#### What Is Known About Omicron?

- A new variant (B.1.1.529) first confirmed in South Africa on November 9<sup>th</sup> (earlier cases may be identified in other countries) and designated by the World Health Organization on Friday, November 26<sup>th</sup> as a Variant of Concern (VOC) named Omicron. CDC declared Omicron as a VOC on November 30th.
- Concerning because of the large number of mutations (50), including 30+ changes in the spike protein; these mutations raise the possibility of increased infectivity, potential immune evasion or resistance to treatment.
- Omicron appears to now be the dominate strain circulating in South Africa and dozens of countries (including USA) have reported cases. Current antigen and PCR tests detect the variant.
- Cases detected in 35 countries including three in United States (CA, MN, CO).



#### Steps LA County is Taking to Prevent Spread

- Providing residents and organizations with updated information about Omicron and appropriate safety measures.
- Working with CDPH on specimen testing to identify Omicron cases.
- Reinforcing school-based public health requirements and testing programs.
- Realigning plans to protect the most vulnerable in SNFs, jails, and shelters.
- Working with LAX to provide information and rapid testing option for international travelers from countries where Omicron has been detected.
  - Emphasizing newly issued federal quarantine and testing requirements.



# Steps Residents and Workers Should Take

GET VACCINATED OR GET YOUR BOOSTER.

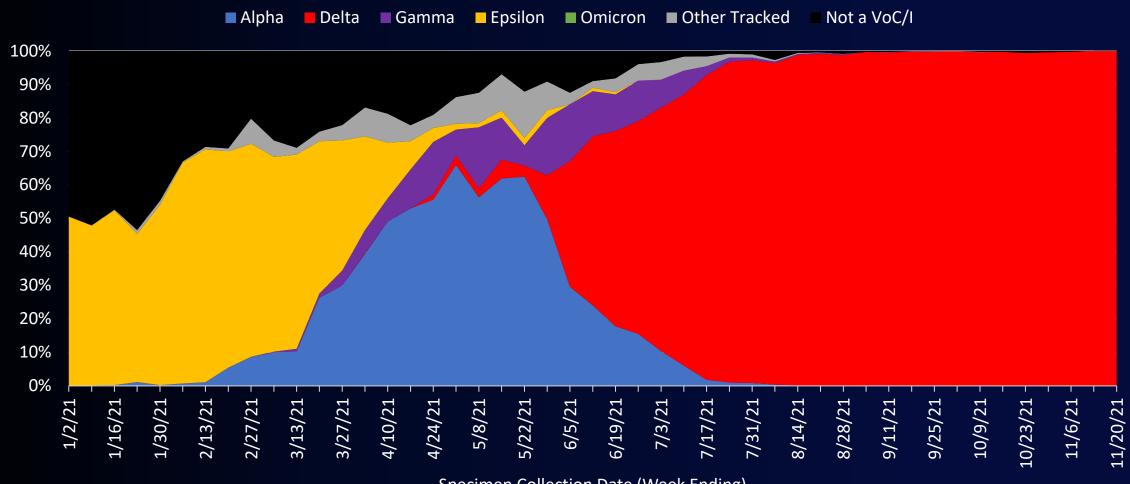
ALWAYS WEAR A MASK INDOORS OR AT LARGE MEGA EVENTS REGARDLESS OF VACCINATION STATUS.

GET TESTED IF SICK OR POTENTIALLY EXPOSED.

ISOLATE IF POSITIVE.

QUARANTINE IF YOU ARE A CLOSE CONTACT.

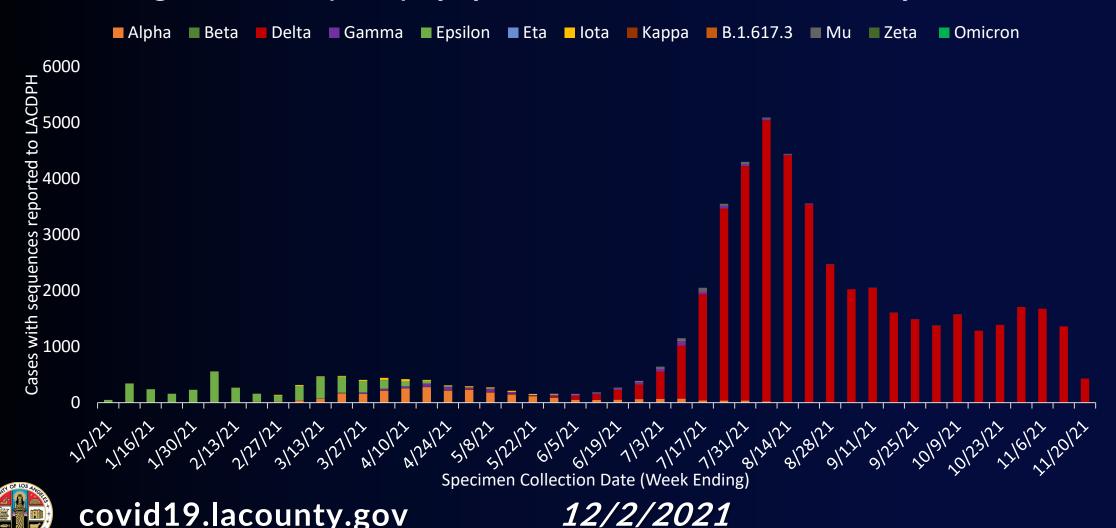
### Most Commonly Identified Variants Among LAC Residents as a Percentage of Sequences Reported to Public Health November 20, 2021





Specimen Collection Date (Week Ending)

### COVID-19 Cases Caused by a Variant of Concern (VoC), Variant of Interest (VoI) or Variant Being Monitored (VBM) by Specimen Collection Date, January 2021 - Present



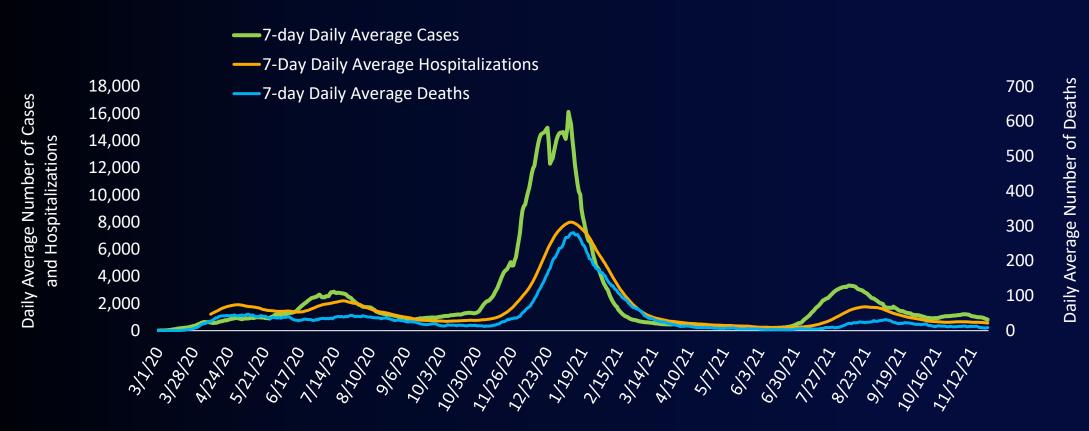
#### **Current Status**

Deaths Reported Today	24
Total Deaths	27,208
Cases Reported Today	1,970
Total Cases	1,530,526
Total People Tested	9,448,033
Daily Test Positivity Rate	1.3%
7-Day Daily Average Case Rate*	7.9
7-Day Cumulative Case Rate (per CDC)	54.4
<b>Currently Hospitalized</b>	574

\*As of 11/29/21



# Daily Average COVID-19 Cases by Episode Date, Hospitalizations, and Deaths by Date of Death March 1,2020 – November 24, 2021





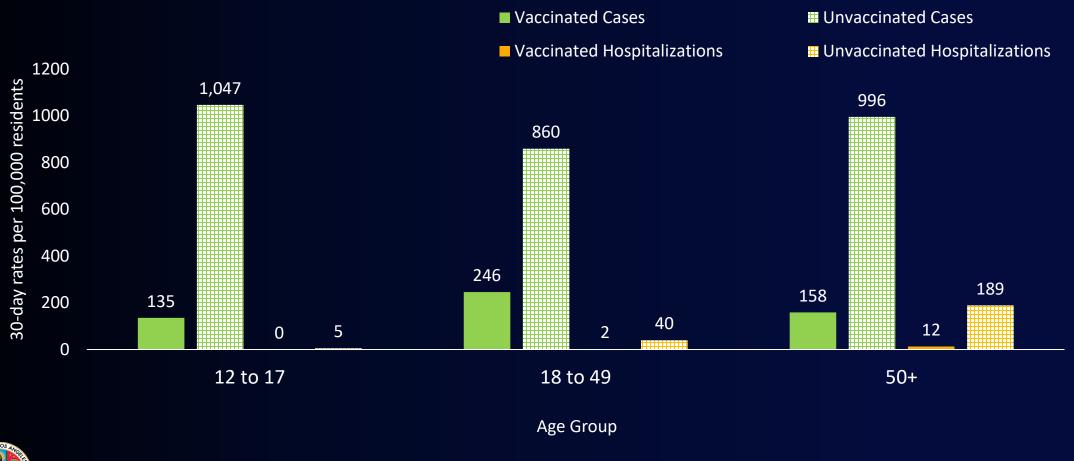
### 7-Day Cumulative Age-Adjusted Rates by Vaccination Status\* June 1 – November 20, 2021



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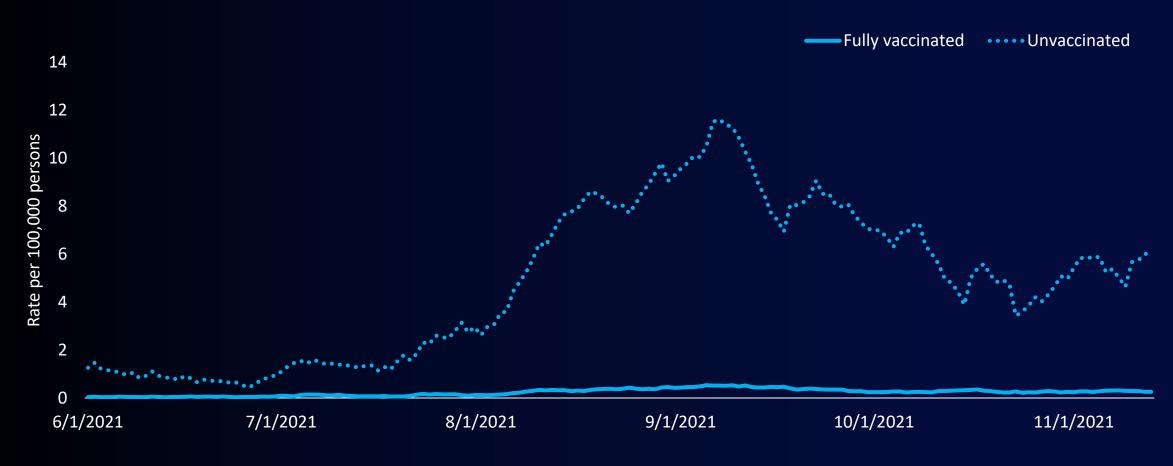
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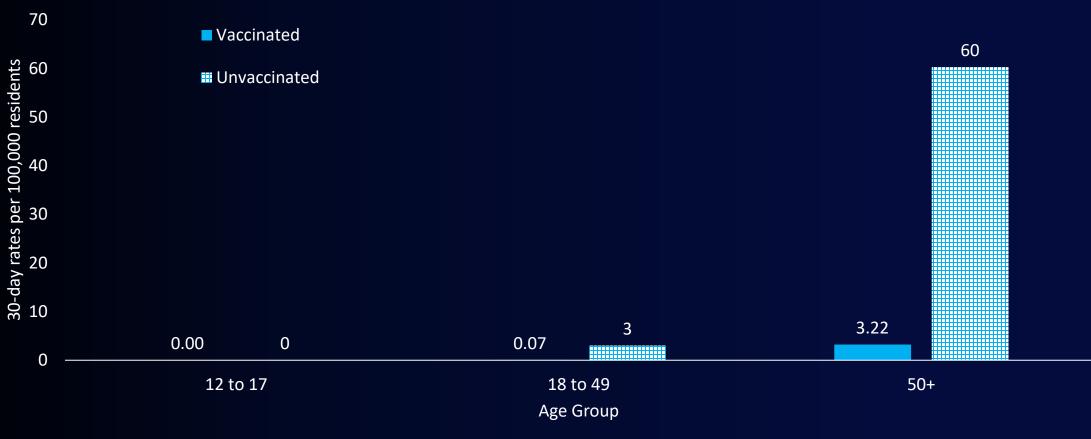




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# 30-Day Cumulative Age-Adjusted Death Rates by Vaccination Status and Age Group May 1 – November 19, 2021





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## Covid Among Fully Vaccinated People in LAC as of November 27, 2021

- 6,107,775 fully vaccinated
- 80,445 (1.32%) tested positive
- 2,680 (0.044%) hospitalized
- **5**03 (0.008%) died





## Proportion of LAC Residents Vaccinated by Age Group as of November 28th, 2021

	≥1 Dose	<b>Fully Vaccinated</b>
% LAC Residents 65+	96%	87%
% LAC Residents 5-11	14%	1%
% LAC Residents 12-17	<b>78</b> %	68%
% LAC Residents 12+	83%	74%
% LAC Residents 5+	76%	68%
% of 10.3 million LAC residents	<b>72</b> %	64%

1,352,112 additional/booster doses have been administered by LAC Providers to LAC & Non-LAC Residents



## Where Can We Close Vaccination Gaps? November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021

	5-11	12-17	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+	Entire racial/ethnic group <sup>2</sup>
Black/African American	7	49	44	57	66	75	55%
Latinx	6	64	59	64	76	85	60%
American Indian/Alaska Native <sup>1</sup>	22	85	84	88	70	78	77%
White	22	74	73	75	70	88	73%
Asian	28	93	89	83	83	89	82%
Entire age group <sup>3</sup>	14%	78%	75%	81%	84%	96%	76%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Likely an overestimate due to inclusion of multiracial people

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Subgroup data for NHOPI, multiracial, other, and unknown categories included in overall count but not displayed due to likely inaccurate estimates



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>LAC residents 5 and older (including Long Beach and Pasadena)

## LAC Residents 5-to-11-year-old Vaccination by HPI Plus as of November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021

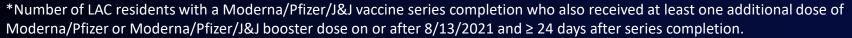
	5-to-11-year-olds Vaccinated in LAC ZIP Codes		
	#	%	
HPI+ ZIP Codes (Hardest Hit LAC Neighborhoods)	45,345	8.3	
Other LAC ZIP Codes	80,706	23.2	
All ZIP Codes	126,051	14.0	



#### Percent of People Who Have Received Additional/Booster Doses by Age Group and HPI+ ZIP Code Status\* September 24<sup>th</sup> – November 25th, 2021

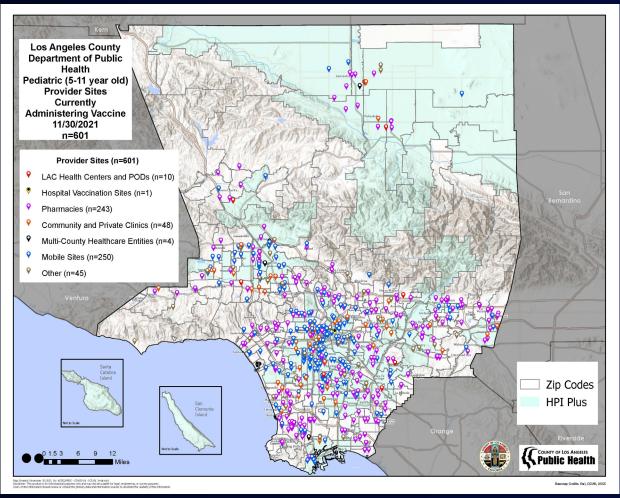
### % of Age Group Who Have Received Additional/Booster Shots

	12+ population	12-64 population	≥ 65 population
HPI+ ZIP Codes (Hardest Hit LAC Neighborhoods)	11%	7%	31%
Other LAC ZIP Codes	18%	14%	39%
Totals	14%	10%	36%



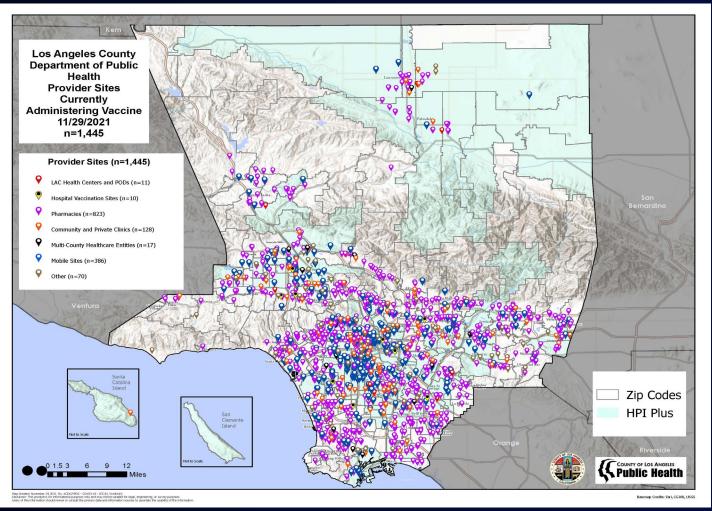


## Fixed & Mobile Vaccination Sites Currently Administering Pediatric Doses



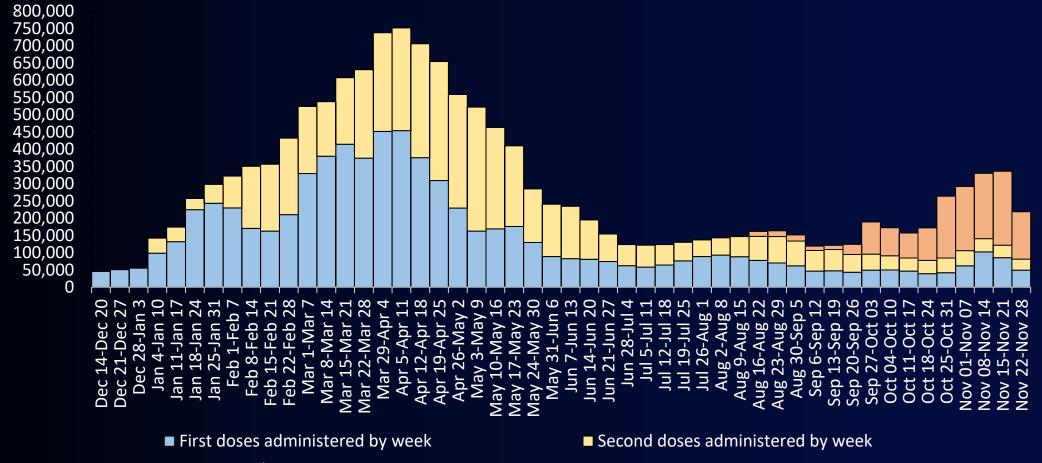


# Fixed and Mobile Vaccination Sites Currently Administering Vaccine





#### Vaccine Doses Administered Weekly Among All Eligible Persons



■ Additional/Booster doses administered by week



#### Using What We've Learned in School Settings to Reduce Transmission

**Vaccinations** 

Strict Adherence to Masking

Routine Testing

100% Follow up and Participation with Cases and Close Contacts

