

# The COVID-19 Delta variant

## 4 things to know

### ACCORDING TO THE CDC AS OF JULY 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2021:



The **Delta variant is considered a variant of concern**—increasing from less than 1% of cases in May 2021 to over 80% of cases in July 2021

In **New Jersey**, the average daily number of new cases has steadily increased from approximately 200 to approximately 1,000 through July 2021.

In the **US**, the number of people hospitalized from **COVID-19 in July alone** has increased by more than 17,000, and ICU admissions in July alone have increased by more than 6,000



The **Delta variant spreads about twice as easily from person to person** than previous strains. Additionally, **people infected with the variant have higher viral loads—meaning more virus in their body**—than with previous variants



The best way to protect yourself from the virus is to get a COVID-19 vaccine. **Getting vaccinated makes you:**

**3.5X less likely** to get infected with COVID-19

**8X less likely** to get ill from COVID-19

**25X less likely** to be hospitalized or die from COVID-19

As of August 3<sup>rd</sup>, **more than 5.7 million people in New Jersey have received at least one dose of a COVID-19 vaccine** and over 10.5 million doses have been administered

While we are seeing case numbers similar to last summer, there are **over 70% fewer deaths due largely to the impact of vaccines.**



**Everyone should wear a mask in areas with high COVID-19 transmission**, regardless of vaccination status. **If you are unvaccinated or at high risk, wear a mask and keep physical distance in indoor and some outdoor spaces**

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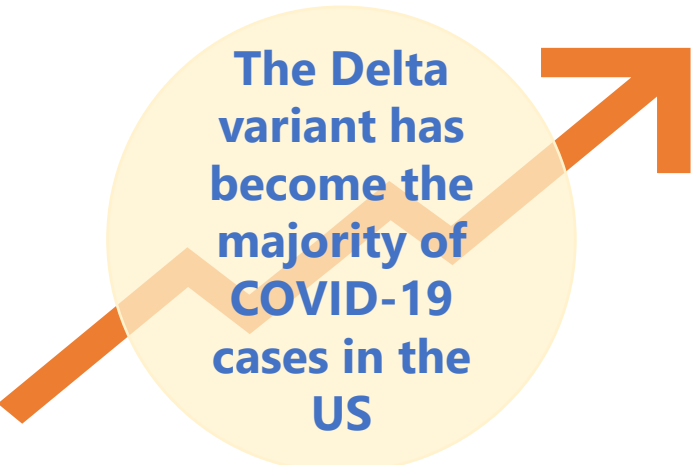
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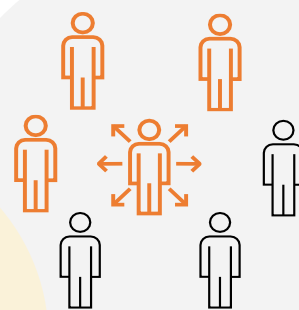
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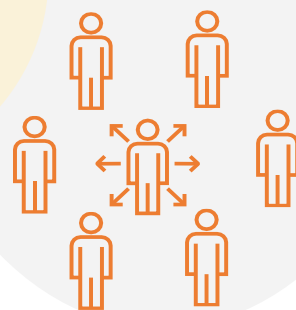
The Delta variant has become the majority of COVID-19 cases in the US

The variant is twice as contagious as before

BEFORE:



NOW:



The vaccine protects you from infection, illness, hospitalization, and death



Everyone should wear a mask where COVID-19 transmission is high



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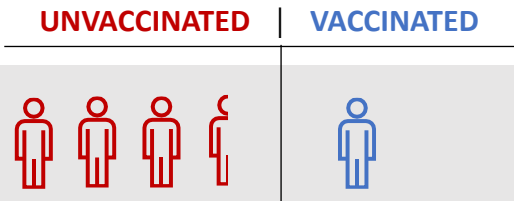
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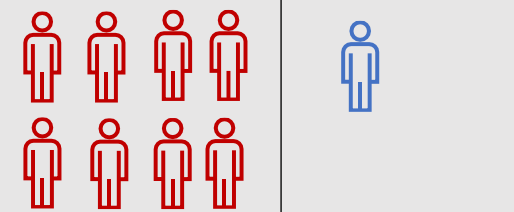
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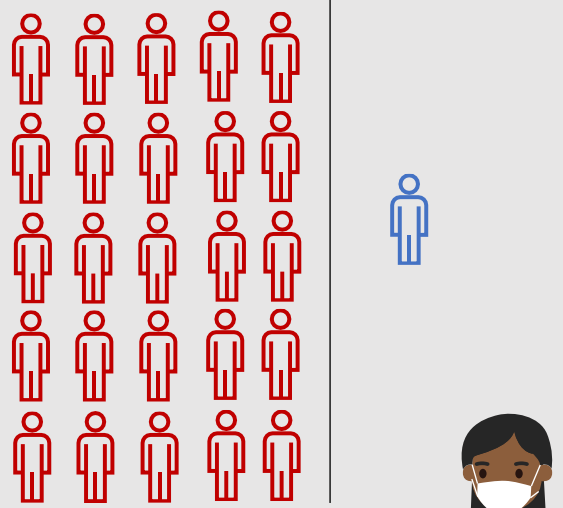
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