COVID-19
(coronavirus disease 2019)
BOARD UPDATE
March 2, 2021
OVERVIEW

1. The Numbers
2. The Vaccine
3. Resident / Businesses Resources
Imperial County Tier Assignment & Metrics

**STATEWIDE METRICS**

- **15.2** New COVID-19 positive cases per day per 100K
- **4.8%** Positivity rate (7-day average)
- **20.9%** ICU availability

**Imperial County**

Southern California Region

Eligible to exit Regional Order effective 1/25/2021

Was placed on Regional Stay Home Order 12/6/2020 3:59 PM

**COUNTY RISK LEVEL**

- **Widespread**
  - Many non-essential indoor business operations are closed

**COUNTY METRICS**

- **8.3** New COVID-19 cases per day per 100K
- **8.9** Adjusted case rate for tier assignment
- **3.6%** Positivity rate (7-day average)
- **6.0%** Health equity quartile positivity rate

**Adjusted case rate**

7-day average of daily COVID-19 cases per 100K with 7-day lag adjusted for number of tests performed

Widespread:
- Many non-essential indoor business operations are closed

More than 7.0

Daily new cases (per 100K)

Substantial:
- Some non-essential indoor business operations are closed

4.0 – 7.0

Daily new cases (per 100K)

Moderate:
- Some indoor business operations are open with modifications

1.0 – 3.9

Daily new cases (per 100K)

Minimal:
- Most indoor business operations are open with modifications

Less than 1.0

Daily new cases (per 100K)

https://covid19.ca.gov/safer-economy/#county-status
COVID-19 – Tier Movement

To advance to a less restrictive tier:
1A. County must have been in the current tier for a minimum of three weeks.
2A. County must meet criteria for movement to the next less restrictive for the prior two consecutive weeks in order to progress to the next tier; which can be achieved by either or combination of criteria described below:
   1. Meeting the Adjusted Case Rate, Test Positivity, and Health Equity metric criteria for a less restrictive tier.
   2. Meeting the criteria for movement to the next less restrictive tier through health equity accelerated progression.

Must Meet Metrics for 2 Consecutive Weeks
County in Purple Tier

If Metrics Met for 2 Weeks, Move to Red

Movement occurs Wednesday after metrics are announced

Week 1 starts the Wednesday after metrics are announced

Week 2 starts the Wednesday after metrics are announced
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COVID-19 Vaccine Prioritization Overview

Updated Guidance: [https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/VaccineAllocationGuidelines.aspx](https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/VaccineAllocationGuidelines.aspx)

Revisions February 4, 2021 to align with updated CA guidance
Vaccinating as supplies allow

**Phase 1a**

STARTED 12/18/20

- Tiers 1-3 Healthcare
- Long-term Care Residents

**Phase 1b, Tier 1**

STARTED, VACCINATING AS SUPPLIES ALLOW

- Seniors 65+
- Emergency Services
- Education & Childcare
- Food & Agriculture
COVID-19 Vaccine Pending to Receive

Pending **THIS Week**
3,840 1\textsuperscript{st} doses

Pending **NEXT Week**
1,970 2\textsuperscript{nd} dose
Pending 1\textsuperscript{st} dose allocation
COVID-19 Vaccine Updates

FDA NEWS RELEASE

FDA Issues Emergency Use Authorization for Third COVID-19 Vaccine


For Immediate Release: February 27, 2021

Today, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration issued an emergency use authorization (EUA) for the third vaccine for the prevention of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) caused by severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2). The EUA allows the Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine to be distributed in the U.S for use in individuals 18 years of age and older.

“The authorization of this vaccine expands the availability of vaccines, the best medical prevention method for COVID-19, to help us in the fight against this pandemic, which has claimed over half a million lives in the United States,” said Acting FDA Commissioner Janet Woodcock, M.D. “The FDA, through our open and transparent scientific review process, has now authorized three COVID-19 vaccines with the urgency called for during this pandemic, using the agency’s rigorous standards for safety, effectiveness and manufacturing quality needed to support emergency use authorization.”

4 million J&J Covid vaccines ship out, Americans expected to receive shots within 2 days

“Within the next 24 to 48 hours, Americans should start receiving shots in arms,” Johnson & Johnson’s CEO said Monday morning.

COVID-19 Vaccine Updates

• State’s **third party administrator (TPA)**: transition must by end of March
  o County Counsel reviewing TPA Agreement
    o County Counsel’s Association met last week with small group to do a more carefully review of the TPA Agreement
    o TPA to schedule meeting later in the week to discuss next steps

• **MyTurn:** March 15th expected launch in Imperial County

• **K-6 school re-opening**
  o 5 plans submitted; 5 approved
  o Schools may not reopen for grades 7-12 if the county is in Purple Tier

• State announced 10% of County allocations are to be for education sector, prioritizing K-12 sector
COVID-19 Vaccine Updates

Public Health Clinics this week
• 2 first dose curbside clinics (food & childcare sectors), appointment
• 2 second dose curbside clinics (healthcare sector), appointment
• 1 second dose drive-thru clinic (65+ population), appointment
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COVID-19 RESOURCES

Business Economic Support Team and Information Line - Phone
760-337-4037
Spanish Information Line

COVID-19 PANDEMIC RESPONSE & ECONOMIC RECOVERY TASK FORCE

Updated February 1, 2021

LOCAL RESOURCES

Imperial County Public Health Department

Imperial County Roadmap to Recovery

Imperial County Public Health COVID-19 Dashboard
ARE YOU FINANCIALLY IMPACTED BY THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC?

THE IMPERIAL COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES MAY BE ABLE TO HELP TO ASSIST WITH SOME OF YOUR BASIC NEEDS.

IF YOU HAVE HAD YOUR WORK HOURS REDUCED OR IF YOUR PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT HAS SHUT DOWN, YOU MAY QUALIFY FOR ASSISTANCE.

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OR
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BRAWLEY
(442) 265-5300

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EL CENTRO, CA 92443
OR
BRAWLEY OFFICE
860 MAIN STREET
BRAWLEY, CA 92227
CALIFORNIA RELIEF

- **Golden State Stimulus Plan** - $600 for individuals
  - Make less than $30,000/year
  - Excluded from the Federal stimulus payment of $1,200 last year

- **Relief for Small Businesses** - $2.1 billion for grants
  - Up to $25,000 for small businesses impacted by the pandemic

- **Child Care** - $400 million new federal funds
  - Up to $525 per enrolled child for all state-subsidized childcare & preschool providers

- $24 million financial assistance through Housing for the Harvest & combined $35 million for food banks and diapers.
Thank you