

(The Meeting is Being Recorded for Posting Online)

COVID-19: Guidance for the UD Research Community

Virtual Town Hall

Monday, April 19, 2021

2–3 pm



Agenda

1. State of Delaware Updates
2. UD COVID & Research Updates
3. Questions – Zoom Q&A



Graduate College Town Hall



Graduate Student Town Hall
Thursday, May 20, 11 a.m.-noon (EDT)
[Register Here](#)

10th Annual Graduate Students' Forum

“Succeeding in a Virtual World: Advancing Your Research and Career Journey”

April 23rd, 10 am EDT

Representative Lisa Blunt Rochester, United States Congresswoman for Delaware and UD graduate student alumna, will address the Forum in addition to a keynote panel featuring Dr. Wei Chen, Managing Director, Head of Credit Strategy and Analytics at Barclays; Ms. Fatimah Conley, JD, UD's Interim Chief Diversity Officer; Dr. Rudolf Eigenmann, Professor, UD's Department of Electrical & Computer Engineering; and Dr. Lou Rossi, Dean of UD's Graduate College and Vice Provost for Graduate and Professional Education.



Advocating for
Graduate Students at
the University of Delaware

General Faculty Meeting

Monday, May 3rd
3 pm



DelawareINBRE

Delaware's Biomedical Research Catalyst

Principal Investigator/Program Director

We seek to appoint an individual with an established record of research excellence, including NIH funding, strong faculty and staff mentoring skills, an unwavering commitment to inclusive excellence and social justice, the ability to build community and collaborations between disparate groups and institutions, and administrative acumen.

Contact Search Committee Chair, Charlie Riordan, riordan@udel.edu

Review of applications commences May 1st

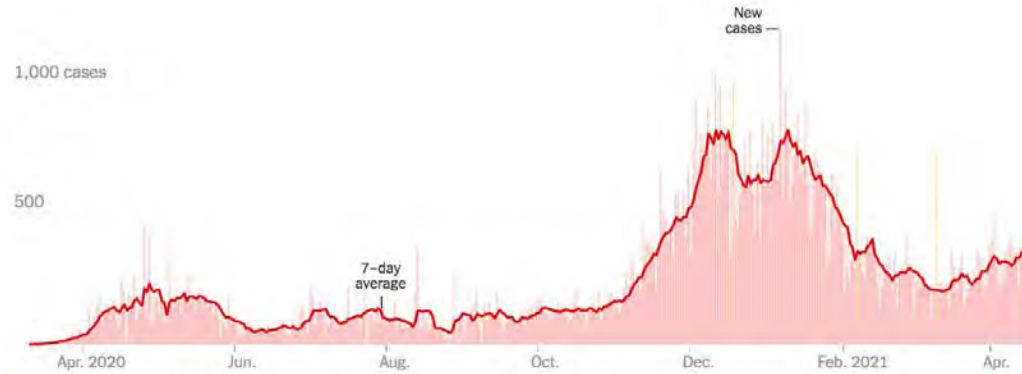
State of Delaware–Phase 2

Weekly COVID-19 Update:
Delaware Surpasses 100,000
Cases; Hospitalization Trends
Remain Level



State of Delaware Statistics

Data reported 4/18/21



These are days with a reporting anomaly. Read more here.

Tests



Hospitalized



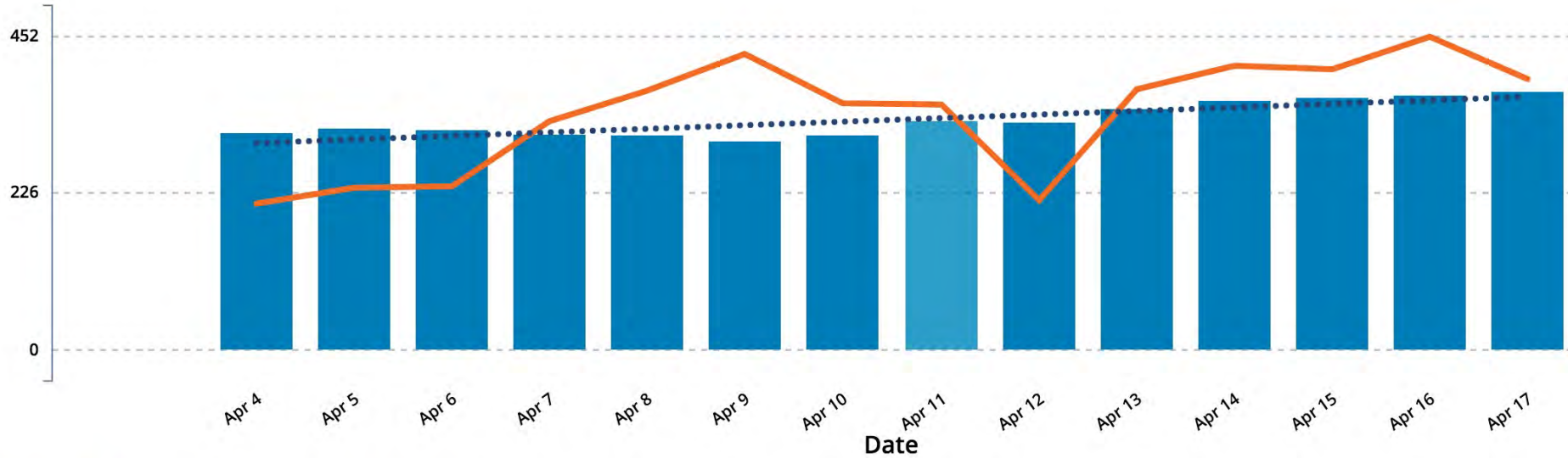
Deaths



	AVG. ON APR. 17	14-DAY CHANGE	TOTAL REPORTED
Cases	368	+8%	100,777
Deaths	4	+19%	1,602
Hospitalized	209	+36%	—
Tests	5,703	-11%	—

COVID-19: Delaware

New Cases

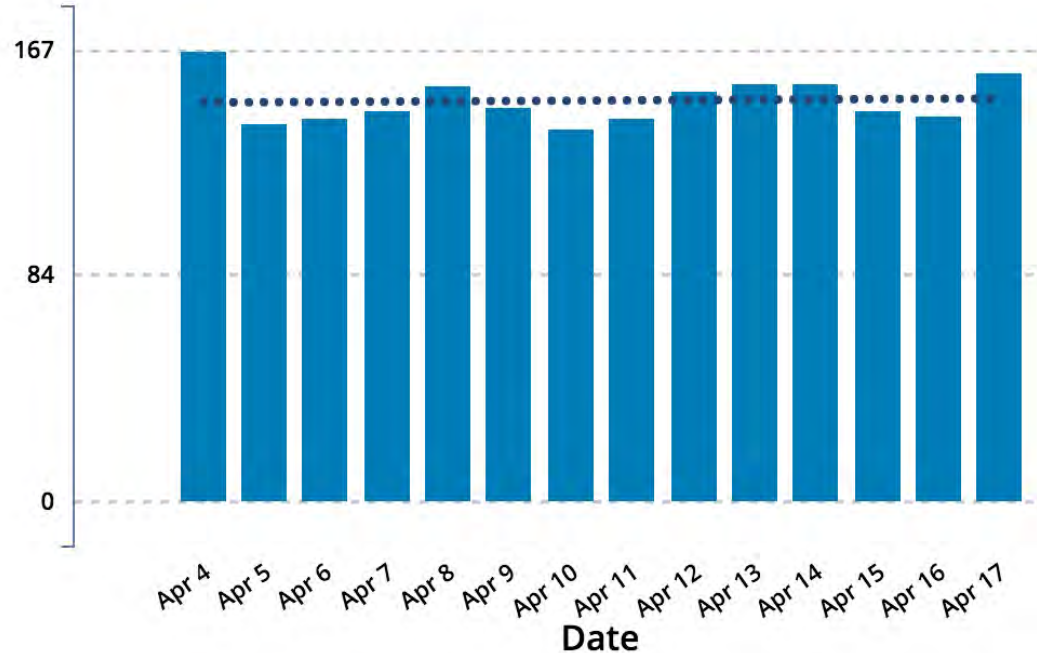


■ Average
 — New Positive Cases
 ••• Trend Line

Percent Positive = 6.2%

COVID-19: Delaware

Hospitalizations



■ Current Hospitalizations (Statewide) ● Trend Line

COVID-19: Delaware

Variants

Variants of Concern

Variant	Origin	# of Cases
B.1.1.7	United Kingdom	95
B.1.351	South Africa	1
B.1.427	California, US	6
B.1.429	California, US	8
P.1	Brazil	3

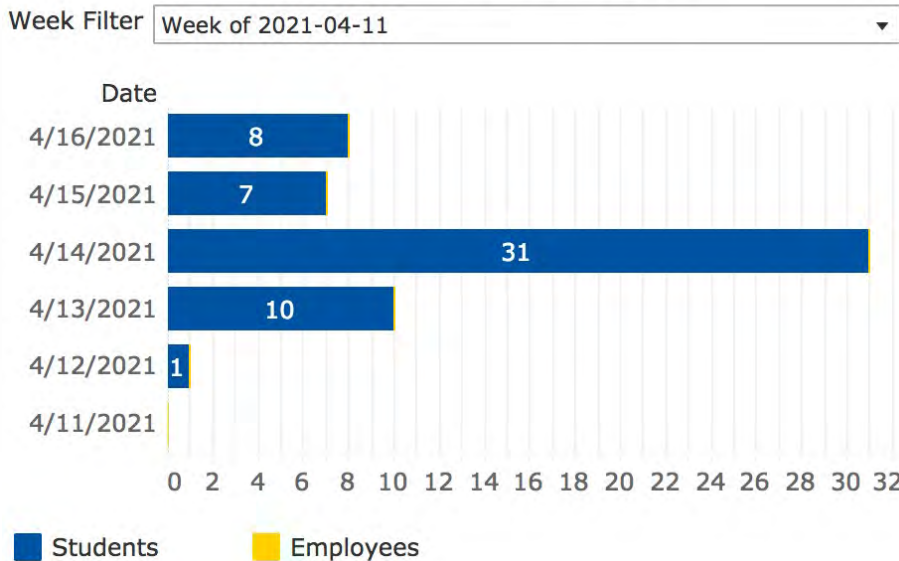
Variants of Interest

Variant	Origin	# of Cases
B.1.525	New York, US	2
B.1.526	New York, US	81

The Delaware Public Health Laboratory has sequenced 1,518 specimens for COVID-19 variant strains to date, including 92 within the past week.

University of Delaware COVID Dashboard

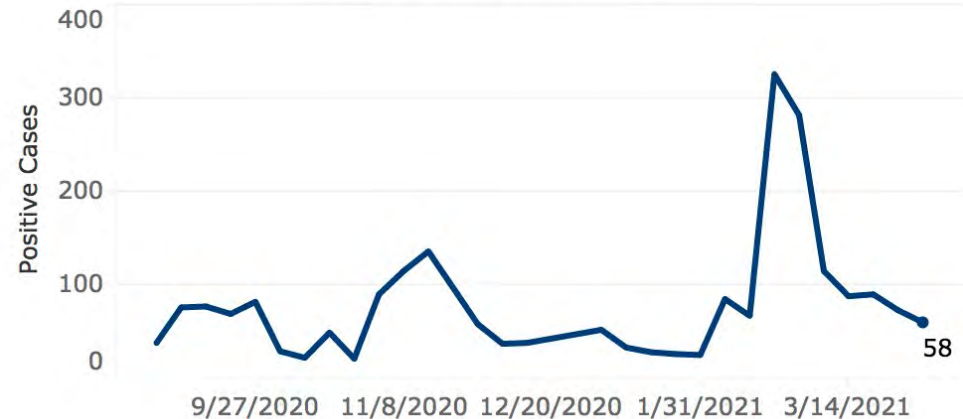
Daily New Positive Cases



Last week

Positive Cases by Week

Employees and Students



Dining Halls re-opened for eat-in

COVID Surveillance Testing

Saturdays, 10 am to 3 pm on STAR Campus. Drive-through test hosted by New Castle County. Pre-registration required.

[https://curative.com/19711 - 9/39.68/-75.74](https://curative.com/19711-9/39.68/-75.74)

Additional testing sites by date and location <https://curative.com/search>

Tuesdays, 11 am-7 pm, the state will be testing at the Hollingsworth parking lot, at the corner of North College and Cleveland. Registration is encouraged at [this link](#).

Delaware Vaccination Data

Vaccines Delivered to DE

Pfizer: 397,995

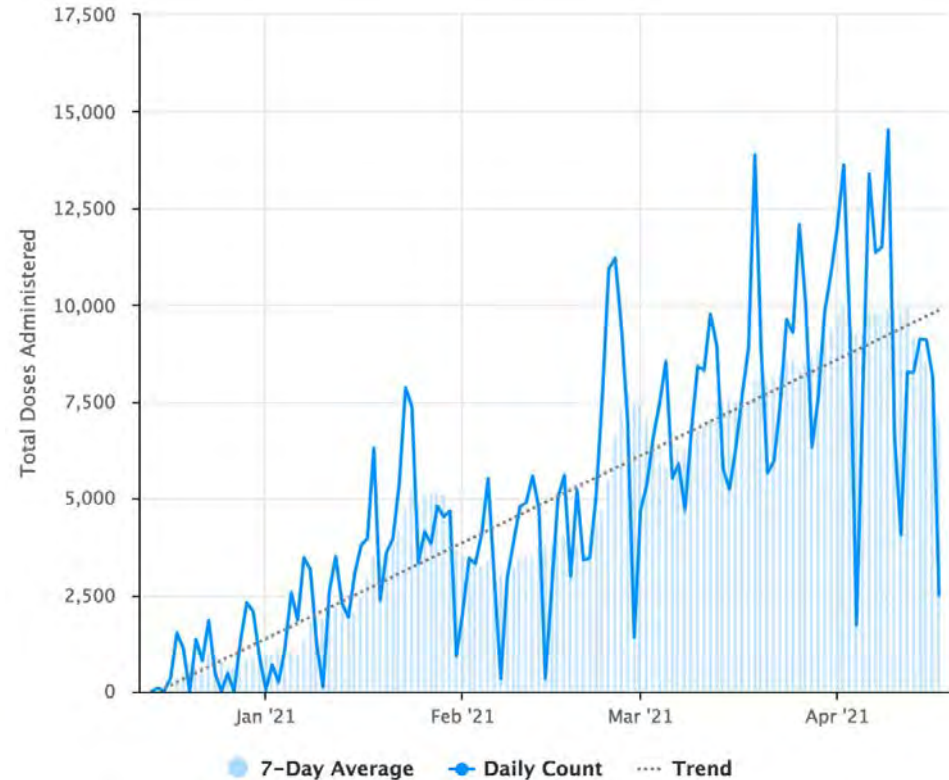
Moderna: 325,700

Johnson & Johnson: 47,500

Total: 771,195

Total Doses Administered

635,825 (82.4%)



Delaware Vaccination Data

People Vaccinated	At Least One Dose	Fully Vaccinated
All ages	364,656	226,953
Percentage of people of all ages	38.1%	23.7%
16+ age group	364,561	226,928
Percentage of 16+ age group	46.9%	29.2%
65+ age group	148,061	122,291
Percentage of 65+ age group	85.0%	70.2%

After Vaccination Guidelines-What Changes

One is considered **fully vaccinated two weeks** after their second shot of 2-dose vaccine (Pfizer, Moderna) or their only shot in a single dose regimen (J&J/Janssen).

You can gather indoors with **fully vaccinated people** without wearing a mask.

You can gather indoors with unvaccinated people from **one other household** without masks, unless any of those people or anyone they live with has an increased risk for severe illness from COVID-19.

If you've been around someone who has COVID-19, you do not need to stay away from others or get tested unless you have symptoms.

However, if you live in a **group setting and are around someone who has COVID-19**, you should still stay away from others for 14 days and get tested.

Research, Scholarship & Creative Activities

Travel Guidelines

Travel may resume provided UD travelers are fully vaccinated, and their travel has been approved (if required) via this [online application process](#) prior to departure.

Other UD travel remains suspended until further notice.

Travel approval is required when UD employees and students need to use shared/public transportation (e.g., Uber/Lyft, buses, trains, planes) and/or overnight accommodations. Day trips using one's own vehicle are not subject to this approval process.

UD employees who are approved to travel are encouraged to use [Concur](#) for all travel-related bookings and transactions and are responsible for keeping up to date with changing [CDC](#) and [U.S. Department of State](#) travel guidance.



Research Ramp-Up Phases

Click on each phase for more details. We are now reviewing PI request forms for Phase 3. If you already have campus access and are bringing additional coworkers on-site and/or accessing additional space you must submit a new Phase 3 request.



Summer Undergraduate Research



UD is planning for face-to-face undergraduate research this summer.

Individual programs are making their own decisions. Students should check with the specific program director for details.

Questions

Submit your questions via the Zoom Q&A



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