

WEEKLY EPIDEMIOLOGICAL REPORT

DECMEBER 27, 2022

COVID-19 MANAGEMENT

On August 11, 2022, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) streamlined its COVID-19 guidance. The updated recommendations for community prevention and management of COVID-19 apply both nationally and locally to Inyo County, which continues to follow the CDC's guidance for COVID-19 case investigation, contact tracing, testing, and masking.

In its new guidelines for COVID-19 case investigation and contact tracing, the CDC recommends that community contact tracing be directed to high-risk group-living settings, like nursing homes and hospitals.

Inyo County strives to report the most up-to-date and complete information on local COVID-19 case numbers, regardless of risk status. Due to underreporting of at-home COVID-19 tests, the actual number of COVID-19 cases in Inyo County may not be reflected in the following case counts and Community Level data.

COVID-19 PREVENTION

COVID-19 Testing, Quarantine, and Isolation Recommendations

Individuals who have been exposed to COVID-19 but are not infected should no longer quarantine, however, testing for symptomatic individuals and their close contacts should continue. Individuals who test positive for COVID-19 should isolate at home for five days and wear a mask for ten days when around others in private and public settings.

Individuals with moderate to severe COVID-19 should isolate for 10 days and those who are immunocompromised should consult with a physician about ending isolation following a COVID-19 infection.

Masking Recommendations

Actions for prevention and management of COVID-19 utilize the CDC's COVID-19 Community Levels criterion introduced in February 2022, recommending that universal masking occur in areas where the COVID-19 Community Level is High and that immunocompromised individuals wear a mask in areas where the COVID-19 Community Level is Medium.



WEEKLY COVID-19 QUICK FACTS

- Current COVID-19 Community Transmission Level: LOW
- Local Recommendations for COVID-19 Prevention:
 - 1. All vaccine-eligible residents should complete their primary COVID-19 vaccine series and receive a booster dose (To find a local vaccine provider, please visit www.inyocounty.us/vaccine-clinics)
 - 2. Those at high-risk for severe illness should take additional precautions including avoiding non-essential indoor activities in public spaces where exposure could occur
- There are currently NO Inyo County COVID-19 related mandates in place.

ABOUT COVID-19 COMMUNITY LEVEL

Low	Medium	High
 Stay <u>up to date</u> with COVID-19 vaccines <u>Get tested</u> if you have symptoms 	 If you are at high risk for severe illness, talk to your healthcare provider about whether you need to wear a mask and take other precautions Stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccines Get tested if you have symptoms 	 Wear a <u>mask</u> indoors in public Stay <u>up to date</u> with COVID-19 vaccines <u>Get tested</u> if you have symptoms Additional precautions may be needed for people <u>at high risk for severe illness</u>
People may choose to mask at any time. People with <u>symptoms, a positive test, or exposure</u> to someone with COVID- 19 should wear a mask. Masks are recommended in indoor public transportation settings and may be required in		

other places by local or state authorities.

The COVID-19 Community Index was developed by the CDC to help communities guide local COVID-19 prevention measures.

Levels are based on factors like new COVID-19 hospital admissions, the percentage of inpatient hospital beds occupied by patients with COVID-19, and the number of new COVID-19 cases over the past 7 days.

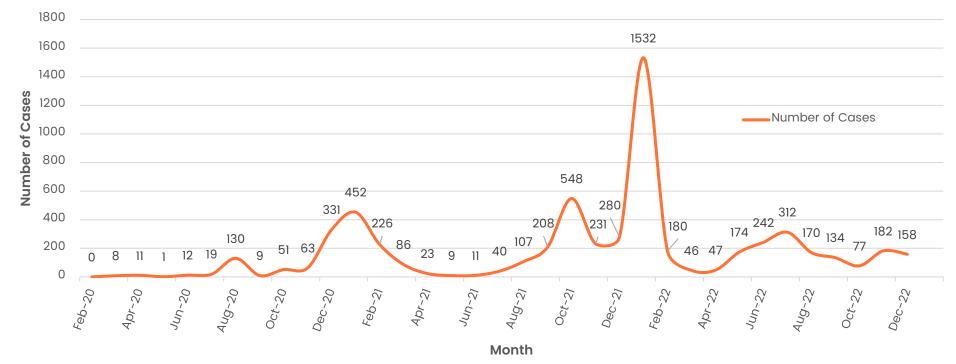
For additional information on the CDC's COVID-19 Community Levels Tool, please visit:

www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019ncov/your-health/covid-bycounty.html

Total All-Time COVID-19 Cases



February 2020 - December 2022 | 35-Month Period



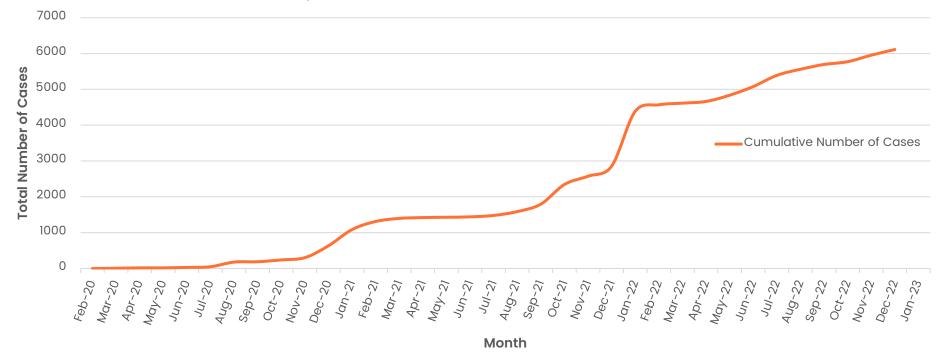
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Cases as of: December 25, 2022

Cumulative COVID-19 Cases, Inyo County



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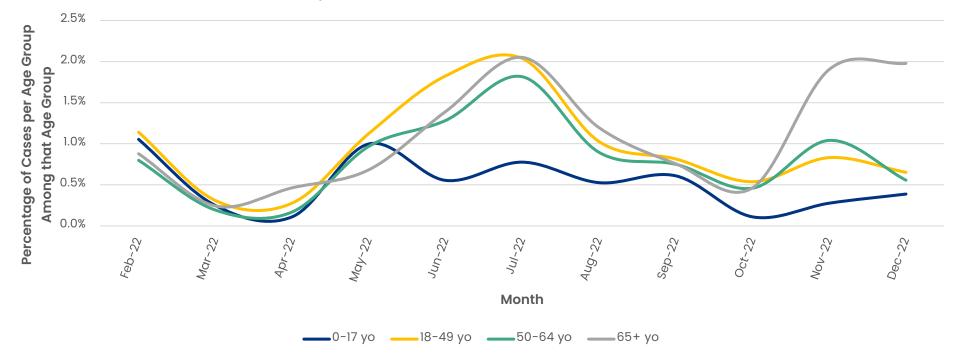
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Proportion of New COVID-19 Cases by Age* and Month



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^{*} Population estimates by age group are based on the 2019 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

COVID-19 Cases per 100,000 (20,000) People, Inyo County (7-day average)

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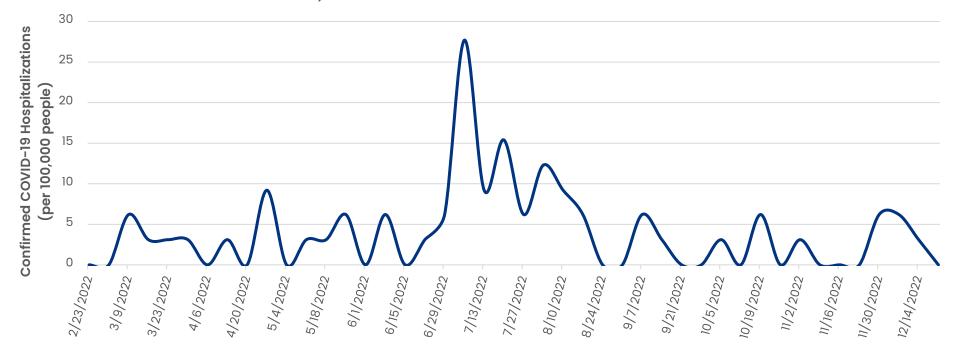
Percent of Staffed Inpatient Beds Occupied by COVID-19 Patients, Inyo County (7-day average)

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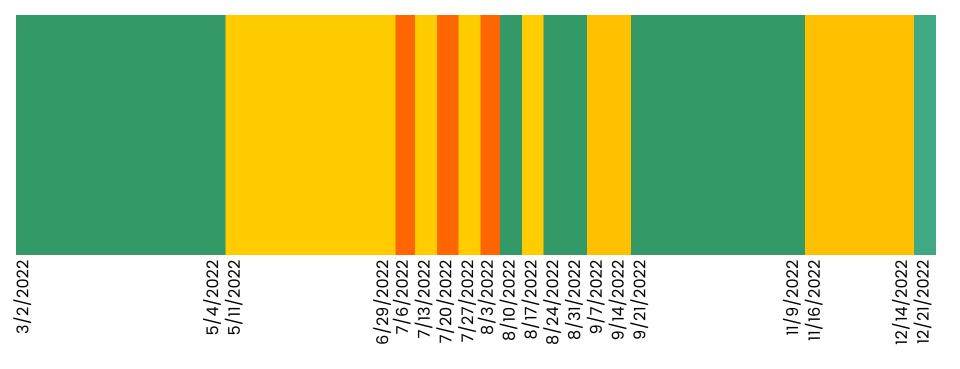
Number of Hospitalized COVID-19 Confirmed Patients Per 100,000 People, Inyo County (7-day average)

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COVID-19 Community Transmission Level

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Questions?

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