

Situation Report - May 12, 2022

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention looks at a combination of three metrics to determine the COVID-19 community level – new COVID-19 admissions per 100,000 population in the past 7 days, the percent of staffed inpatient beds occupied by COVID-19 patients, and total new COVID-19 cases per 100,000 population in the past 7 days.

Cases: Evanston reported 397 [new confirmed COVID-19 cases](#) over the last seven days, compared to 305 for the week prior. The current seven-day moving average of daily confirmed cases is 56.71.

COVID-19 Community Risk Level: [HIGH](#)

| New Cases per 100,000 Population (7-Day Total) | 508.26 | |
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| Indicator | Metric | Evanston Community Risk Level |
| New COVID-19 admissions per 100,000 population (7-day total) | 12.80 | HIGH |
| Percent of staffed inpatient beds occupied by COVID-19 patients (7-day average) | 4.22% | MEDIUM |

Hospitalizations: View [local COVID-19 hospitalizations](#).

Based on the current CDC guidance, Evanston's Health and Human Services Department recommends:

- Wearing a mask indoors in public irrespective of vaccination status including K-12 schools and other indoor public settings

- Wearing a mask or respirator that provides greater protection if you are a [high risk](#) individual for severe disease
- Wearing a mask if you have [symptoms, a positive test, or have had an exposure](#) to someone with COVID-19
- Socializing outdoors if possible and avoiding poorly ventilated indoor settings
- Getting tested before attending a family or public event. Home tests are ideal for this purpose
- Contacting your doctor right away to get treatment for COVID-19 if you are diagnosed
- Staying up-to-date with COVID-19 vaccines and boosters.
- Following CDC recommendations for isolation and quarantine, including getting tested if you are exposed to COVID-19 or have symptoms of COVID-19.

To date, Evanston has had 12,788 total confirmed cases, and 148 residents have died of illness or complications related to COVID-19. View the City's [interactive COVID-19 dashboard \(view on mobile\)](#).

Vaccinations: 97 percent of residents 5 years and older have received at least one dose of the vaccine and 88.5 percent are fully vaccinated. View the City's [vaccination data dashboard \(view on mobile\)](#) for the latest Evanston-specific vaccination data from the IDPH.

Positivity rate: As a result of the announcement that testing providers are no longer required to report some negative test results, IDPH and Evanston's Health and Human Services Department no longer know how many tests are being performed and will therefore no longer report test and case positivity.