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

COVID-19 UPDATE

CAMBRIDGE CITY COUNCIL

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Omicron Surge: “Past the Peak”

Cambridge and Regional Wastewater Data

- COVID-19 viral particles in regional wastewater samples peaked on January 5.
  - Dots = Individual days
  - Solid gray line = 7-day average for MWRA North
- Cambridge wastewater samples show similar trend.
Middlesex County and Cambridge Cases by Risk Category

Cases per 100k Residents per Week

Middlesex County
CDC Transmission Risk Category
- Low
- Moderate
- Substantial
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Jan 2021  | Apr 2021  | Jul 2021  | Oct 2021  | Jan 2022
MA COVID-19 Hospitalizations

National Guard members at Cambridge Hospital.

Number of COVID-19 Patients in Hospital
Dec. 3, 2021 - Jan. 20, 2022

Number of Massachusetts Hospital Admissions by Age in Past 2 Weeks: Jan. 2–15, 2022
COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics

Recent Non-Public Clinics

City Employees (Jan. 12-13)
  52 boosters of 55 total doses administered

Shelter Vaccination Clinics (Dec. 9-10 & Jan. 13-14)
  178 boosters of 192 total doses administered

Senior Housing (Jan. 7, 8, & 14)
  184 boosters of 191 total doses administered

Ongoing Public Clinics

CambridgeSide Vaccine Clinics
  Mondays & Thursdays
  Moderna and Pfizer vaccines & boosters administered
Post Surge: What’s Next?

- Omicron: Not Out of the Woods Yet
- Evolution of the Virus
- Pandemic to Endemic
  - State of emergency to coexistence
  - Government-led response to individual responsibility.
  - When and how?