



Health Alert



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Chicago COVID-19 Hot Spot Report August 17, 2021 Summary and Action Items

- **COVID-19 test positivity and case incidence are increasing in Chicago.**
- **Chicago is averaging 444 new cases of COVID-19 per day, and test positivity is at 4.5%**
- Vaccines provide good coverage against COVID-19 illness, including the Delta variant. Continue to advise vaccination for everyone age 12 and older to protect against COVID-19 and its variants.
- **Effective August 20, 2021, masks are required in all indoor public settings in Chicago. Visit Chicago Reopening Business Portal for more information at Chicago.gov/reopening.**

Chicago COVID-19 Trends: as of 8/17/21

- 7-day rolling average for COVID-19 test positivity in Chicago is 4.5%. This is an **increase** from the prior week's 7-day average of 3.8%.
- 7-day rolling average for daily COVID-19 cases in Chicago is 444. This is an **increase** from the prior week's 7-day average of 359 daily cases.
- 7-day rolling average for deaths related to COVID-19 is 2.14 deaths per day. This is a **mild decrease** from the prior week's 7-day average of 3.29 deaths per day.
- All [CDC-defined variants of concern](#) have been detected in Chicago, and the Delta variant is likely causing the majority of COVID-19 cases. Find the IDPH page on COVID-19 variants of concern [here](#).
- Visit the [Chicago COVID Dashboard](#) for detailed data on COVID-19 cases and vaccination.



COVID-19 cases - hot spot analysis by Census tract

