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CARRIE'S
COVID Q & A



Question: Who can get a booster shot of the COVID-19 vaccine right now?

Answer: This week, the Pfizer vaccine booster shot was approved by the FDA and CDC for certain individuals who already have received the Pfizer vaccine and are over 65, over 18 and at high risk for serious COVID-19 as well as for those who work in high risk or institutional settings. The public is still waiting on news about boosters for those who received the Johnson & Johnson and Moderna vaccines. Booster vaccines are expected to be made available to the public very soon.

Source: CNBC & Reuters

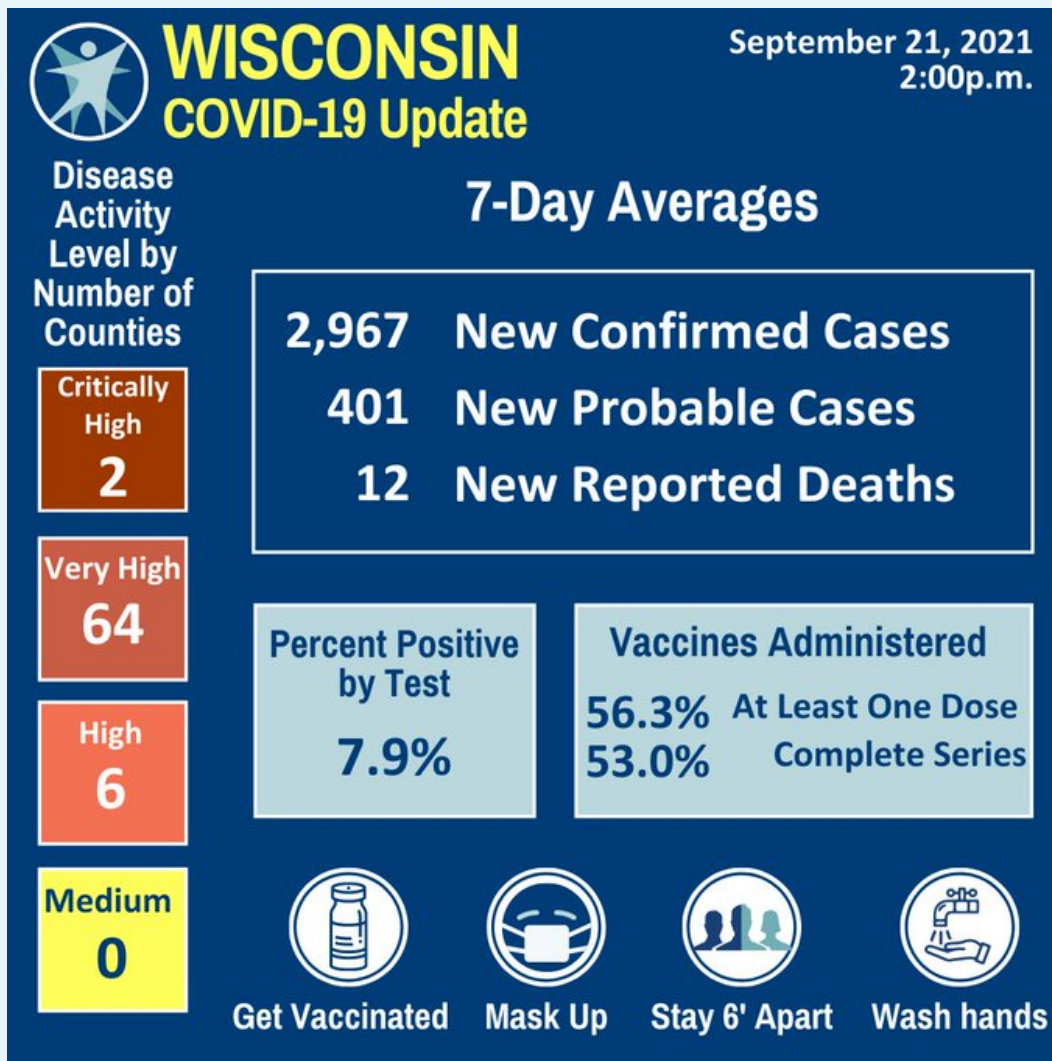
THE LATEST PANDEMIC NEWS IN WISCONSIN

- Infections are rising again after a bit of a plateau, reaching their highest levels since January.
- Hospitals across the state are stretched thin, with many ICUs at or near capacity.
- Hundreds of students are already testing positive, although most are not getting very sick.
- With delta surging in the state, "it's really a perfect storm right now, and our volumes are at an all-time high," Dr. Kyle Martin, an emergency department physician at SSM Health, told Spectrum News 1 last week.
- **Unvaccinated** people are at the highest risk of these severe outcomes. According to DHS data, Wisconsinites who were not fully vaccinated were almost **nine** times as likely to get sent to the hospital with COVID-19 in August, and almost 11 times as likely to die from COVID-19.

Source: [spectrumnews1.com](https://www.spectrumnews1.com)



Governor Tony Evers said in a release, “Whether you got vaccinated in March or just this month, every shot in an arm is bringing us one step closer to putting this pandemic behind us and ensuring our state’s continued economic recovery.”



Source: city.milwaukee.gov - Milwaukee Health Department



Milwaukee announced its own incentive program this week: Starting Thursday (9/23/21), the health department is giving away \$100 U.S. Bank gift cards to city residents who get their first doses at the Southside Health Center or the Northwest Health Center, while supplies last. There are 1,000 of the U.S. Bank gift cards available for people receiving shots in the city health centers at 7630 W. Mill Road and 1639 S. 23rd St. This is for people over the age of 12. Any questions regarding this program can be directed to the COVID-19 Hotline at 414-286-6800.

TODAY'S LITTLE CHUCKLE

Q: What time is it when a clock strikes 13?

A: Time to get a new clock!

