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COVID-19 Update

March 1, 2022
11:00 a.m. CST



Agenda

- Welcome and Overview - Commissioner
- Public Health Updates - Dr. Alice Sato
- Update on DHHS Workforce Development Grant
- Question and Answer



Nebraska Hospital Capacity & Respiratory Illness Dashboard | Nebraska DHRHS

Date updated through: 2/13/2022

COVID-19 Cases

Total Positive Cases

451,074

Total Tests

5,111,767

Active Hospitalizations

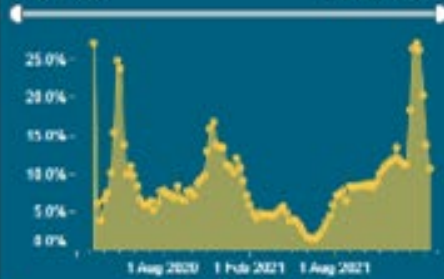
496

Deaths

3,153

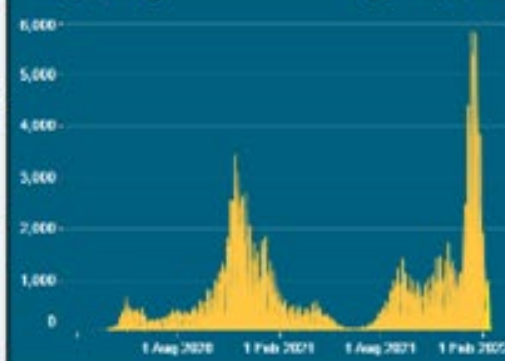
Weekly % Positive by Specimen Date

March 8, 2020 February 13, 2022



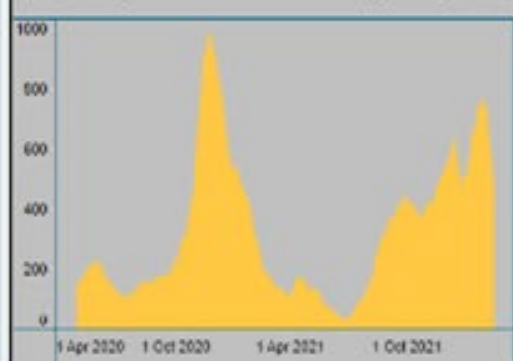
Positive Cases by Specimen Date

February 14, 2020 February 13, 2022



COVID-19 Active Hospitalizations

April 25, 2020 February 13, 2022



COVID-19 Vaccinations

Total Allocations

3,602,605

Total Administered

2,441,409

People

Fully Vaccinated

1,185,890

Partially Vaccinated

116,631

% Fully Vaccinated

66.89%

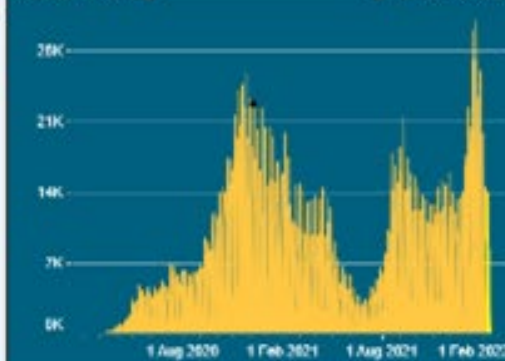
% Partially Vaccinated

6.58%

1.77 M People Ages 5+

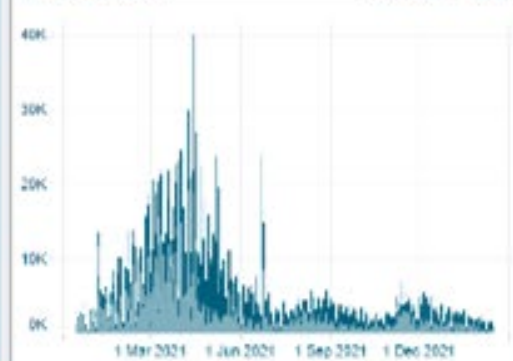
Test by Specimen Date

February 14, 2020 February 13, 2022

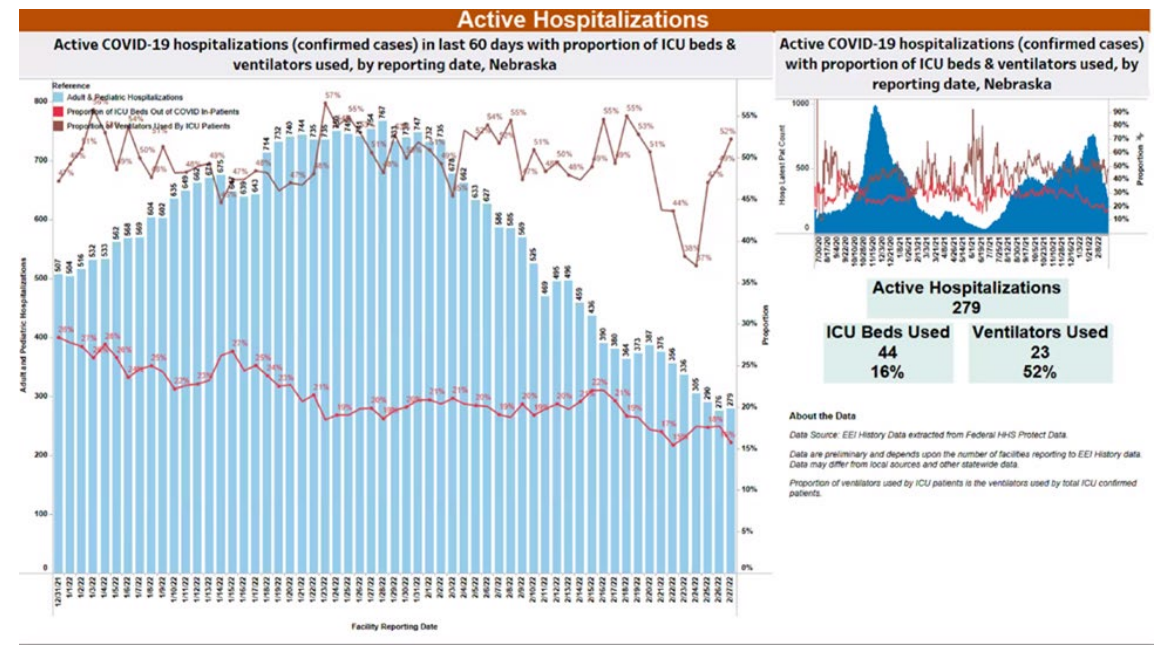
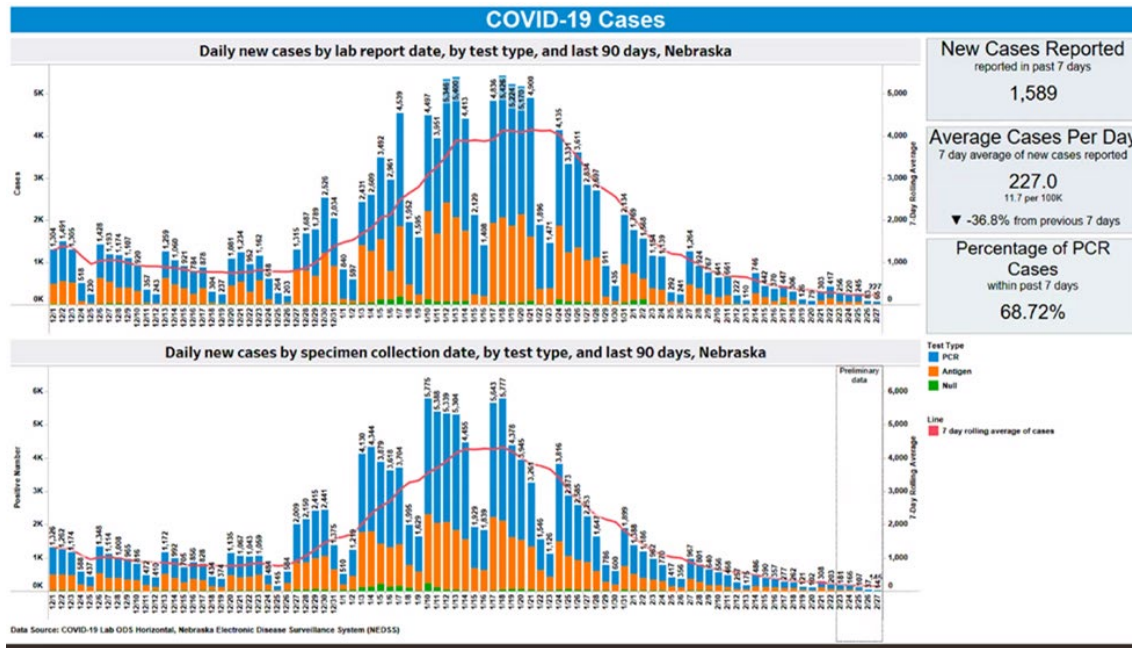


Daily New Vaccinations Administered

December 14, 2020 February 13, 2022



Cases and Hospitalizations



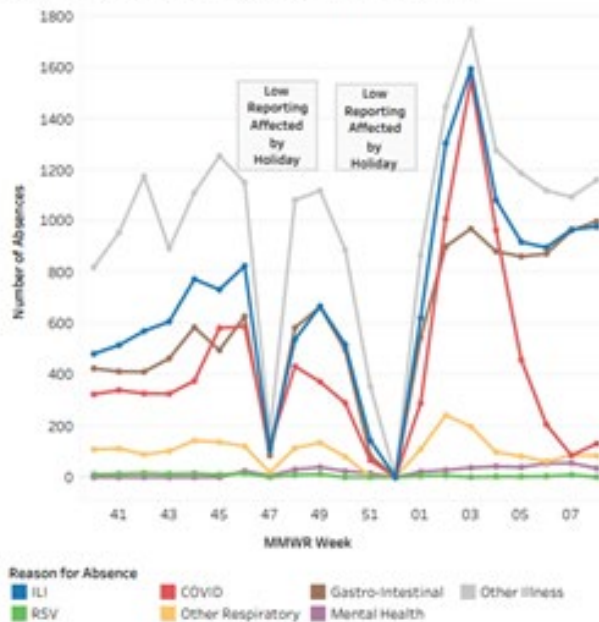
School Absenteeism Surveillance

Nebraska Influenza & Other Respiratory Disease Surveillance Report, 2021-22 Influenza Season, Week 07

(All data are preliminary and may change as more reports are received.)

SCHOOL ABSENTEEISM SURVEILLANCE

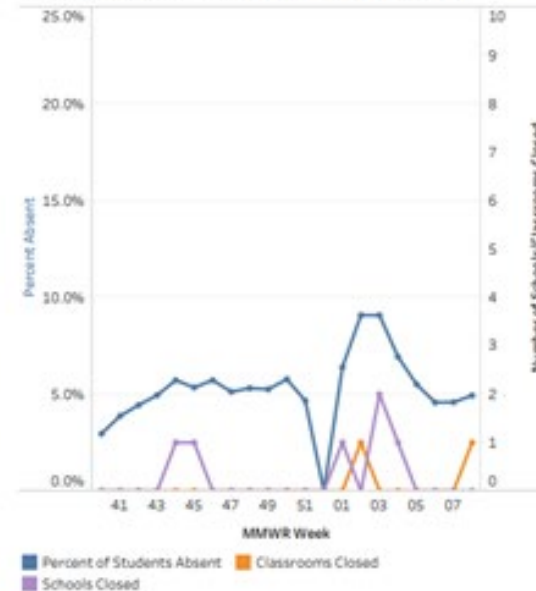
Student Absences due to Illness, by MMWR Week, 2021-22



Absenteeism Surveillance System Reporting Record over the past 5 MMWR Weeks, 2021-22 (N=1,565 schools)

MMWR Week	Number of Reports	Total Enrolled Reporters	Percent of Enrolled Reporting	New Reporters Enrolled
04	388	541	71.7%	+11
05	404	548	73.7%	+7
06	408	548	74.5%	+0
07	402	552	72.8%	+4
08	402	552	72.8%	+0

Percentage of Students Absent due to any Reason and Number of Schools Closed due to Illness, by MMWR Week, 2021-22



From: <https://dhhs.ne.gov/Flu%20Documents/Report.pdf>



Public Health Updates

Dr. Alice Sato, MD, PhD

- Assistant Professor, Division of Pediatric Infectious Diseases
- Associate Hospital Epidemiologist for Children's Hospital and Medical Center
- Member, Pediatric Infectious Disease Society



DHHS Outreach: Crisis Response Workforce Development Grant

The purpose of this program is to ***partner with academic institutions to develop a workforce pipeline to support school health.*** This will include work with Nebraska's community colleges and undergraduate programs to identify interns to support school health.

This will include

- Nursing,
- Social work,
- Other health professions to support both physical and mental health



Advantages & Next Steps

- Keeping students in school
- Keeping students and teachers safe
- Collaborations with the school –NDE, school nurses, internal and external partners

Benefits to schools extend beyond the COVID-19 as a pandemic and serves as a future safeguard against all infection diseases in our schools.

Expect outreach and a survey from **Andrew Delicata**



Reminder of Flexibilities



Next Call

Tuesday, March 15, 2022 at 11 a.m. CST

Submit Topics/Questions: <https://forms.gle/op7ZRq3h3CmFz3hs7>