



COVID-19 Attitudes and Behaviors of Riverside County Residents



Reasons why People Got the COVID-19 Vaccine







Riverside University Health System – Public Health (RUHS – Public Health) and Health Assessment and Research for Communities (HARC) conducted a study in 2021 about COVID-19 needs among Riverside County adults. HARC collected data in English and Spanish from more than 9,200 randomly selected adults between September 2021 and November 2021. The survey asked questions about attitudes and behaviors towards COVID-19, as well as pandemic experiences and basic needs.

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Riverside County residents were asked if they had received the COVID-19 vaccine.

83% reported that they were fully vaccinated (two doses).



2% were vaccinated with only the first dose.

5% had not been vaccinated by the time of the survey but planned on getting vaccinated.



10% of residents reported that they were not vaccinated and didn't plan on getting vaccinated



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When asked why those who got the vaccine chose to get it, Riverside County residents reported several reasons. The following are the major themes reported most commonly.



To protect family and/or friends.



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Due to age or health risk.



To protect others in general.







Less common, but still reported by Riverside County residents when responding to why they got the COVID-19 vaccine were:

to prevent death or serious illness

for the public good

belief in science or the vaccine itself

required by the participant's work









RUHS – Public Health will use this report to help them offer programs and services that support Riverside County Residents.

To read the full report and learn more about this study, visit https://bit.ly/3NRNDmm