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## Erie County Department of Health provides 2021 summary on COVID-19

Erie, PA — Erie County Department of Health provides public health data and statistics for 2021 on COVID-19 in Erie County. The information was compiled and prepared by the department's Epidemiology Section.

Vaccination efforts are ongoing to help Erie County residents avoid severe illness and avoid the need for hospitalization in case of infection with COVID-19. As of Dec. 31, 2021, across Erie County's 38 incorporated municipalities, which includes 2 cities, 14 boroughs and 22 townships, the total of persons vaccinated, which includes partially and fully, is **172,991**.

*Breakdown by vaccination status*

	Number of persons	Of eligible population (254,747)	Of total population (269,728)
<b>Partially vaccinated</b>	23,605	9.3%	8.8%
<b>Fully vaccinated</b>	149,386	58.6%	55.4%

*Breakdown by age range*

Years old	Percentage vaccinated fully within each age range	Percentage vaccinated partially within each age range
<b>5-9</b>	14.9%	5.7%
<b>10-19</b>	39.2%	5.8%
<b>20-29</b>	50.7%	9.5%
<b>30-39</b>	55.0%	9.6%
<b>40-49</b>	60.4%	8.4%
<b>50-59</b>	68.8%	8.6%
<b>60-69</b>	76.3%	10.2%
<b>70 and older</b>	80.3%	14.5%

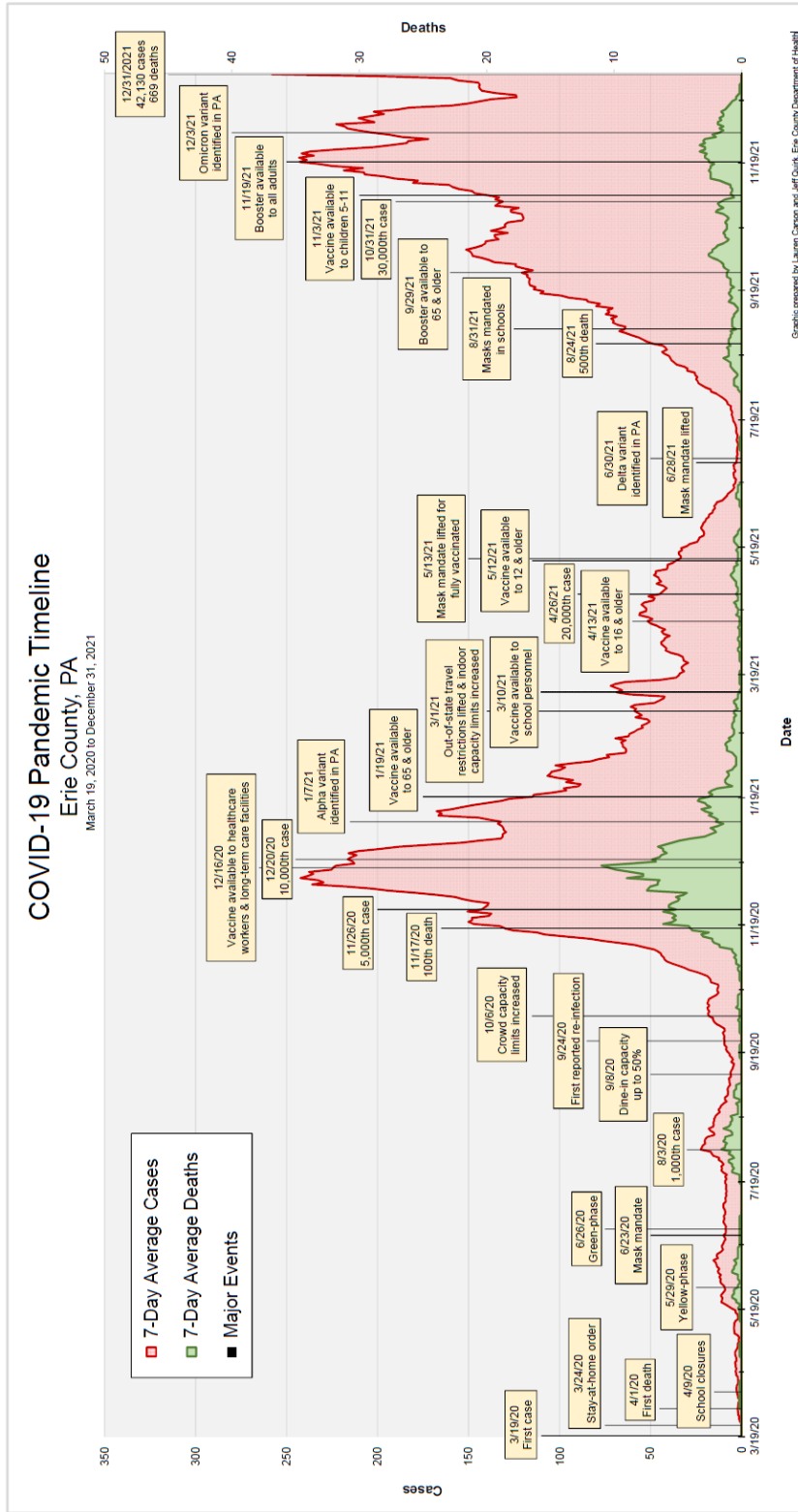
As of Dec. 31, 2021, by manufacturer, of all vaccines administered: 72.1% is Pfizer-BioNTech; 25.1% is Moderna; and 2.8% is Johnson and Johnson.

Among all persons vaccinated, breakdown by gender: 53.1% female and 46.4% male. Breakdown by race: 72.3% White, 4.7% Black; 1.7% Asian; 17.4% Multiple/Other; and 4.5% Unknown. By Ethnicity: 3.1% Hispanic, of any race; 72.3% Not Hispanic; and 24.6% Unknown.

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## Cases and deaths

The Erie County Department of Health's Epidemiology Section has prepared a COVID-19 pandemic timeline through December 31st, 2021 that highlights major events together with counts for cases and deaths.



In 2021, there were **30,264** cases and **345** reported deaths due to COVID-19.

Age range	Cases		Deaths	
	2020	2021	2020	2021
0-9	0	2,389	0	0
10-19	1,073	4,204	0	0
20-29	2,211	5,201	0	3
30-39	1,761	4,993	2	4
40-49	1,538	3,982	0	12
50-59	1,722	2,828	8	30
60-69	1,505	1,486	29	79
70-79	879	1,486	78	97
80-89	557	690	125	81
90-99	292	215	79	37
100-109	13	15	3	2
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>11,886</b>	<b>30,264</b>	<b>324</b>	<b>345</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>42,130</b>		<b>669</b>	

Among cases in 2021, breakdown by gender: 51.9% female and 47.8% male. Breakdown by race: 73.3% White; 8.2% Black; 1.3% Asian; 2.9% Multiple/Other; and 12.0% Unknown. By ethnicity: 4.9% Hispanic, of any race; 52.6% Not Hispanic; and 42.5% Unknown.

Among deaths in 2021, breakdown by gender: 41.4% female and 58.6% male. Breakdown by race: 87.2% White; 7.0% Black; 0.3% Asian; 1.2% Multiple/Other; and 4.3% Unknown. By ethnicity: 1.7% Hispanic, of any race; 58.3% Not Hispanic; and 40.0% Unknown.

In 2021, **74.5%** of reported deaths were unvaccinated.

Vaccination status	2020	2021	2021 Percentage Breakdown
Unvaccinated	324	257	74.5%
Partially vaccinated	N/A	27	7.8%
Fully vaccinated	N/A	61	17.7%
Additional dose	N/A	6	1.7%
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>324</b>	<b>345</b>	
<b>Total</b>	<b>669</b>		

Erie County Department of Health provides regular data updates at <https://eriecountypa.gov/covid-19/positive-cases-in-erie-county/>.

### Health precautions

Erie County Department of Health's aim is to prevent injury, illness, disease and premature death in the community. "We ask the Erie County community to support these goals. Keeping ourselves and our loved ones healthy and safe from this vaccine-preventable disease is a continuing effort. Avoiding illness and the need for hospitalization allows children to continue with their schooling without interruption, which is better for their development, and allows adults to continue working, which can help our economy," said Charlotte Berringer, Director of Community Health.

In addition to getting vaccinated, health precautions to prevent the spread of COVID-19 include:

- As reasonably as possible, at gatherings and when indoors near others, wear properly-fitting masks that cover the nose and mouth; and practice social distancing.
- Stay home if not feeling well and get tested for COVID-19 as soon as possible. If test results are positive, stay home and stay apart from others in your household.
- Whenever possible, provide ventilation (air-flow) into rooms such as opening windows (even if just for a short while during colder weather), turning on kitchen and bathroom exhaust fans and, if possible, using air purifiers with a HEPA (high efficiency particulate air) filter.

For other health-related questions about COVID-19, contact 814-451-6700 or [ecdhinfo@eriecountypa.gov](mailto:ecdhinfo@eriecountypa.gov).

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