

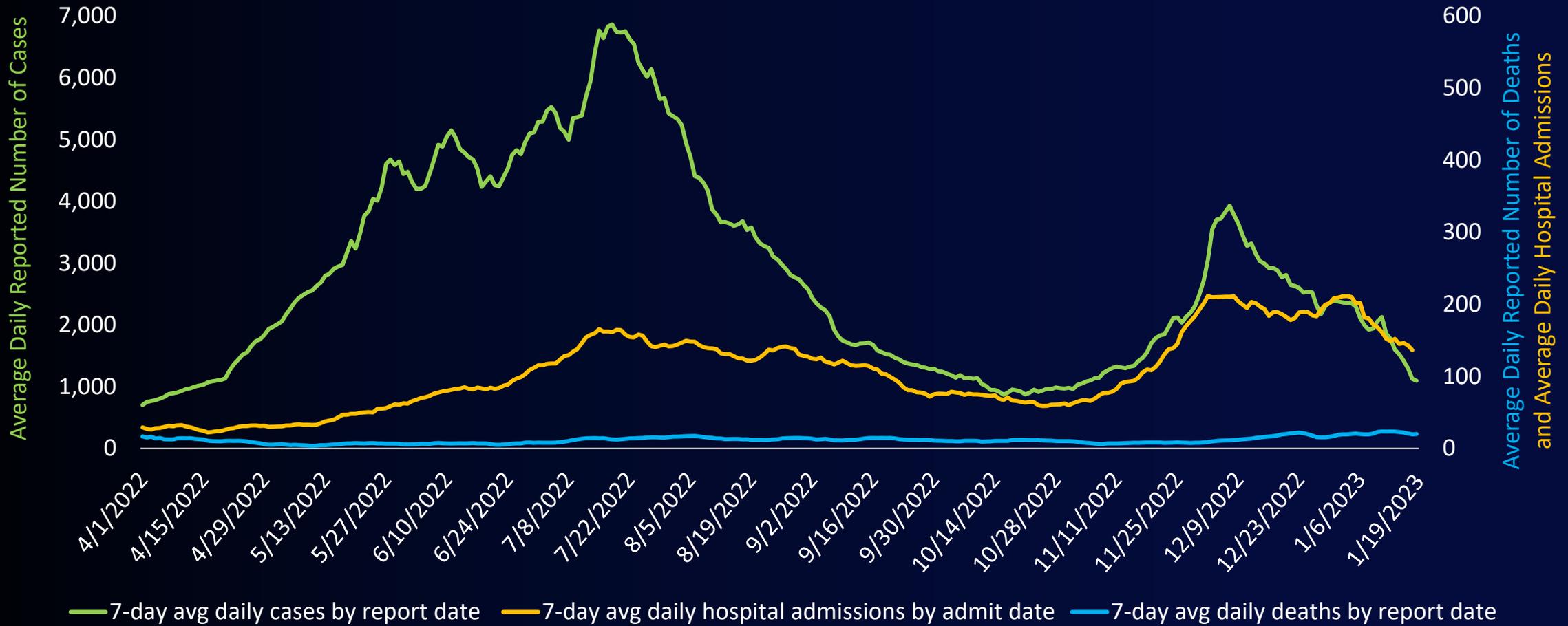
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# 7-Day Average Daily COVID-19 Cases and Deaths by Report Date\* and Daily Hospital Admissions by Admit Date April 1, 2022 – January 19, 2023

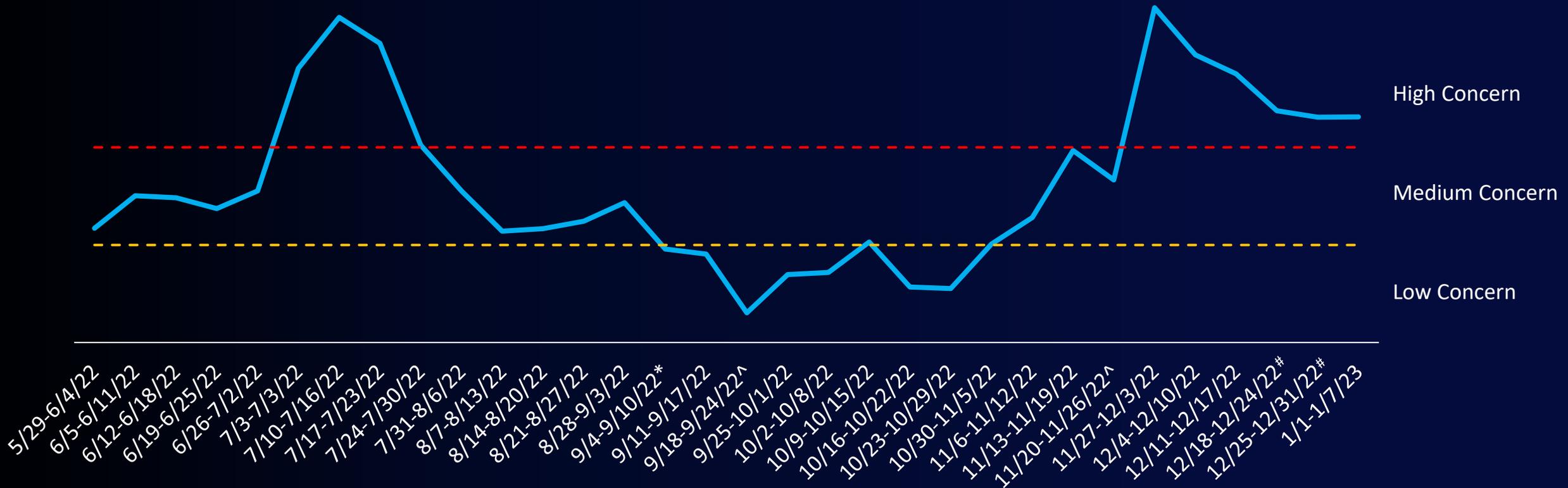


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\*Case and death values include data from Long Beach and Pasadena.

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



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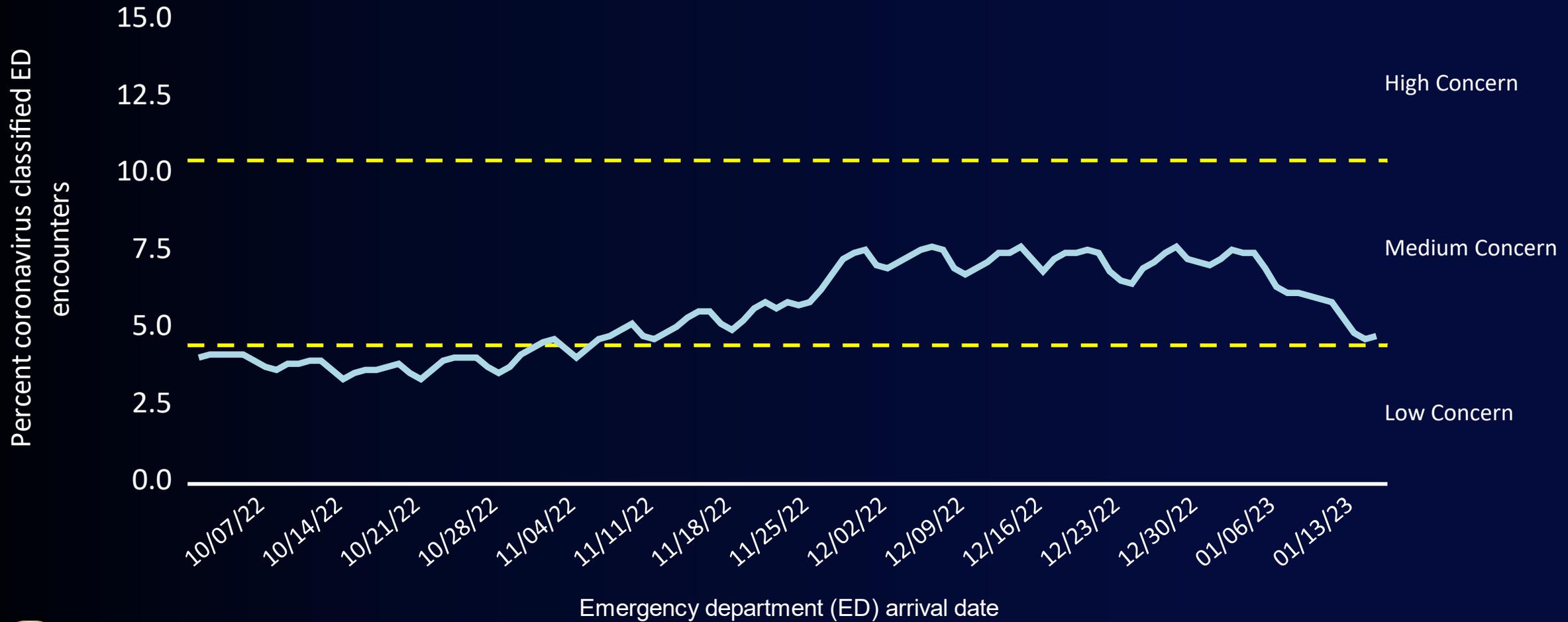
Data are normalized average wastewater SARS-CoV-2 concentrations.

\*No data for Lancaster treatment plant

^No data for Lancaster & Tapia treatment plants

#No data for Tapia treatment plan

# 7-Day Average Percent of Emergency Department (ED) Encounters Classified as Coronavirus-Related October 1, 2022 – January 15, 2023



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# 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> 75/100,000 (as of 1/19/23)
Fewer than 200	New COVID-19 admissions per 100,000 population (7-day total)	<10.0	10.0-19.9	≥20.0	9.5
	Proportion of staffed inpatient beds occupied by COVID-19 patients (7-day average)	<10.0%	10.0-14.9%	≥15.0%	5.8%
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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# Masking Recommendations for LA County: **Low Community Level**

## **Required**

- In healthcare or congregate care settings
- In indoor settings for 10 days after exposure to COVID
- Places where required by the site, including businesses, schools, & workplaces

## **Strongly recommended**

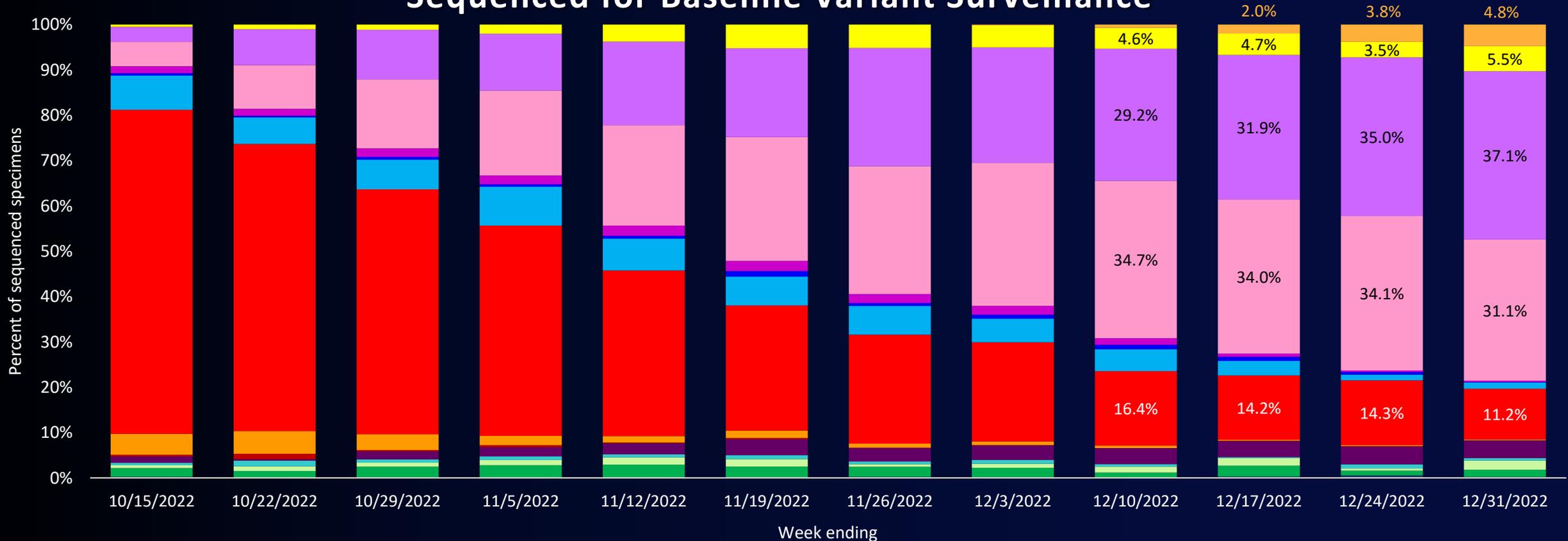
- In indoor public spaces for people who are at elevated risk for severe illness
- For people with recent infection, who have tested negative after at least 5 days of isolation, on days 6-10. **In workplace settings, masking is required for the full 10 days.**
- On public transit

## **Individual Preference**

- In indoor public spaces
- At correctional and detention facilities (**high risk people continue to mask**)
- At homeless and emergency shelter sites (**high risk people continue to mask**)



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



- All other Omicron
- Omicron BA.2.75.2
- Omicron BA.4.6
- BF.11
- BQ.1.1
- Omicron BA.2 (Excludes BA.2.75, BA.2.75.2, BN.1, and XBB)
- Omicron BN.1
- Omicron BA.5 (Excludes BF.7, BF.11, BA.5.2.6, BQ.1 and BQ.1.1)
- BA.5.2.6
- XBB (excluding XBB.1.5)
- Omicron BA.2.75 (Excludes BA.2.75.2 and BN.1)
- Omicron BA.4 (Excludes BA.4.6)
- BF.7
- BQ.1 (Excludes BQ.1.1)
- XBB.1.5



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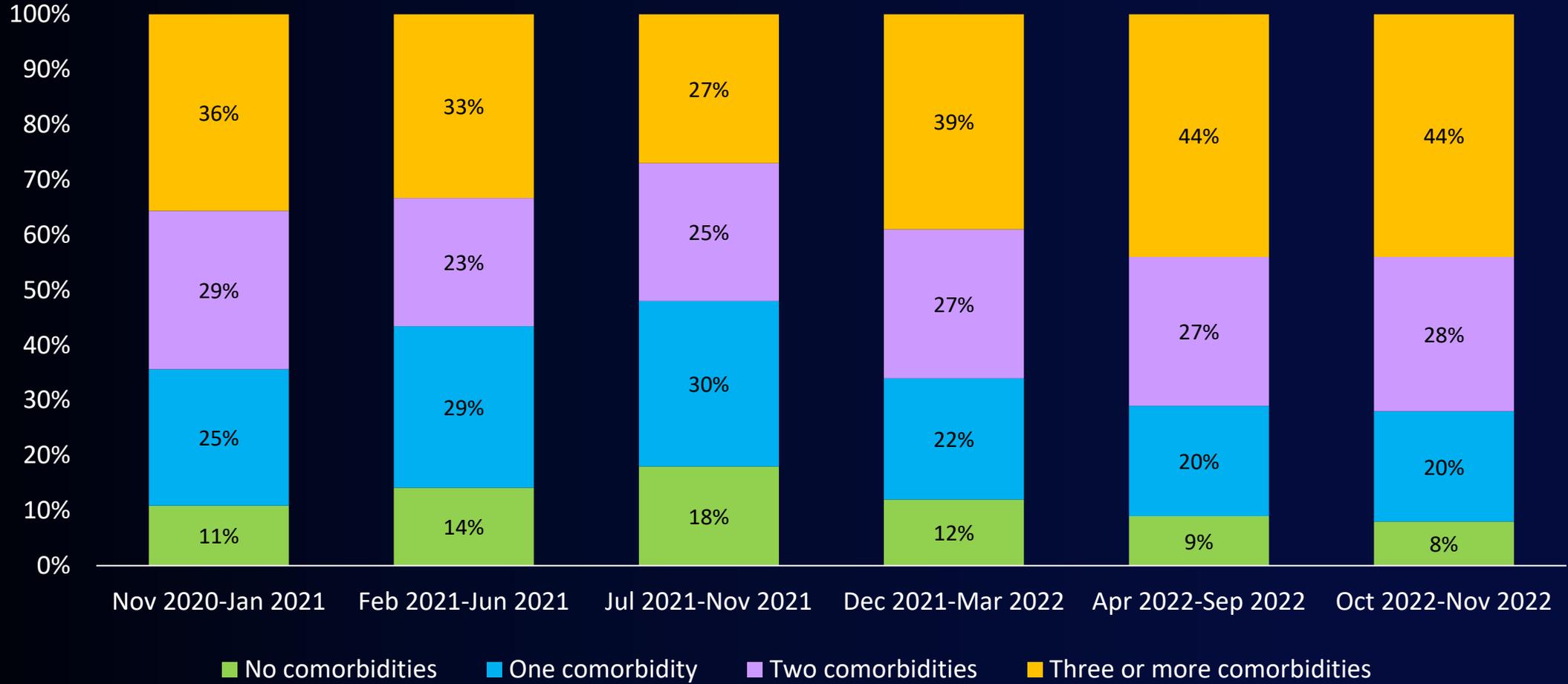
\*BF.7, BF.11, BQ.1, and BQ.1.1 are sublineages of BA.5

# Estimated proportion of sequenced specimens that are XBB.1.5 and COVID hospitalizations in major U.S. Counties.

	New York County (NY)	Suffolk County (MA)	Fulton County (GA)	LA County (CA)	Cook County (IL)	King County (WA)
<b>Estimated XBB.1.5 percentage</b> <i>(HHS Region)</i>	82.7%	81.7%	31.1%	15.8%	14.0%	8.1%
<b>New COVID-19 admissions per 100,000 population</b> <i>(Health Service Area)</i>	12.8	18.0	8.8	9.5	11.1	5.7
<b>% Staffed inpatient beds in use by patients with confirmed COVID-19</b> <i>(Health Service Area)</i>	7.2%	6.3%	7.2%	5.8%	5.1%	4.4%



# Comorbidity Status of a Subset of LA County COVID-19 Hospitalizations\*



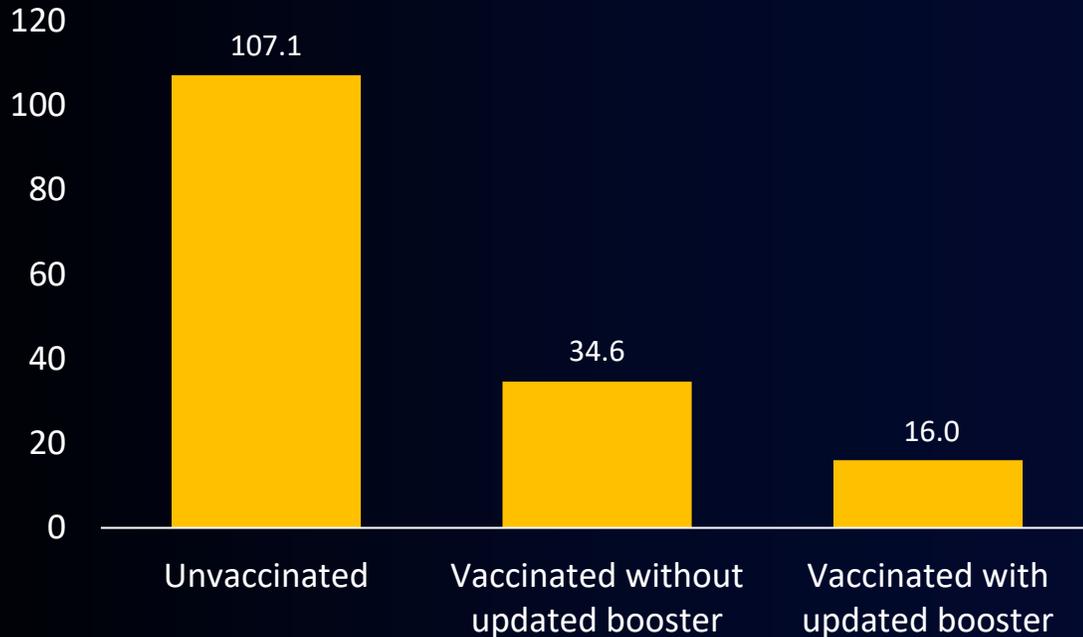
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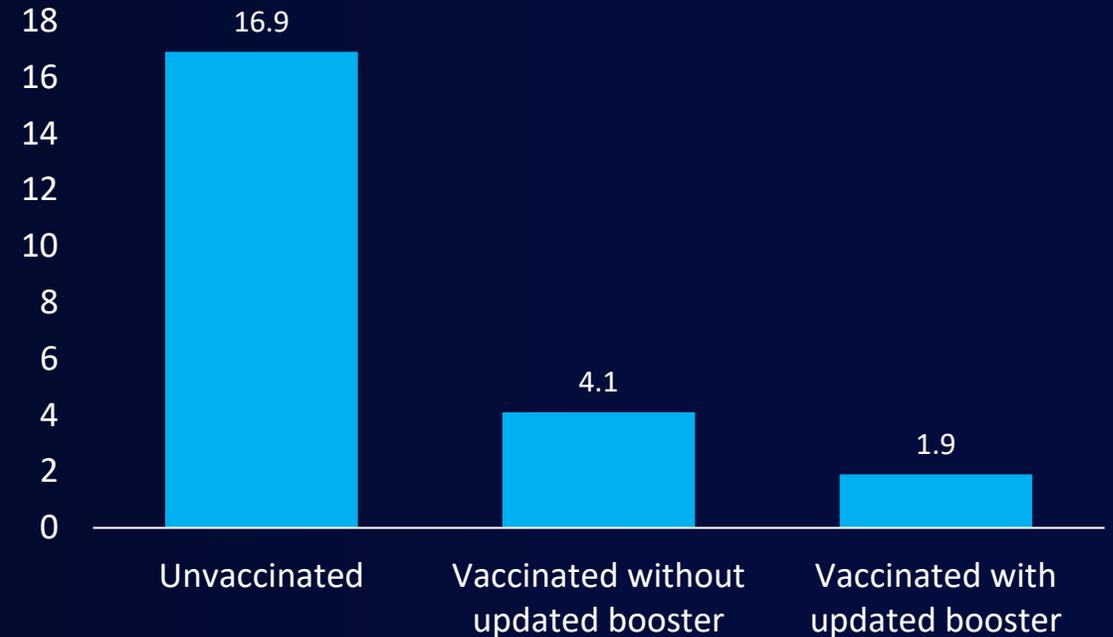
\*Data available for 1,735 patients whose medical record was reviewed by LACDPH staff

# 30-Day Hospitalization and Death Rates by Bivalent Booster Vaccination Status, LA County

**Hospitalization Rates per 100,000**  
30-day period ending 1/3/23



**Death Rates per 100,000**  
30-day period ending 12/27/22



# Continued Protection for People Who are More Vulnerable

- A **bivalent booster** can provide protection for yourself and reduce the chance of serious illness from COVID-19: [ph.lacounty.gov/getvaccinated](https://ph.lacounty.gov/getvaccinated)
- **Masks** continue to provide protection, especially in indoor, crowded, or poorly ventilated spaces
- **Test** before indoor gatherings or visiting people who are more vulnerable to illness: [ph.lacounty.gov/covidtests](https://ph.lacounty.gov/covidtests)
- People who test positive for COVID-19 should speak to a provider about obtaining **therapeutics**.
  - Test to Treat sites [ph.lacounty.gov/covidmedicines](https://ph.lacounty.gov/covidmedicines)
  - Telehealth [1-833-540-0473](tel:1-833-540-0473) (7 days a week, 8 am – 8:30 pm)



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