pipelines in key industries, support the growth of startup businesses and entrepreneurial ecosystems, grow Virginia's portfolio of business-ready sites, and assist regions with mitigating the economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. The awards will leverage an additional \$5.6 million in local and other non-state resources to assist with ongoing economic diversification and growth efforts throughout Virginia.

Since the program's inception in 2017, GO Virginia has funded 163 projects and awarded approximately \$56.9 million to support regional economic development efforts. To learn more about GO Virginia, visit [dhcd.virginia.gov/gova](http://dhcd.virginia.gov/gova).



## 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 LCCOVID19 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](http://www.loudoun.gov/CoronaVirus)

Call: (703) 737-8300

Email: [Health@Loudoun.gov](mailto:Health@Loudoun.gov)

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