



Town of Glastonbury

Health Department

Memo

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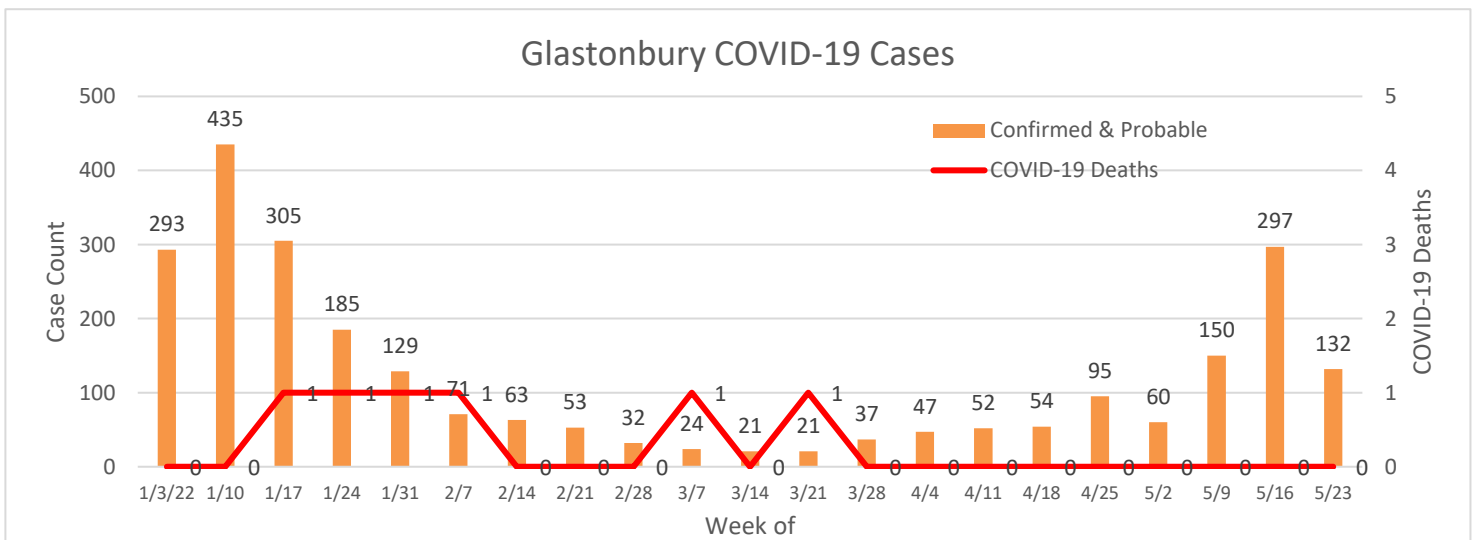
Re: COVID-19 update

This COVID-19 update uses publicly available data available from CT Department of Public Health. Case data is collected on Tuesday, and vaccination and map data is reported from their most recent posting date. This report includes data from January 3, 2022 to May 24, 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 (orange columns) and COVID-19 associated deaths (red line). COVID-19 deaths are depicted on a secondary Y axis with a separate (right hand) scale.

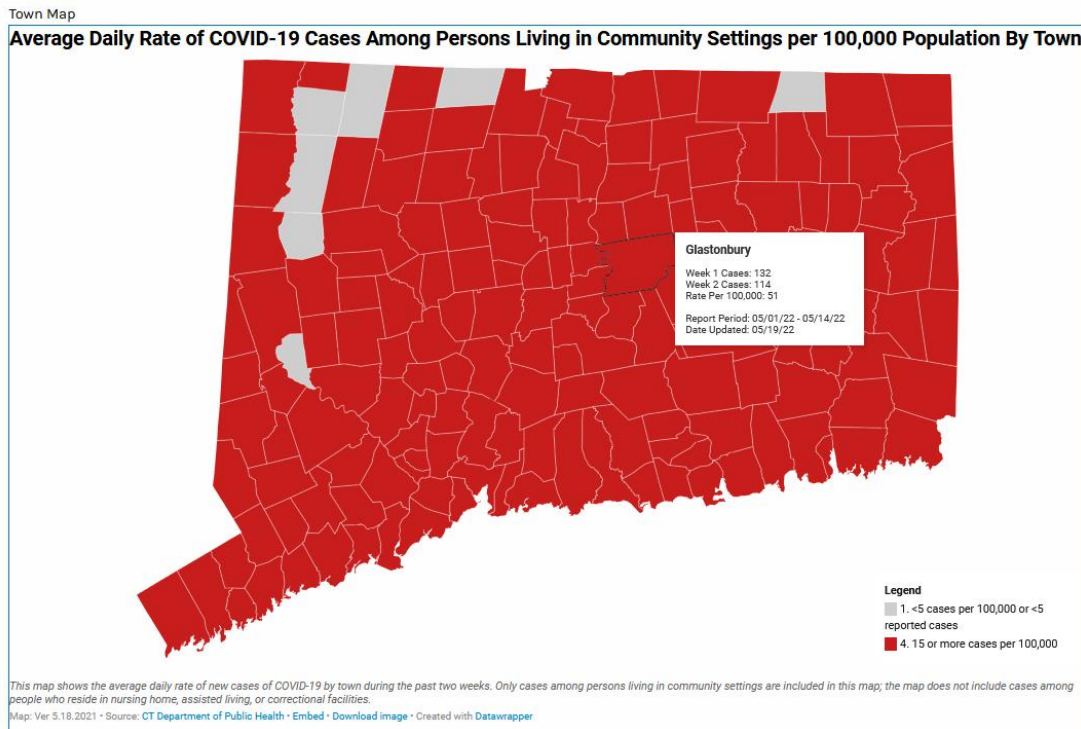
Numbers in (parentheses) indicate change from the previous week.

As per CT Department of Public Health (CT DPH) data collected 5/24/2022:

- A total of 124,234 tests for COVID-19 have been administered to Glastonbury residents. (+784)
- Of the 124,234 tests conducted, 5,887 are laboratory confirmed positive and probable cases of COVID-19. (+132)
- No additional deaths were recorded this period; the loss of Glastonbury residents remains at 118. (+0)

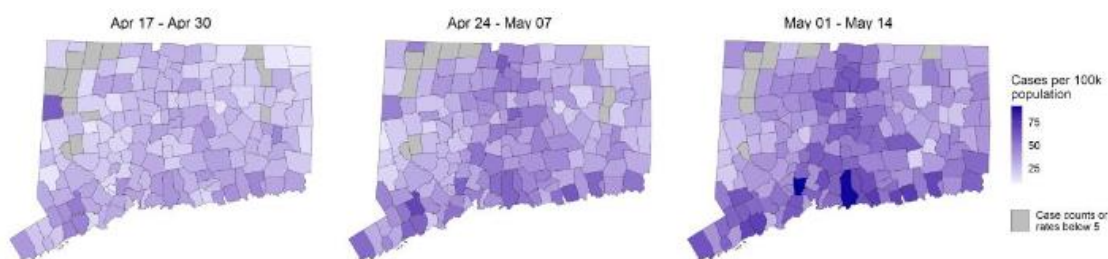


CT DPH’s COVID-19 Town Alert System map, updated weekly, shows positive cases per 100,000 population using a 14 day average. Using a color coded system of grey (<5 cases), yellow (5 – 9 cases), orange (10 – 14 cases), and red (15 or more cases), viewers can understand at a glance the occurrence of cases 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 51 reported cases per 100,000 (+2.5).
- The most recently updated map, dated May 19, shows 162 (+4) 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:

State data from 5/18/22 (below) shows the percent of all fully vaccinated Glastonbury residents who are eligible for vaccination (ages 5 and over) is more than 86%. The percent of residents who have received an additional dose of vaccine is 65%. *NOTE: On May 17, FDA authorized a COVID-19 booster for children age 5 – 11 years. Previously, only children with certain medical conditions or who take medications that weaken the immune system were eligible in this age range. Data in the chart reflects only children eligible for a booster prior to 5/17/22.*

Age group (yrs)	Percent fully vaccinated*	Percent additional dose received
5 - 11	57.15	0.44
12 - 17	83.69	46.23
18 - 24	100	63.85
25 - 44	92.39	59.74
45 - 64	84.38	64.99
65+	100	90.2
Average of Glastonbury residents with full vaccination (5 years of age and over) and additional doses received (12 years and over).	86.27	65.00 ∇

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

∇ 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.

Vaccination and booster doses

On May 17, FDA authorized a COVID-19 booster for children ages 5 – 11. Additional governmental review and final approval is still pending.

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. If a convenient appointment date is not available, increasing the geographic area of the search may identify earlier appointments.

COVID-19 Testing locations

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 clicking [here](#).

COVID-19 at-home test kits

Every home in the U.S. is now eligible to order four sets of two free at-home COVID-19 tests for a total of 8 rapid antigen tests. **Even if you have previously ordered the first or second round of free test kits, you can now order a third round of kits.** The tests are completely free and packages ship for free. Kits 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 DIAL@usaginganddisability.org.

NOTE: The FDA allows an **extended expiration date** for certain COVID-19 Home Antigen Tests beyond the expiration date on their box. Kits that have received FDA approval for extended authorization can be found by [clicking here](#).

****Please note:** Glastonbury, like other locations in Connecticut and nationally, continues to see an increase in **seasonal flu cases**. Flu symptoms can appear to be similar to COVID-19 symptoms. If you feel ill, but test negative for a COVID-19 test, you may have the flu. Please stay home if you don't feel well, even if you test negative for COVID-19. Respiratory viruses such as COVID-19 and seasonal flu spread easily, so remember to wash your hands well with soap and water, cover your mouth when you cough or sneeze, and avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth. More information about seasonal flu can be found by [clicking here](#).

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

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

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