DATA UPDATE

1,072.3
New Cases
7-day Average

15.1%
Positive Tests
7-day Average

454 with 46 critical
Hospitalizations

2,283
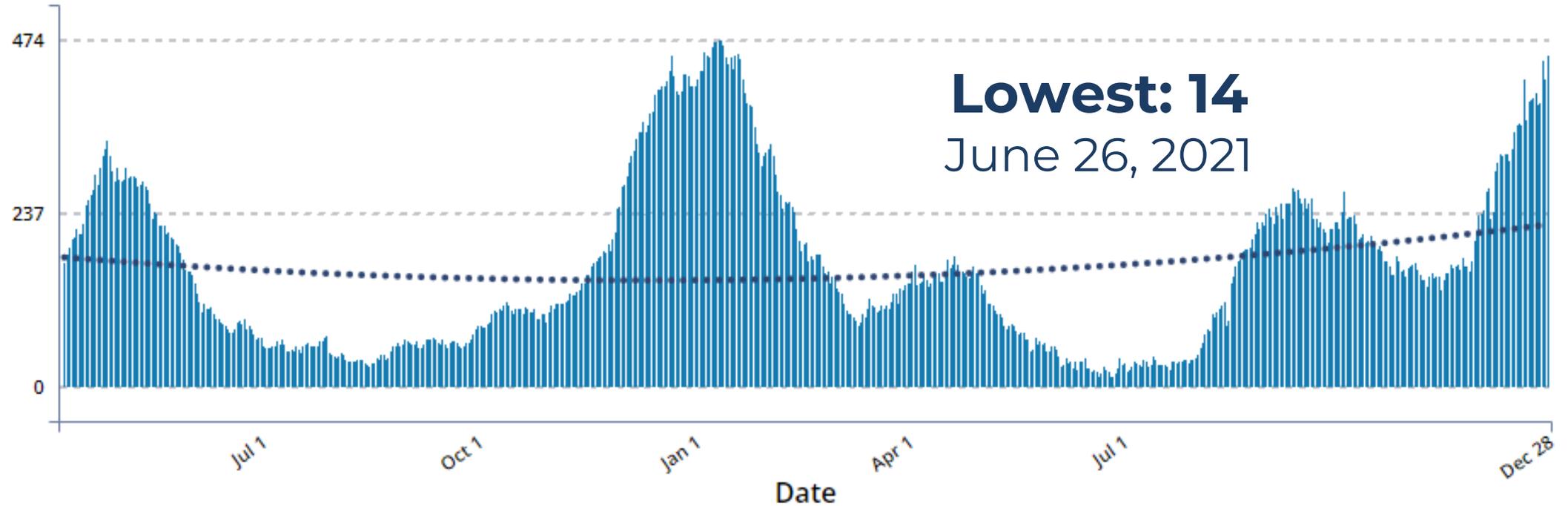## Lives Lost

Data as of: December 29, 2021 - 6:00pm

STATE OF DELAWARE

HOSPITALIZATIONS

Peak: 474 – January 14, 2021

Latest: 454
December 28, 2021

Lowest: 14
June 26, 2021

474

237

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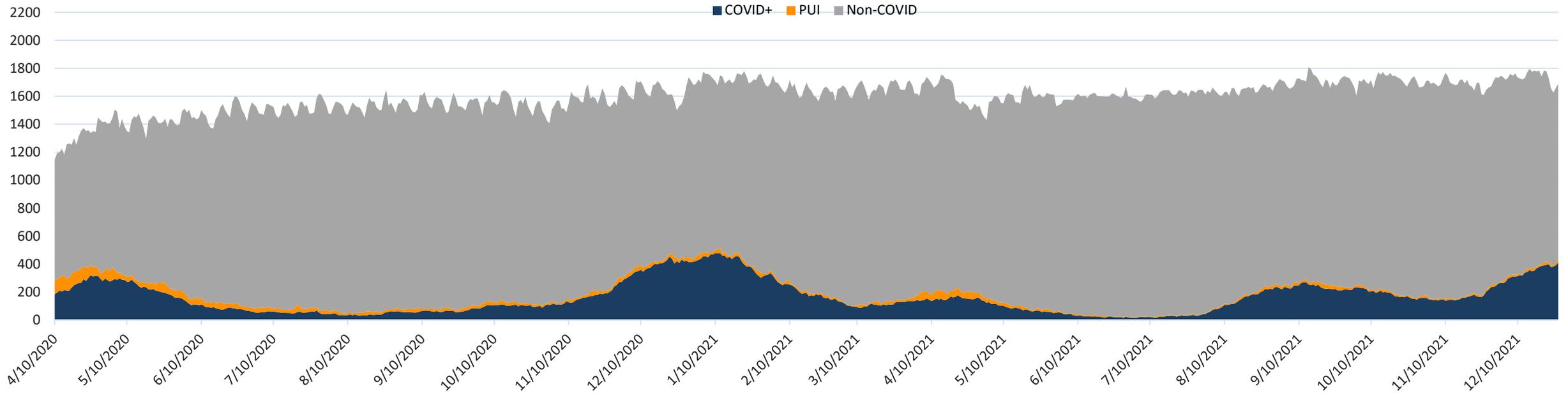Jul 1   Oct 1   Jan 1   Apr 1   Jul 1   Dec 28

Date

■ Current Hospitalizations (Statewide)   ••• Trend Line

View more COVID-19 data: **de.gov/healthycommunity**

Delaware Hospitalizations:
COVID+, Patients Under Investigation (PUI), and Non-COVID
4/10/2021 - 12/27/2021

78%

of COVID-19 hospitalizations were unvaccinated or partially vaccinated individuals

de.gov/covidvaccine

VACCINE UPDATE

Total Vaccines Administered	1,578,095
Fully Vaccinated	624,078 (64.1%)

67.9%
Delawareans 5+
fully vaccinated

73%
Delawareans 12+
fully vaccinated

74.7%
Delawareans 18+
fully vaccinated

92.8%
Delawareans 65+
fully vaccinated

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CDC Data: covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#vaccinations

Fully Vaccinated - *Rates by Age Group*

Age	Statewide	New Castle County	Kent County	Sussex County
5-11	14.2%	18%	7.6%	9.8%
12-17	53.2%	60.4%	44.3%	41.4%
18-34	50.5%	55%	40.8%	45.9%
35-49	62.8%	66.2%	56.4%	58.3%
50-64	73.4%	74.8%	70.7%	72.2%
65+	92.1%	90.8%	88.3%	95.8%

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BOOSTERS

Population	Percentage of fully vaccinated population	Number of People
Total Population	**34%**	**211,953**
65+	**59.2%**	**103,738**
50+	**48.6%**	**163,529**
18+	**36.7%**	**210,962**

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Fighting the Surge
STATE OF EMERGENCY

Effective Monday, January 3, 2022

Additional flexibility to manage winter COVID-19 surge

Enable members of the Delaware National Guard to work as CNAs in skilled nursing facilities to care for patients currently in DE hospitals

Approximately 100 members of the Delaware National Guard are currently being trained to become CNAs

Fighting the Surge

Residents: Omicron is so contagious that you'll likely get it and pass it along if you don't mask up in public.

Businesses: Protect your workers and customers. Require masks if you don't want Omicron spreading through your business.

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You likely will have an uninvited guest at your New Year's Eve party.

Chances are you're either bringing COVID-19 there or taking it home with you.

COVID-19
STOPS
WITH *us*

Get your
COVID-19 VACCINE
de.gov/getmyvaccine

Secretary Molly Magarik

Delaware Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS)

RAMPING UP TESTING
Deploying COVID-19 Rapid Antigen Test Kits to Underserved Populations

**DPH distributing
14,000 tests to community
health organizations**

Need a COVID-19 test?

It is best to book an appointment in advance.

Testing demand has increased significantly, and acceptance of walk-ins will be limited in some locations.

(!) Some testing locations may also be closed due to the New Year's holiday.

de.gov/gettested

ISOLATION & QUARANTINE

COVID-19 Positive?

Motivated by the science, CDC shortened the recommended time from **10 days to 5 days** based on certain conditions and vaccination status.

ISOLATION & QUARANTINE

COVID-19 Positive?

If you **do not have symptoms** five days after your positive test, you can leave isolation, but should continue to wear a well-fitting mask around others for an additional five days.

ISOLATION & QUARANTINE

COVID-19 Positive?

Notify close contacts.

If symptomatic, **stay home until they improve or fever resolves.**

If you have difficulty breathing, chest pain or other **emergency warning symptoms, seek medical care.**

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ISOLATION & QUARANTINE

Exposed to COVID-19?

Get **tested on day 5 after exposure**, regardless of vaccination status.

If symptoms occur, individuals should immediately quarantine until a negative test confirms symptoms are not related to COVID-19.

ISOLATION & QUARANTINE

Exposed to COVID-19?

Fully vaccinated and boosted?
No quarantine necessary. Wear masks around others for 10 days.

Fully vaccinated within the last 6 months with Pfizer/Moderna or 2 months for J&J?
No quarantine necessary. Wear masks around others for 10 days.

Fully vaccinated more than 6 months with Pfizer/Moderna or 2 months for J&J?
Quarantine for 5 days. Wear masks around others for 10 days.

Unvaccinated?
Quarantine for 5 days. Wear masks around others for 10 days.

ISOLATION & QUARANTINE
Clearance Letters

Due to demand, **DPH will be unable to provide clearance letters from this point forward.**

Clearance letters <u>are not</u> required to return to work or school.

Please consult your employer or school for further guidance.

SPREAD CHEER. NOT COVID-19.

DELAWARE HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES
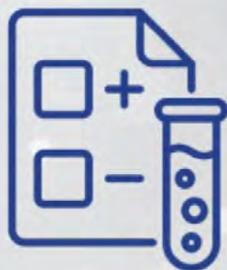Division of Public Health

It's the season for gathering with friends and family. But as you do, remember that COVID-19 doesn't take a holiday. So, if you're gathering, make sure to celebrate safely. Keep yourself and your loved ones healthy this season.

Get vaccinated.

Wear a mask in public settings.

Get tested 1-2 days before getting together.

Stay home if you're sick.

Wash your hands regularly.

For more information, visit **de.gov/holidays.**

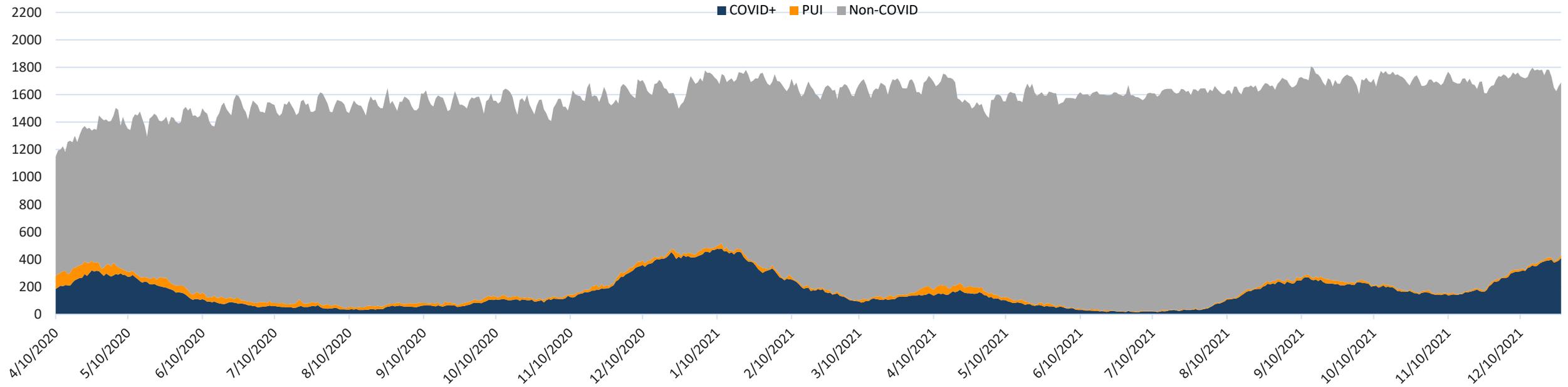# Dr. Gary Siegelman

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DE Hospital Capacity

Total inpatient beds   At or near capacity

ICU beds   At or near capacity

Patient mix   Approximately 40% COVID

      Approximately 60% due to delayed care

Everyone has a role.

In these trying times, we are working our hardest.

COVID-19 cases are rising, hospital beds are filling up and

WE NEED YOUR HELP.

Our doctors, nurses and people working in health care are doing everything we can to take care of you when you're sick. Yet every day we're seeing avoidable illness and death as a direct result of COVID-19.

The situation is critical.
Our emergency departments are crowded, and patients fill every hospital room – with some waiting in hallways for an opening. The pandemic has strained our operations and stressed our people. Care in our hospitals is safe but our ability to provide it is threatened.

At any time, you or a loved one might need our support. Heart attacks. Car accidents. Cancer. Stroke. Appendicitis. Flu Season is here and it is certain to increase the number of hospital patients. Now, an ominous question looms: will you be able to get care from your local community hospital without delay? Today, that's uncertain.

How does this happen in 2021 -- almost two full years since this deadly pandemic began? How can we as a society stand by and watch people die when a simple shot could prevent a life-threatening illness? Your access to health care is being seriously threatened by COVID-19. We need to stop the spread!

Today, we ask you to:
- Get vaccinated and get your booster
- Wear a mask (even if you are vaccinated) and socially distance
- If you feel sick, get tested for COVID-19
- Get your flu vaccination
- Encourage your neighbors and loved ones to take these steps

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What You Can Do:

Get **vaccinated** and stay up on boosters

Wear a mask regardless of vaccination status

Socially distance regardless of vaccination status

Practice good **hand hygiene**

Need a COVID-19 test?
Don't go to the ER.

! Our hospitals are strained by increasing numbers of patients with serious COVID illness, and flu.

Save the ER, Emergency Room, for emergencies!

Visit **de.gov/gettested** for a list of testing options near you.

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THANK YOU, HEALTH CARE WORKERS!

Say thank you by doing the things we know that work.

Wearing a mask. Staying distant. Getting vaccinated and boosted if you are eligible.

COVID-19 STOPS WITH *us*

Get your COVID-19 VACCINE

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