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COVID-19 Community Transmission vs. Vaccination Rates

According to the CDC, Cayuga County is currently at a SUBSTANTIAL level of community transmission of COVID-19. Four out of six of our surrounding counties are also at a Substantial level of community transmission. The CDC defines Community Transmission using the following data indicators:

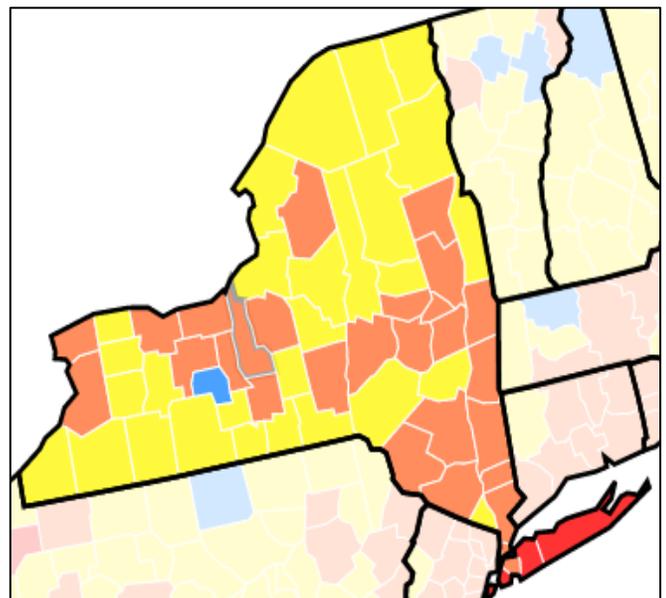
- Low Transmission = 0 – 4.99% positivity rate during the last 7 days
- Moderate Transmission = 5 – 7.99% positivity rate during the last 7 days
- Substantial Transmission = 8 – 9.99% positivity rate during the last 7 days
- High Transmission = $\geq 10\%$ positivity rate during the last 7 days

“Cayuga County has one of the lowest vaccination rates in the region and now is considered to have a substantial level of community transmission. At this time, I encourage and recommend anyone who is eligible to be vaccinated to get a COVID vaccine now. In addition, all members of the community regardless of vaccination status should be wearing a mask when in public and around others outside of their household. Your effort to get vaccinated and continuing to wear a mask is the only way to preserve in-school education and a continued improved economy in our county”, stated Aileen McNabb-Coleman, chairperson of the Cayuga County Legislature.

As of 8/2/21, the community transmission levels of Cayuga and our surrounding counties are as follows:

- Cayuga = Substantial
- Cortland = Moderate
- Onondaga = Substantial
- Oswego = Moderate
- Seneca = Substantial
- Tompkins = Substantial
- Wayne = Substantial

(source: <https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#county-view>)



Map Key: Blue = LOW, Yellow = MODERATE, Orange = SUBSTANTIAL, Red = HIGH



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As of 8/2/21, the vaccination rates of Cayuga and our surrounding counties are as follows:

- Cayuga = 48.4% fully vaccinated
- Cortland = 47.7% fully vaccinated
- Onondaga = 60.0% fully vaccinated
- Oswego = 50.4% fully vaccinated
- Seneca = 43.3% fully vaccinated
- Tompkins = 65.5% fully vaccinated
- Wayne = 53.2% fully vaccinated

(source: <https://covid19vaccine.health.ny.gov/covid-19-vaccine-tracker>; NYS Vaccination by Zipcode Cayuga County: <https://dashboard.health.ny.gov/t/COVID-19-Internal/views/CountyVaccinationDashboard/VaccinationbyZipcode?%3Aembed=y&%3Atoolbar=top&%3AshowShareOptions=n#1>)

Cayuga County Health Department will be holding two walk-in vaccination clinics next week. The first will be held on Tuesday, August 3, 2021 from 2pm-3pm at the Port Byron Central School, 30 Maple Ave., Port Byron, NY, 13140. We will be offering Moderna, Pfizer, and the Johnson and Johnson vaccines.

The second clinic will be held Wednesday, August 4, 2021 from 1:30pm-2:30pm at Fingerlakes Mall, 1579 Clark St. Rd., Auburn, NY. Pfizer and Moderna vaccines will be available at this clinic.

Children 12 years of age and older are eligible for the Pfizer vaccine. A parent or guardian must accompany anyone under 18 years of age at this clinic.
