

Memo

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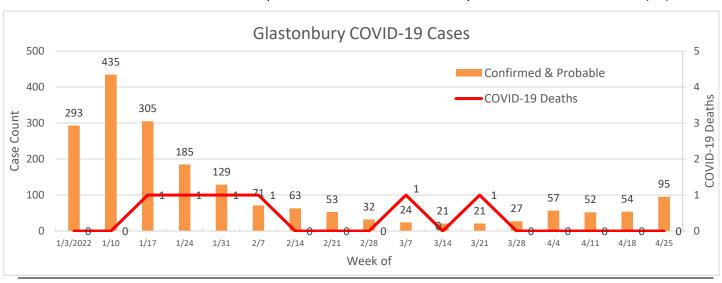
Re: COVID-19 update

This COVID-19 update uses the publicly available data from CT Department of Public Health. Case data is collected each Monday, and vaccination and map data is reported from their most recent posting date. This report includes data from January 3, 2022 to April 25, 2022, and is not directly comparable to reports dated January 20, 2022 or earlier. The graph below shows a weekly count of residents with confirmed and probable cases and COVID-19 associated deaths. COVID-19 deaths are depicted on a secondary Y axis with a separate (right hand) scale.

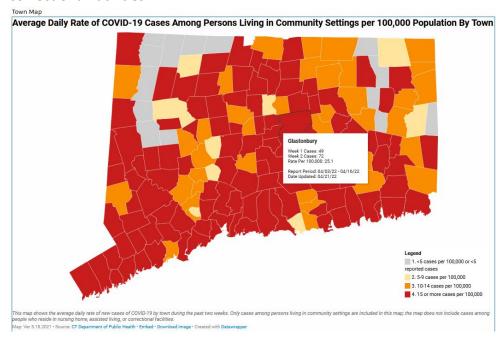
Numbers in (parentheses) indicate change from the previous week.

As per CT Department of Public Health (CT DPH) data collected 4/26/2022:

- A total of 119,008 tests for COVID-19 have been administered to Glastonbury residents. (+685)
- Of the 119,008 tests conducted, 5,248 are laboratory confirmed positive and probable cases of COVID-19. (+95)
- No new deaths were recorded this period. The loss of Glastonbury residents remains at 118. (+0)

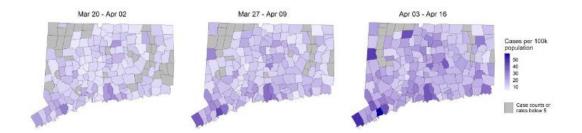


CT DPH's COVID-19 Town Alert System map, updated weekly, shows the average daily rate of new cases of COVID-19 during the past two weeks. Using a color coded system of grey (<5 cases), yellow (5-9 cases), orange (10-14 cases), and red (15 or more cases), viewers can understand at a glance the occurrence of cases statewide. Only cases among persons living in community settings are included in this map; the map does not include cases among people who reside in nursing home, assisted living, or correctional facilities.



- Glastonbury is currently shown in red at 25.1 cases per 100,000 population (+8.7).
- The most recently updated map, dated April 21, shows 108 (+54) cities and towns have 15 or more cases per 100,000 population.

The graphic below shows the average number of new cases per 100,000 population per day. Darker colors indicate towns with higher rates. Towns in grey have fewer than 5 cases per 100,000 population per day. New cases in nursing homes, assisted living or correctional facilities are not included.



Glastonbury vaccination status:

The percent of vaccinated and boosted Glastonbury residents continues to increase. State data from 4/20/22 (below) shows the percent of all fully vaccinated Glastonbury residents who are eligible for vaccination (aged 5 and over) is more than 86%. The percent of residents who have received an additional dose of vaccine is over 64%. ∇ NOTE: A third primary series dose is recommended for children age 5 through 11 years who have certain medical conditions or take medicines that weaken the immune system. There is no approved "booster" for this age group.

	Percent fully	Percent additional dose
Age group (yrs)	vaccinated*	received
5 - 11	56.52	0.3
12 - 17	83.69	45.12
18 - 24	100	63.18
25 - 44	92.09	58.93
45 - 64	84.22	64.43
65+	100	89.59
Average of Glastonbury residents with full vaccination (5 years of age and over) and additional doses received (12 years and over).	86.09	64.25∇

^{*}Fully vaccinated is 2 weeks after the last shot in the vaccination series

Federal and state agencies have developed tools to help contain the spread of COVID-19. These tools include:

Vaccination and second booster doses

CDC has recently announced that people age 50 years and older are eligible to receive an additional COVID-19 booster shot. People seeking COVID-19 vaccination or booster shots can go to www.vaccines.gov and enter the zip code of the area they are searching.

Quarantine and Isolation calculator

If you were exposed to COVID-19 and are unsure what your next steps should be for quarantine (exposed) or isolation (ill) go to the **CDC Quarantine and Isolation calculator**. This tool will help determine how long you need to isolate, quarantine, or take other steps to prevent spreading COVID-19.

COVID-19 testing locations and at home test kits

2-1-1 of Connecticut has an online site to search for COVID-19 testing. Users may refine their search by zip code, type of test and key demographics of individual to be tested. A search of the Glastonbury area can be found by <u>clicking here</u>.

Every home in the U.S. is eligible to order two sets of four (4) free at-home COVID-19 tests. If you have already ordered your first set, you can now order a second set. The tests are completely free, and can be ordered at https://www.covidtests.gov/

If you have difficulty accessing the internet or need additional support, call 1-800-232-0233 (TTY 1-888-720-7489) to get help in English and more than 150 other languages, 8am to midnight, 7 days a week.

The Disability Information and Access Line (DIAL) is also available to specifically help people with disabilities place their orders. To get help, call 1-888-677-1199, Monday-Friday from 9AM to 8PM, or email <u>DIAL@usaginganddisability.org</u>.

NOTE: The FDA allows an extended expiration date for certain COVID-19 Home Antigen Tests beyond the expiration date on their box. If you have a home test kit that is nearing expiration, check the box for the manufacturer's website or information phone line, where you can contact the company and inquire about expiration extensions.

 $[\]nabla$ The additional dose data for 5 – 11 year olds is not included in the average of Glastonbury residents who have received their additional or booster dose.

Test to Treat If you have COVID-19 symptoms and test positive, do not wait to get treated. COVID-19 medications are now available at many locations, including some doctors, local pharmacies, and health clinics. You must take oral COVID-19 medication within 5 days of your first COVID-19 symptoms. Click here to find a location that is right for you. If you have difficulty accessing the internet or need additional support, call 1-800-232-0233 (TTY 1-888-720-7489) to get help in English and more than 150 other languages, 8 am to midnight, 7 days a week. Data from DPH is considered preliminary. Test results may be reported several days after the result. Data are incomplete for the most recent days. Data from previous dates are routinely updated. In an ongoing process of data assessment, DPH continues to modify how certain disease-positive lab results are considered, changing some previous counts. Probable cases of COVID-19 include persons with positive antigen results. Positive cases include molecular and

¹https://portal.ct.gov/Coronavirus/COVID-19-Data-Tracker

antigen tests. Prior to June 1, 2020, probable and confirmed cases were reported together.1