Town of Glastonbury

Health Department

Memo

November 1, 2022

To: Richard J. Johnson
Town Manager

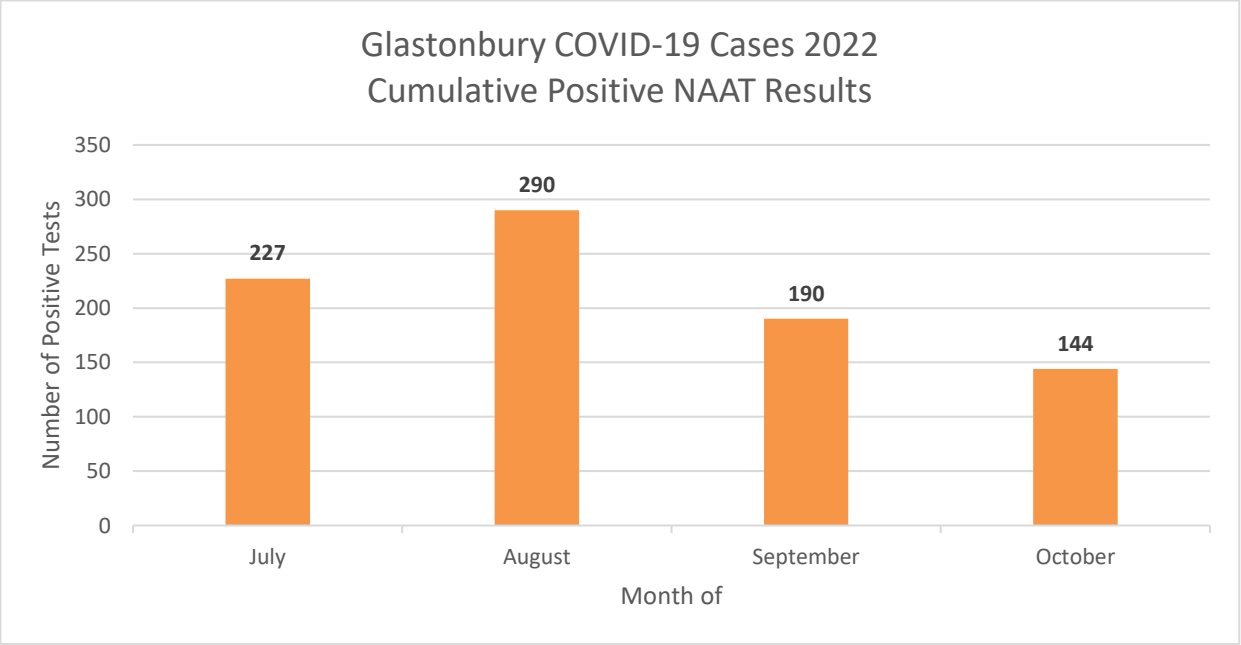
Fr: Wendy S. Mis *WSM*
Director of Health

Re: COVID-19 update

This report uses publicly available COVID-19 data from Connecticut Department of Public Health (CT DPH) for local, county, and Connecticut overall. Data in this report is from laboratory-confirmed results. At-home test results are not included, so information and graphs demonstrate trends rather than a full accounting of cases. Numbers in (parentheses) indicate change from the previous week. The first chart below assembles weekly data into approximate one-month groups, including the full month of October.

As per CT DPH data from October 31, 2022:

- A total of 132,762 tests have been administered to Glastonbury residents. (+301)
- Of the 132,762 tests administered, 7,423 were laboratory positive NAAT cases. (+20)
- No additional deaths were recorded this week. The loss of Glastonbury residents remains at 119. (+0)



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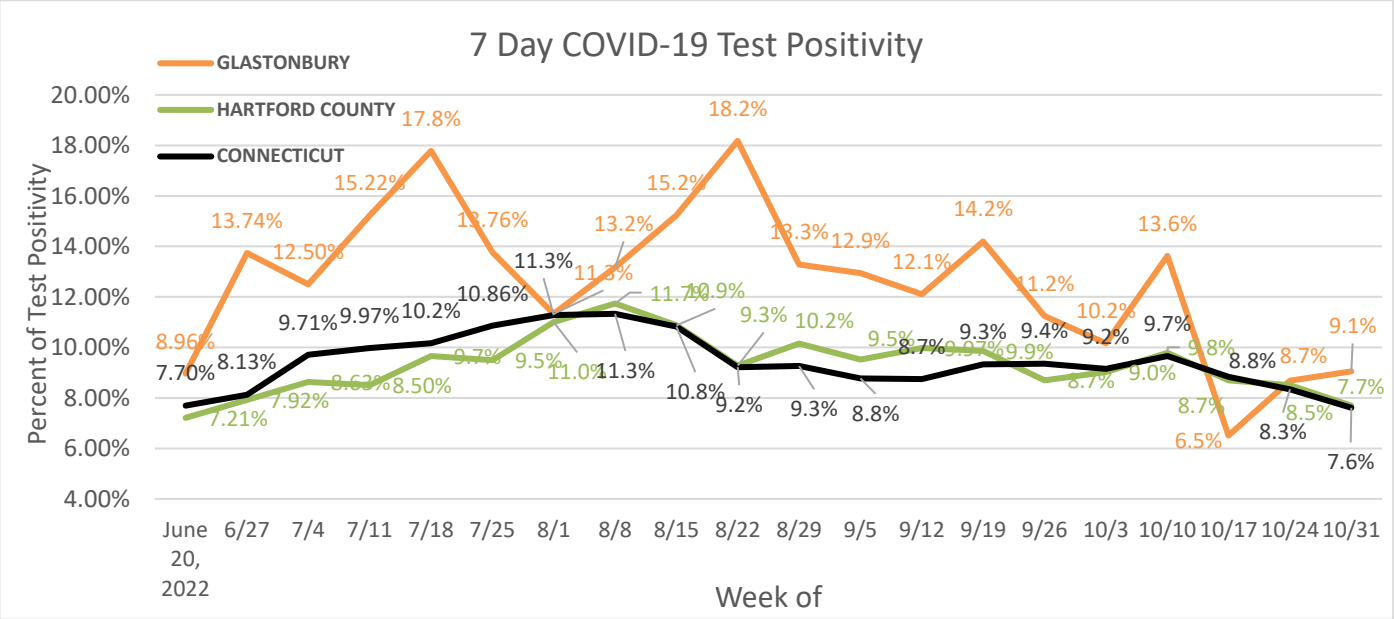
Test positivity is calculated as a rolling 7-day test positivity by specimen collection date; all positive molecular (PCR/NAAT) test results are divided by all molecular (PCR/NAAT) test results (positive and negative) for the last 7 days and multiplied by 100 to reach a percentage. Results are shown below for Glastonbury, Hartford County, and the state of Connecticut overall.



On November 1, Glastonbury is holding the final scheduled vaccination clinic for both COVID-19 and flu before the holiday season. **Getting vaccinated now will allow sufficient time to be fully protected before the Thanksgiving holidays when family members of all ages get together.**

	DATE	CLINIC TIME	WHERE	AGES ALLOWED	APPOINTMENT NEEDED?
COVID-19 Shots and Boosters	Tuesday, November 1	2 - 5 PM	RCC 300 Welles Street	Primary series ages 6 months and older; booster ages 5 years (Pfizer) or 6 years (Moderna) and older	NO
Questions? Email: judie.threatt@glastonburyct.gov					
Flu Shots	Tuesday, November 1	2 - 5 PM	RCC 300 Welles Street	18 years and older	YES: www.Glastonburyct.gov/flushot
Questions? Call the Health Department at 860-652-7534					

COVID-19 Vaccine update

The COVID-19 bivalent booster vaccine available this fall is specifically tailored to combat two omicron subvariants, BA.4 and BA.5. A person is eligible for a booster if it has been at least two months since their last COVID-19 vaccine (whether the primary series or any booster). The Moderna booster shot is approved for people ages 6 years and older and the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine is authorized for people ages 5 years and older. More **vaccination and booster information** is available from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Additional clinics can be found at **www.vaccines.gov** and entering the zip code for the search area.

COVID-19 Testing locations

CLICK HERE for the 2-1-1 of Connecticut 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.

Multiple circulating respiratory illnesses

A recent uptick in respiratory virus transmission has been observed in Connecticut and the nation overall, especially in children, with some cases requiring hospitalization. The three primary viruses circulating are RSV, Influenza and COVID-19. Respiratory Syncytial (sin-SISH-uhl) Virus (RSV), is a common respiratory virus that usually causes mild, cold-like symptoms but can be worse in children under the age of 2 years. All three viruses are transmitted via droplets in the air and on surfaces. COVID-19 can also be transmitted by smaller particles in the air. Cleaning hands and contaminated surfaces is one of the best ways to control the spread of RSV. More information about preventing respiratory illness can be found by clicking on **this CDC link**.

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