



Staff Report

TO: City Council
FROM: Todd Parton, City Manager
DATE: January 19, 2021
SUBJECT: COVID-19 Update by City Staff

Background and Analysis:

City staff will provide a status report to the City Council regarding the current status of the COVID-19 pandemic. This report will be comprehensive in nature and will cover the following topics:

1. Existing Riverside County data to include the number of COVID-19 cases, COVID-19 deaths, COVID-19 general hospitalizations, COVID-19 ICU patients, and ICU availability;
2. Status of Riverside County COVID-19 vaccination program; and
3. Status of legal challenges to the State's COVID-19 restrictions and requirements.

The COVID-19 pandemic has been extremely fluid with data and trends, regulatory requirements, and vaccine programming changing daily. The information provided in this report represents the information available at the time of this report. Sources of information are from the Riverside County Public Health Department, Riverside County Emergency Management Department, and the State of California. Much of the data is reported on a County-wide basis, however, Riverside County does break out some limited data on a supervisory district basis. It should also be noted that there are some minor discrepancies in the various sources of data due to the timing by which such data is reported. For example, California data is typically reported one to two days earlier than Riverside County data so there are some slight variations.

Riverside County Public Health reports that, as of January 12, 2021, the City of Beaumont had confirmed cases of COVID-19 infections of 4,809 with 41 COVID-19 related deaths. The data also shows that 2,971 individuals have recovered. In other words, 61.8% of those infected have fully recovered while 0.9% of those infected have passed away.

Data shown for Supervisory District 5 is dated January 10, 2021. This data shows that COVID-19 hospitalizations and ICU patients have remained very constant from January 4 – 10, 2021. Confirmed hospitalizations on January 4 were 373 and were 394 on January 10 while ICU occupancy was 84 and 80 respectively. This report also shows that the overall positivity rate of infection (since the inception of the pandemic) is 15.7% and the weekly positivity rate is 27.2%. Attachment A contains District 5 data.

The table below contains County-wide information.

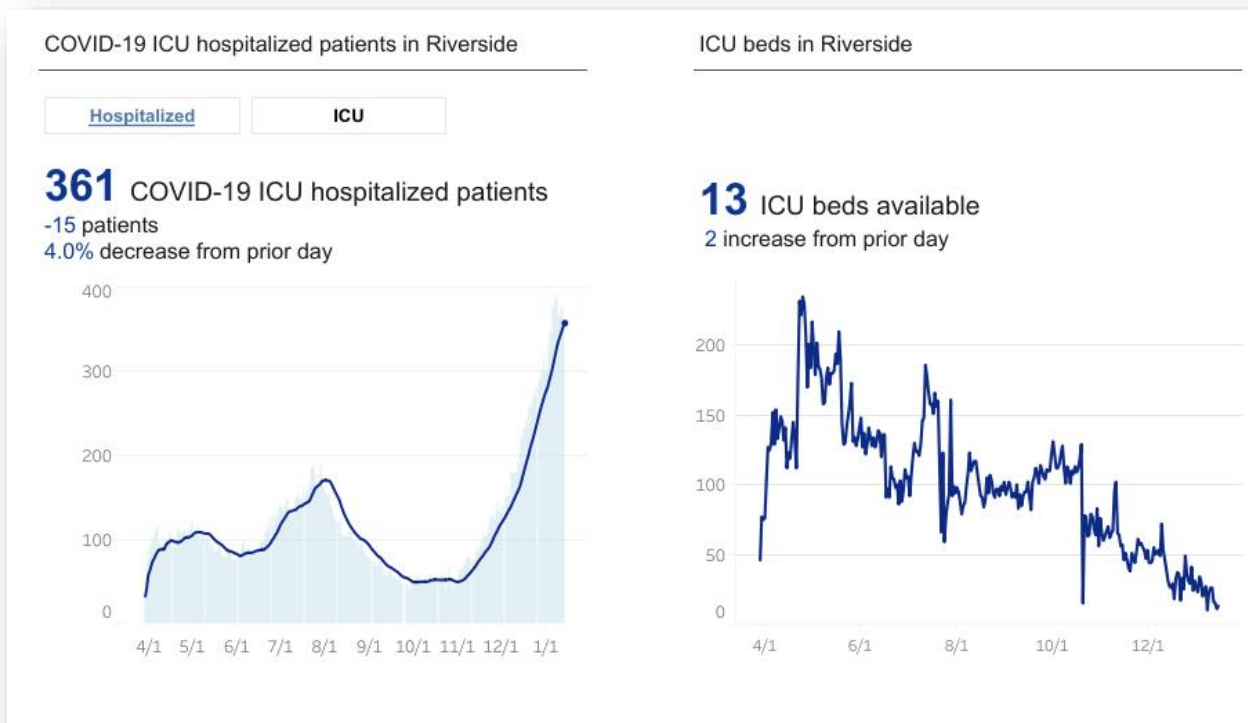
**Riverside County
COVID-19 Data**

Date	Cases	Increase from Last Report	Deaths	Recoveries	COVID Patients Not ICU	ICU Patients	ICU Capacity Available
10/1/2020	59,488	556	1,226	54,404	NA	NA	NA
10/8/2020	61,416	1,928	1,248	55,809	NA	NA	NA
10/15/2020	63,125	1,709	1,269	57,173	NA	NA	NA
10/22/2020	65,386	2,261	1,279	58,602	NA	NA	NA
10/29/2020	67,552	2,166	1,306	60,490	NA	NA	NA
11/5/2020	70,309	2,757	1,331	62,260	NA	NA	NA
11/12/2020	73,541	3,232	1,355	64,200	NA	NA	NA
11/19/2020	78,009	4,468	1,396	65,427	NA	NA	NA
11/24/2020	80,971	2,962	1,417	66,283	NA	NA	NA
12/3/2020	86,797	5,826	1,457	67,974	NA	NA	NA
12/7/2020	92,272	5,475	1,488	68,939	700	146	21.5%
12/10/2020	111,053	18,781	1,551	69,676	775	171	7.9%
12/14/2020	119,691	8,638	1,586	70,814	901	169	4.2%
12/17/2020	132,818	12,153	1,708	71,539	NA	NA	NA
12/21/2020	150,422	17,604	1,753	73,498	1,239	229	0.0%
12/23/2020	156,834	6,412	1,805	74,448	1,322	247	0.0%
12/28/2020	174,477	17,463	1,870	110,736	1,367	282	0.0%
12/30/2020	180,537	6,060	1,951	114,480	1,484	297	0.0%
1/4/2021	198,236	17,699	2,096	131,588	1,543	330	0.0%
1/6/2021	203,957	5,721	2,151	132,570	1,611	343	0.0%
1/8/2021	207,841	3,884	2,218	134,691	1,648	370	0.0%
1/11/2021	216,275	8,434	2,250	145,380	NA	NA	NA
1/13/2021	230,600	14,235	2,307	149,686	1,636	363	0.0%

SOURCE: Riverside County, Emergency Management Department.

Governor Newsom has established protocols to be used in determining the level to which business and related activities are to be curtailed. Protocols are evaluated on a County-wide basis and restrictions implemented on a County-by-County basis. One of the most critical data points is ICU capacity. When ICU capacity drops to 15% restrictions are tightened. Conversely, when ICU capacity grows greater than 15% restrictions are lessened. Restrictions are adjusted in real time, often within several days of ICU capacity shifts. The State provides a dashboard showing hospitalization and ICU capacity. The table below is the State's ICU capacity data for Riverside County, dated January 12, 2021.

State of California Riverside County ICU Capacity – January 12, 2021



The State's ICU data shows that capacity has steadily declined over the past 6 months. Area hospitals have been reporting that they are at capacity since mid to late December 2020.

Riverside County has recently launched a COVID-19 vaccination program. County officials are implementing a plan to vaccinate 2.1 million residents as expeditiously as possible. Five vaccination clinics have been established throughout the County to serve certain individuals who are deemed to be critical (i.e. medical workers, first responders, food and agriculture workers) and those who are 65 and older. Qualified individuals may

make an appointment for a vaccine on-line and no walk-in patients will be served. At this time, it is not known when vaccines will be made available to the general public. Information regarding the Riverside County vaccination program is available at www.ruhealth.org/covid-19-vaccine.

As stated, City staff will provide a full report to the City Council with the most recent information available on January 19, 2021.

Fiscal Impact:

City estimates that preparation of this report cost approximately \$2,150.

Recommended Action:

City staff recommends that the City Council receive the report and provide direction.

Attachments:

- A. Riverside County District 5 – Weekly COVID-19 Report
- B. Riverside County COVID-19 Vaccination Infographic