

COVID-19 Update  
Cumberland County Commission Meeting  
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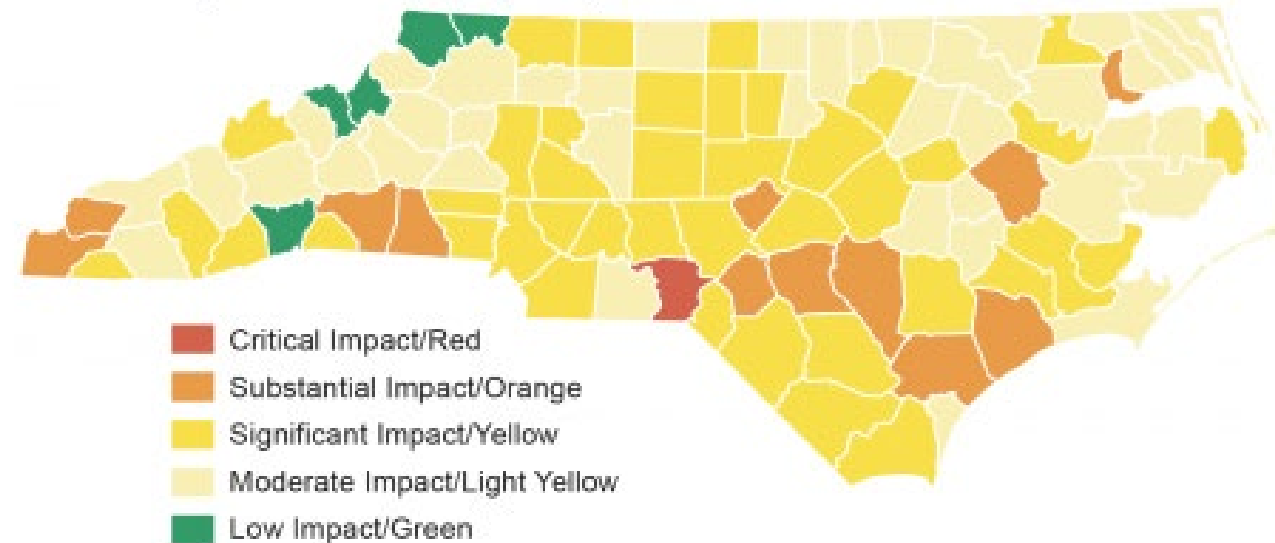
# Disclaimer

- This is a rapidly evolving situation and recommendations will change
- Data on these slides are up to date as of 8/1/2021
- Data are from Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and NC Department of Health and Human Services (NC DHHS)

# North Carolina County Alert System

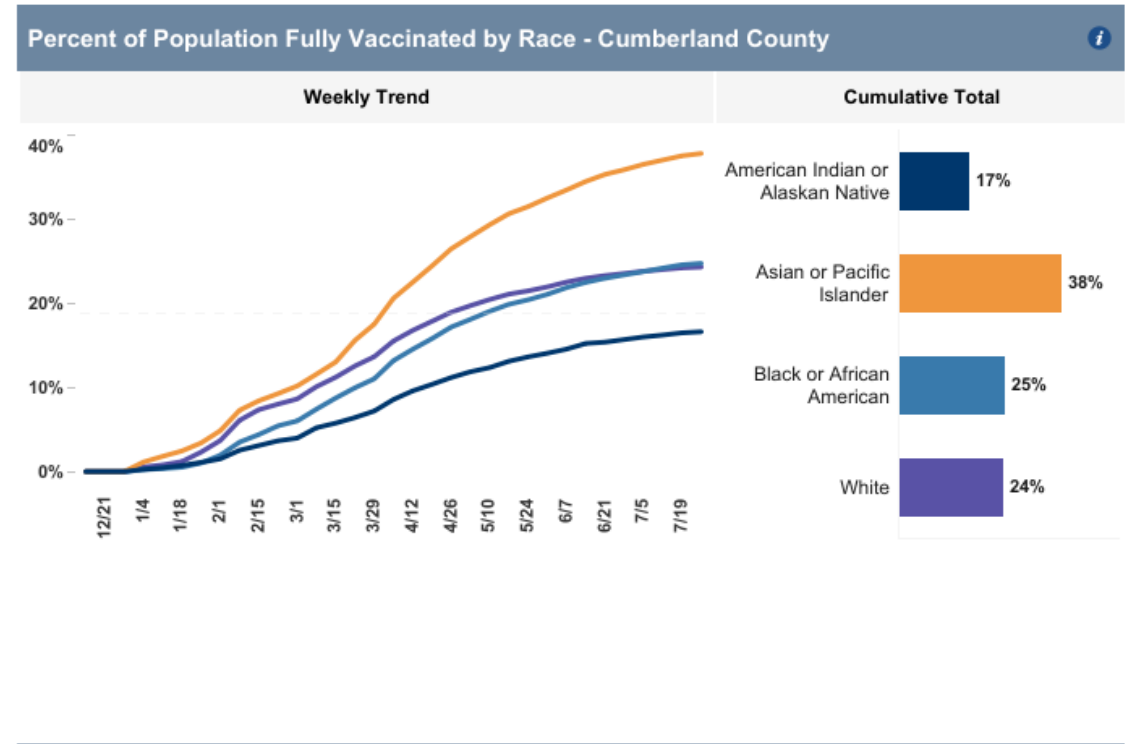
- 818 cases last 7 days
- 1,425 cases last 14 days
- 330 deaths total
- 15% case positivity
- Increasing hospitalizations

NC Counties by Tier: Data from July 4-17, 2021



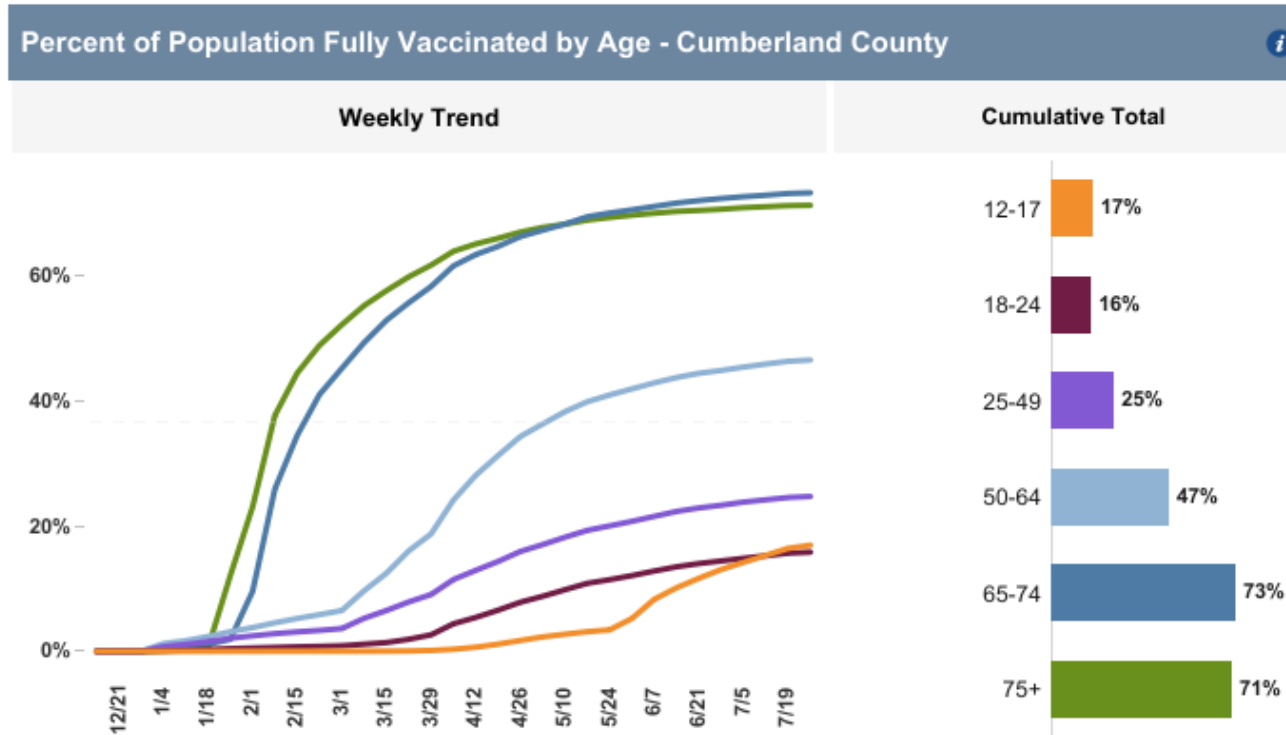
# Vaccination Data

- CDC Data Tracker
  - 55.1% of population age 12 and older fully vaccinated
  - 58.3% of adult (18+) population fully vaccinated
  - 82.5% of population 65+ fully vaccinated



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# Delta Variant Updates

- Delta spreads more than twice as easily from one person to another, compared with earlier strains.
- Delta has most recently surged to become the predominant variant – from <1% in May to over 80% of cases in July.
- People infected with Delta have higher viral loads—meaning more virus in their body—than with previous variants.

# Delta Variant Updates

- Some vaccinated people can get Delta in a breakthrough infection and may be contagious.
  - In North Carolina, 94% of new cases and deaths are among the unvaccinated
- Even so, vaccinated individuals represent a very small amount of transmission occurring around the country.
- Virtually all hospitalizations and deaths continue to be among the unvaccinated
- In NC, the Delta Variant has been the most commonly circulating variant since the week ending June 26, 2021.
  - No County level data

# CDC and NC DHHS Guidance Updates

- In areas with substantial and high transmission, CDC recommends that everyone (including fully vaccinated individuals) should wear a mask in public indoor settings
  - Includes Cumberland County
- Universal indoor masking for all teachers, staff, students, and visitors to K-12 schools, regardless of vaccination status.
- Fully vaccinated:
  - Get tested if you have any symptoms of COVID-19.
  - After an exposure to COVID-19, get tested 3-5 days after exposure and wear a mask around others until you get a negative test result.



# Upcoming Testing and Vaccination Efforts

- Distribution of at home COVID test kits
- Vaccination locations
  - Health Department, Monday-Friday
  - 5 rotating library locations on Saturdays
- Back to school immunizations/COVID vaccine clinic
- NC DHHS OptumServ
- Collaboration with community partners for outreach clinics and communication
  - Healthier Together
  - College and university students
  - Fayetteville Millennial Council

# DON'T WAIT TO VACCINATE.

Find a vaccine location near you at  
[MySpot.nc.gov](https://MySpot.nc.gov) or call 888-675-4567.

