Alameda County COVID-19 Community Advisory Group

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Meeting 29
November 15, 2022

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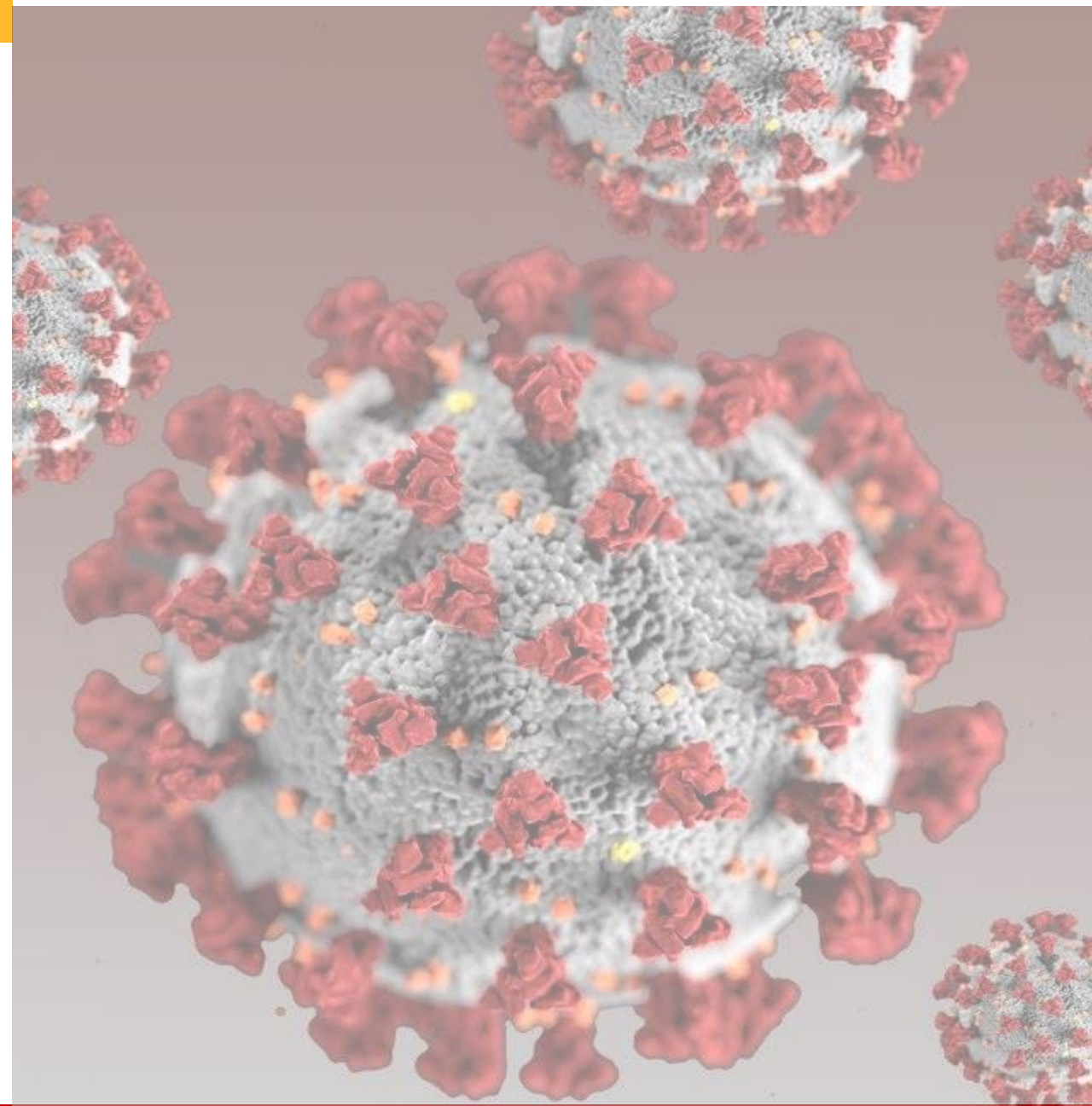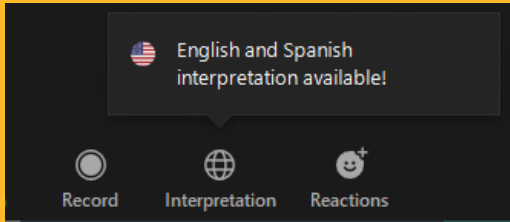
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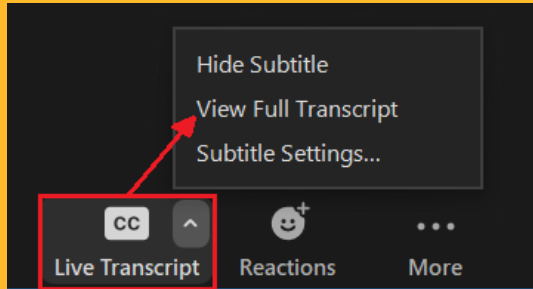*Live interpretation services are available in Spanish.*

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  - Haga click en "Accessibility"
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1. **Welcome**

2. **County Updates**

3. **COVID-19 Panel Discussion**

4. **Close Out**

Please mute your microphone when not speaking.

Please ask your questions in the chat.

2. County Updates

Epidemic Data Key Points

- 10.9 cases per 100,000 residents per day

- 6.3% test positivity

- ~3200 reported lab PCR tests per day

- 86 hospitalized, 8 ICU

- 495 deaths in 2022 to date

- Still in CDC "Low" Community Level but seeing increases in metrics

Visit the COVID-19 dashboard for more data
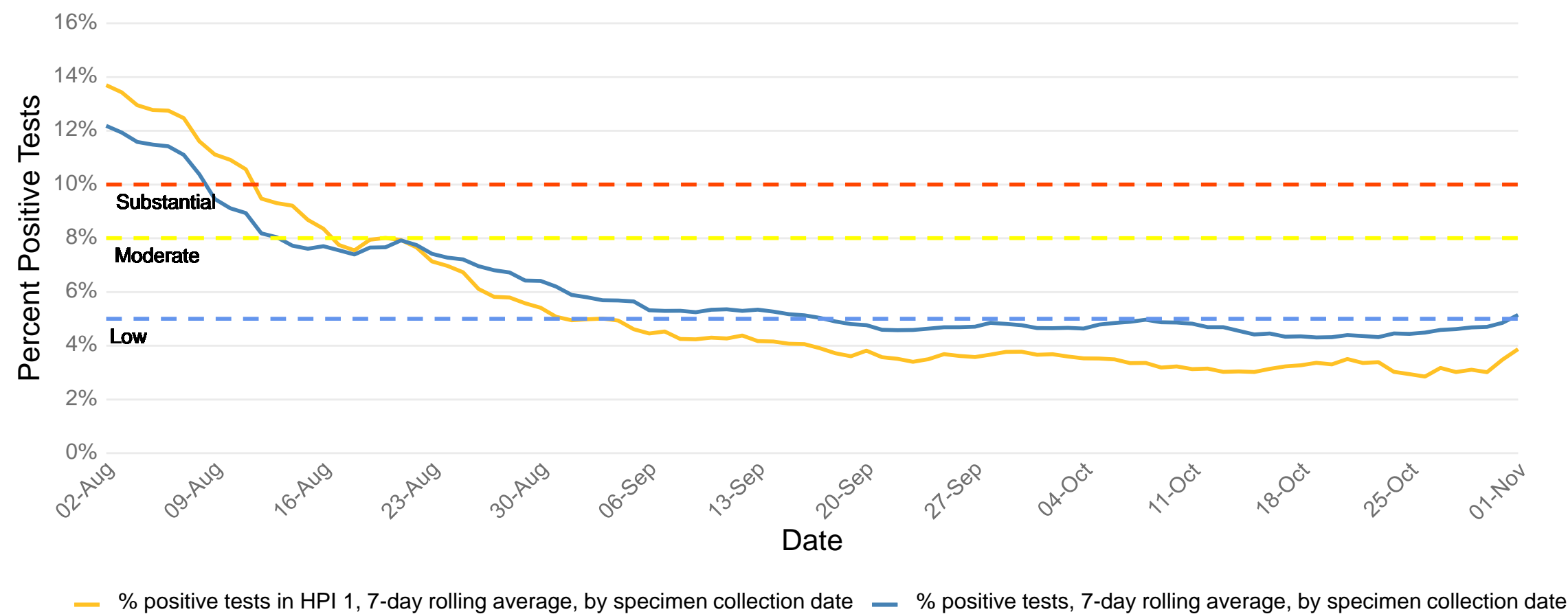
Alameda County COVID-19 Daily Case Rate
Tasa diaria de casos de COVID-19 del Condado de Alameda
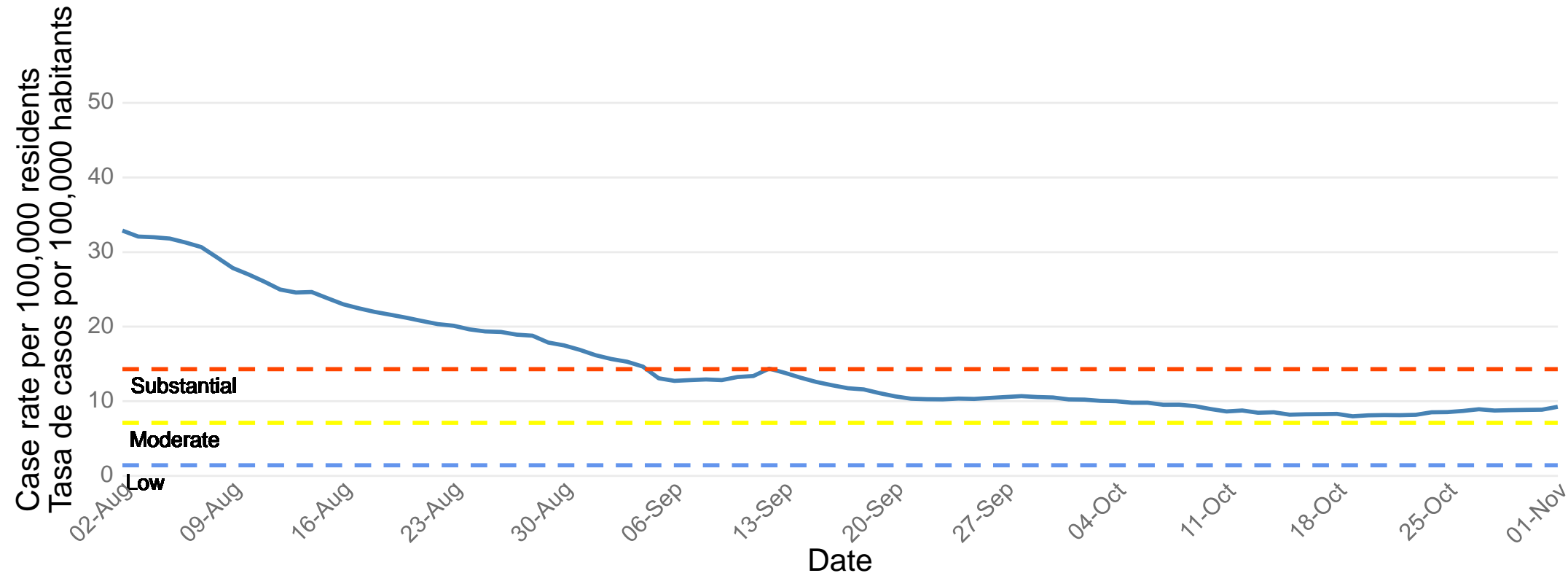
New cases per 100,000 per day, 7-day average, by episode date
— Casos nuevos por 100,000 por día, promedio de 7 días, por fecha de episodio

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Transmission thresholds are adapted from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention weekly thresholds, available at: https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#county-view
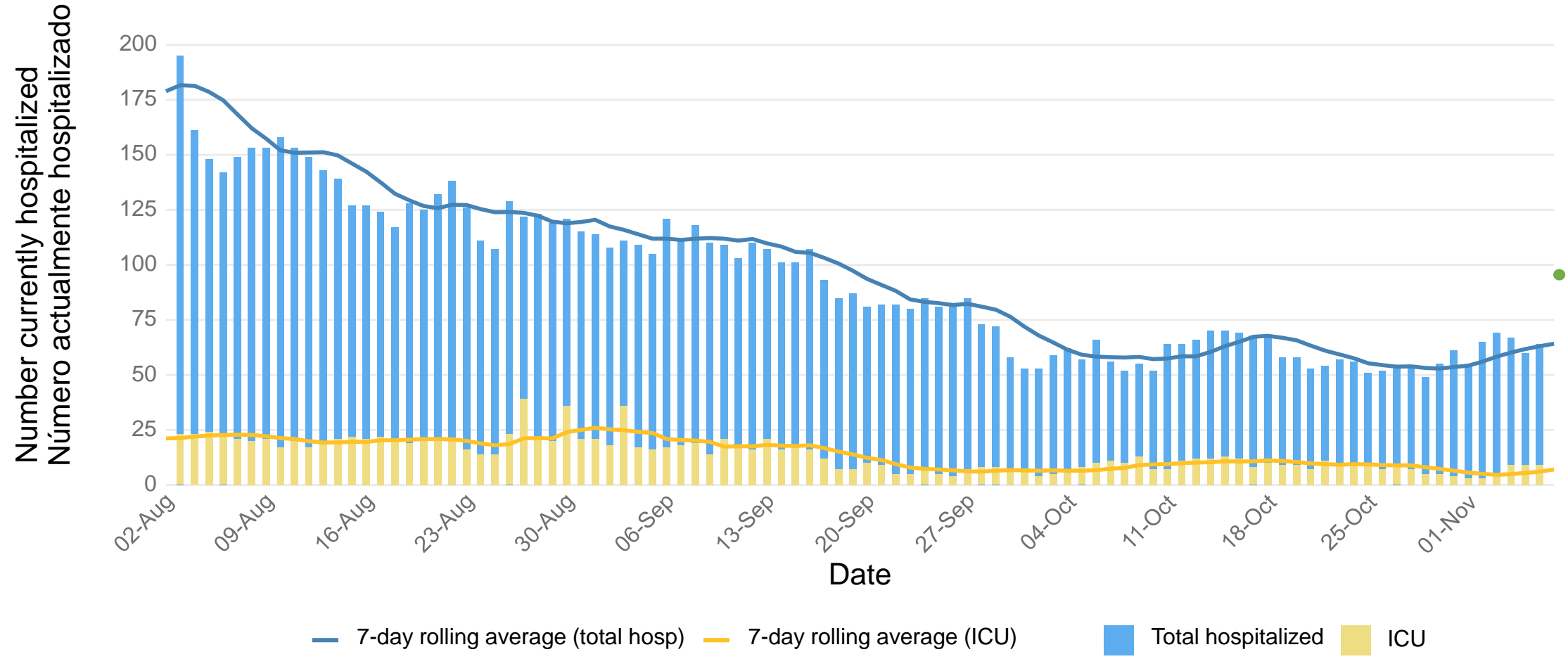
Alameda County COVID-19 Test Positivity

Includes City of Berkeley
Source: CalREDIE Data Distribution Portal download November 9, 2022

Patients with COVID-19 Currently Hospitalized in Alameda County
Pacientes con COVID-19 actualmente hospitalizados en el Condado de Alameda

Source: California Department of Public Health

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Wastewater Monitoring to 11/9 – East Bay Municipal Utilities District

Concentration Unit: SARS-CoV-2/PMMoV
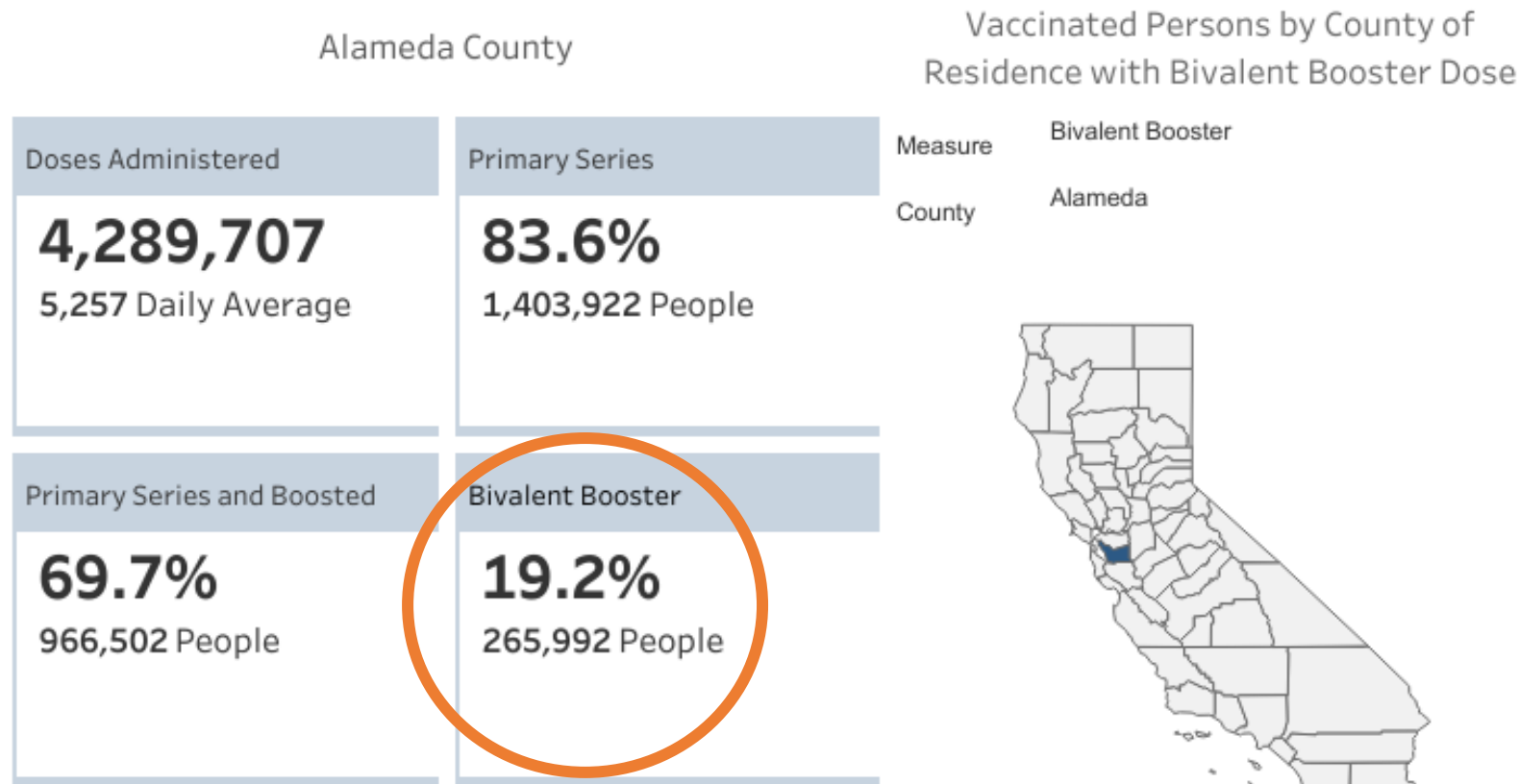Data Source: CDPH Drinking Water and Radiation Lab
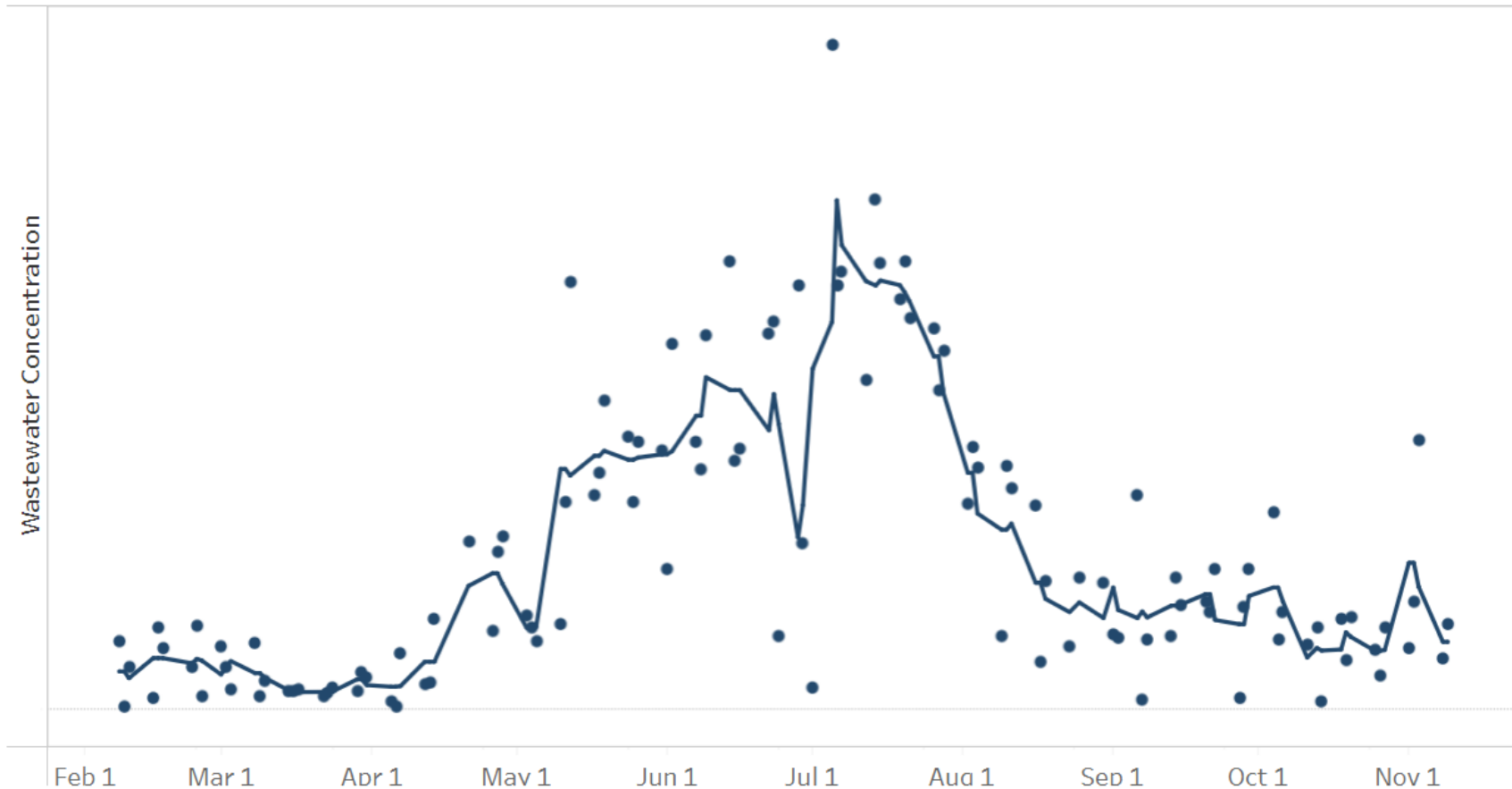
Cal-SuWers Network Dashboard accessed 11/15/22

Updated Bivalent Booster Uptake in Alameda County, 11/10/22

Alameda County

Doses Administered	Primary Series
4,289,707	**83.6%**
5,257 Daily Average	1,403,922 People

Primary Series and Boosted	Bivalent Booster
69.7%	**19.2%**
966,502 People	265,992 People

See Data Dictionary for Details.

Vaccinated Persons by County of Residence with Bivalent Booster Dose

Measure — Bivalent Booster
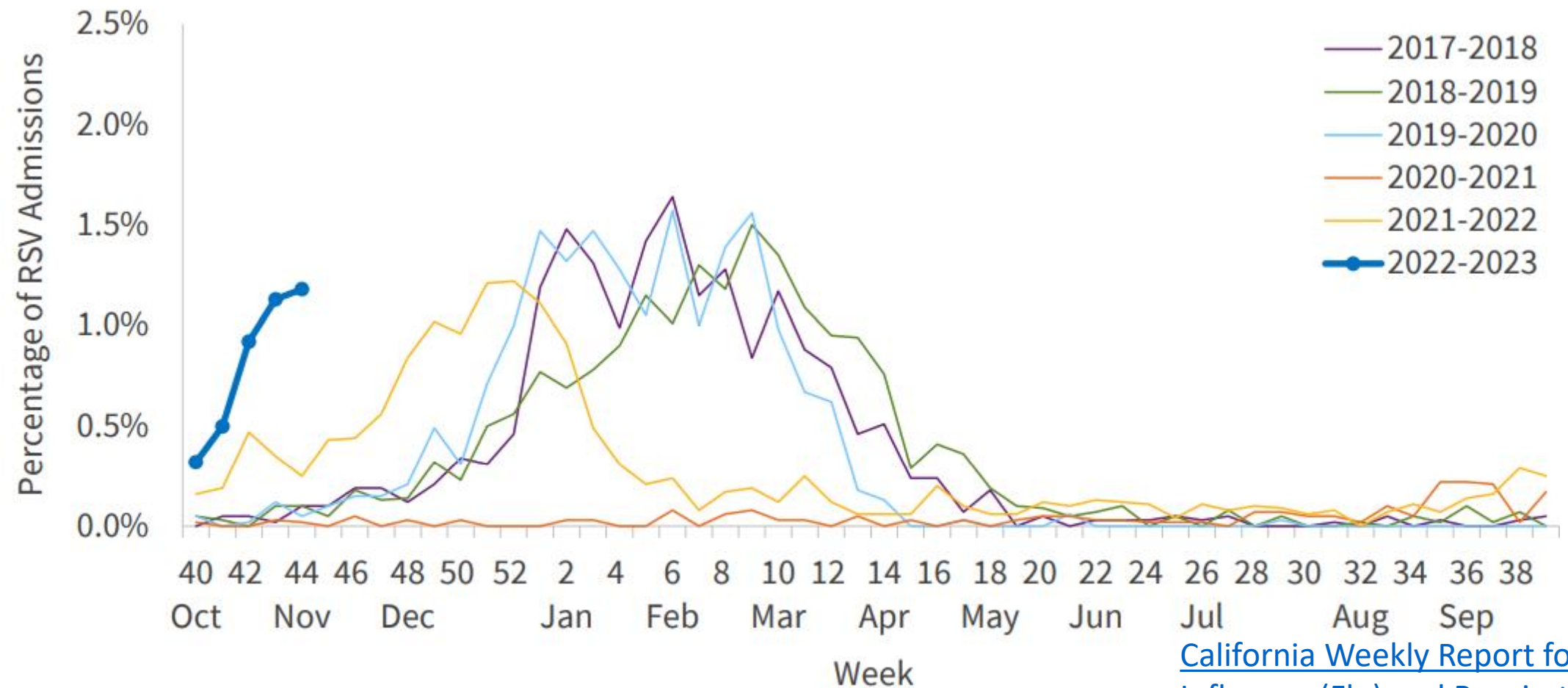
County — Alameda

Data: 11/3/2022 11:59pm | Posted: 11/4/2022
*Not reported on weekends or state holidays

Vaccination data - Coronavirus COVID-19 Response (ca.gov)

Percentage of RSV Admissions in Nor Cal Kaiser Facilities, 2017–present

Note: Data have been shifted so that Week 1 aligns across seasons.

California Influenza Activity Levels, October 30

Minimal — Low — Moderate — High — Very High
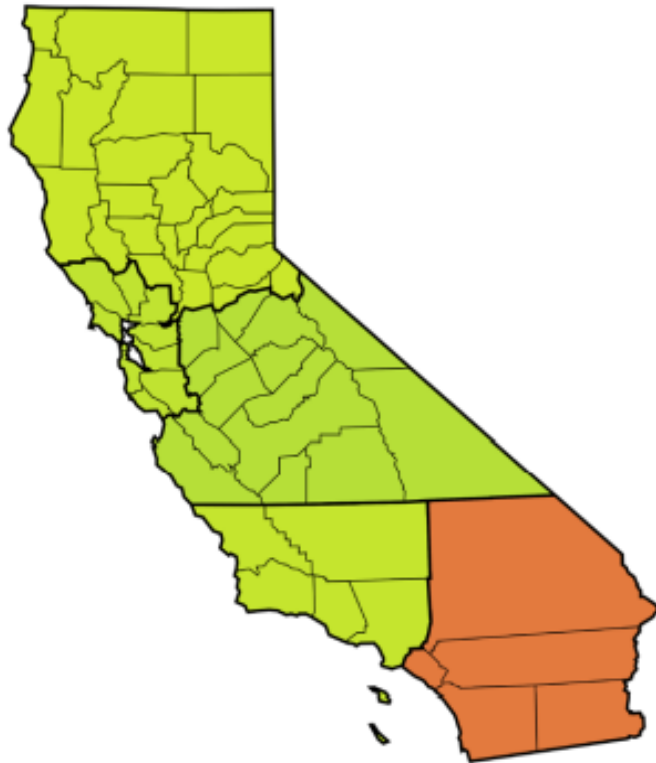
Geographic Area	Activity Level
California Statewide	**Moderate**
Northern Region	Low
Bay Area Region	Low
Central Region	Low
Upper Southern Region	Low
Lower Southern Region	High

What can residents do about RSV, flu and COVID-19?

- Residents can take the same actions to protect themselves and others that we've been recommending throughout the pandemic:
  - Stay home when sick
  - Stay up-to-date on COVID-19 and flu vaccinations
  - Keep gatherings smaller and outside or well-ventilated
  - Wear masks
  - Test for COVID-19
  - Have a plan to get treatment when needed

COVID-19 Emergency Declarations Update

- Another Fall & Winter COVID-19 wave may be starting
  - Additional hospital strain possible due to other circulating viruses
- The National Emergency and Public Health Emergency remain in effect
  - Federal Public Health Emergency will be in effect until at least April 2023
- The State Emergency Declaration remains in effect until Feb. 28, 2023
  - Effects of Winter wave likely to diminish by late February
- The Alameda County Local Health Emergency remains in effect now
  - 47 of 58 CA counties still have COVID-19 local health emergencies
  - We will assess COVID-19 transmission and severity into the Winter
  - We intend to align with State timeframe, as local conditions allow

COVID Division Current Surge Planning Activities

Outreach & Education - Support Community Resilience Coalitions and single organizations outreach and education to reach unvaccinated and uninsured

COVID Investigations - Infection Prevention Education & Information Sharing

Vaccines - In partnership with CR Partners and CBOs/FBOs
- Co-location of COVID/Flu & School-based Vaccination Clinics through December

Testing & Treatment

- Link residents directly to treatment at testing sites

- Link un/underinsured residents with tele-health resources

COVID Division Surge Strategies

COVID Investigations
- Prioritize high consequence settings for investigation
- Leverage cross trained staff where needed
- Deprioritize Site Visits with LTCFs
- Increase Technical Assistance to support facilities with outbreaks

Vaccines
- When demand in any one of the modalities or vaccine type (COVID, Flu) increases, other modalities are reduced.

Testing & Treatment
- Increase availability of Home Tests
- Focus on uninsured and underinsured.
- Increase targeted distribution of test kits.
- Utilize mobile vendors for highest priority zip codes and settings (e.g., highest case rates, LTCFs)

# COVID Community Support Services Continue

- **Information Sharing** - Vaccination PODs, Therapeutics, Access to Testing

- **Flu & COVID Vaccination Education**

- **Inquiries Call Line**

  - Vaccination Appointments

  - Isolation Guidance

  - Access to Treatments

  - MPX Information

  - Resource Navigation

- **Therapeutics Coordination** - Connect Positive residents to Treatment Options and

  Sesame Care

COVID Division Beyond March

- Shift from an Emergency Response

- Downscale and Integrate into DCDCP

- CR Partner Coordination

- Community Health Education

- Changing Social Norms

- Integrating other Services at Direct Services Sites

MPX Updates

Milestones in the MPX Response

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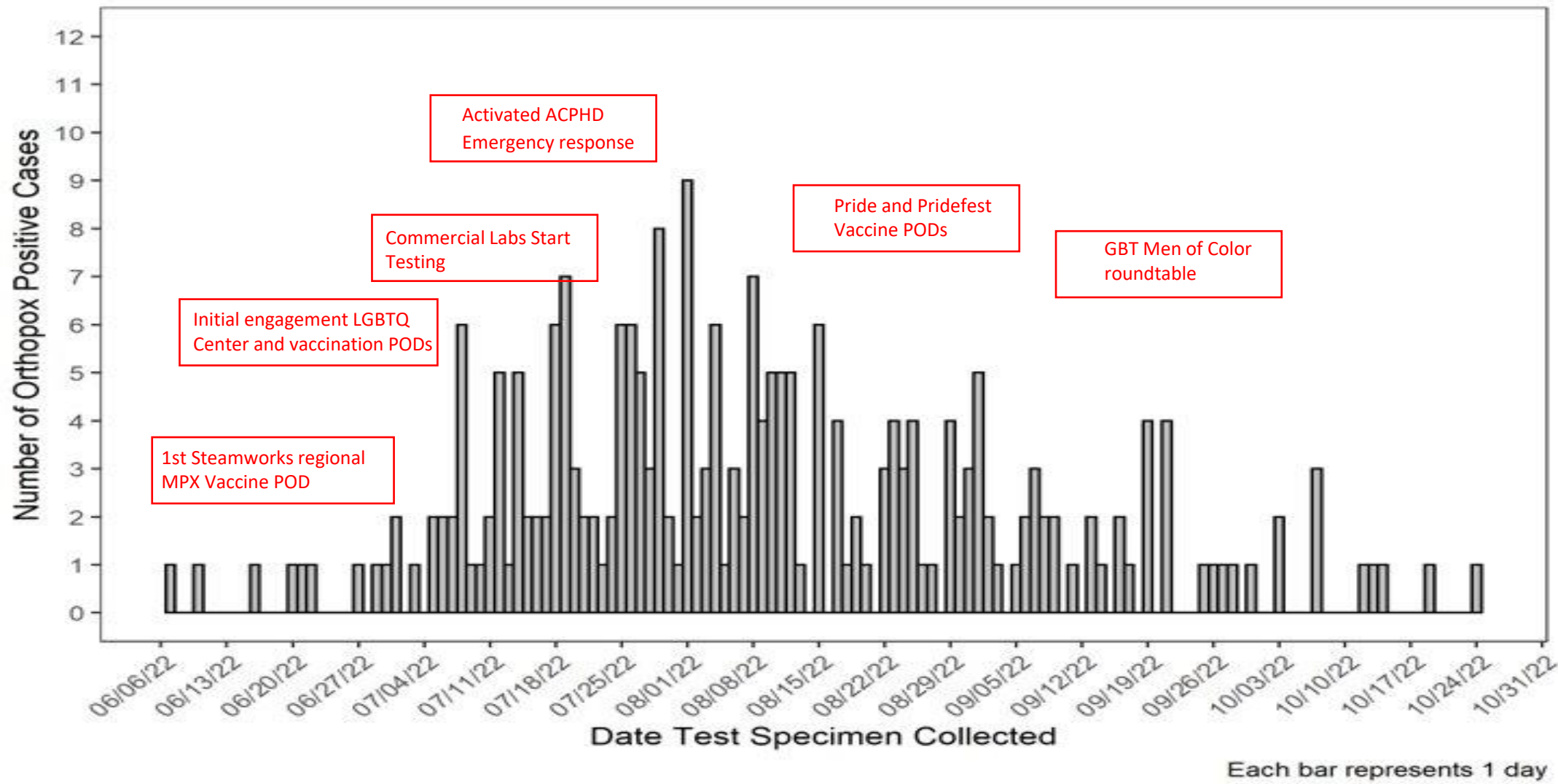
Summary

MPX outbreak resulted in 242 illnesses in Alameda County

- Cases are decreasing in Alameda County, California and the US
- Continued activities include case investigations, contact tracing, provider and community engagement, education, and vaccination (first doses and completion of the two-dose series)

This MPX outbreak has primarily impacted young gay, bisexual and other men who have sex with men in the Black and African American and Hispanic and Latinx communities

- Ongoing community engagement efforts to reach and provide health information/education, vaccinations, and other services/resources

3. COVID-19 Panel Discussion

COVID-19 Panel Discussion

Moving from emergency response to an ongoing public health response for community resilience.

We know some things about reactions/distrust/motivations from Black/Brown communities & need to know what our communities would like to see next.

Alameda County Vaccine Survey-2021

- Learn about barriers to vaccination especially among BIPOC

- Biggest differences between respondents who were or weren't vaccinated were:

  1. concern about the **safety** of the vaccine

  2. **trust** in the federal government or Dr. Fauci

  3. whether or not **side effects** were worth it

- Other major factors:

  - For Latinx respondents, whether or not **other people in their community** were getting the vaccine

  - For Black/African American respondents, **cost**

Alameda County Vaccine Survey-2021

- Vaccinated respondents reflected a broader range of concerns that can be grouped in four categories:

  - Factual – i.e., safety, effectiveness

  - Principled – i.e., people have a responsibility

  - Pragmatic – i.e., getting appointments easily, having vaccines offered in convenient places, getting it for free, businesses and schools opening

  - Collectivist – i.e., info from other trusted sources, other people in the community getting vaccinated, concern for family and friends

- Concerns and motivations differ by race/ethnicity, and so too should our messaging.

"Why Did You Decide to Get Vaccinated?" and "Why have you decided to NOT get Vaccinated so far?"
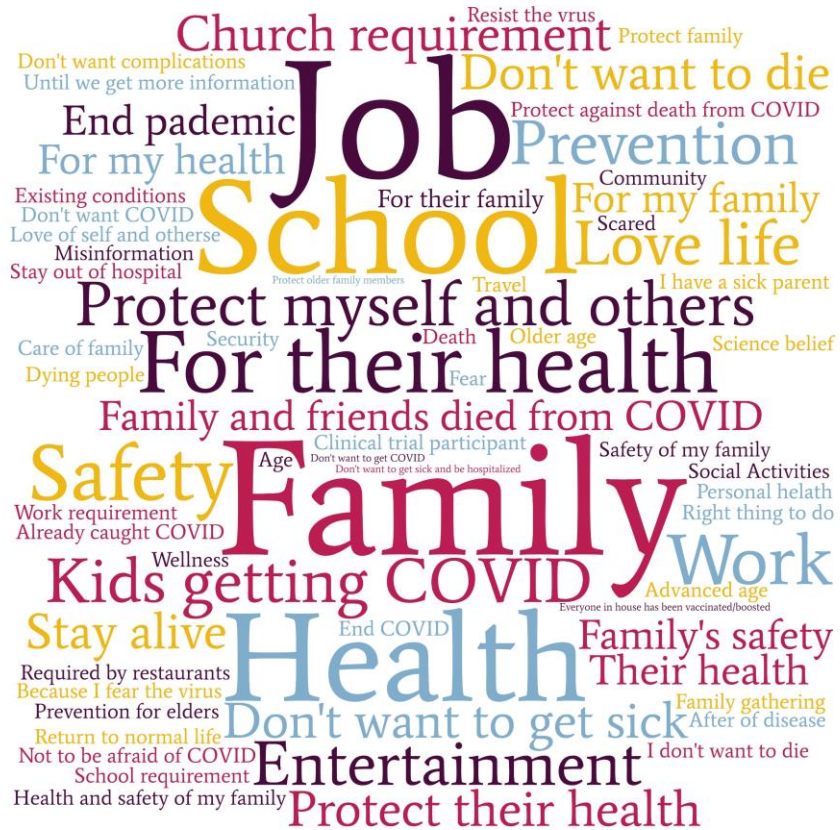
From DOOR Outreach Conversations with Residents of Census Tracts with Highest Numbers of unvaccinated Black and Latino residents--9/21 to 6/22

Panelists

1. Serenity House—Nicole Gardner

2. Tiburcio Vasquez Health Center—Caroline Sison

3. Umoja—Dr. Kim Rhoads

Panel Discussion—COVID-19 and Social Norms

1. Please provide an introduction about what your COVID engagement, outreach, and messaging strategies have been to help communities protect themselves. What has worked?

Panel Discussion—COVID-19 and Social Norms

2. Based on your experience with COVID-19 health promotion and safety, what are the unexpected successes & challenges of the work?

Panel Discussion—COVID-19 and Social Norms

3. What do you think that **we (PHD + community partners)** can do to change social norms in our communities and encourage protective behaviors going forward? What can we provide & what do we say?

THANK YOU!

COVID-19 Vaccine
covid-19.acgov.org/vaccines
(510) 208-4829

COVID-19 Testing
covid-19.acgov.org/testing

@Dare2BWell

Community Advisory Group (CAG)
2nd Tues. of the month, 5:30-7:00 PM; next on 12/13
covid-19.acgov.org/community-advisory-group

Public Health Commission
2nd Thurs. of the month, 6:00-8:00 PM; next on 12/15
acphc.wordpress.com

Health Care Services Agency (HCSA)
COVID-19 Updates
Includes presentations & newsletters
covid-19.acgov.org/response

BE Well

Access to COVID Therapeutics (Treatment)
Acceso a la terapéutica COVID (Tratamiento)

TESTED POSITIVE? NEED TREATMENT? NO DOCTOR?
¿HA DADO POSITIVO? ¿NECESITA TRATAMIENTO? ¿NO HAY MÉDICO?

Sesame Care: 833-686-5051 | https://sesamecare.com/covidca

- California COVID Telemedicine Line for FREE virtual health screenings and FREE prescriptions (Paxlovid or molnupiravir) / Línea de telemedicina COVID de California para realizar exámenes de salud virtuales y prescripciones GRATUITAS (Paxlovid o molnupiravir)

- Appointments in English & Spanish, interpretation line for other languages / Citas en inglés y español, línea de interpretación para otros idiomas

HAVING TROUBLE OR HAVE OTHER QUESTIONS?
¿TIENE PROBLEMAS O TIENE OTRAS PREGUNTAS?

ACPHD COVID Community Support : 510-268-2101 | ncov@acgov.org

Alameda County Health Care Services Agency

Alameda County Public Health Department
Celebrating Healthy People in Healthy Communities

COVID-19 Treatment

- Medication is available for people with COVID at high risk* of severe illness
    - Paxlovid, Remdesivir, Molnupravir, Bebtelivomab
- Low-barrier treatment options in Alameda County:
    - CDPH Optum Serve mobile test sites (Paxlovid)
    - COVID Division treatment call center in planning
    - COVID Division working with local testing providers to offer treatment (LFCS, WOHC, La Clinica, ROOTS)
- **Test-to-treat** resources also linked at **https://covid.gov/**
    - **Test to Treat Locator**
    - **Find a testing site**
- Contact your medical provider first if possible
- COVID Division Call Center in progress to connect COVID positive individuals to treatment options **510.268.2101 ncov@acgov.org**

* **Underlying Medical Conditions Associated with Higher Risk for Severe COVID-19: Information for Healthcare Professionals | CDC**