## Past Week Status

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<td>Daily new cases</td>
<td>1,331</td>
<td>864</td>
<td>698</td>
<td>291*</td>
<td>1,136*</td>
<td>1,029</td>
<td>1,297</td>
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<td>Daily deaths</td>
<td>36</td>
<td>34</td>
<td>28</td>
<td>40**</td>
<td>N/A**</td>
<td>52</td>
<td>48</td>
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<td>Daily hospitalizations of confirmed cases</td>
<td>495</td>
<td>499</td>
<td>503</td>
<td>491</td>
<td>537</td>
<td>565</td>
<td>588</td>
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<td>Daily Positivity Rate(^) (7-day avg)</td>
<td>0.7%</td>
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<td>Daily Case Rate(^) (7-day avg)</td>
<td>9</td>
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<td>10</td>
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*Number reflects an undercount due to a lag from weekend reporting.
**Monday’s reported death count is a cumulative report of Sunday and Monday and reflects an undercount due to a lag from weekend reporting.
^ Daily case rates and daily positivity rates do not include data from Long Beach and Pasadena.
## CDC COVID-19 Community Levels

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<tr>
<th>New Cases (per 100,000 people in last 7 days)</th>
<th>Indicators</th>
<th>Low</th>
<th>Medium</th>
<th>High</th>
<th>LA County Current Values</th>
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<tr>
<td>Fewer than 200</td>
<td>New COVID-19 admissions per 100,000 population (7-day total)</td>
<td>&lt;10.0</td>
<td>10.0-19.9</td>
<td>≥20.0</td>
<td>4.5 (as of 3/16/22)</td>
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<td>Proportion of staffed inpatient beds occupied by COVID-19 patients (7-day average)</td>
<td>&lt;10.0%</td>
<td>10.0-14.9%</td>
<td>≥15.0%</td>
<td>3.2%</td>
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<td>200 or more</td>
<td>New COVID-19 admissions per 100,000 population (7-day total)</td>
<td>NA</td>
<td>&lt;10.0</td>
<td>≥10.0</td>
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The COVID-19 community level is determined by the higher of the inpatient beds and new admissions indicators, based on the current level of new cases per 100,000 population in the past 7 days.
7-day average proportion of inpatient beds occupied by COVID-positive patients and 7-day cumulative hospital admission rate per 100,000 population

October 1, 2020 – March 14, 2022

*Both metrics include Long Beach and Pasadena
## LA County Early Alert Signals

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<td>Percent of specimens sequenced that are identified as a new variant of concern (including subvariants) <em>(based on WHO designation)</em></td>
<td>Low Concern: &lt; 10%</td>
<td>6.4%</td>
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<td>Moderate Concern: 10%-20%</td>
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<td>High Concern: &gt; 20%</td>
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<tr>
<td>7-day average percent of Emergency Department encounters classified as coronavirus-related</td>
<td>Low Concern: &lt; 5%</td>
<td>3.8%</td>
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<td>Moderate Concern: 5%-10%</td>
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<td>High Concern: &gt; 10%</td>
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<td>7-day cumulative crude case rate for the lowest income areas (30-100% area poverty)</td>
<td>Low Concern: &lt; 100 per 100,000</td>
<td>35 per 100,000</td>
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<td>Moderate Concern: 100-200 per 100,000</td>
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<td>High Concern: &gt; 200 per 100,000</td>
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<td>Number of new outbreaks in skilled nursing facilities in past 7 days</td>
<td>≤10</td>
<td>5</td>
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<td>&gt;20</td>
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<td>Number of new outbreaks in TK-12 school classrooms in past 7 days</td>
<td>≤ 7</td>
<td>2</td>
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<td>8-14</td>
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<td>≥ 15</td>
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<td>Number of new outbreaks in PEH settings in past 7 days</td>
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<td>Number of worksite cluster reports in past 7 days</td>
<td>&lt; 100</td>
<td>39</td>
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<td>100-300</td>
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<td>&gt; 300</td>
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*1 Current 7-day period is 2/20/22 - 2/26/22  
2 Current 7-day period is 3/7/22 - 3/13/22  
3 Current 7-day period is 3/7/22 - 3/13/22  
4 Current 7-day period is 3/9/22 - 3/15/22  
5 Current 7-day period is 3/9/22 - 3/15/22*
Delta and Omicron Variants as a Percentage of All Specimens Sequenced for Baseline Variant Surveillance

Week ending

- Other
- Delta
- Omicron B.1.1.529
- Omicron BA.1
- Omicron BA.1.1
- Omicron BA.2

Percent of sequenced specimens


Delta and Omicron Variants as a Percentage of All Specimens Sequenced for Baseline Variant Surveillance

covid19.lacounty.gov 3/17/2022
New Outbreaks in TK-12 School Classrooms* in the Past 7 Days
January 1, 2022 – March 15, 2022

*Other school-associated outbreaks that are outside of the classroom setting (e.g., youth sports, extracurricular activities, staff only) are excluded.
School Testing Volume and Test Positivity
August 2, 2021 – March 11, 2022*

*Most school tests are among asymptomatic, unexposed persons as part of weekly screening testing but could include ad-hoc response testing among symptomatic or exposed persons. School testing data may include repeat tests for a unique individual. Test types reported by schools include PCR, rapid antigen, and over-the-counter tests. For the weeks of Nov 22, 2021, and December 20, 2021 – January 2, 2022, testing volume decrease was due to districts/schools being closed for holiday breaks.
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<td>Access to vaccines: Number of mobile vaccination sites per week</td>
<td>Needs Improvement</td>
<td>Adequate</td>
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<td>&lt; 200</td>
<td>200-300</td>
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<td>Access to vaccines: Number of fixed vaccination sites</td>
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<td>&lt; 900</td>
<td>900-1,100</td>
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<td>Access to vaccines: Percentage of eligible homebound referrals</td>
<td>Needs Improvement</td>
<td>Adequate</td>
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<td>who received their vaccine within 2 weeks from date of referral</td>
<td>&lt; 60%</td>
<td>60%-75%</td>
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<td>Access to vaccines: Percentage of residents 12+ in the most vulnerable</td>
<td>Needs Improvement</td>
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<td>communities who have had 1+ additional dose/booster</td>
<td>&lt; 45%</td>
<td>45%-60%</td>
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<td>Outbreak management: Percentage of high-risk worksite outbreaks</td>
<td>Needs Improvement</td>
<td>Adequate</td>
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<td>that have had at least one site visit by DPH</td>
<td>&lt; 75%</td>
<td>75%-85%</td>
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<td>Access to therapeutics: Number of sites in the most vulnerable</td>
<td>Needs Improvement</td>
<td>Adequate</td>
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<td>communities that dispense therapeutics</td>
<td>&lt; 150 sites</td>
<td>150-250 sites</td>
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<td>Access to therapeutics: Percentage of eligible residents using the</td>
<td>Needs Improvement</td>
<td>Adequate</td>
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<td>call center who received recommended therapeutics</td>
<td>&lt; 80%</td>
<td>80%-90%</td>
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Current values reflect data from the following dates:
1 3/11/22 - 3/18/22
2 January 2022
3 8/13/21 - 3/06/22
4 Outbreaks created 1/1/22 - 3/15/22
5 Data as of 3/15/22
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| **Testing access for the public:** Average wait time across all County-run testing sites | Needs Improvement: > 60 minutes  
Adequate: 30-60 minutes  
Outstanding: < 30 minutes | 10 minutes ¹ |
| **Testing access at schools:** Percentage of K-12 schools that have capacity for response testing | Needs Improvement: < 80%  
Adequate: 80%-90%  
Outstanding: > 90% | 99% ² |
| **Testing access at SNFs:** Percentage of Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNFs) that have capacity for routine response testing | Needs Improvement: < 90%  
Adequate: 90%-99%  
Outstanding: 100% | 99% ³ |
| **Surveillance – Sequencing:** Percentage of positive case specimens that are sequenced per week | Needs Improvement: < 5%  
Adequate: 5%-15%  
Outstanding: > 15% | 13% ⁴ |
| **Surveillance – Wastewater:** Number of Service Planning Areas (SPAs) represented in wastewater collection and testing 3X/week | Needs Improvement: < 5  
Adequate: 5-7  
Outstanding: > 8 | 7 ² |
| **Surveillance – EDs:** Percentage of EDs reporting COVID-like illness data | Needs Improvement: < 80%  
Adequate: 80%-90%  
Outstanding: > 90% | 81% ² |

Current values reflect data from the following dates:

¹ 3/14/22 - 3/15/22  
² Data as of 3/15/22  
³ 3/6/22 - 3/12/22  
⁴ 2/20/22 - 2/26/22
Community Testing Sites

https://covid19.lacounty.gov/testing/

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School Testing Capacity\(^1\) in TK-12 Public Schools
May 2021 - February 2022

\(^1\)Represents the public schools conducting school-based COVID-19 testing with funding from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 through the US CDC Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC) for Prevention and Control of Emerging Infectious Diseases (ELC) Reopening Schools Award. Onboarding of schools occurred from May-July 2021 for the 2021-22 school year.
## Testing Recommendations

### When To Get Tested

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<tr>
<th>If you have COVID-19 symptoms</th>
<th>For indoor visits at a Skilled Nursing Facility, regardless of vaccination or booster status, until transmission is Moderate</th>
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<td>If you’ve been a close contact to someone with COVID-19</td>
<td>Before and after travel</td>
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<td>To see when you can end isolation or quarantine</td>
<td>If recommended by a healthcare provider or Public Health</td>
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<tr>
<td>For screening at schools, workplaces, or venues</td>
<td>Consider testing before/after events and gatherings, especially if you, someone you’re gathering with, or someone you live with is at higher risk for COVID-19.</td>
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www.ph.lacounty.gov/covidtests
How to Get Tested

Possible Testing Locations

Your Doctor’s Office or a Community Health Center
Call 2-1-1 or visit www.211LA.org for referrals.

A Pharmacy
Find a site offering testing:

Your School or Worksite
May offer testing or refer you to testing sites.

An LA County Testing Site (PCR)
Free regardless of immigration status or insurance.
Visit www.covid19.lacounty.gov/testing, text (844) 833-1334, or call 2-1-1, to find a site.

Other Testing Site
Confirm eligibility and that there are no charges.

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At Home

LA County Home Test Collection Program (PCR)
If you qualify, order a test kit at: www.covid19.lacounty.gov/testing/home-test-collection-program and return by mail.

LA County Pick Up Testing Kit Program (PCR)
Pick a kit up, test, and return it to the same site.
See www.covid19.lacounty.gov/testing/la-county-pick-up-testing-kit-program.

Rapid Antigen Home Test Kits
Check for insurance coverage for at-home test kits.
You can also order up to 2 sets of 4 free at-home test kits from www.covidtests.gov or 1-800-232-0233.

Report suspected testing scams and fraud.
Bit.ly/DCBAHelp

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www.ph.lacounty.gov/covidtests
7-Day Rolling Average Number of Active Outbreaks

July 1, 2021 – March 15, 2022

- PEH (Persons Experiencing Homelessness)
- Educational Settings
- SNF (Skilled Nursing Facilities)
- Worksites/Place of worship
- Congregate/Group Housing
- Other*

**MLK Day (1/17)**
- **Super Bowl (2/13)**
- **Presidents' Day (2/21)**
- **New Year's Eve (12/31)**
- **Christmas (12/25)**
- **Thanksgiving (11/25)**
- **First LA Omicron case (11/22)**
- **Halloween (10/31)**
- **Start of 5-11 vaccinations in LA (11/3)**
- **Independence Day (7/4)**

*Other includes: Acute Psychiatric Hospital, DCFSC Group Home, Dialysis Center, First Responder, Home (Residential Home Setting), Homeless Hygiene Center, Hospital, Memory Care Unit, Office, Provider, Shared Housing, and Others*
Employer Roles and Responsibilities

Provide Face Masks and Respirators

• If indoor masking is optional, employers to provide well-fitting medical masks and respirators (N95, KN95, KF94) for voluntary use, at no cost to employees.

• If requiring universal indoor masking, employers to provide medical masks to employees, at no cost.

• Upon request, employers to provide employees who aren’t fully vaccinated and who are working indoors or in vehicles with more than one person with an N95 respirator for voluntary use (Cal/OSHA ETS).

Promote Vaccinations and Boosters

• Encourage COVID-19 vaccination and booster doses for employees.

• Offer vaccines and boosters at the worksite.

Create a Safe Worksite

• Increase ventilation.

• When possible, reduce crowding indoors and encourage physical distancing.

• Support hand hygiene and follow cleaning and disinfection guidance.
Managing Worksite Outbreaks

NOTIFICATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS
• Post a public notice.
• Identify and notify close contacts.
• Exclude cases and contacts for isolation and quarantine.
• Provide COVID-19 Supplemental Paid Sick Leave for workplace exposures.

REPORTING
• Submit case and contact line lists to Public Health.
• Report clusters (3 or more lab-confirmed cases in 14 days) to Public Health: www.redcap.link/covidreport or (888) 397-3993.

TESTING AND MASKING
• Make testing available to exposed employees.
• Require indoor and outdoor masking during the outbreak. Offer respirators to all employees, at no cost.

ADDITIONAL CONTROL MEASURES
• Follow Public Health ventilation, cleaning, and disinfection guidance.
• Have sick employees remain home.
• Distance employees by 6 feet when feasible.
• Temporarily discontinue non-essential group activities.

Public Health Anonymous Complaint Line: (888) 700-9995

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Doing Our Part to Protect Workers

Employers

- Follow worksites requirements in LA County Health Officer Orders and the Cal/OSHA ETS.
- Implement additional worksite safety measures and requirements.

Residents/Workers

- Wear a well-fitting mask when you’re in close contact with others.
  
  If you’re sick, stay away from work, public sites, and events. Get tested, notify close contacts of a possible exposure, and complete Public Health's online case interview if contacted.

- Get vaccinated and boosted.

- Follow COVID-19 rules at worksites, stores, and events.

- Report any safety concerns to your union representative, Cal/OSHA, or Public Health.

- Support businesses that protect their workers and follow Public Health recommendations.