### JEFFERSON COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

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# Jefferson County, NY COVID-19 Monthly Index February 2022

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Attached, please find the February 2022 Jefferson County, NY COVID-19 Monthly Index. Components of the index include vaccination data, testing data, COVID-19 community level designated by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control, wastewater results, hospital discharge data, and mortality data. This month's report continues to delineate mortality data from the beginning of the pandemic to present, as well as a graphic of February 2022 hospital and community deaths due to COVID-19 and vaccination status of the decedents. It is important to note that all vaccinated individuals that died of COVID-19 in February had significant pre-existing conditions. Of the  $\underline{4}$  individuals who died of COVID-19 and were unvaccinated,  $\underline{3}$  had significant pre-existing conditions.

Because vaccine efficacy is waning, risk for contracting COVID-19 increases in fully vaccinated individuals. It is imperative that immunocompromised individuals receive a third dose, and that all receive a booster dose as soon as eligible. Immunocompromised individuals can receive a third dose of Pfizer or Moderna vaccine at least 28 days after their second dose.

Eligible individuals for a booster dose can receive Pfizer or Moderna vaccine at least 5 months after the second shot. Those who received one dose of Johnson & Johnson vaccine can receive a booster dose at least two months after the first shot.

If you have COVID-19 symptoms, please stay home. Do not go to work. Do not attend school. Avoid all public areas. If you need to be tested for COVID-19, use a home test, or visit <a href="https://coronavirus.health.ny.gov/find-test-site-near-you">https://coronavirus.health.ny.gov/find-test-site-near-you</a> to find a testing site near you. Testing site reference laboratories will automatically report results to the New York State Department of Health and Jefferson County Public Health Service. If you use a home test that results positive, please report the positive result to the Jefferson County Public Health Service by accessing the department's webpage at <a href="https://www.jcphs.org">www.jcphs.org</a>, click "Report a Positive At-Home Test" and follow instructions.

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Vaccinations in Jefferson County, NY		
People Vaccinated through 2/28/2022 -	At Least One Dose	Fully Vaccinated
Total	94,734	79,736
% of Total Population	86.3%	72.6%
Population <pre>&gt;5 Years of Age</pre>	94,734	79,736
% of Population <u>&gt;</u> 5 Years of Age	93.6%	78.8%
People Booster Vaccinated through 2/28/2022		30,998
% of Fully Vaccinated Population with a Booster Dose		38.9%
Source: U.S. Centers for Disease Control.		

### **Testing Data:**

Total Positive through 2/28/2022: <u>24,565</u> Source: Jefferson County Public Health Service.

Positive Case Rate per 100,000 population – 118.36

Source: U.S. Centers for Disease Control.

## Jefferson County, NY COVID-19 Community Level: MEDIUM

Source: U.S. Centers for Disease Control.

COVID-19 Community Level is a new rating based on new COVID-19 cases per 100,000 population (7-day total), new COVID-19 hospital admissions per 100,000 population (7-day total), and percent of hospital inpatient beds occupied by COVID-19 patients (7-day average).

#### **Wastewater Results:**

SARS-CoV-2 <u>City of Watertown</u>, Wastewater Testing Result, as of 2/24/2022: <u>HIGH</u>

SARS-CoV-2 Village of Carthage/West Carthage, Wastewater Testing Result, as of 2/24/2022: HIGH

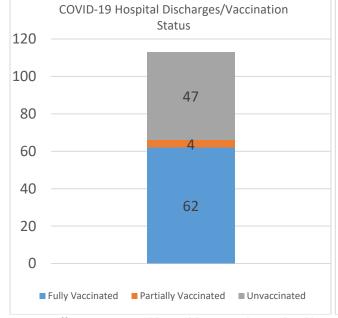
SARS-CoV-2 Thousand Islands Central School District, Wastewater Testing Result, as of 2/17/2022: HIGH

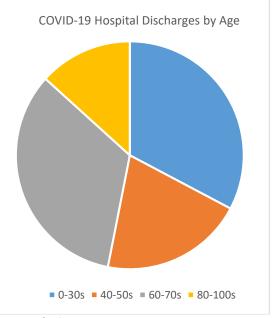
**HIGH** = COVID-19 quantifiable indicating active transmission with remediation needed immediately.

Source: Quadrant Viral Testing, LLC.

### Hospital Discharges, February 2022:

Total Jefferson County, NY Residents COVID-19 Hospital Discharges 2/1-28/2022: 113



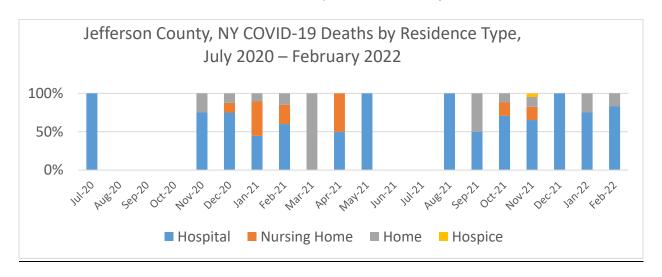


Source: Jefferson County Public Health Service; hospital and long term care facilities.

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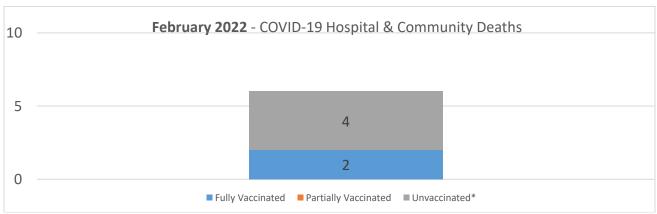
#### Deaths:

Total Jefferson County, NY Residents COVID-19 Deaths as of 2/28/2022: <u>159</u>
July 2020 – 1; August 2020 – 0; September 2020 – 0; October 2020 – 0; November 2020 – 4;
December 2020 – 8; January 2021 – 48; February 2021 – 20; March 2021 – 1; April 2021 – 2;
May 2021 – 3; June 2021 – 0; July 2021 – 0; August 2021 – 2; September 2021 – 2; October 2021 – 18;
November 2021 – 24; December 2021 – 12; January 2022 – 8; **February 2022 - 6.** 



**Total Male:** Youngest: 83 Age 30s: 6 30 **Total Female: 76** Age 40s: 3 Oldest: 104 TOTAL: Age 50s: **75 159 13** Average Age:

Age 60s: 27
Age 70s: 41
Age 80s: 41
Age 90s: 27
Age 100s: 1



<sup>\*</sup>All vaccinated individuals that died of COVID-19 had significant pre-existing conditions. <u>3</u> Unvaccinated individuals that died of COVID-19 had significant pre-existing conditions.

Source: Jefferson County Public Health Service; Jefferson County Medical Examiner.