National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases



ACIP COVID-19 Vaccines Work Group

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Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices Meeting April 15, 2025

2024–2025 COVID-19 vaccines

- In August 2024, the Food and Drug Administration authorized and approved:
 - Moderna COVID-19 vaccine* in persons ≥6 months
 - Novavax COVID-19 vaccine^{**} in persons ≥12 years
 - Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine* in persons ≥6 months

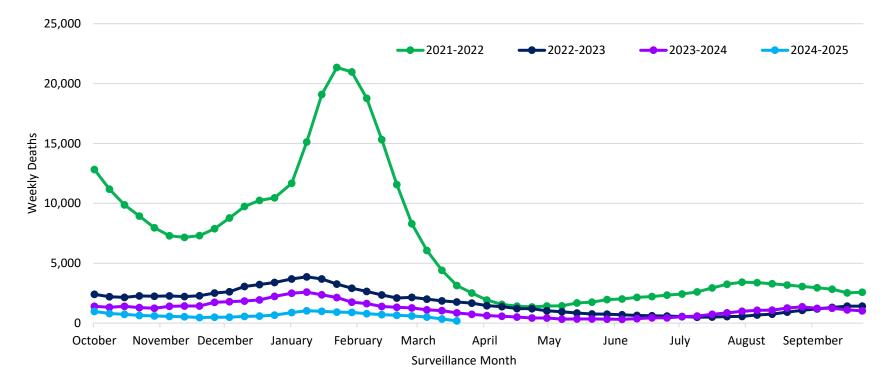
2024–2025 COVID-19 vaccine recommendations

- Everyone aged ≥6 months should receive 2024–2025 COVID-19 vaccination
 - Children aged 6 months—4 years need multiple doses of COVID-19 vaccines to be up to date, including at least 1 dose of 2024—2025 COVID-19 vaccine
 - People aged 5-64 years should get 1 dose¹ of 2024-2025 COVID-19 vaccine
 - People who are ≥65 years² and people ≥6 months of age with moderate or severe immunocompromise³ should receive a second dose of 2024–2025 COVID-19 vaccine 6 months after their first 2024–2025 dose (minimum interval of 2 months)
 - People with moderate or severe immunocompromise may receive additional doses of 2024–2025 COVID-19 vaccines under shared clinical decision-making (minimum interval of 2 months)

1. People who are unvaccinated and receive Novavax COVID-19 vaccine for initial vaccination should receive 2 doses of 2024–2025 Novavax COVID-19 vaccine 2. People who are unvaccinated and receive Novavax COVID-19 vaccine for initial vaccination should receive 2 doses of 2024–2025 Novavax COVID-19 vaccine followed by a third dose of any 2024–2025 COVID-19 vaccine dose 6 months (minimum interval 2 months) after the second dose.

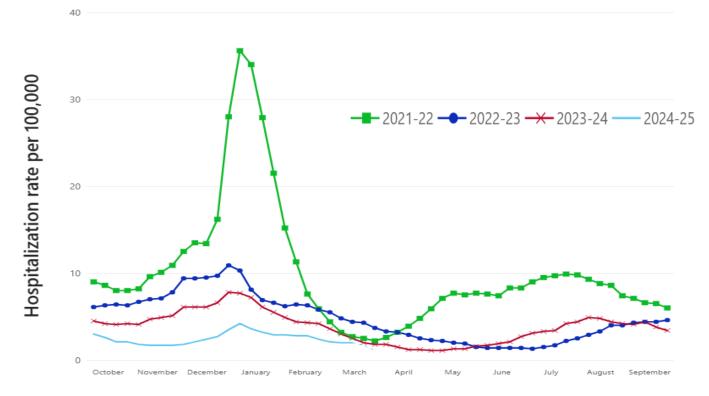
3. If previously unvaccinated or receiving initial vaccination series, at least 2 doses of 2024–2025 vaccine are recommended, and depending on vaccination history more may be needed. This additional 2024–2025 vaccine dose is recommended 6 months (minimum interval 2 months) after completion of initial vaccination series.

Provisional Weekly COVID-19 Deaths in the United States Reported to CDC, by Week October 2021–March 2025



https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#trends_weeklydeaths_select_00 Accessed April 4, 2025

Weekly rates of COVID-19 associated hospitalizations by season – COVID-NET



https://www.cdc.gov/covid/php/covid-net/index.html Accessed April 4, 2025 Surveillance Month

Preliminary Estimates of Disease Burden, October 1, 2024 through March 22, 2025

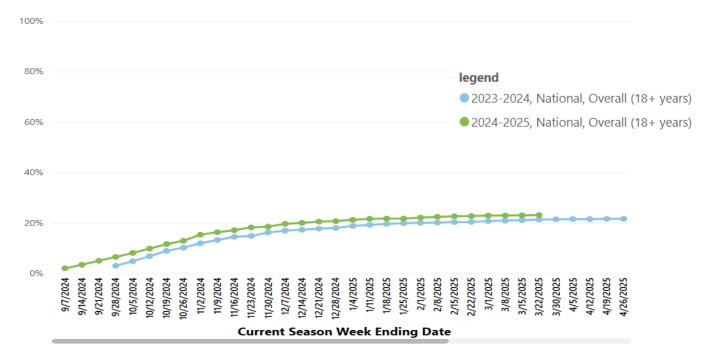
| Disease | Illnesses | Outpatient Visits | Hospitalizations | Deaths |
|------------------------|------------|----------------------|------------------|----------|
| COVID-19 ¹ | 7.7 – 13.5 | 1.9 – 3.2 | 220,000 – | 26,000 – |
| | Million | Million | 370,000 | 43,000 |
| Influenza ² | 44 – 76 | 20 – 34 | 580,000 – 1.2 | 25,000 – |
| | Million | Million | Million | 120,000 |

1 https://www.cdc.gov/covid/php/surveillance/burden-estimates.html

2 https://www.cdc.gov/flu-burden/php/data-vis/2024-2025.html

Accessed April 4, 2025

COVID-19 vaccination coverage among adults 18 years and older, 2023–2024 through 2024–2025



Current season week ending date refers to the 2024-2025 season only. For the 2023-2024 season, the corresponding week is represented. 2024-2025 vaccines were available starting August 22, 2024. 2023-2024 vaccines were available starting September 12, 2023. https://www.cdc.gov/covidvaxview/weekly-dashboard/adult-vaccination-coverage.html Accessed April 4, 2025

ACIP COVID-19 Work Group Meeting Review November 2024 – April 2025

- Considerations for a risk-based and universal vaccine recommendation for the 2025–2026 COVID-19 vaccines
- COVID-NET data for those with and without risk factors
- COVID-19 mortality
- COVID-19 vaccine hesitancy and uptake
- COVID-19 vaccine safety and effectiveness

- Moderna mRNA-1283 COVID-19
 vaccine candidate
- Seroprevalence of SARS-CoV-2
- Post-COVID conditions (Long COVID)
- MIS-C
- Feedback from liaison organizations

Agenda: April 15, 2025

Introduction

Moderna mRNA-1283 COVID-19 vaccine candidate

Epidemiology and risk factors for COVID-19 hospitalizations

Vaccine effectiveness update

Work Group Considerations for use of 2025–2026 COVID-19 vaccines

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Preliminary Timeline, 2025–2026 COVID-19 Vaccines

- **Today's meeting:** Update on ongoing review of considerations for use of 2025–2026 COVID-19 vaccines
- Spring: Anticipated FDA Vaccines and Related Biological Products Advisory Committee (VRBPAC) meeting to discuss and make recommendations on strain selection for 2025–2026 COVID-19 vaccines
- June ACIP meeting: Discussion and vote on recommended use of the 2025–2026 vaccine
- Late summer/early fall: Anticipated 2025–2026 COVID-19 vaccine availability

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