



# CITY OF ATLANTA

MAYOR ANDRE DICKENS

# #MOVINGATLANTAFORWARD

## RECOMMENDED GUIDELINES

# COVID-19 RECOVERY PLAN

The Advisory Council on Reopening Atlanta recommended that the City of Atlanta supplement the State's reopening criteria with additional, voluntary guidelines, leading to the COVID-19 Reopening Plan for Atlanta. As the pandemic moved into its second year, the COVID-19 Resilience Plan was implemented based on the latest public health guidance at that time. This COVID-19 Recovery Plan serves as an update to the previous guidelines based on the most current public health information available and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's latest guidance on Community Levels. The importance of the COVID-19 vaccine is reflected in this plan along with the impact to healthcare facilities.

**Based on the current available data, Atlanta is in the Green Zone.**

The City continues to review several additional key metrics, including data for the Atlanta metro area. All data used herein is not owned or maintained by the City of Atlanta. Data has been sourced from Fulton County Board of Health (FCBOH), AFCEMA, Georgia Department of Public Health (GA DPH), and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Fulton County-wide data are used as a proxy for City of Atlanta jurisdiction in most cases. Data and guidelines will be updated based on recommendations from local, state, and federal public health experts. The City of Atlanta does not claim responsibility for the accuracy of the source data.

The City of Atlanta will continue to update our COVID-19 Recovery Plan and Metrics. The metrics are now classified as key metrics: community level indicators, and additional monitored indicators. Key metrics are used to determine our movement between zones. Additional monitored indicators are observed to provide general guidance and updates about the pandemic.



# ZONE OVERVIEW:

## RED ZONE

- ✓ New COVID-19 Cases per 100k above 200
- ✓ New COVID-19 Hospital Admissions per 100k above 20
- ✓ Percent Staffed COVID-19 Inpatient Beds above 15%

## YELLOW ZONE

- ✓ New COVID-19 Cases per 100k between 75-199
- ✓ New COVID-19 Hospital Admissions per 100k between 10-19
- ✓ Percent Staffed COVID-19 Inpatient Beds between 10-14.9%

## GREEN ZONE

- ✓ New COVID-19 Cases per 100k between 20-74
- ✓ New COVID-19 Hospital Admissions per 100k between 1-9
- ✓ Percent Staffed COVID-19 Inpatient Beds between 1-9%

## BLUE ZONE

- ✓ New COVID-19 Cases per 100k below 20
- ✓ New COVID-19 Hospital Admissions per 100k below 1
- ✓ Percent Staffed COVID-19 Inpatient Beds below 1%

The City will monitor the data for potential spikes and consult with public health professionals to determine the need to adjust any metrics, targets, or zones. Movement between zones will be based upon reaching and sustaining the threshold levels for the relevant zone.

# TRANSITIONING BETWEEN ZONES:

---

Transitioning between zones can occur in two directions. Based on lessons learned, current CDC guidance, and consultation with public health experts, the City of Atlanta will transition between zones as follows:

---

- TRANSITION FROM RED ZONE TO YELLOW ZONE** after reaching and sustaining Yellow Zone key metrics for 10 days in all three categories
- TRANSITION FROM YELLOW ZONE TO GREEN ZONE** after reaching and sustaining Green Zone key metrics for 10 days in all three categories
- TRANSITION FROM GREEN ZONE TO BLUE ZONE** after reaching and sustaining Blue Zone key metrics for 10 days in all three categories
- TRANSITION FROM BLUE ZONE TO GREEN ZONE** after reaching Green Zone key metrics for more than 5 days in at least two categories
- TRANSITION FROM GREEN ZONE TO YELLOW ZONE** after reaching Yellow Zone key metrics for more than 5 days in at least two categories
- TRANSITION FROM YELLOW ZONE TO RED ZONE** after reaching Red Zone key metrics for more than 5 days in at least two categories

---

Each zone of the Recovery plan has two sets of specific guidance:

- ✓ City of Atlanta Policy Updates
  - ✓ CDC Recommendations
-

# Atlanta COVID-19 Dashboard: Green Zone

The City of Atlanta will continue to update our COVID-19 Recovery Plan and Metrics. The metrics are now classified as key metrics: community level indicators, and additional monitored indicators. Key metrics are used to determine our movement between zones. Additional monitored indicators are observed to provide general guidance and updates about the pandemic.

**#ATLSTRONG**

## CITY OF ATLANTA POLICY UPDATES

- ✓ City facilities are open to the public
- ✓ Wearing a face mask in City facilities for public meetings and programming is mandated
- ✓ City accepts all Chapter 142 outdoor event applications with safety measures

## CDC RECOMMENDATIONS

- ✓ Stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccines and boosters
- ✓ Maintain improved ventilation throughout indoor spaces when possible
- ✓ Follow CDC recommendations for isolation and quarantine, including testing guidance
- ✓ If you are immunocompromised or high risk for severe disease: (1) have a plan for rapid testing if needed, and (2) talk to your healthcare provider about whether you are a candidate for treatments like oral antivirals, PrEP, and monoclonal antibodies

## COMMUNITY LEVEL KEY METRICS

➤ **TRANSITION TO BLUE ZONE** after reaching Blue Zone key metrics for 10 days in all three categories

### BLUE ZONE KEY METRICS INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

- ✓ **New COVID Cases per 100,000 people in the last 7 days:** Below 20
- ✓ **COVID Hospital Admissions per 1000,000 people (7-day total):** Below 1
- ✓ **Percent of Staffed Inpatient Hospital Beds:** Below 1%

## ADDITIONAL MONITORED INDICATORS

- ✓ **New COVID-19 Cases (7-day average)**
- ✓ **Percent of Positive COVID-19 Tests (7-day average)**
- ✓ **COVID-19 Hospitalizations (7-day average)**
- ✓ **Hospital Bed Availability:** Pre-COVID Average 22.5%
- ✓ **Hospital CCU Bed Availability:** Pre-COVID Average 25%
- ✓ **Percent of Population Fully Vaccinated in the United States, the State of Georgia and the City of Atlanta**
- ✓ **Testing Capacity:**
  - ✓ **County Standards:** >2857 tests per day
- ✓ **Levels of Community Transmission**

**Disclaimer:** The City continues to review several additional key metrics, including data for the Atlanta metro area. All data used herein is not owned or maintained by the City of Atlanta. Data has been sourced from Fulton County Board of Health (FCBOH), AFCEMA, Georgia Department of Public Health (GA DPH), and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Fulton County-wide data are used as a proxy for City of Atlanta jurisdiction in most cases. Data and guidelines will be updated based on recommendations from local, state, and federal public health experts. The City of Atlanta does not claim responsibility for the accuracy of the source data.