

# COVID-19 Vaccine Update:

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NC DEPARTMENT OF  
**HEALTH AND  
HUMAN SERVICES**



# The Spread Is Not Equitable



## COVID Data Tracker

Cases in US 26,523,297

Cases in US Last 30 Days



Total Vaccines Administered 36.8M

Deaths in US 454,209

Deaths in US Last 30 Days



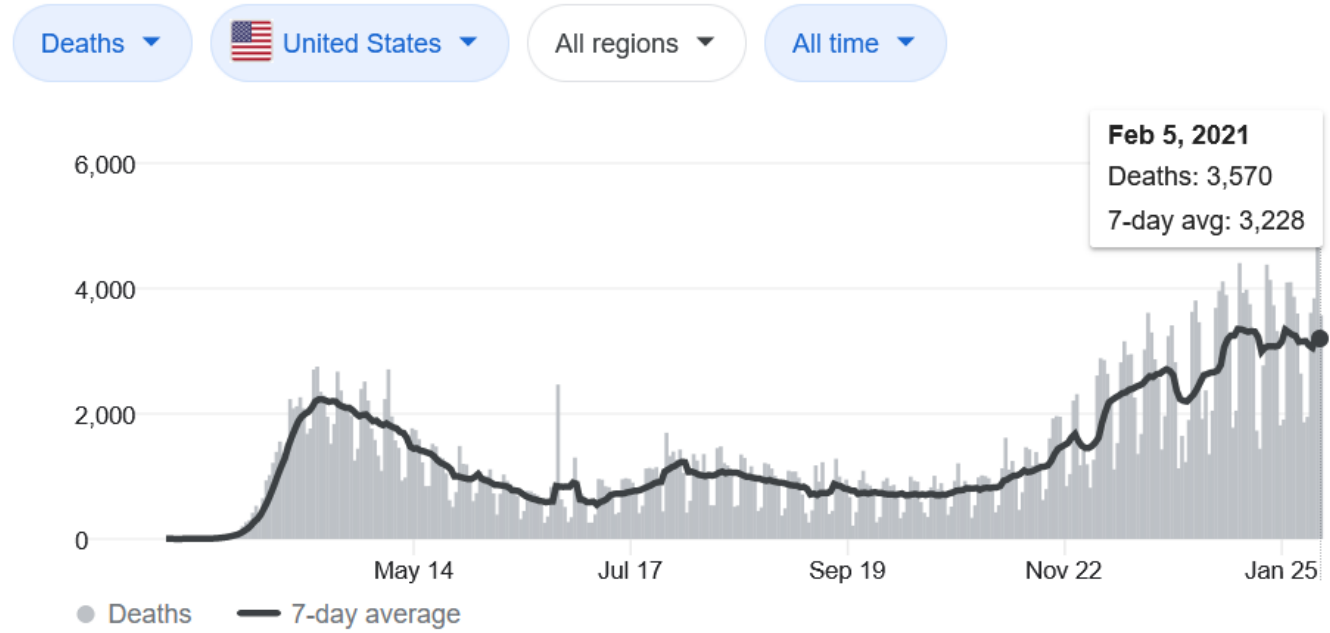
Source: <https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#datatracker-home>. Accessed February 6, 2021.

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Rate ratios compared to White, Non-Hispanic persons	American Indian or Alaska Native, Non-Hispanic persons	Asian, Non-Hispanic persons	Black or African American, Non-Hispanic persons	Hispanic or Latino persons
Cases <sup>1</sup>	1.8x	0.6x	1.4x	1.7x
Hospitalization <sup>2</sup>	4.0x	1.2x	3.7x	4.1x
Death <sup>3</sup>	2.6x	1.1x	2.8x	2.8x

Source: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/covid-data/investigations-discovery/hospitalization-death-by-race-ethnicity.html>. Accessed 1/6/2021

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Each day shows deaths reported since the previous day · Updated less than 18 hours ago ·  
Source: [The New York Times](#) · [About this data](#)



Source:  
<https://covidtracking.com/data/charts/us-all-key-metrics>

Avg. 3228

= 20 160 seat capacity planes crashing daily <sup>4</sup>

# Where we are with COVID spread across NC?

## NCDHHS' COVID-19 Response

Updated daily by approximately noon. Last updated 11:00 a.m., Feb. 6, 2021.

*Data quality rated [A+](#) by The COVID Tracking Project.*

**9,204,581**  
COMPLETED TESTS

**2,468**  
CURRENTLY HOSPITALIZED

**9,926**  
DEATHS

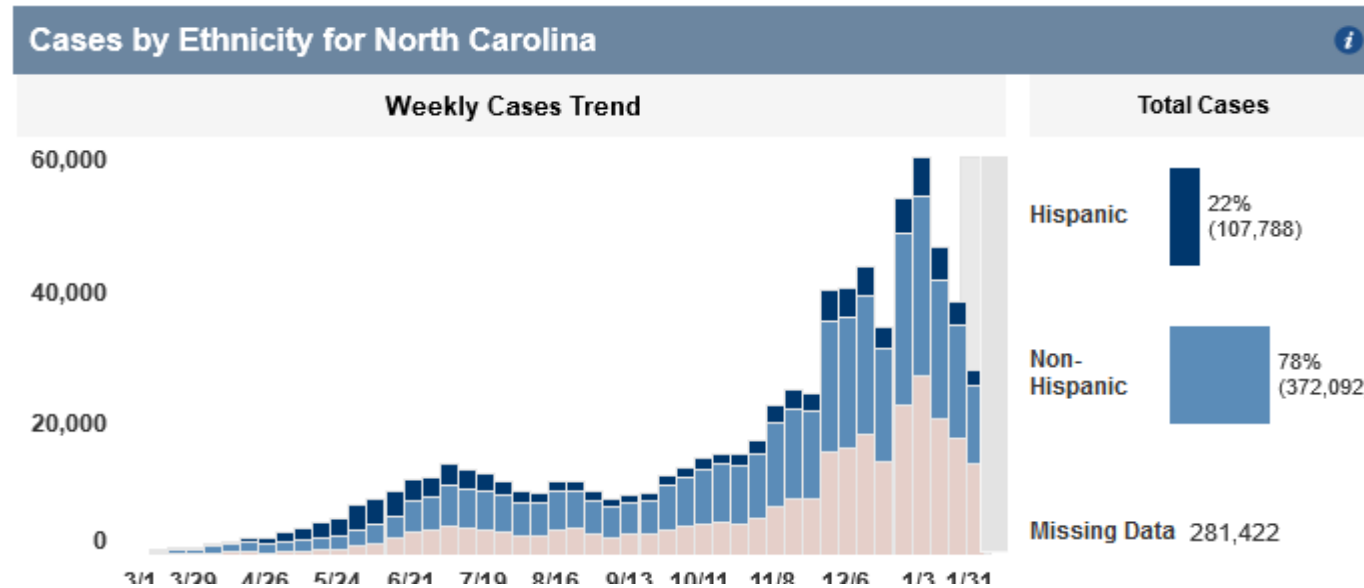
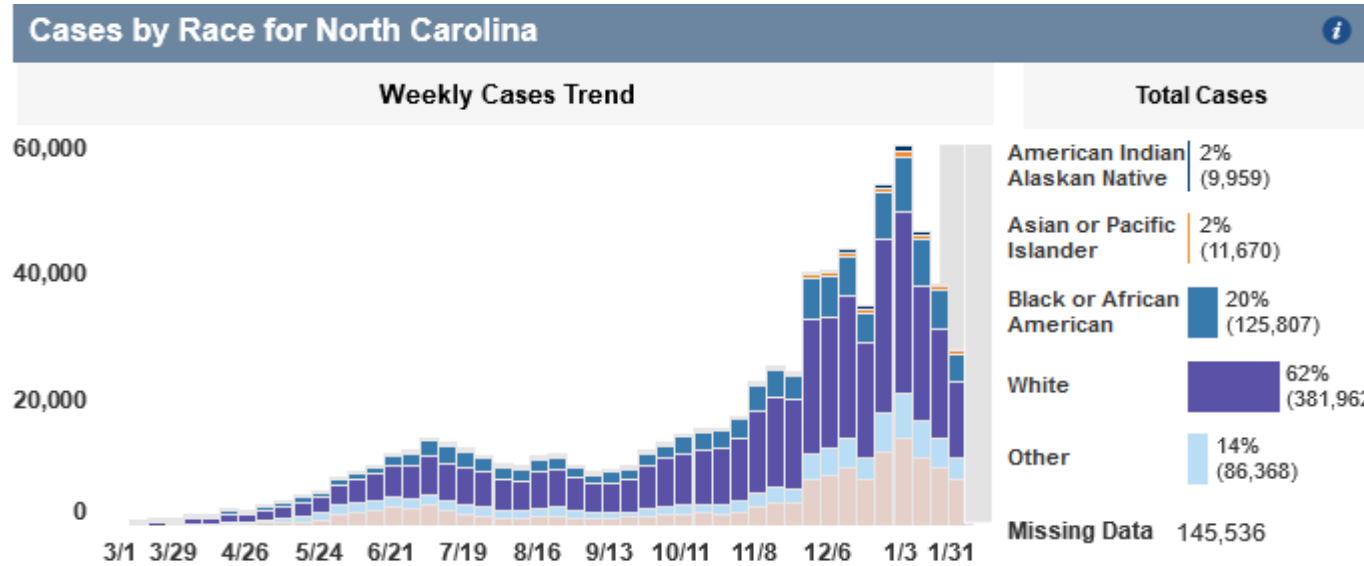
**791,521**  
TOTAL CASES

**4,172**  
NEWLY REPORTED CASES

**7.8%**  
DAILY PERCENT POSITIVE

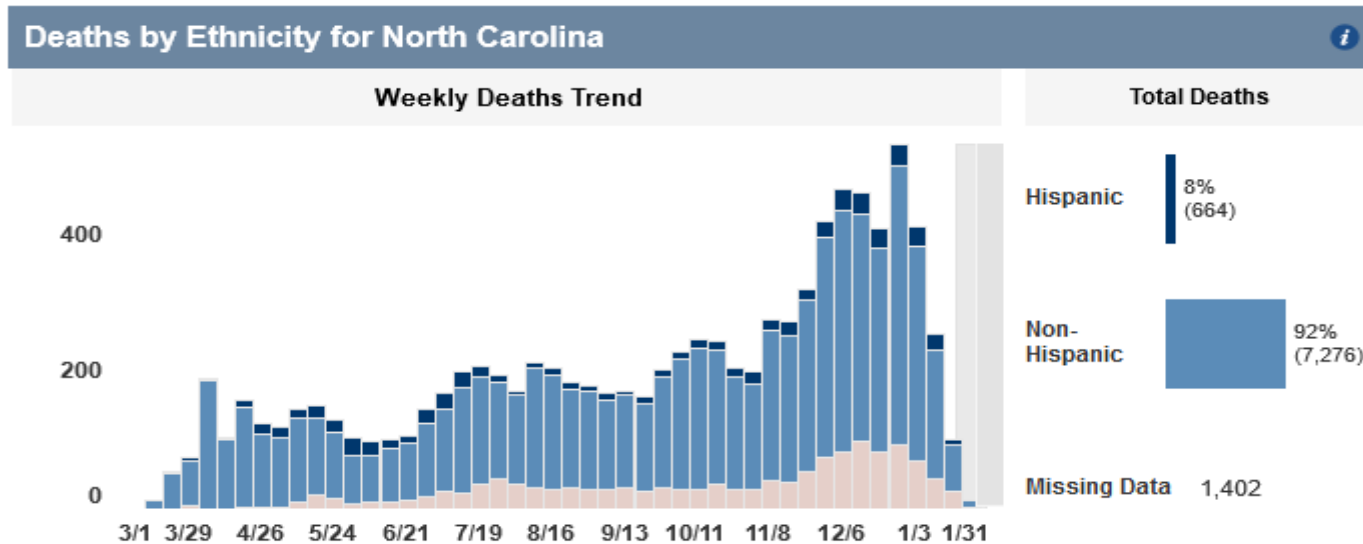
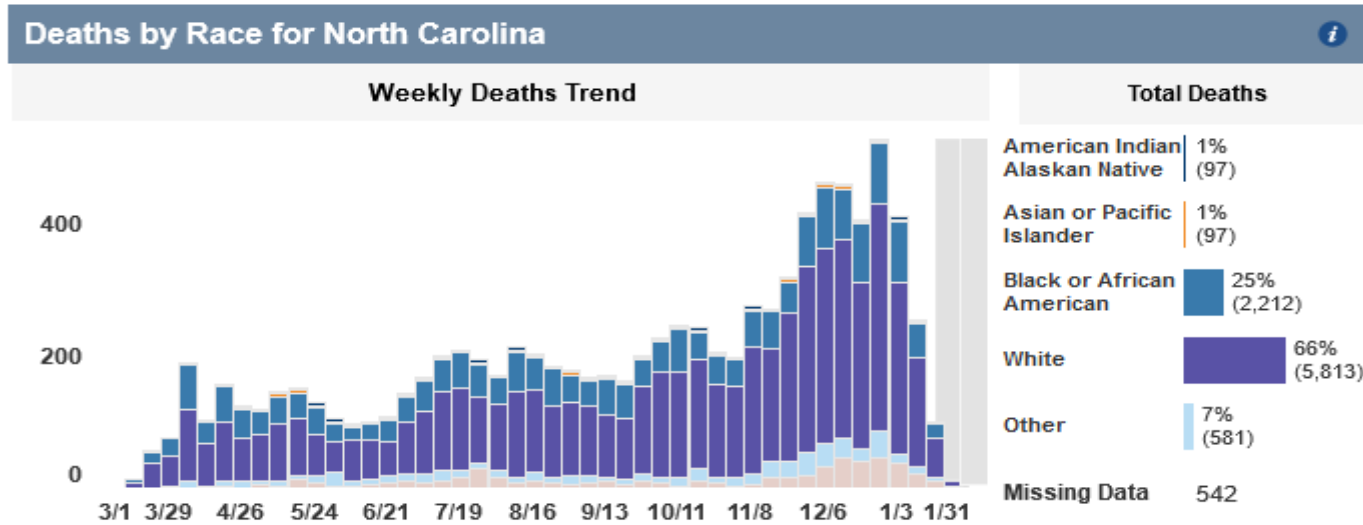
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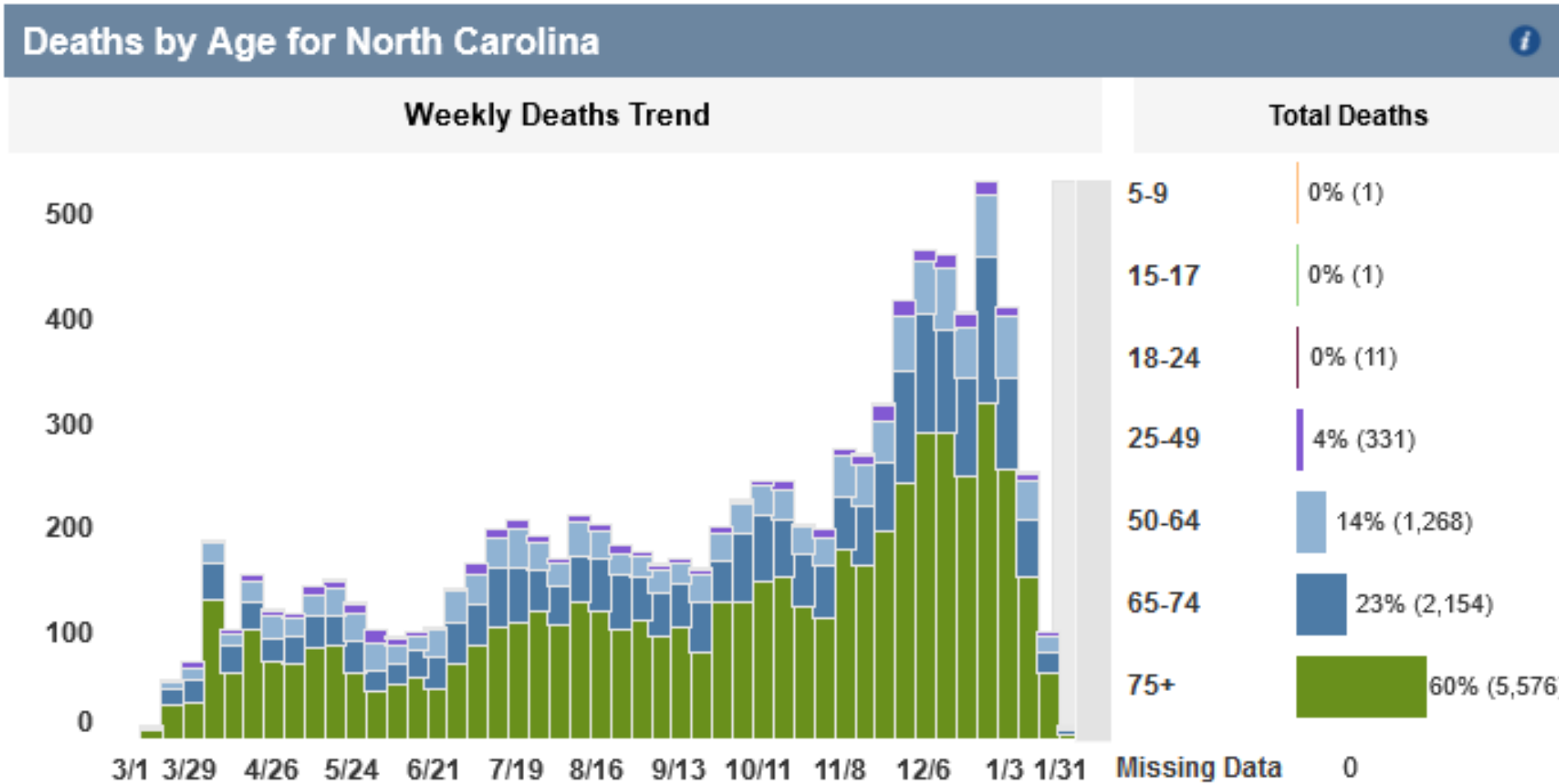
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# COVID Vaccine Distribution In NC (as of 2.4.2021)

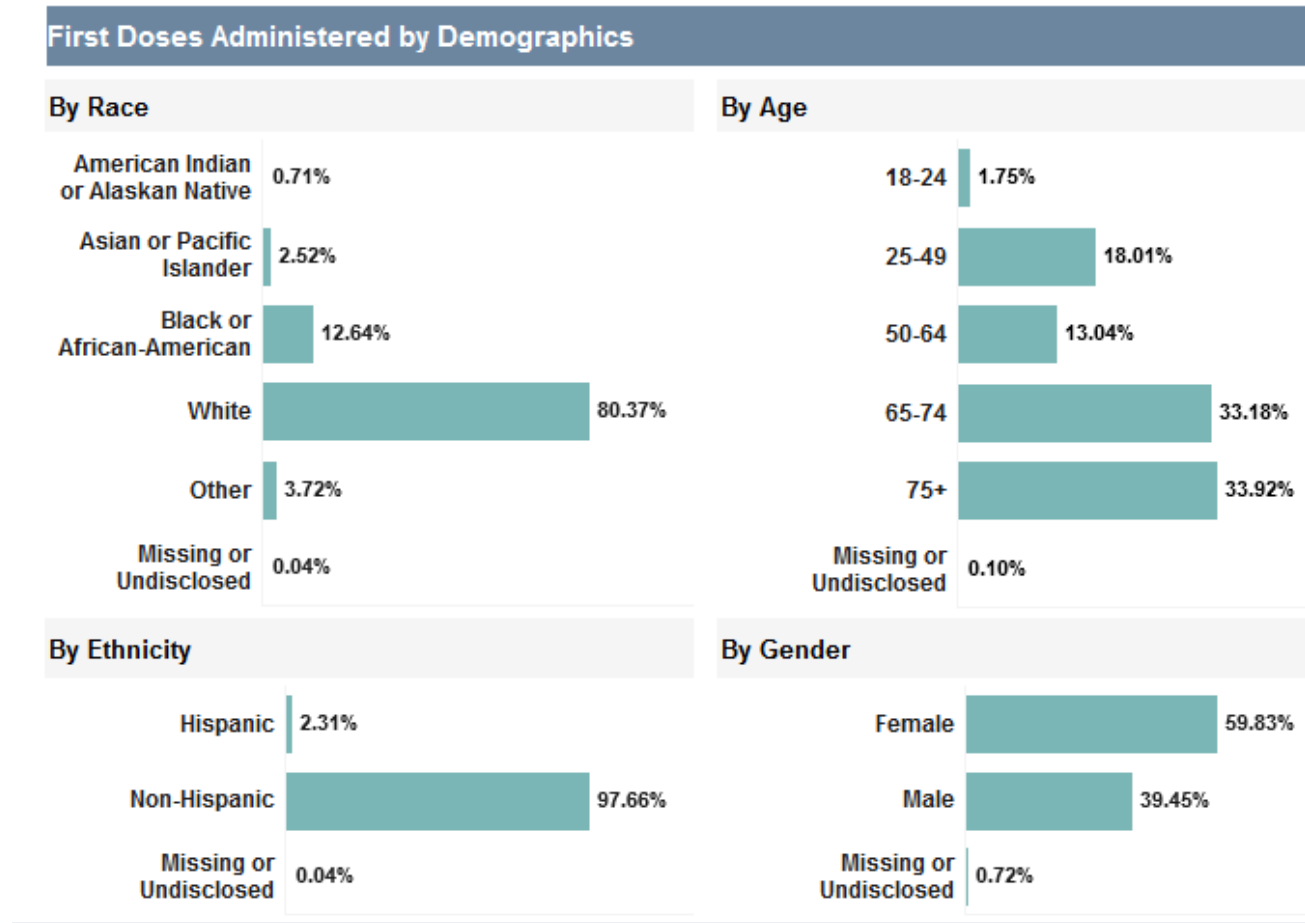
Vaccinations Data: December 14, 2020 – February 4, 2021 at 11:59 p.m.

<b>Total Doses Administered</b>	<b>NC Providers</b>	<b>Federal Long-Term Care Program</b>
<b>1,259,124</b>	<b>1,138,240</b>	<b>120,884</b>

## Vaccinations Summary - NC Providers i

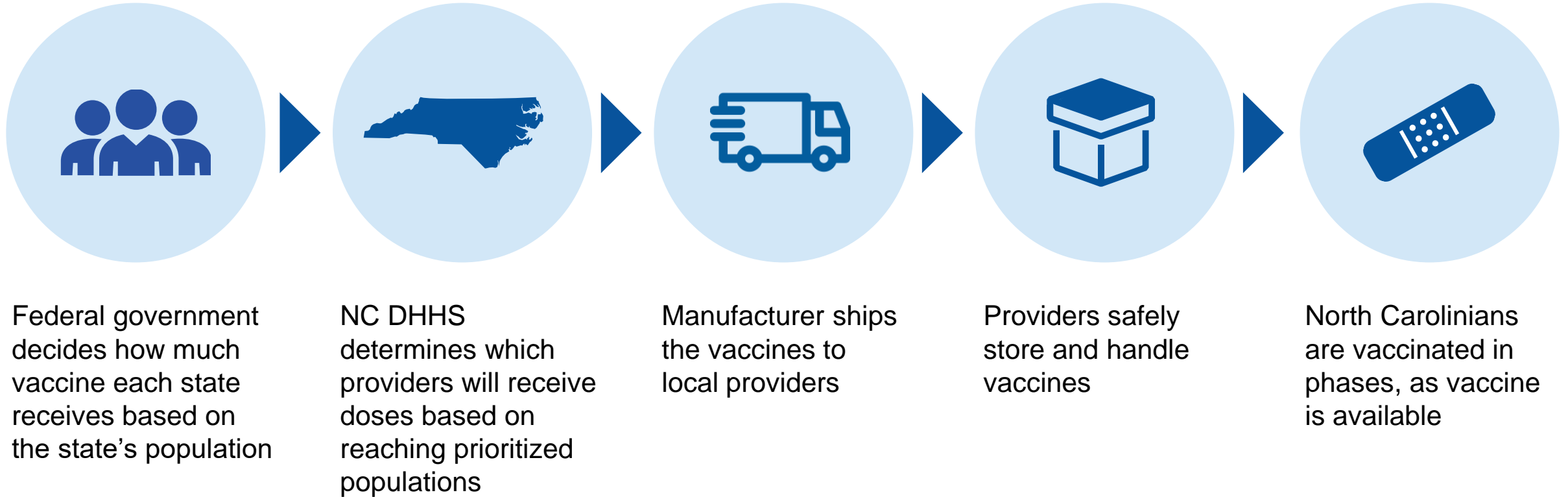
	Allocated by Federal Government	Arrived in North Carolina	Total Doses Administered	Percent of Arrived Doses Administered
FIRST DOSES	1,097,475	942,100	905,425	96%
SECOND DOSES	603,550	477,975	232,815	49%
TOTAL DOSES	1,701,025	1,420,075	1,138,240	80%

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Source: <https://covid19.ncdhhs.gov/dashboard/vaccinations>

# North Carolina receives shipments of COVID-19 vaccine each week.



<https://www.hhs.gov/coronavirus/covid-19-vaccines/distribution/index.html#allocation>

# Equitable Access to COVID-19 Vaccines: Building Trust

- Secretary's monthly listening sessions with FBOs and CBO
  - Exploring ways to support FBOs and CBOs as trusted partners to increase access and break through barriers
  - Trained close to 300 internal and external leaders to host vaccine conversations, roundtables, presentations
  - Invested in research on vaccine confidence with focus on African American/Black, LatinX/Hispanic, American Indian and rural communities.
  - Partnering with NC Central University's ACCORD project to continue research on vaccine perceptions.
  - Formed a Vaccine Communications Advisory Committee
  - Partnering with Rev. Dr. William Barber on series of live-streamed townhall events.
  - Produced videos featuring leaders from historically marginalized populations.
  - Partnering with HBCUs.
  - Ongoing collaboration with ONSMS
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# Reaching Equity - Meeting people where they are

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- **Providing free transportation for people to receive a COVID-19 vaccine**
  - \$2.5M in Coronavirus Relief Funding is being distributed to local transit agencies to help pay for rides for people who need transportation assistance.
- **Training and deploying community health workers to educate residents in HMP communities and connect to vaccine appointments**
- **Providing guidance to vaccine providers to support vaccine equity**
  - Letter to all vaccine providers set expectation that percentage of vaccine administered to HMP should meet or exceed population estimates
  - Vaccine provider letter also suggested reserving a portion of appointments for HMP and setting aside blocks of appointments for community health workers and other partners to fill slots with members of underserved communities
- **Onboarding providers who serve historically marginalized populations**
  - 124 FQHCs onboarded into COVID Vaccine Management System
- **Scheduling vaccine sites at HBCUs.**
  - NCDHHS is working with NC Emergency Management and the UNC System office to set up large vaccination sites at campuses, beginning first with HBCU/Historically Minority Serving Institutions campuses.

# New Vaccine Allocation Process – Balancing Equity & Speed

The allocation decisions prioritize geographic equity and ensuring access for older North Carolinians and historically marginalized communities, while continuing to expect that all doses are used the same week. Our goal is to vaccinate as many people as quickly and equitably as possible with very limited supply of vaccines.

- Set-Aside Allocations are being reserved for counties with higher numbers of low-income adults 65 and older, counties with higher numbers of historically marginalized populations 65 and older.
- Requests for Community Vaccination Events will be considered based on:
  - Equity
  - Readiness and Speed
  - Partnership
- Expectation for Vaccinating Providers:
  - the percentage of vaccine administered to historically marginalized and minority populations should meet or exceed the population estimates of these communities in their county and region.
  - engage in partnerships, targeted outreach and vaccine events to vaccinate historically marginalized populations and meet this goal.

# Helping Individuals Find Their Spot to Take Their Shot



## Find Vaccine Locations

list has been live on

[YourSpotYourShot.nc.gov](https://YourSpotYourShot.nc.gov)



## Find My Group

online eligibility screener is now live at [FindMyGroup.nc.gov](https://FindMyGroup.nc.gov)

## Call Center

North Carolina COVID-19 Vaccine Help Center **888-675-4567** Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m., and on Saturday and Sunday from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m.





# Online Resources | Updated Regularly

YourSpotYourShot.nc.gov

## One-page flyer on COVID-19 vaccines to distribute



**YOU HAVE A SPOT. TAKE YOUR SHOT.**

### COVID-19 Vaccines: Your best shot against COVID-19.

Tested, safe and effective COVID-19 vaccines will help us get back in control of our lives and back to the people and places we love.

**Scientists had a head start.**  
The vaccines were built upon decades of work to develop vaccines for similar viruses.

**Tested, safe and effective.**  
More than 70,000 people volunteered in clinical trials for two vaccines (Pfizer and Moderna) to see if they are safe and work to prevent COVID-19. Vaccines included Black/African American, Hispanic/Latino, Asian and others. To date, the vaccines are 95% effective in preventing COVID-19 with no serious safety concerns noted in the clinical trials. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) makes sure the vaccines are safe and can prevent people from getting COVID-19. Like all drugs, vaccine safety continues to be monitored after they are in use.

**You cannot get COVID-19 from the vaccine.**  
You may have temporary reactions like a sore arm, headache or feeling tired and achy for a day or two after receiving the vaccine.

**You Have a Spot to Take Your Shot.**  
A vaccine will be available to all who want it, but supplies will be limited at first. Independent state and federal public health advisory groups have determined that the best way to fight COVID-19 is to start first with vaccinations for those most at risk, then reach more people as the vaccine supply increases throughout 2021. That's because you have a spot to take your shot.

**Finding Your Spot.**  
Vaccines will be available first in hospitals, local health departments and long-term care facilities, and then in a variety of settings like clinics, pharmacies and vaccination events in organized settings and in the community. You can find out where you can take your shot at [YourSpotYourShot.nc.gov](https://YourSpotYourShot.nc.gov).

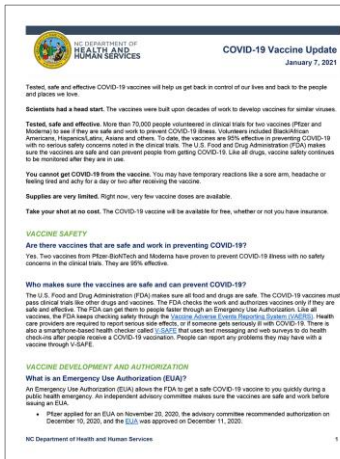
**Take your shot at no cost.**  
The COVID-19 vaccine will be available to everyone for free, whether or not you have health insurance.

**You'll need two shots to build up your immunity.**  
After a person gets a first dose, they will need to come back 3 to 4 weeks later for a second dose. You will get a printed card and email reminder of when to get your second dose.

**Continue to practice the 3 Ws until everyone has their shot at fighting COVID-19.**  
Wear a mask. Visit 6 feet apart. Wash your hands. That's the best way to protect each other until everyone gets their shot.

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## Frequently Asked Questions (updating weekly)



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**Supplies are very limited.** Right now, very few vaccine doses are available.

**Take your shot at no cost.** The COVID-19 vaccine will be available for free, whether or not you have health insurance.

**VACCINE SAFETY**  
**Are there vaccines that are safe and work in preventing COVID-19?**  
Yes. Two vaccines from Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna have proven to prevent COVID-19 illness with no safety concerns in the clinical trials. They are 95% effective.

**Who makes sure the vaccines are safe and can prevent COVID-19?**  
The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) makes sure all food and drugs are safe. The COVID-19 vaccines must pass clinical trials that other drugs and vaccines. The FDA checks the work and authorizes vaccines only if they are safe and effective. The FDA can get them to people faster through an Emergency Use Authorization. Like all vaccines, the FDA makes decisions through the Vaccine Adjuvant Center (VACC) and the Center for Drug Evaluation and Research (CDER). There are also a group of trusted health care providers called (LAC) that give out messages and ask doctors to do their best to help people receive a COVID-19 vaccination. People can report any problems they may have with a vaccine through V-SAFE.

**VACCINE DEVELOPMENT AND AUTHORIZATION**  
**What is an Emergency Use Authorization (EUA)?**  
An Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) allows the FDA to get a safe COVID-19 vaccine to you quickly during a public health emergency. An independent advisory committee makes sure the vaccine is safe and works before issuing an EUA.

• Pfizer applied for an EUA on November 20, 2020; the advisory committee recommended authorization on December 10, 2020, and the EUA was approved on December 11, 2020.

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## COVID-19 vaccines 101 deck



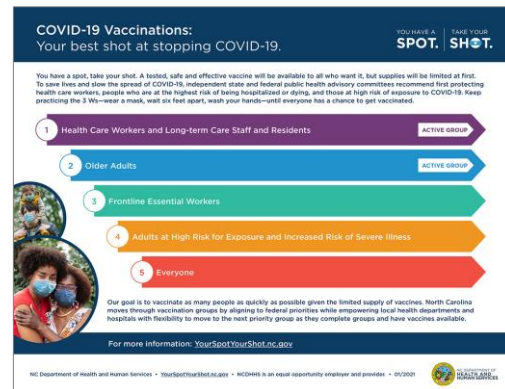
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## Infographic on prioritization



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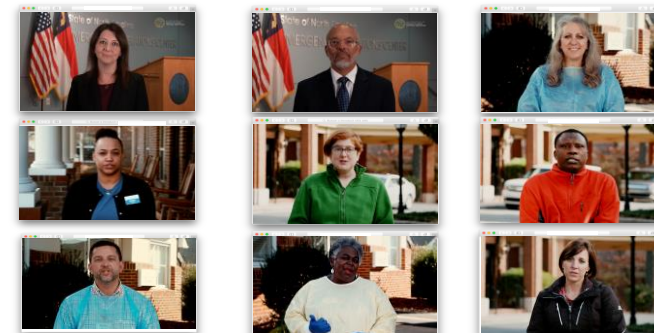
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## PSA videos from trusted messengers



# COVID-19 Prevention Messages for January 2021



**Wear a mask at all times and maintain physical distance** (at least 6 feet) from people when you leave your home.



**Stay home. Only go out for essential activities** like work, school, health care or caring for family or buying food.



**Avoid gathering with people that you do not live with.** If you cannot avoid being with other people, stay outside and keep it very small. Do not do things where you need to take off your mask, like eating or drinking.



**If you were with people that you do not live with,** you should assume you may have become infected and get tested. Continue to get tested if you have been exposed to someone who has COVID-19.

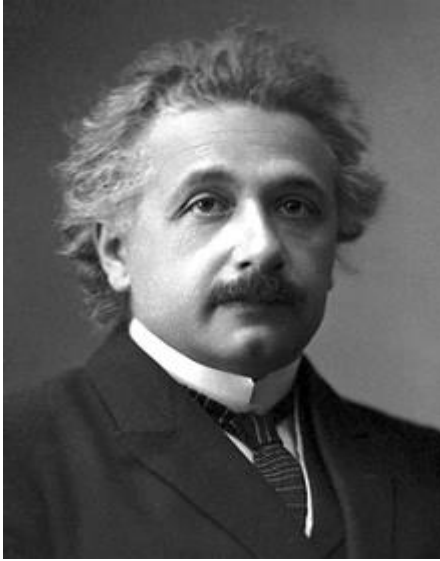


**Carter G. Woodson  
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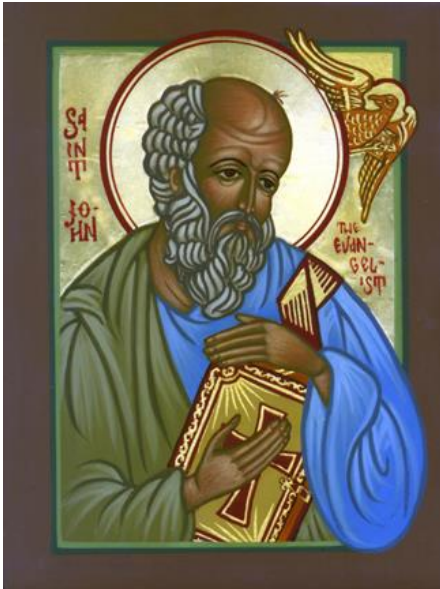
**“The mere imparting of information  
is not education.”**

**Important that people are  
educated with trusted and factual  
information to make informed  
decisions about the vaccine.**

***Here are some facts that are  
important for you to know...***



“**Science** without **religion** is lame, **religion** without **science** is blind. **God** is a mystery. But a comprehensible mystery. I have nothing but awe when I observe the laws of nature.” Albert Einstein



### 3 John 2 Amplified Bible

”Beloved, I pray that in every way you may succeed *and* prosper and be in good health [physically], just as [I know] your soul prospers [spiritually].” St. **John** the Apostle, son of Zebedee and disciple of Jesus

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