

# The Public Health Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic in Cambridge

COVID-19 UPDATE

CAMBRIDGE CITY COUNCIL

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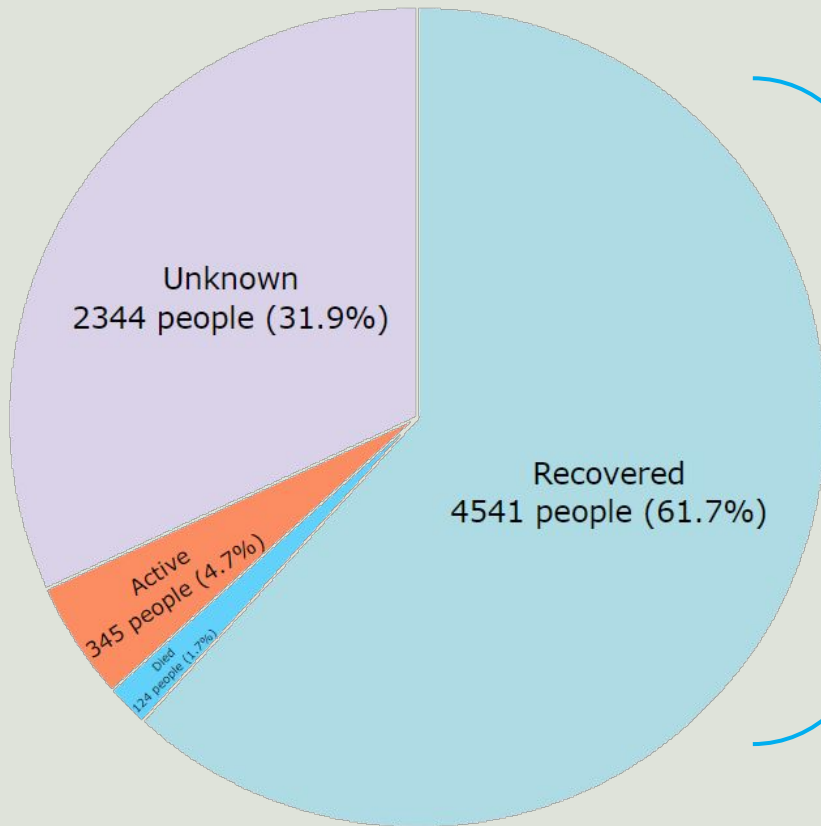
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# Case Snapshot (as of September 26, 2021)



## 7,354 Total Cases<sup>1</sup>

(confirmed, probable and suspect)

- 7,050 in the community
- 304 cases in long-term care

## 124 Deaths<sup>1</sup>

- 61% of deaths were among LTC residents

## Active Cases<sup>1</sup>

- 345 cases are active

**13.6 Confirmed Cases per 100,000<sup>1</sup>**  
(7-day average for Sept. 19–25)

## Test Positivity<sup>2</sup>

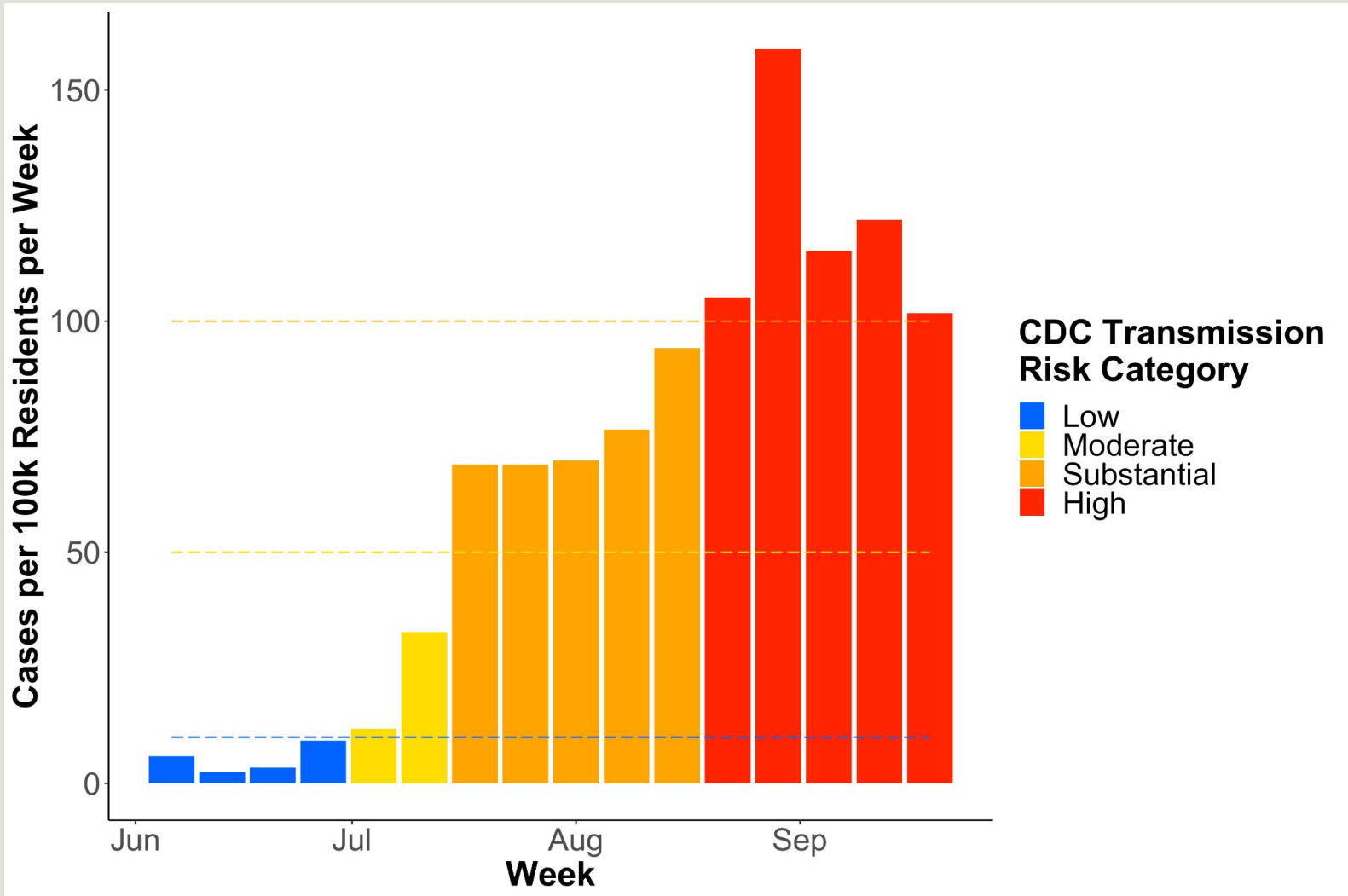
- 0.37% (2-week period ending Sept. 18)

Sources: <sup>1</sup>Cambridge Public Health Department data, accessed on Sept. 26, 2021 @ 5 pm;

<sup>2</sup>Massachusetts Department of Public Health Weekly COVID-19 Interactive Dashboard, Sept. 24, 2021.

# Cambridge Cases by Risk Category

Current transmission rate supports mitigation strategies including mask wearing.



# Community Testing in Cambridge

- The city offers COVID-19 testing 4 days a week in 4-hour sessions.
- Starting Oct. 4, the CambridgeSide testing site will offer drive-through testing only.
- From Sept. 1-19, **8,207 tests** were administered at city-run sites.
- City-run testing sites are currently administering over 900 tests a session.
- Residents can also get tested at local pharmacies and other sites. More info: [www.cambridgema.gov/covid19/Testing](http://www.cambridgema.gov/covid19/Testing)



# Flu and COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics

Public flu and COVID-19 vaccine clinics will be held at sites throughout the city in October.



- Oct. 15** Citywide Senior Center  
10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
- Oct. 16** King Open School  
10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
- Oct. 22** Reservoir Church  
2 p.m. - 8 p.m.
- Oct. 23** Pisani Center/  
Washington Elms  
12 p.m. - 6 p.m.

# Vaccine Update

**Booster Shots** will soon be available for adults who received both doses of the Pfizer vaccine at least 6 months ago who:

- Are age 65+
- Have underlying health conditions
- Work or live in high exposure settings

**69%**

Fully vaccinated Cambridge residents

**76%**

Cambridge residents who have received at least one dose of vaccine.

**76,838 Residents**

Are fully vaccinated

# City Vaccine Update (as of September 21)

## Vaccination Race/Ethnicity Data

The proportion of residents by race and ethnicity who have received **at least one dose of vaccine** in Cambridge and the state:

Race/Ethnicity	Cambridge <sup>1</sup>	MA <sup>2</sup>
Asian	70%	72%
<b>Black</b>	<b>78%</b>	<b>60%</b>
<b>Hispanic/Latinx</b>	<b>66%</b>	<b>57%</b>
Multiracial	70%	95%
White	68%	68%
Other/Unknown	<i>+6% of population</i>	<i>+6% of population</i>
<b>Total % of all residents who have received at least one dose</b>	<b>76%</b>	<b>72%</b>

<sup>1</sup>MA Department of Public Health Weekly COVID-19 Municipality Vaccination Report, September 23, 2021.<sup>2</sup> MA Department of Public Health Weekly Vaccine Report, September 23, 2021. Data for Cambridge and Massachusetts are current as of September 21, 2021.

# City Vaccine Update (as of September 21)

## Vaccination Age and Gender Data

Proportion of residents who have received **at least one dose of vaccine**:

	Cambridge <sup>1</sup>	MA <sup>2</sup>
12-15 Years	94%	72%
16-19 Years	56%	71%
20-29 Years	72%	73%
30-49 Years	85%	84%
50-64 Years	>95%	89%
65-74 Years	>95%	96%
75+ Years	>95%	93%
<b>Female</b>	<b>76%</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>Male</b>	<b>75%</b>	<b>N/A</b>

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