53.6% Veteran users vaccinated

3,752,523 people vaccinated
(at least one dose)
- 3,297,864 Veterans
- 320,661 employees
- 81,038 SAVE LIVES Act
- 29,918 other federal partners
- 23,042 other

Race
- 53.1% White
- 56.6% Black or African American
- 59.7% Asian
- 47.1% American Indian or Alaskan Native
- 52.8% Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
- 49.2% Multiple

Rurality
- 48.5% rural
- 46.5% highly rural
- 56.5% urban

Veteran Care
- VA has diagnosed 279,491 people with COVID-19
- 665 current COVID-19 inpatients
- 47,263 COVID-19 patients admitted to VA facilities
- 259,517 COVID-19 patients now in convalescence
- 4,302,474 tests completed

Virtual Care
- 171,761 weekly home or off-site telehealth visits (from July 25–31, 2021)
- 1,435% increase in home or off-site telehealth visits (from Mar. 1, 2020–July 2021)

Fourth Mission
- 4 mission assignments
- 155 completed missions

Vaccine figures are as of Aug. 6, 2021.
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