



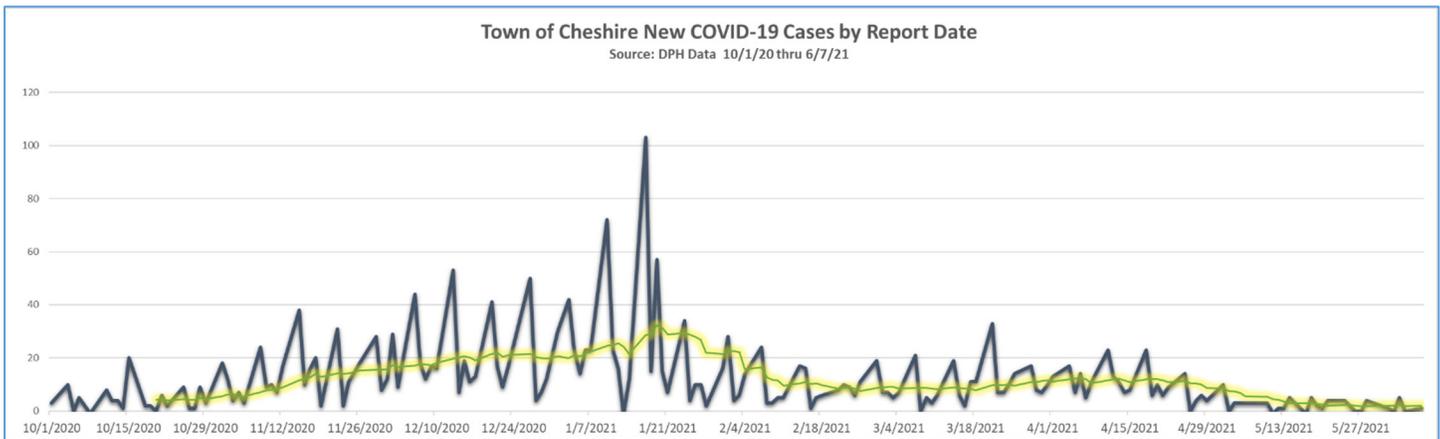
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**SUBJECT: Town Manager’s Report – June 2021**  
**DATE: June 8, 2021**

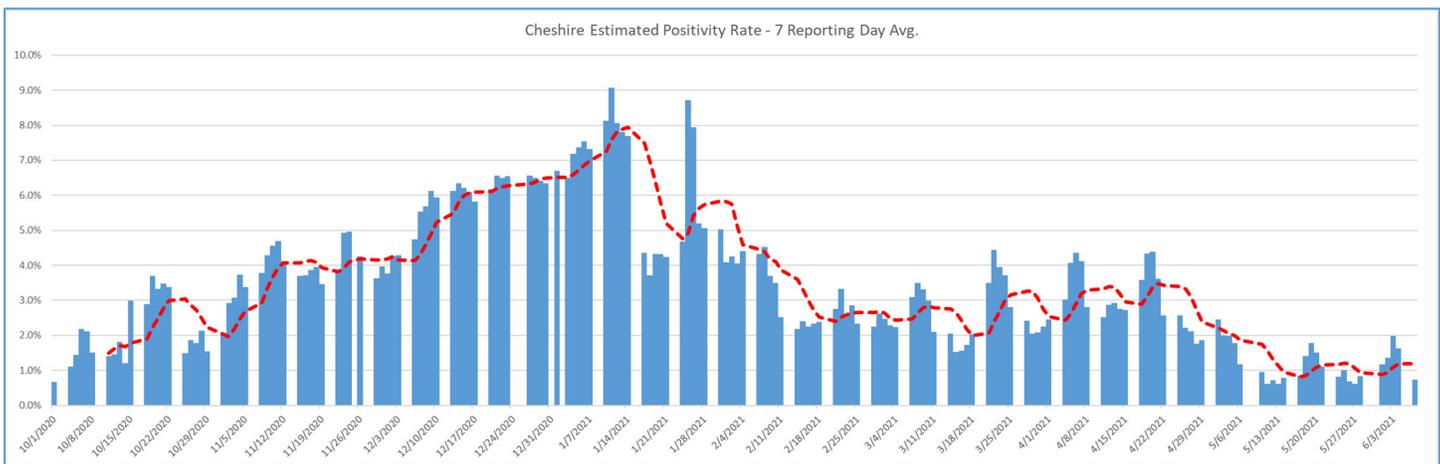
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**COVID-19 Pandemic Data**

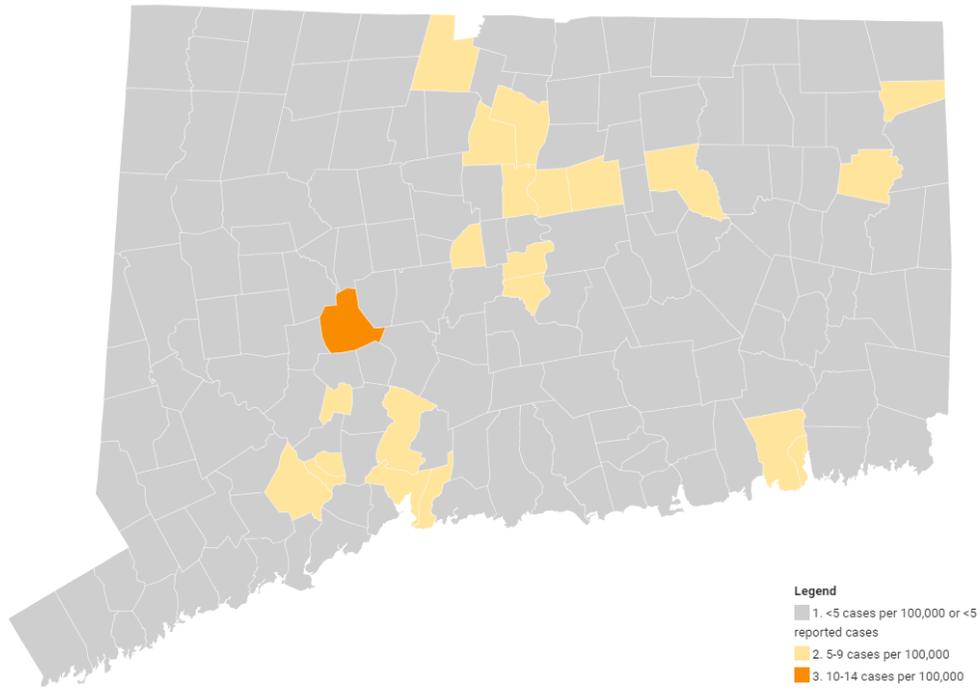
The rate of new COVID-19 cases in Cheshire has declined steadily since April. As shown on the chart below, the total number of additional positive cases per reporting day remains significantly lower than the peak experienced in December, January and early-February. The yellow line represents a moving 14-day average.



Our local positivity rate over the past seven DPH reporting days stands at 0.7% (15 positives over 7 days in Cheshire out of 2,056 tests):

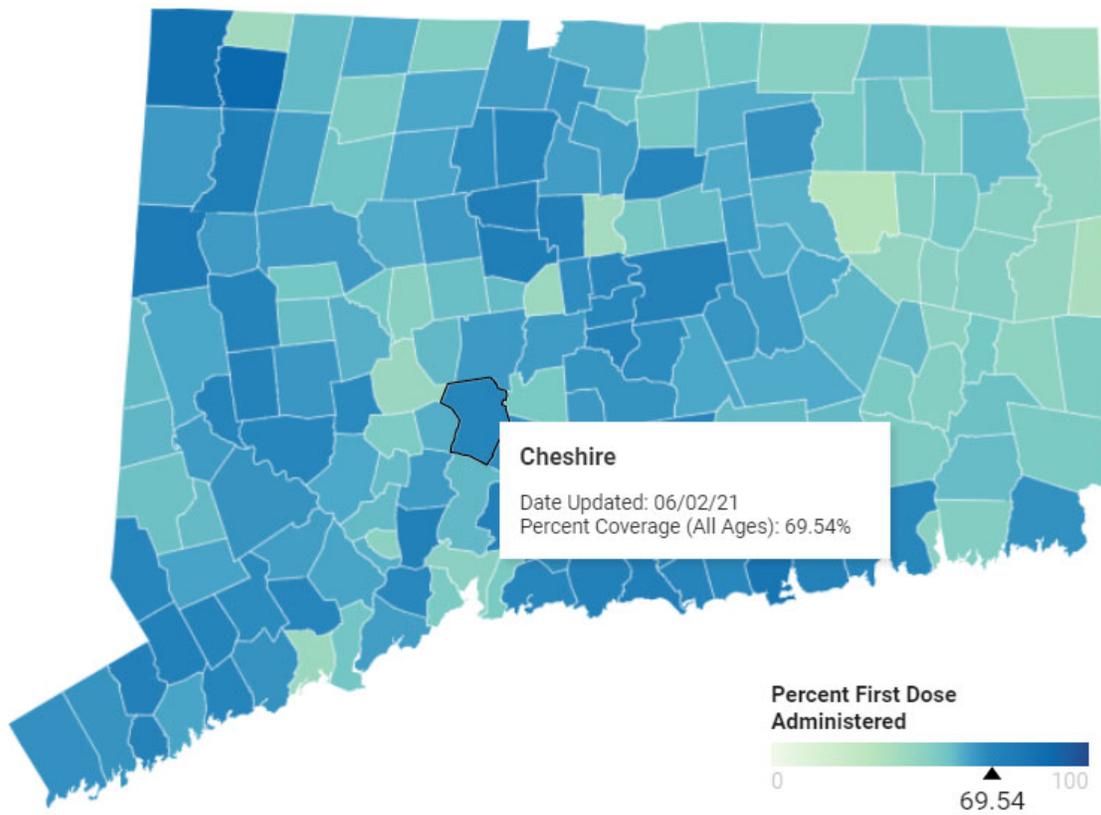


**Average Daily Rate of COVID-19 Cases Among Persons Living in Community Settings per 100,000 Population By Town**



To date, 69.54% of all Cheshire residents have received at least one vaccination dose.

**Percent of Population All Ages Who Have Received at Least One Dose of COVID-19 Vaccination**



## **Town Services Update**

Following updated guidelines from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and Governor Lamont's [Executive Order #12](#), the recommendations and requirements regarding face coverings have changed. In response to these changes, and additional guidance from the CT Department of Public Health (DPH) released on May 19, 2021, the Town of Cheshire updated its COVID-19 policy for Town buildings and facilities on May 21, 2021(not including Cheshire Public Schools).

Please note that certain requirements and recommendations currently in place will not change. Existing plexi-glass barriers are remaining in place. Staff and the public are expected to maintain social distancing whenever possible. Everyone is encouraged to continue adequate handwashing. Masks and disinfectant wipes will still be provided to staff when requested.

### **MASKS**

[Executive Order #12](#) grants municipal governments the authority to establish their own rules governing the use of masks or face coverings in settings under their ownership or control, subject to medical exceptions. Therefore, the following requirements for Town of Cheshire operated buildings and facilities will be in place effective immediately and until at least June 20, 2021.

#### **Outdoors**

- Masks are not required.

#### **Indoors**

- Masks and face coverings will continue to be welcomed in all Town buildings and facilities for those who wish to use them.
- Vaccinated employees are not required to wear masks with the exception of direct interactions with the general public (i.e. service counters, Senior Services transportation, face-to-face meetings, etc). However, masks will remain required in public areas inside the Library, Yellow House, ArtsPlace and Youth Center buildings due to the significant portion of individuals under the age of 12 who visit these facilities and who are not presently eligible to receive a COVID-19 vaccination. These facilities should expect to follow mask-wearing guidelines that remain applicable to the Cheshire Public Schools.
- Unvaccinated employees are required to continue to wear masks at all times except when working in separate personal work spaces (i.e. cubicles with walls, private offices, etc.).

#### **Public Visitors**

Vaccinated visitors are not required to wear face coverings in Town buildings with the exception of the Library, Yellow House, Artsplace and Youth Center due to the significant number of patrons under the age of 12 who visit these facilities and are not presently eligible to receive a COVID-19 vaccination. Masks are also required for all patrons utilizing public transportation such as Senior Center Minibuses. Per the Governor's Executive Order #12, unvaccinated visitors to all Town buildings will be required to wear face coverings when indoors at all times.

### **Cheshire Public Library:**

The Cheshire Public Library is presently open 6 days per week for reduced hours, but will be returning to regular full hours (Mon-Thurs 9:00am-8:30pm, Fridays 9:00am-5:00pm, Saturdays 9:00am-1:00pm) beginning June 28<sup>th</sup>.

Note that the Library will be Saturday-Monday (7/3-7/5) of 4th of July Weekend.

### **Cheshire Community Pool:**

The Cheshire Community Pool is fully open with no reservations required. Mask rules apply to unvaccinated individuals in the main building, locker rooms and on the pool deck.

### **Sustainable CT – Bronze Certification Award**

We are pleased to announce that the Town of Cheshire was awarded the Bronze Level certification from Sustainable CT. The Cheshire application was approved for 17 actions in 11 categories totaling 225 points. Congratulations and thank you to all involved in the application effort.

### **New Town Trail Signage**

New, updated metal trail signs including maps and information about local flora are being installed across town at various open space trails. Thank you to our Environmental Planner, Suzanne Simone, for coordinating this effort, be sure to keep an eye out for them.

### **Welcome to New CPD Officers**

Last Thursday two new Cheshire police officers were sworn in, Ofc. Thomas Durant and Ofc. Mahmoud Kafel. We welcome them to Cheshire and wish them well during their time in the Police Academy, which began last Friday.

### **Bartlem Beats Summer Concert Series**

As a reminder, all Fridays in August will have summer concerts at Bartlem Park, with rain dates the following Tuesday for each.

- August 6 - AM Gold (Yacht Rock)
- August 13 - Jason Ingriselli and the Miles North Band (Country)
- August 20 - Heavy Hitters (Women of Rock)
- August 27 - Capricorn with Bill Calabrese (Allman Brothers Tribute)

Three weeks into soliciting sponsorships. Below is the lineup of commitments and funds collected.

Presenting Sponsor: **\$5,000 Richard Chevrolet**  
VIP Sponsor: **\$3,000 Rock Doc LLC.**  
VIP Sponsor: **\$3,000 (1) Available**  
Platinum: **\$1,000 Cheshire Academy x2, (6 spots available)**  
Gold: **\$500 Gaylord, Pepperland Marketing, Feldman Orthodontics, Advanced Dentistry, DW Gem Services (7 spots available)**  
Silver: **\$250 Ricci Construction, (31 spots available)**  
**\$12,750 collected to date**

**Upcoming Town Council & Sub-Committee Meetings**

**Capital Budget Workshop**

June 10, 2021 – 6:30 pm

**Town Council Special Meeting – School Modernization**

June 15, 2021 – 6:30 pm

**Town Council Regular Meeting**

July 13, 2021 – 7:00 pm