COVID-19 Situation Update for Alleghany County

June 18, 2021

This document is intended to provide a regular update on the local response to COVID-19 in our communities and timely, trended data related to COVID-19. This report will be published on Fridays.

Vaccinating Makes Everyone Safer - COVID-19 Vaccine Update

Vaccinating makes everyone safer. Show your love by getting a vaccine to help slow the spread of COVID-19 in our community.

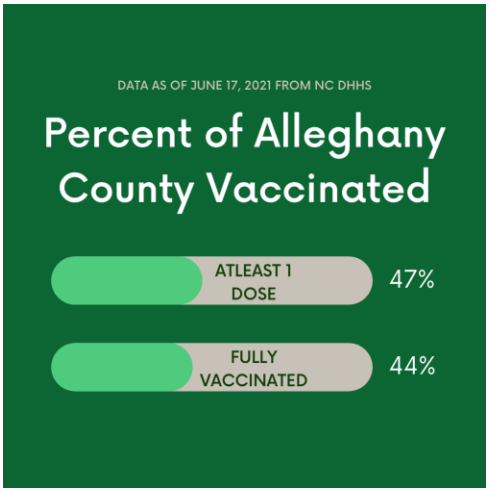
Summer Cash and Cash 4 College Drawings

Big news! The Summer Cash and Cash 4 College drawings are a part of North Carolina's effort to bring a safer summer back with tested, safe, effective and free COVID-19 vaccines. Vaccinated NC residents 18+ can win $1 million and those 12-17 can win $125,000 for post-secondary education. It's easy to enter - get your vaccine! Learn more at SummerVaxCash.com.

Who is eligible for vaccines?

COVID-19 vaccine appointments are open for those who want a vaccine within the age requirements. The Pfizer vaccine is approved for people ages 12 and older and all other vaccines are approved for 18 and older.

The vaccine is free for everyone, regardless of your immigration status. You do not need to show proof of insurance, social security number or an ID if you do not have it.

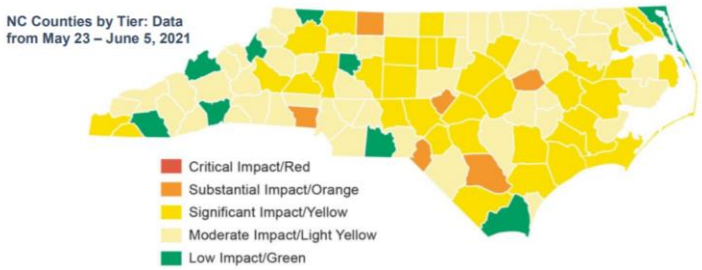


To learn more about the COVID-19 vaccine, visit our website here or NC DHHS's website here.

COVID-19 Cases

NC DHHS County Alert System Notes Low Impact for Alleghany County

In the latest update, Alleghany County is **GREEN** which notes low impact. This system outlines actions we can take to lessen the impact and spread in our community. You can read more about the County Alert System on NC DHHS's website.



We continue case investigation and contact tracing efforts to reduce the spread of COVID-19. If you receive a call from a member of our case investigation or contact tracing team, we urge you to cooperate and provide information that will help us conduct response efforts. You may receive a call from (844) 628-7223 or (828) 264-4995. It may also show up as "NC Outreach" or "Contact Tracing." Your cell phone carrier may flag the call as spam. It is so important to answer the call of a contact tracer. It is a key tool in slowing the spread of this virus.

Testing

If you have COVID-19 symptoms or have been exposed to someone with COVID-19 (regardless of whether you have symptoms or not), we recommend you be tested. You can check your symptoms and determine if testing is needed. To find a testing site near you, visit NC DHHS's Find My Testing Place.

Free COVID-19 Testing at AppHealthCare. We offer testing on Monday and Thursday each week unless otherwise noted.

Testing is also offered by appointment at Alleghany Family Practice at (336) 372-5606 and other local healthcare providers may offer testing as well.

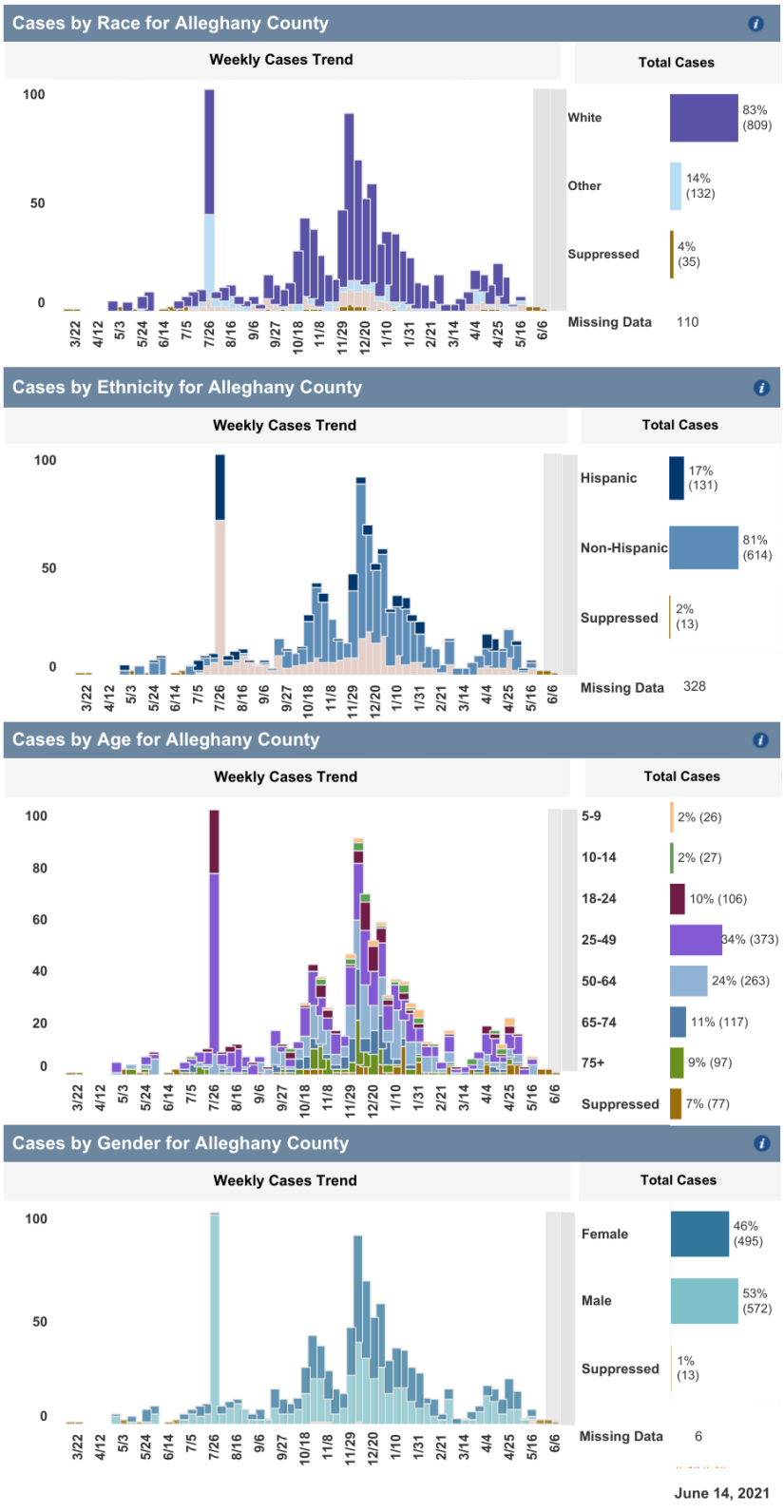
Active Outbreaks and Clusters

Data is provided for outbreaks and clusters that are active and ongoing. The number of cases for outbreaks and clusters are current as of each Thursday at 9:00am. The case counts vary day by day as new cases are identified and as cases are moved in and out of isolation. This data may not match other reported data since this is a point in time. As we conduct outbreak and case investigations, the data included in this report are subject to change. For a current case count, visit the AppHealthCare data dashboard, which is updated Monday through Friday by noon.

An outbreak is defined as two or more laboratory confirmed cases. A cluster is defined as a minimum of five cases with illness onsets or initial positive results within a 14-day period and plausible epidemiologic linkage between cases. An outbreak or cluster is considered over if 28 days have passed after the latest date of symptom onset in a symptomatic person or first date of specimen collection from the most recent asymptomatic person, whichever is later. Additional information on the definitions of outbreaks and clusters is provided by the North Carolina Department of Health & Human Services. NC DHHS also provides regularly updated information on outbreaks and clusters.

Active Outbreaks & Clusters *Data is current as of Thursday, June 17th*				
Facility or Setting Type	**Facility or Setting Name**	**Active Cases**	**Cumulative Cases**	**Last Positive Result**
No active outbreaks or clusters at this time.				

Demographic Data from NC DHHS as of June 14th

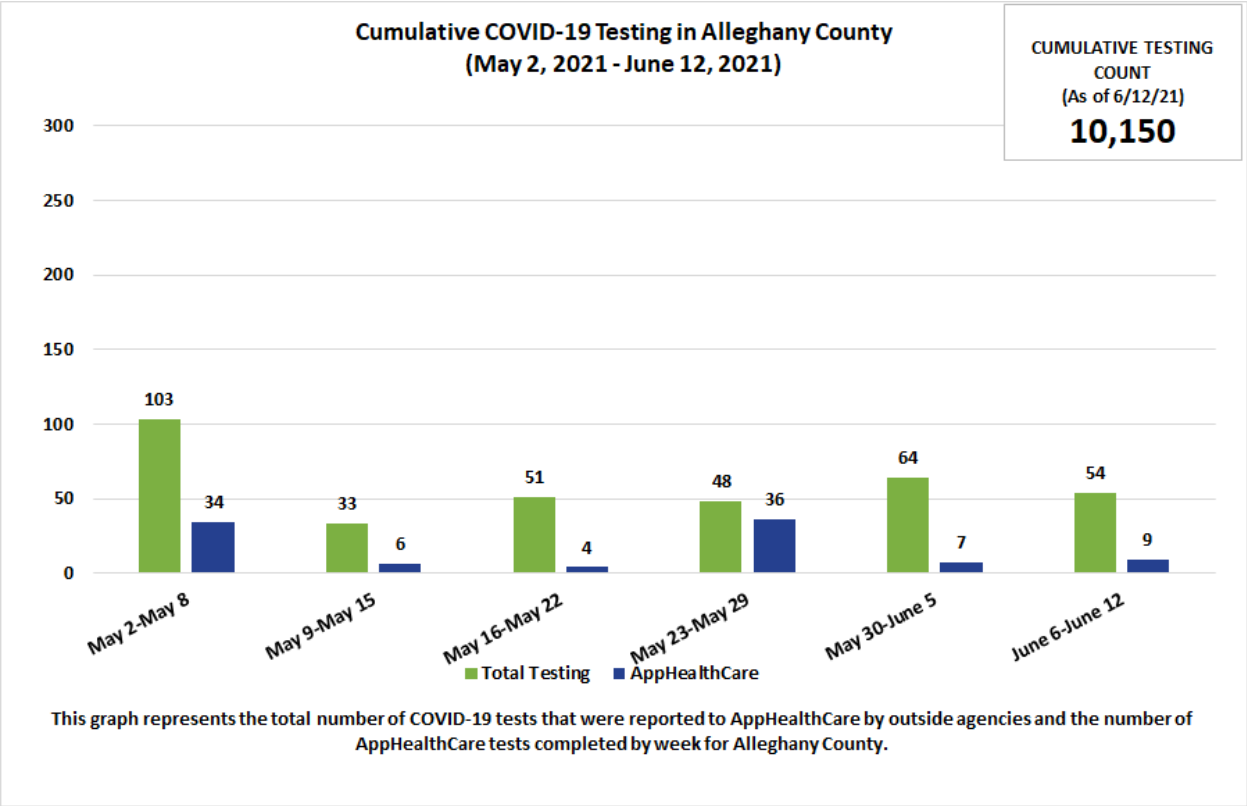


Data for Alleghany County

An important note about data context: The graphs below show the available data. Please carefully read the descriptions below the graph to understand the data limitations. The most current data is available on the [AppHealthCare dashboard](), as the data below is past data trended.

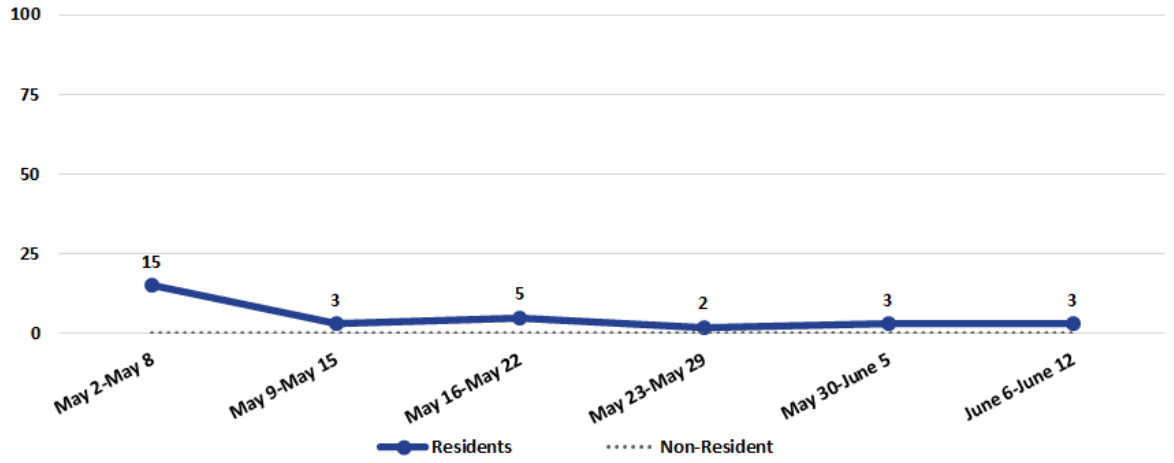
Important Disclaimer About Data

It is imperative that this report and the data contained within is understood in the appropriate context. Please, if you use this report, please be certain that the information included within is shared within the appropriate context. Doing otherwise may be damaging to the public health response efforts. There are multiple factors involved in addressing this virus, including compliance with public health control measures implemented by the local health director and referenced in NC GS 130A. These measures are imperative for limiting the spread of COVID-19. ***AppHealthCare strongly advises that when data is shared for the purposes of educating the public or informing policy decisions, it should come directly from NC DHHS or AppHealthCare as it is presented with appropriate context from those directly involved in public health response.***



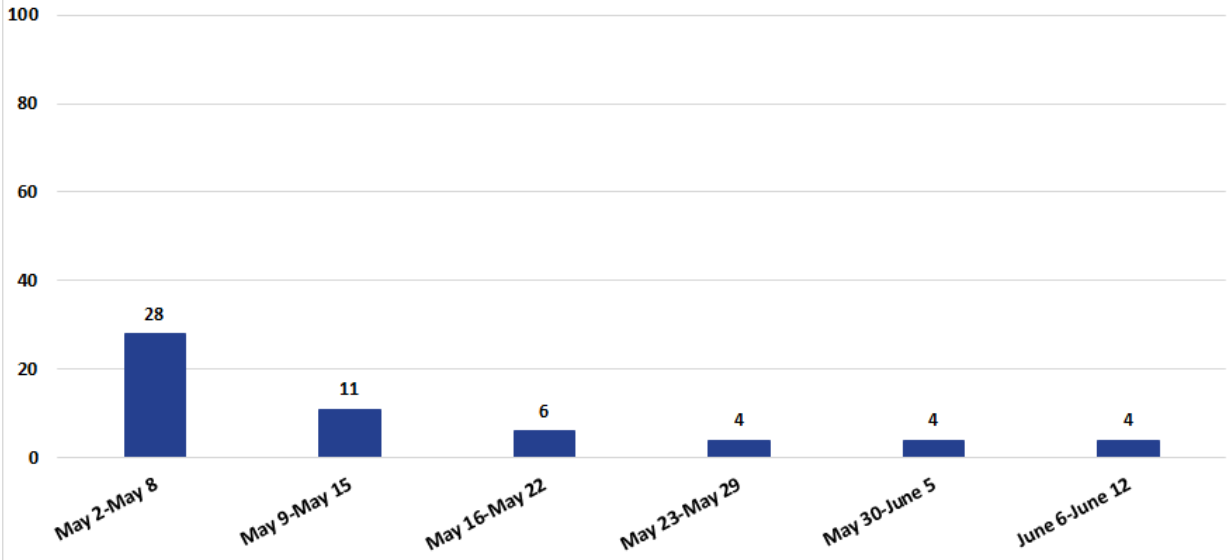
Cumulative Case Count by Week in Alleghany County
(May 2, 2021 - June 12, 2021)

CUMULATIVE CASE COUNT
(As of 6/12/21)
1,003



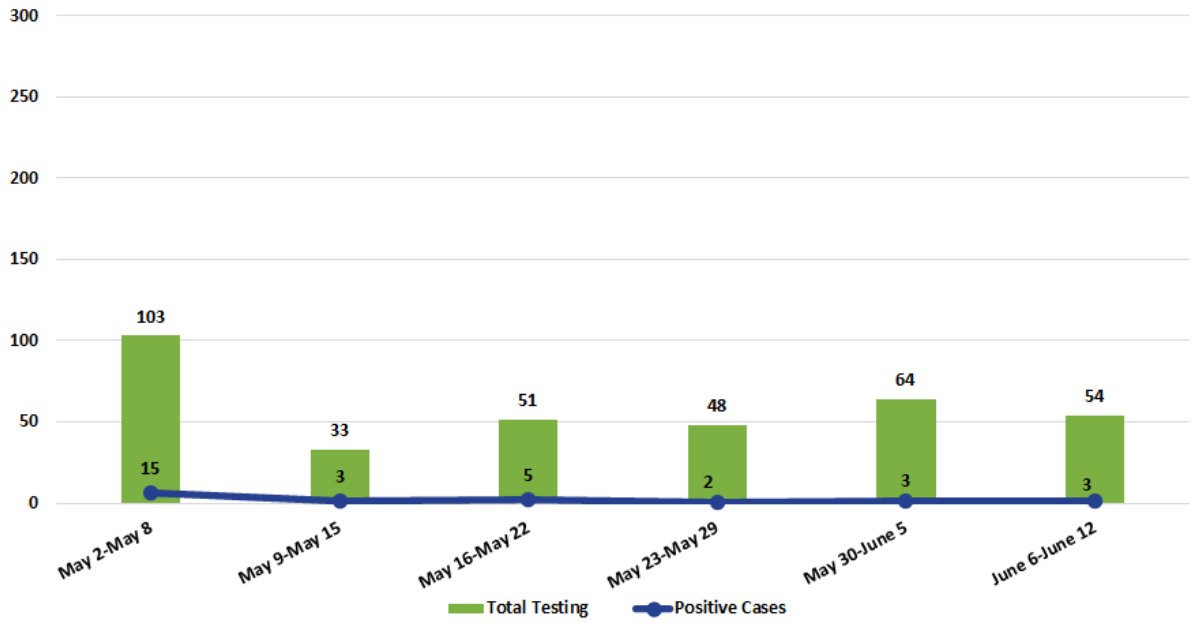
The solid navy blue line in this graph represents the number of positive COVID-19 cases among Alleghany County residents by week. This graph also shows the number of non-residents that have tested positive for COVID-19 but reside in another county.

Number of Active Positive Cases by Week in Alleghany County
(May 2, 2021 - June 12, 2021)



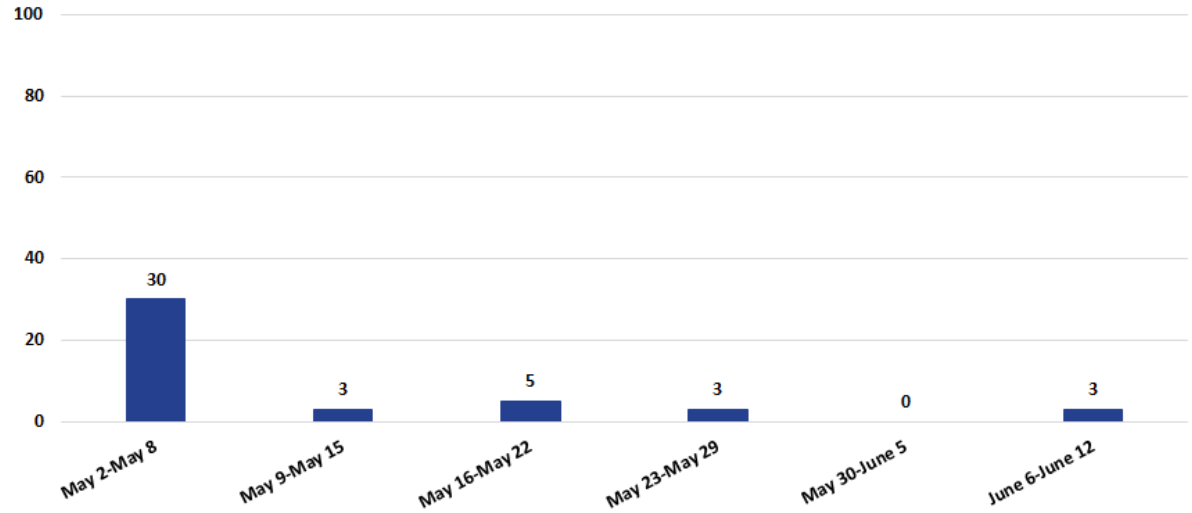
The graph represents the number of active COVID-19 positive cases by week in Alleghany County. A positive COVID-19 case is considered active for ten days after the initial positive test result.

Total Weekly Tests Reported vs. Weekly Positive Case Count in Alleghany County (May 2, 2021 - June 12, 2021)



This graph represents the number of COVID-19 positive cases by week in Alleghany County compared to the total number of reported tests that were completed by AppHealthCare and outside agencies each week in Alleghany County.

Number of People Being Actively Monitored by Week in Alleghany County (May 2, 2021 - June 12, 2021)



This graph represents the total number of Alleghany County residents that AppHealthCare staff have monitored due to being exposed to a confirmed COVID-19 case. Individuals are notified and asked to quarantine and monitor for symptoms for fourteen days.

Additional data can be found on AppHealthCare's data dashboard. This data is updated Monday through Friday by noon.

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Media inquiries: media@apphealth.com
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