



TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD

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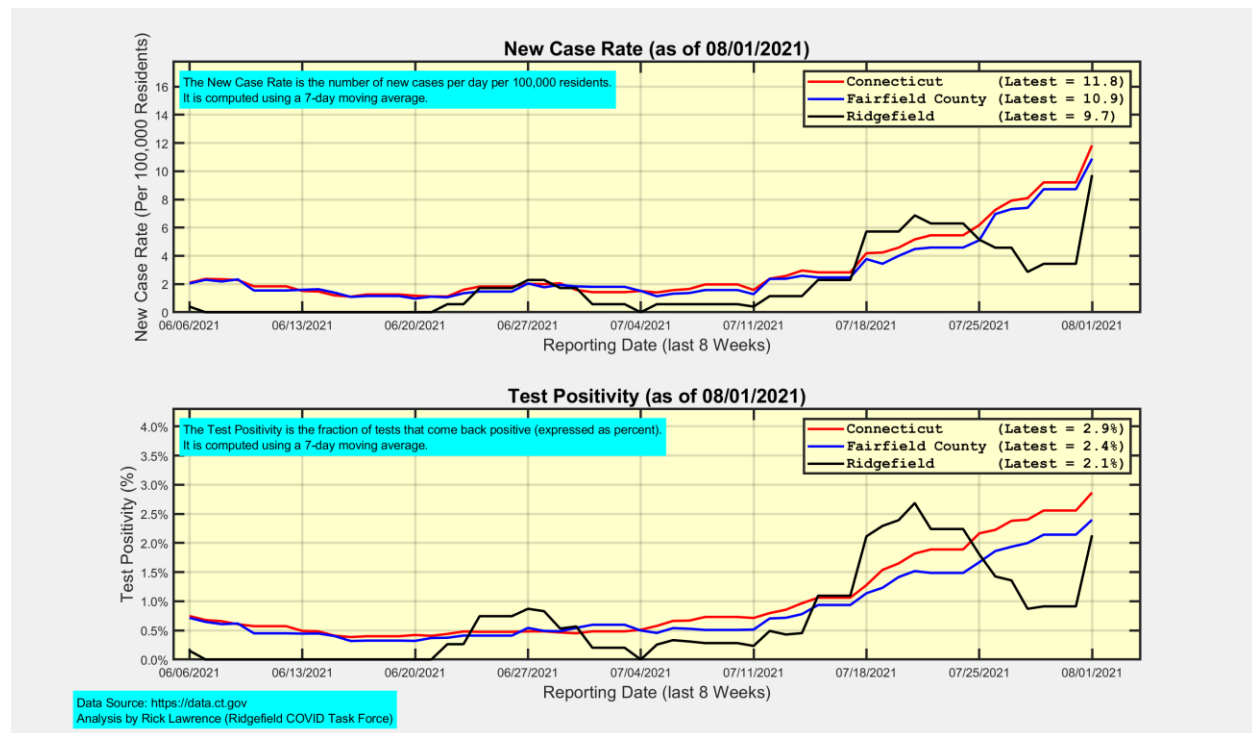
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Ridgefield, CT: August 2, 2021: With the increase of COVID-19 cases in the country and the rapid spread of the Delta Variant, First Selectman Rudy Marconi reminds Ridgefield residents that this is the time to make sure they are using best practices for fighting the disease.

“Stay educated and don’t let your guard down,” says Marconi. “And please, if you are eligible for a vaccination, get one. I thank the nearly 18,000 Ridgefield residents who have been vaccinated so far. Vaccinating our eligible population who are not restricted due to medical reasons gives us a better chance of reducing the number of future new cases in Ridgefield.”

The following are Ridgefield’s latest COVID updates:

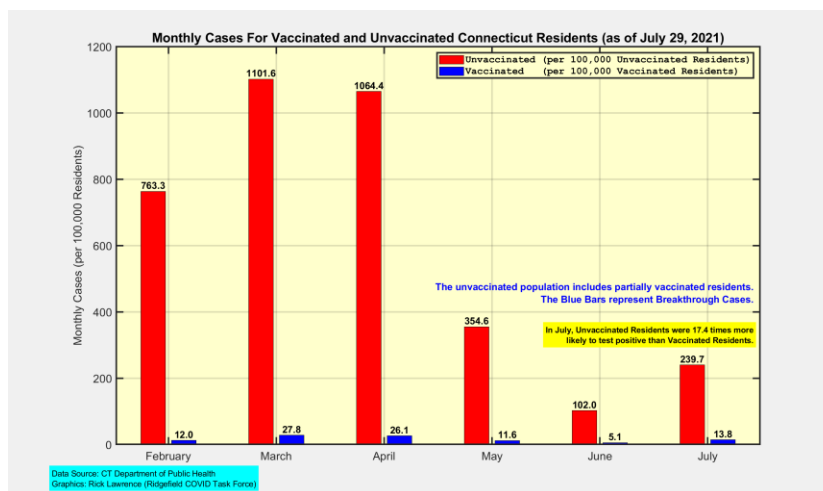
- On Monday, the Connecticut Department of Public Health reported 15 new cases for Ridgefield over the three days since the previous report on Friday. (See chart below) Daily updates on all the statistics are reported on www.ridgefieldct.org, (click the Red Covid Banner for the latest COVID updates.) To go directly to the data page: <https://www.ridgefieldct.org/home/urgent-alerts/covid-updates>



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- Based on weekly new case rates, the CDC has designated Fairfield county as having *substantial* community transmission. The state Department of Public Health on Sunday issued an alert as follows which is consistent with CDC's new guidance: ***Given the rapid increases in cases of COVID-19 in Connecticut over the last 14 days due to the spread of the Delta variant, the Connecticut Department of Public Health is strongly recommending that ALL CONNECTICUT residents over aged two years, whether vaccinated or unvaccinated, return to wearing masks when in indoor public spaces.***
- In response to growing concerns about “breakthrough cases” where fully vaccinated people test positive for COVID-19, the Connecticut Department of Public Health released a report for the month of July (see chart below) reporting 239.7 new cases (per 100,000) in the unvaccinated population compared to 12.8 new cases (per 100,000) in the vaccinated population.



- There are multiple places to get a vaccine in town including at RVNAhealth which continues to offer all three vaccines. For a complete list of local vaccination locations go to: <https://covidvaccinefinder.ct.gov/?query=06877>:
- Sign Up for Ridgefield Alerts** at www.RidgefieldAlerts.com to receive emergency notifications from Ridgefield (You may also opt into community notifications. This new notification program enhances information on CTAAlert. Please use a different username than you used for CTAAlert. For questions contact: pio@ridgefieldct.org or call 203-431-2700. Scan the qr code below to sign now.



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