

# COVID-19

Bi-Weekly Update, 8/5/22

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Cochise County  
Health and Social Services

**Cochise County Community Level:**

**MEDIUM**

## **Prevention Steps To Take Based on COVID-19 Community Level:**

- If you are at high risk for severe illness, talk to your healthcare provider about whether you need to wear a mask and take other precautions
- Stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccines
- Get tested if you have symptoms



# As of August 3, 2022

## Recent Updates:

- **New COVID-19 vaccine: Novavax**
  - Novavax COVID-19 Vaccine, Adjuvanted is available under EUA to prevent COVID-19 in individuals 18 years of age and older.
  - The vaccine is authorized for emergency use as a two-dose primary series. The two doses are given three weeks apart. (CDC)
- **Chiricahua Community Health Centers, Inc is the ONLY provider currently carrying Novavax.**
  - Available Monday-Friday from 9 am - 4 pm at Bisbee Infectious Disease Program clinic (310 Arizona St, Bisbee). These vaccines are open to everyone and they do not need to be a CCHCI patient to receive.



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## Cases and Trends

- **629** new cases since 7/20/22
  - 34,895 total COVID-19 cases
- **18** new hospitalization since 7/20/22
  - 1,411 total COVID-19 hospitalizations
- **4** confirmed deaths since 7/20/22
  - 587 total COVID-19-related deaths
- Many schools in the County started on 8/1/22 and we already have 13 cases reported.

Note: The numbers reported are subject to lag, there may be some discrepancy in the data previously reported. As data is received each week, prior case counts and rates are updated accordingly.



# Cases and Case Hospitalizations by Week

## Cases and Case Hospitalizations by MMWR Week

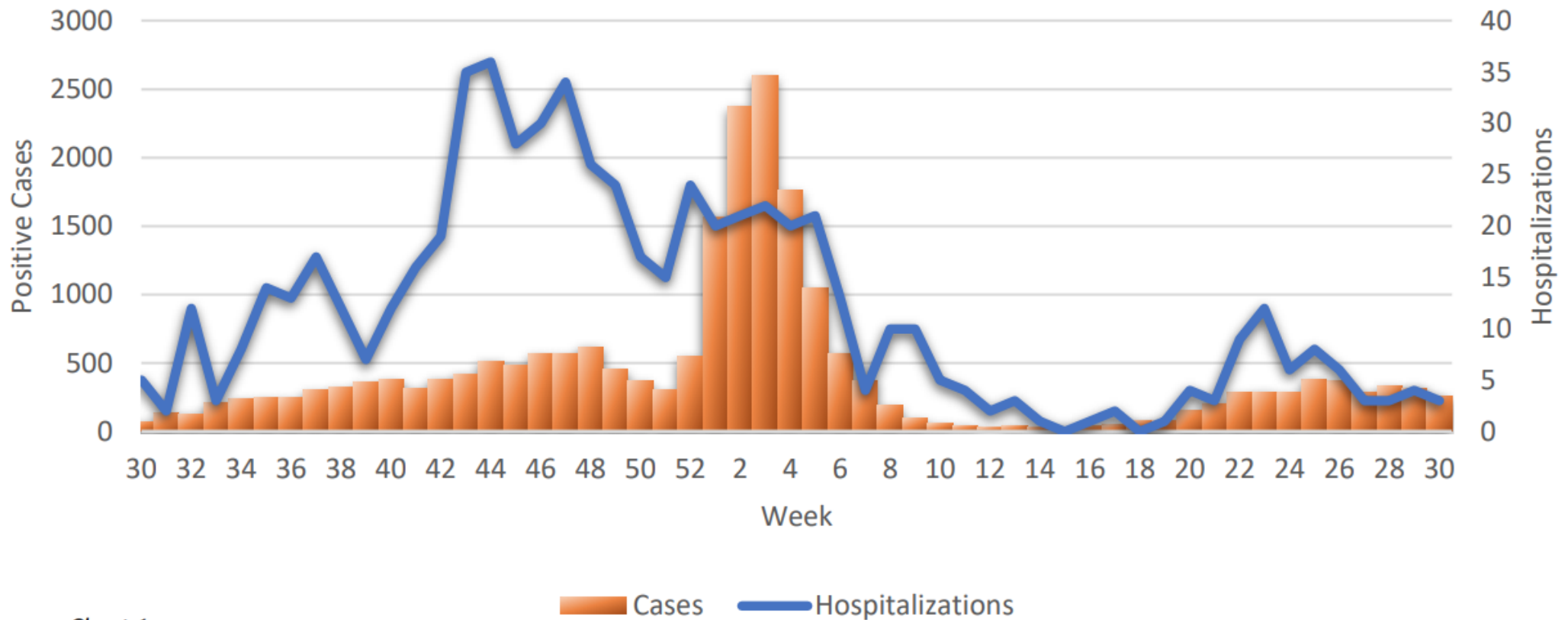


Chart 1

In week 30, there were 257 new cases reported with 3 hospitalizations. Positive cases have been averaging around 300 cases per week for the past 9 weeks. 1,200 - 1,400 tests are conducted weekly and % the positivity is roughly 30% for the past 6 weeks. Omicron subvariants BA.4 & BA.5 are responsible for our current and second largest spike of cases in 2022.



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## COVID-19 Vaccines:

- **221,207** total vaccine doses administered to Cochise County residents
- **81,203** Cochise County residents have been fully vaccinated against COVID-19
- The new Novavax vaccine for ages 18+ is now available at Chiricahua Community Health Centers in the Bisbee Infections Disease Location.
- Contact your pediatrician or local health department clinic to immunize 6-month to 5-year-olds.
  - Pfizer vaccines for this age group is a 3-vaccination series
  - Moderna vaccines for this age group is a 2-vaccine series



# As of June 22, 2022

## COVID-19 Testing:

- Households are eligible to order free COVID-19 at-home-tests kits. Each order includes 8 tests per household.
- CHSS is providing at-home test kits that can be acquired at all Cochise County Health Departments.
- Local healthcare providers continue to offer free testing at select locations. Call or visit your nearest provider to learn more.
- Find COVID-19 Testing
  - [www.testnow.com](http://www.testnow.com)
  - [www.covidtests.gov](http://www.covidtests.gov) (order 3rd round)

