



VACCINATION IN ROUTT COUNTY: LESSONS, PARTNERSHIPS, AND COMMUNITY STRATEGIES

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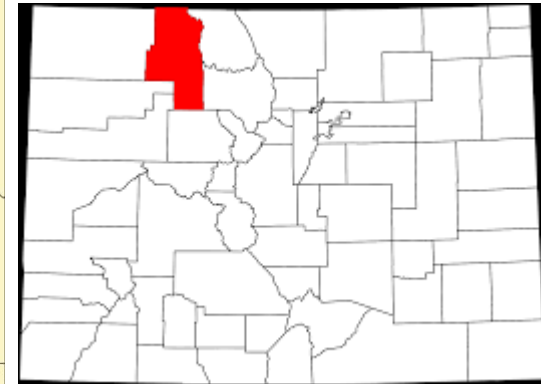
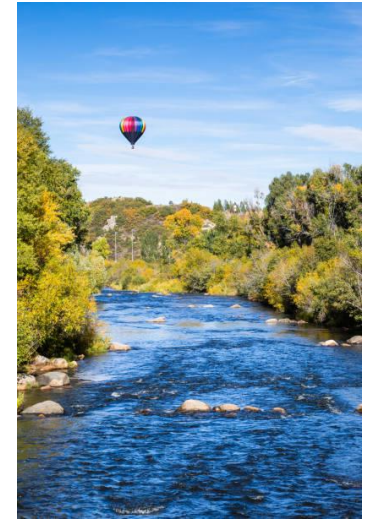
Introductions

- A little bit about me
 - 1999-2007 CDPHE immunization program
 - CIPAC/ Adult Immunization Coordinator
 - 2002- Polio Eradication program with CDC (3mo)
 - 2007-2013 Children's Hospital Colorado
 - Infection Prevention- Mandatory influenza vaccination for healthcare workers
 - Board President Immunize Colorado (2012-2015)
 - Occupational Health

About Routt

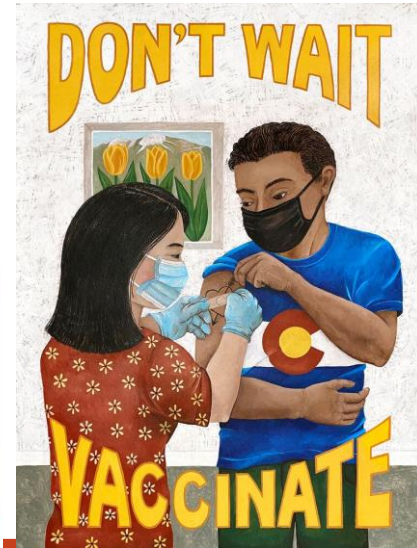
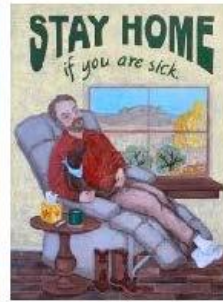
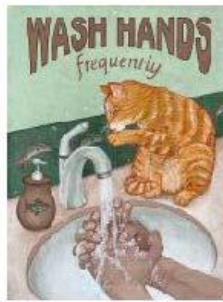
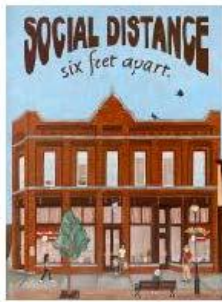
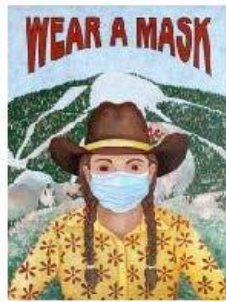
- Population: 25,091

Age	2015-2019
Infants (0-4 years)	5.2
Juveniles (5-17 years)	15.7
Children (0-17 years)	20.9
Young Adults (18-39 years)	30.2
Middle-Aged Adults (40-64 years)	34.6
Adults (18-64 years)	64.8
Seniors (65 and older)	14.3



Community Education

- Information sharing before vaccine Rollout
- Vaccine table top with EOC team- December
- Steamboat Conversations



Steamboat Conversations

Steamboat Conversations - Three-Part Series

- Friday, December 4, 2020 - COVID-19 Vaccines: Made, Tested & Approved
- Friday, December 11, 2020 - First Vaccines: Efficacy & Safety
- Friday, December 18, 2020 - Routt County Immunization Plan



As part of the *Steamboat Conversations* and in collaboration with the City of Steamboat Springs, Steamboat Pilot, Routt County, and UHealth Yampa Valley Medical Center, local public health and medical experts will discuss the progress of the COVID-19 vaccines and the vaccines' distribution to the public in Routt County during a three-part series.

MORE CONVERSATIONS

Steamboat Conversations town hall panel will focus on vaccine rollout in Routt County

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STEAMBOAT SPRINGS — The next Steamboat Conversations virtual town hall panel will focus on the COVID-19 vaccine. Local health officials will answer questions about the vaccine rollout in Routt County and discuss plans for immunizing various groups of residents going forward. The panel is scheduled for 2 p.m. Wednesday.

Panelists will include: Dr. Brian Harrington, Routt County medical officer; Roberta Smith, Routt County Public Health director; and Soniya Fidler, president of UCHealth Yampa Valley Medical Center. Steamboat Pilot & Today Editor Lisa Schlichtman will moderate the panel, and questions can be emailed to Schlichtman at lschlichtman@SteamboatPilot.com.

CORONAVIRUS

“It’s like Lady Gaga tickets”: Colorado health officials need help managing vaccine demand

County health departments say they lack the software to schedule residents, keep track of who is eligible and who is next for the coronavirus vaccine

Partnership with UCHealth

- UCHealth received the ultracold freezer for the initial Pfizer vaccines.
- UCHealth offered their conference rooms for first tier of healthcare workers.
 - Offered boosters and community immunizations as different categories opened up.



UCHealth Yampa Valley Medical Center has received its initial allocation of Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine. Wes Hunter, director of pharmacy, and Victoria McGuire, pharmacy procurement specialist, move the vaccine from the loading dock under the watchful eye of YVMC security manager Michael Bostock. (UCHealth Yampa Valley Medical Center/courtesy)

VACCINE ARRIVES

The first COVID-19 vaccines have arrived in Routt County

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Initial Phases

- Healthcare workers
- Longterm Care Residents
 - Casey's Pond
 - Horizons
 - The Haven

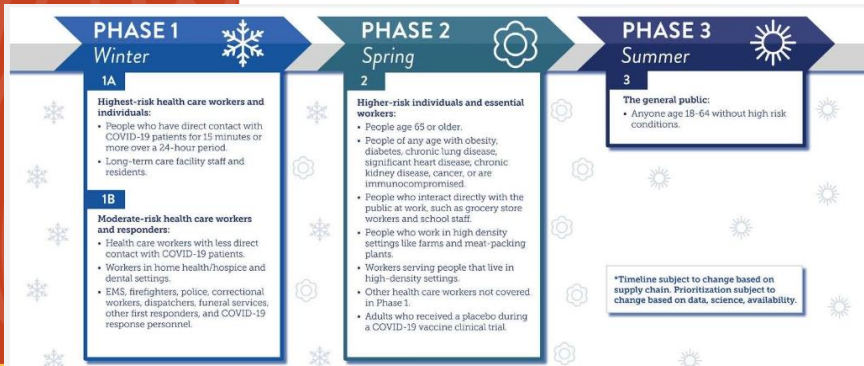
TARGETED GROUPS



Krista Drehak, an assisted living nurse at Casey's Pond in Steamboat Springs, receives the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine Wednesday from South County Public Health Director Roberta Smith. (©Health Valley Medical Center/courtesy)



Christmas elf and Routt County Public Health Director Roberta Smith prepares to administer the first Moderna COVID-19 vaccine Thursday to Ken Rogers, district manager of the South Routt Medical Center in Oak Creek.



TARGETED GROUPS

TEACHERS/ RESTAURANT WORKERS

1st group of local teachers receive COVID-19 vaccine in Hayden

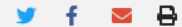
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Targeted Groups

- First general 60+ clinics
- Steamboat, Hayden, Oak Creek

UPDATED: County public health's J&J vaccination clinic for general public fills up in 3 hours

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People line up outside the Steamboat Christian Center on Friday morning waiting for a chance to get the Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 vaccine at Routt County Public Health's first mass vaccination clinic. Vaccinations were opened up to those 60 and older Friday. (Photo by John F. Russell)

Challenges to initial Roll-out

- High demand in Steamboat
- Occupational Groups kept changing- Who is essential??
- Never knew how much vaccine we would be receiving
- Vaccine Tourism
 - Residents vs 2nd home owners
 - Front Rangers
- Did not have a good way to keep track of people that were interested.
 - Google Form
 - List of people who could come quickly if we had doses we needed to use
 - Switched to PrepMod for mass clinics
 - People signed up at UCHhealth or with us double booked

We are rolling along

- Multiple vaccine bus visits
 - Steamboat Farmer's Market
 - Rodeo
 - Routt County Fairgrounds
 - Equity

5-11 Roll-out

Routt County children celebrate receiving 1st dose of vaccine

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- Drive- through clinic in November
- Each Medical practice “donated” 2 staff people.
- Books donated by local bookstore for 15 minute waiting period.

Equity Clinics-Partnering with our Immigrant Community

- Integrated Communities- Together we Protect Colorado grant recipient
- Adult all Spanish speaking clinic at Christian Center
- 5-11 Clinic at Steamboat Community Center





Overall Routt County Challenges

Overall Vaccination Rates by Age

Metric	Number	Percent
Routt Residents (All Ages) Received at Least 1 Dose	21278	83%
Routt Residents (All Ages) Completed Vaccine Series	19552	76%
Routt Residents 12+ Received at Least 1 Dose	20113	90%
Routt Residents 12+ Completed Vaccine Series	18558	83%
Routt Residents Ages 5-11 Received at Least 1 Dose	1063	53%
Routt Residents Ages 5-11 Completed Vaccine Series	950	47%
Routt Residents Ages 6 Months to 4 Years Received at Least 1 Dose	91	9%
Routt Residents Ages 6 Months to 4 Years Completed Vaccine Series	43	4%
Routt Residents (All Ages) Received Booster Dose	11811	46%

Vaccination Rates by Geography

Disclaimer: Geographic information is based upon the demographic data in CIIS. Some records have missing or incomplete addresses unable to be attributed to a specific geographic area in Routt County.

Estimated Vaccination Rate by Region

City	Percent Received At Least One Dose	Percent Completed Vaccination Series
North Routt	80%	73%
South Routt	51%	48%
Steamboat Springs	89%	82%
West Routt	50%	47%
Routt County Overall	83%	82%

North Routt includes ZIP code 80428

South Routt includes ZIP codes 80467, 80469, 80479, 80483

West Routt includes ZIP code 81639

Steamboat Springs includes ZIP codes 80477, 80487, 80488

Doses Administered

Doses Distributed

1+ Vaccination Rate

Fully Immunized Vaccination Rate

Ages 5+

Ages 12+

Ages 18+

Ages 65+

Percent of County Population 65 and Older Immunized with 1 or More Doses of Any COVID-19 Vaccine

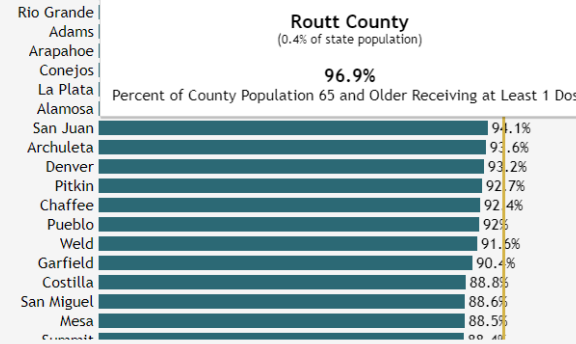
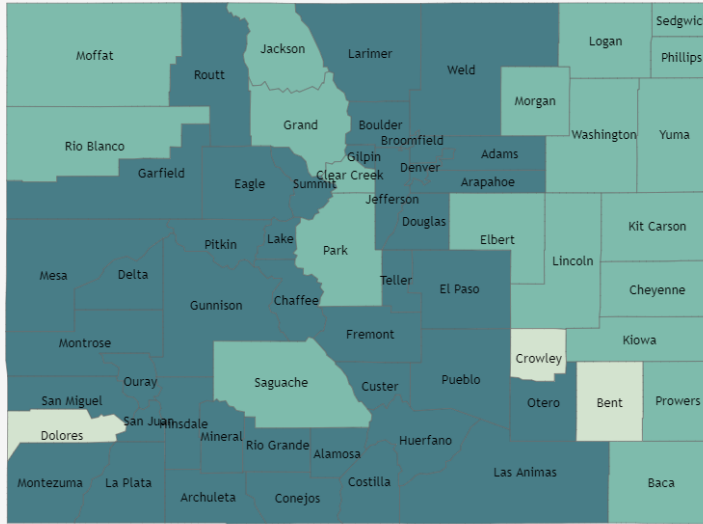
0%-20%

21%-40%

41%-60%

61%-80%

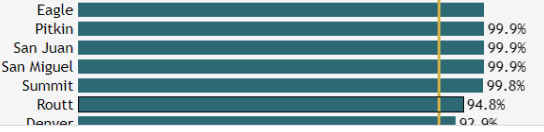
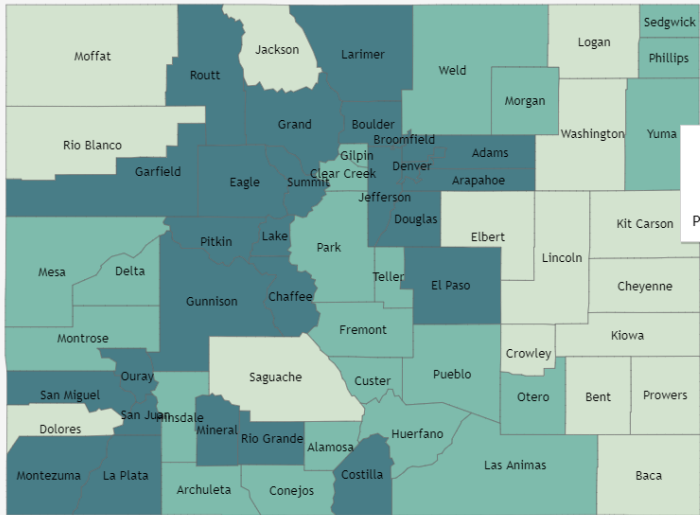
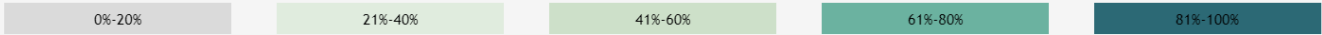
81%-100%



Source: CDPHE <https://covid19.colorado.gov/vaccine-data-dashboard> 8/23/2022

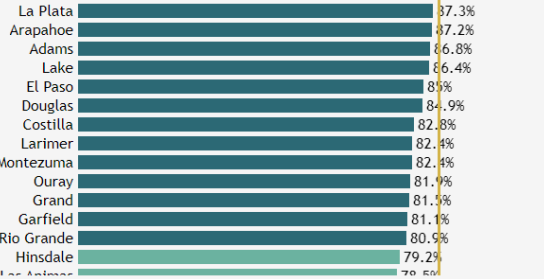
Percent of County Population 18 and Older Immunized with 1 or More Doses of Any COVID-19 Vaccine

Population denominator data excludes Colorado Department of Corrections inmate populations



Routt County
(0.4% of state population)

94.8%
Percent of County Population 18 and Older Without DOC Immunizations Receiving at Least 1 Dose

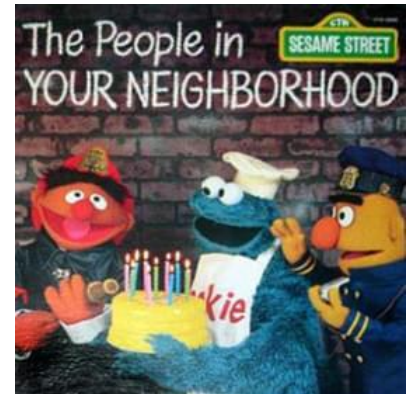


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Routt County Commissioners
Mountain Tap Brewery
City of Steamboat Springs
Routt County Fairgrounds

CDPHE
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Shout Outs

- Brooke Maxwell, RN
- Tracy Deirkson, RN
- Dr. Brian Harrington, MD
- Commissioners Melton, Corrigan, Redmond, and Monger.



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