# Media Briefing to Begin at 2:00pm

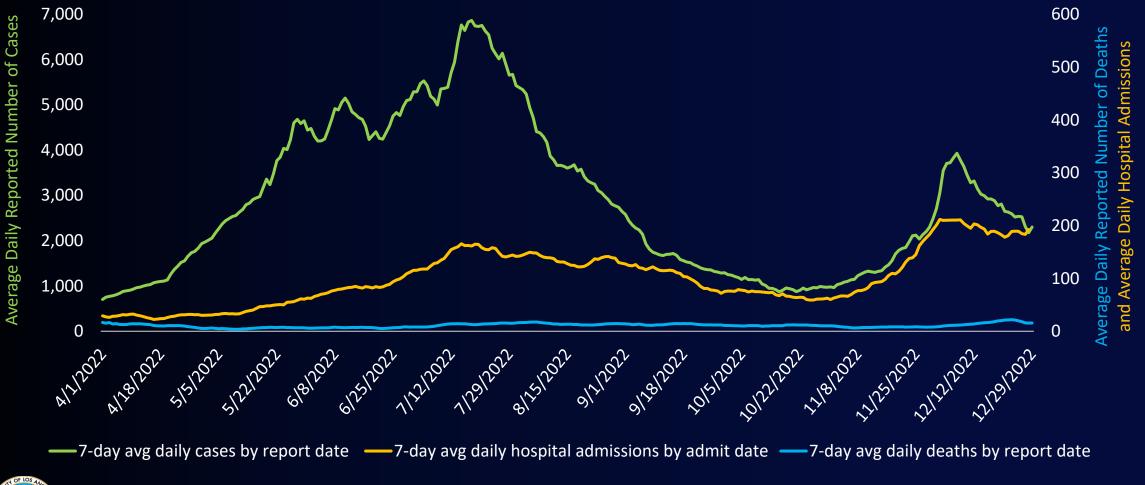




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#### 7-Day Average Daily COVID-19 Cases and Deaths by Report Date\* and Daily Hospital Admissions by Admit Date April 1, 2022 – December 29, 2022





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\*Case and death values include data from Long Beach and Pasadena.

## **CDC COVID-19 Community Levels**

New Cases (per 100,000 people in last 7 days)	Indicators	Low	Medium	High	LA County Current Values <u>New Cases:</u> 157/100,000 (as of 12/29/22)
Fewer than 200	New COVID-19 admissions per 100,000 population (7-day total)	<10.0	10.0-19.9	≥20.0	13.1
	Proportion of staffed inpatient beds occupied by COVID-19 patients (7-day average)	<10.0%	10.0-14.9%	≥15.0%	6.9%
200 or more	New COVID-19 admissions per 100,000 population (7-day total)	NA	<10.0	≥10.0	NA
	Proportion of staffed inpatient beds occupied by COVID-19 patients (7-day average)	NA	<10.0%	≥10.0%	NA

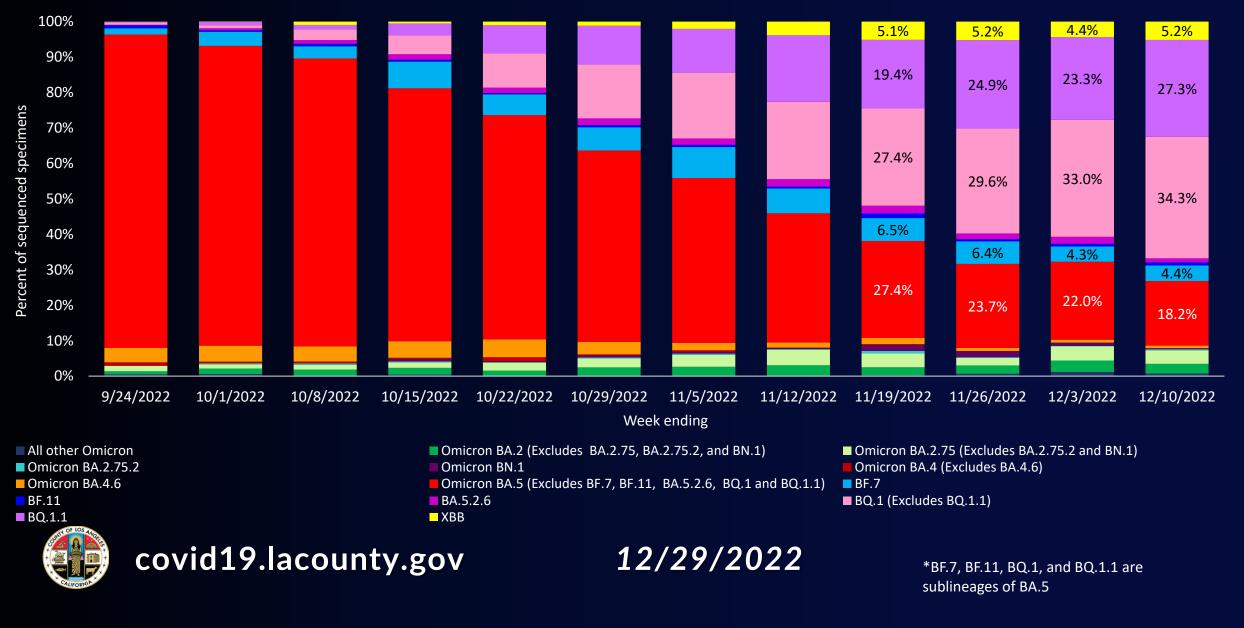
The COVID-19 community level is determined by the higher of the inpatient beds and new admissions indicators, based on the current level of new cases per 100,000 population in the past 7 days.



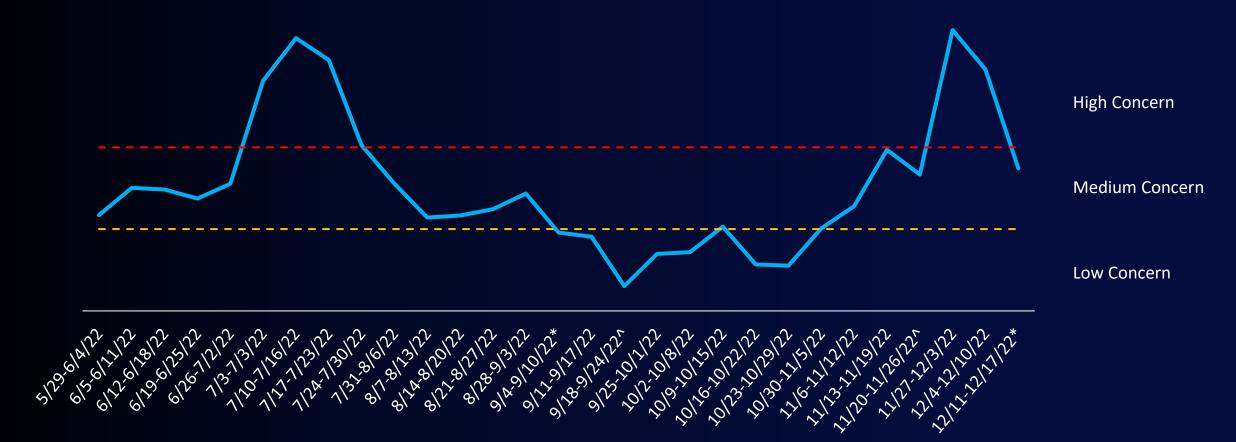
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#### SARS-CoV-2 Variants as a Percentage of All Specimens Sequenced for Baseline Variant Surveillance



Los Angeles County Population Weighted Average Wastewater SARS-CoV-2 Concentrations





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Data are normalized average wastewater SARS-CoV-2 concentrations. \*No data for Lancaster treatment plant ^No data for Lancaster & Tapia treatment plants

#### Los Angeles County Population Weighted Average Wastewater Influenza A Concentrations





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Data are normalized average wastewater SARS-CoV-2 concentrations for JWPCP, Hyperion, and Lancaster Sewer sheds. No data available for Tapia treatment plant.

Los Angeles County Population Weighted Average Wastewater RSV Concentrations





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# Ring in a Safe and Healthy 2023

- Test for COVID-19 before gatherings ph.lacounty.gov/covidtests
- Mask during indoor events and activities & consider masking outdoors in crowded spaces
- Wash hands frequently or use hand sanitizer
- If you test positive, and your provider is closed, options are available:
  - Fest to Treat sites ph.lacounty.gov/covidmedicines
    - Telehealth 1-833-540-0473 (7 days a week, 8 am 8:30 pm)

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# **Returning to School & Work**

Public Health strongly recommends that everyone continues to wear a mask in indoor public settings.

For those returning to work and school after travel and/or holiday gatherings, please mask indoors for, at minimum, the first 10 days following the holiday break.

- The holiday season brings increased risk of exposure, including at gatherings, events, and during travel.
- Ten days is the incubation period for COVID-19 and the time frame when COVID-19 can be spread unintentionally.
- Masking, along with practices like frequent handwashing and staying home when sick, can help provide protection from other viruses as well, including flu and RSV.



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