

## Government Affairs Committee

As an update to last month's report below is our current vaccination status as of Friday May 21<sup>st</sup> as reported by Vermont Business Magazine:

Governor Phil Scott today announced that when 80 percent of Vermont's eligible population - those age 12 and older - have received at least one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine, the state will enter Step 4 of the [Vermont Forward plan](#) (link is external) – currently slated for July 4 – and remove its remaining restrictions. At a modest rate of 1,500 vaccinations a day, the state would reach Scott's goal by June 8.

On May 14, Vermont moved into the penultimate step of the Vermont Forward plan after hitting its June 1 vaccination target more than two weeks ahead of schedule.

Vermont currently ranks first in the nation in rate of vaccination, with over 70 percent of the eligible population having received at least one dose. As of Friday morning, to reach the 80 percent threshold to remove restrictions early, an additional 27,954 need to be vaccinated. The Scott Administration will regularly update Vermonters on its progress towards the 80 percent goal.

It has never been easier to get your COVID-19 vaccine. All Vermonters age 12 and older can find the schedule for daily walk-in clinics, or can register for an appointment, at [healthvermont.gov/myvaccine](https://healthvermont.gov/myvaccine).

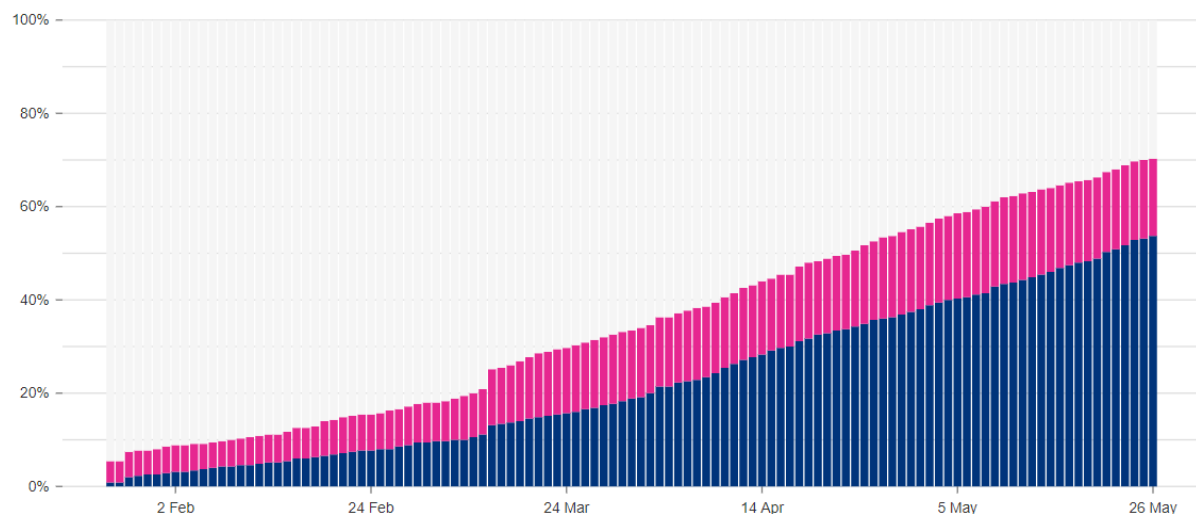
Below is an update from [www.usafacts.org](https://www.usafacts.org) as of May 26<sup>th</sup>

### How many COVID-19 vaccines has Vermont administered? ⓘ

In Vermont, **438,135** people or **70%** of the state has received at least one dose.

Overall, **334,376** people or **53%** of Vermont's population has been fully vaccinated.

Percent of people receiving vaccines in Vermont



Sources: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. [see more](#)

## US Government Affairs Updates

(as reported by ASHRAE.org, 5/27/21, partial topics listing)

### Us Congressional Activities

- House Energy and Commerce Subcommittee Holds DOE Budget Hearing

- Energy and Commerce Committee Leaders Introduce Bipartisan Legislation to Enhance Cybersecurity for U.S. Energy Infrastructure

#### **Federal Government Affairs**

- President Biden Signs Executive Order on Climate-related Financial Risk
- White House Announces New Building Performance Standards Federal Facilities
- DOE to Invest up to \$30 Million in the American Workforce

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