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68.4% of American adults have received at least one Covid-19 vaccine dose, according to CDC data as of the morning of July 21, and 59.6% have been fully vaccinated. The rates are higher for the 65 and older group: 89.2% have received at least one dose, and more than 79.5% have been fully vaccinated.

Most recent data from the CDC shows that the highly transmissible Delta variant has become by far the dominant strain of the virus spreading in the U.S. In an effort to use "non-stigmatizing" labels, the WHO renamed Covid-19 variants with Greek letters — like Alpha and Beta — last month and is no longer referring to them by the countries in which the variants were first detected.



Note: There may be data delays in the most recent days of reporting.

Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, POLITICO staff reports

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Parts of the Midwest and South trail behind in vaccinations

Experts state that 70 to 90% of the total U.S. population must be vaccinated to reach herd immunity — which would provide indirect protection from Covid-19. However, vaccination rates and efforts vary widely across the country, depending on vaccine availability, outreach efforts and population density. While states like Vermont and Massachusetts have fully vaccinated the majority of their residents, others like Georgia and Virginia are falling behind.

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PERCENT OF POPULATION THAT HAS BEEN FULLY VACCINATED, AS OF JULY 20

None/no data	0%	10%	20%	30%	40%	50%	60%	99.9%



Note: California does not report the county of residence for persons receiving a vaccine when the resident's county has a population of fewer than 20,000 people; Hawaii does not provide the CDC with county-of-residence information; Texas provides data that is aggregated at the state level and cannot be stratified by county.

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