

9/3/2021 Beaufort County, NC

COVID-19 SITREP

The following information was current as of 2:30pm and reflects changes that have occurred since Friday 8/27/21.

Our next comprehensive update will be published on Friday 9/10. Daily Beaufort County COVID Surveillance Data will continue to be shared Monday – Friday and can also be found using the following link: [Beaufort County NC COVID Surveillance](#)

Case Statistics

	Population	Total Confirmed Cases	Current Active Cases	Deaths	Recovered
Worldwide	7.6 Billion	220,338,282 (+4,342,974)	18,812,439 (+384,295)	4,562,509 (+66,842)	196,963,334 (+3,891,837)
USA	330 Million	40,537,943 (+1,110,280)	8,671,344 (+646,199)	663,047 (+10,383)	31,203,552 (+453,698)
NC	10.4 Million	1,237,393 (+48,097)	109,762 (+14,340)	14,708 (+389)	1,112,923 (+33,368)
Beaufort Co.	47,000	5,724 (+304)	536 (+155)	108 (+2)	5,080 (+147)

Text in red or green indicates positive / negative changes since our last update.

- NC has had a total 1,237,393 confirmed cases, with 14,708 deaths. Our state currently has 109,762 active cases and 3,651 hospitalizations.
 - Beaufort County has had a total of 5,724 cases, with 536 currently active, 13 of which is hospitalized.
 All active cases are self-isolating.
- Eastern NC counties with total confirmed cases include: Beaufort (5,724), Bertie (2,106), Bladen (4,812), Brunswick (13,130), Camden (819), Carteret (6,642), Chowan (1,823), Columbus (8,859), Craven (11,527), Currituck (2,025), Dare (3,098), Duplin (8,337), Edgecombe (6,588), Gates (863), Greene (2,926), Halifax (6,667), Hertford (2,402), Hyde (743), Jones (1,053), Lenoir (7,669), Martin (2,961), New Hanover (24,628),



Northampton (2,151), Onslow (22,624), Pamlico (1,318), Pasquotank (4,006), Pender (7,334), Perquimans (1,218), Pitt (24,854) Sampson (9,872), Tyrrell (453) Washington (1,328), Wayne (13,515) and Wilson (11,281). Mecklenburg (137,651), Wake (111,161), Guilford (56,884) counties have the most cases.

Beaufort County Statistics

Please use the following link for the latest statistics pertaining to Beaufort County cases.

[Beaufort County NC COVID Surveillance](#)

**This link can also be found on the Beaufort County Health Department's Webpage.*

Friday, September 3, 2021			
Tests conducted on Beaufort county residents (to date)	48,758		
Total cases (tested positive)	5,724		
Total hospitalizations that have occurred	281	4.9%	
Total Deaths*	108	1.9%	
Average age of deaths (years)	77.0		
Known active cases currently in the county	536		
Currently hospitalized	13	2.4%	
Currently on a ventilator	1		
Total cases recovered	5,080	88.7%	
Seven (7) day average case rate	43.4		
Positive cases since June 1, 2021**	1,060		
Reinfections (positive again after recovering)	18		
Breakthrough (positive after completing vaccination)**	100	9%	
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Deaths* from long term care facilities	49	45%	
*Deaths reported through this website have been confirmed through a review of the death certificates. This validation process can sometimes take a long time when a resident passes in another County or State. Other sources may report presumptive totals and therefore will vary with those reported here.			
**June 1, 2021 is used as a starting point due to first breakthrough case and start of Delta Variant detected in area.			



3rd Dose vs Booster Shot

August 19, 2021

The Health Department would like to clarify the difference between the additional dose recommendation and the booster recommendation. Though both refer to a 3rd dose, there is a distinction.

On August 13, 2021, the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) made an interim recommendation for the use of an additional dose of Pfizer and Moderna vaccine beyond the initial 2-dose mRNA vaccine series. This additional dose is for those who are moderately to severely immunocompromised.

This interim recommendation for the use of an additional dose came from the ACIP after studies indicated that some immunocompromised people have a reduced immune response following the primary COVID-19 vaccine series when compared to those who are not immunocompromised. The CDC recommends that individuals with the following receive this 3rd dose:

- Been receiving active cancer treatment for tumors or cancers of the blood.
- Received an organ transplant and are taking medicine to suppress the immune system.
- Received a stem cell transplant within the last 2 years or are taking medicine to suppress the immune system.
- Moderate or severe primary immunodeficiency (such as DiGeorge syndrome, WiskottAldrich syndrome)
- Advanced or untreated HIV infection.
- Active treatment with high-dose corticosteroids or other drugs that may suppress your immune response.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) also recommends talking to your healthcare provider about your medical condition, and whether getting an additional dose is appropriate for you.



BCHD will start offering this additional dose on August 25th . Appointments can be made online through the Health Department website booking system or by calling Beaufort County's COVID19 call center at 252-940-6150. Most doctor offices will also be able to administer this additional dose as well.

In contrast to the 3rd dose recommendation above, a booster is given when there is evidence that shows a decrease in the protection against a virus over time. Studies by both Pfizer and Moderna have found a reduction in protection does exist following the completion of their vaccine series and are currently seeking approval for booster shots. Johnson & Johnson continues to evaluate the effectiveness of their shot over time.

Booster shots will be subject to an independent evaluation by the FDA to determine its safety and effectiveness. The CDC's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) will then complete a thorough review of the FDA's findings and make recommendations on the use of boosters for the public. While this process is anticipated to be completed this fall, no date has been set yet. Beaufort County's Health Department is underway with planning efforts to ensure that booster shots can be administered as soon as the evaluation process is completed, and booster vaccines are received.

We encourage everyone to continue to monitor Beaufort County's Health Department webpage (www.bchd.net) for updates.

Vaccine Opportunities

Immediate Appointments Available

Beaufort County's Health Department has appointments available beginning Wednesday 9/8 for individuals wishing to receive the Moderna, J&J or Pfizer vaccines. Appointments can be made by calling 252-940-6150 or using the following link:

<https://app.acuityscheduling.com/schedule.php?owner=21631584>

The following Beaufort County providers are now offering vaccines.

- **Agape** (Washington) Call: 252-940-0602 for more information and / or to schedule an appointment.
- **Beaufort County Health Department** (Washington, Chocowinity & Aurora): Call 252-940-6150 or click <https://app.acuityscheduling.com/schedule.php?owner=21631584> for more information and / or to schedule an appointment.



- **O'Neals Pharmacy** (Belhaven, Chocowinity, Washington): Call 252-946-9631 or click <https://www.onealsdrug.com/> for more information and / or to schedule an appointment.
- **Vidant Family Medicine** (Aurora (252-322-4021), Chocowinity (252-946-9562) & Washington (252-975-2667)) Click VidantHealth.com/Vaccinate for more information and / or to schedule an appointment.
- **Vidant Internal Medicine** (Washington): Call 252-946-2101 or click VidantHealth.com/Vaccinate for more information and / or to schedule an appointment.
- **Vidant Specialty Clinic** (Belhaven): Call 252-943-0600 or click VidantHealth.com/Vaccinate for more information and / or to schedule an appointment.
- **Washington Women's Care** (Washington) Call 252-975-1188 or click VidantHealth.com/Vaccinate for more information and / or to schedule an appointment
- **Walgreens** (Washington): Call 252-940-1529 for more information and / or to schedule an appointment.
- **Walgreens** (Belhaven): Call 252-943-6260 for more information and / or to schedule an appointment.

A video tutorial of Vidant's scheduling process can be found using the following link.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sRnzWxjNIlg&feature=youtu.be>



Vaccine Information

Please refer to the following links for safety information, side effects and effectiveness of each of the currently available COVID-19 vaccines.

J&J Fact Sheet

<https://www.fda.gov/media/146305/download>

Moderna Fact Sheet

<https://www.modernatx.com/covid19vaccine-eua/eua-fact-sheet-recipients.pdf>

Pfizer Fact Sheet

<https://www.cvdvaccine-us.com/images/pdf/fact-sheet-for-recipients-and-caregivers.pdf>

Vaccine Eligibility

NCDHHS has announced that individuals age 12 and up are now eligible to receive the vaccine. However, Pfizer is currently the only vaccine approved for this age group. Most of Beaufort County's Providers have Moderna and Johnson & Johnson, both of which are only approved for individuals 18 years of age and older.

Pfizer vaccines are available at participating Walgreen Pharmacies as well as Vidant's Greenville Vaccine Clinic. (Please see above the contact information for these locations.)

Beaufort County's Vaccine Efforts

As of Friday (9/3), approximately 44,849 total doses of the COVID-19 vaccine have been administered to Beaufort County residents. 23,482 of our county's residents have received their first dose and 21,367 residents have completed the two shot series.

Beaufort County providers remain committed in our efforts to vaccinate all those who are interested in the COVID-19 vaccine as quickly and efficiently as possible. Please continue to



monitor www.bchd.net for updated information regarding the COVID-19 vaccine, as well as the transitions as we move through the various phases of vaccination.

Transportation Assistance to Vaccine Appointments

Beaufort County remains committed to the goal of providing vaccinations to all eligible citizens as quickly as possible. If you have an appointment to receive the vaccine, and are unable to secure transportation to the vaccine site on your own, please call Beaufort Area Transit System (BATS) for assistance at [252-946-5778](tel:252-946-5778).

COVID-19 Vaccine Resources

The following resources are trusted educated sources regarding information pertaining to the COVID-19 vaccine.

If you have additional questions or would like to message us directly, please email us at bchealth@bchd.net.

[Facts About COVID-19 Vaccine](#)

[COVID-19 Vaccine - What You Need To Know](#)

[Vaccine Frequently Asked Questions- NCDHHS](#)

[Pfizer Fact Sheet](#)

[Moderna Fact Sheet](#)

[J&J Fact Sheet](#)

[Vaccine Tool Kit For Faith Based Communities](#)

[COVID-19 Vaccine - Vaccination 101](#)

[More About Emergency Use Authorization \(EUA\)](#)



COVID Vaccine Facts vs. Myths

NCDHHS COVID-19 Vaccine Information

Moderna Vaccine - What to Expect

COVID Testing

COVID testing is available as follows during the month of July:

- Monday – Friday from 8:15am – 11:30am at Beaufort County’s Health Department (1436 Highland Dr., Washington, NC)

“Find My Testing Place”

Find a testing location near you by using the following link:

<https://ncdhhs-covid19-dtra.powerappsportals.us/>

NC Executive Orders

A complete list of current NC Executive Orders can be found at: <https://www.nc.gov/covid-19/covid-19-orders>

Resources

We have created a resource page that can accessed at:

<https://co.beaufort.nc.us/departments/human-services/public-health/2019-coronavirus-covid-19>.

This resource page contains guidance for businesses, long term care facilities, families, and more.

We are here to offer support and answer any questions or concerns. We are encouraging all community partners to share accurate information and promote it within your businesses, communities, and elsewhere. Beaufort County’s website and Facebook page are great ways to stay up to date on accurate information.

Thank you,



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