

Vaccine Update 1/23/2021

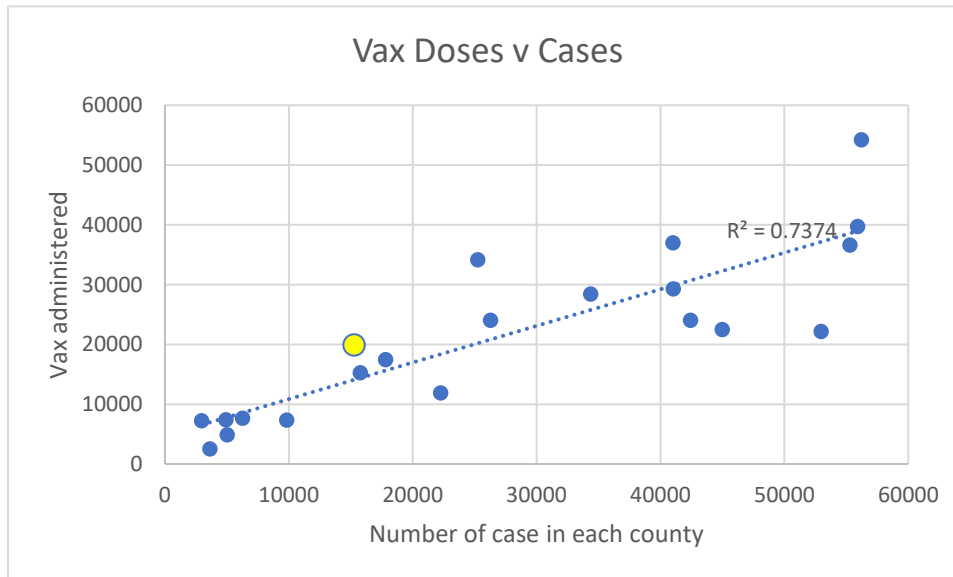
The Somerset County Health Dept. (SCHD) gave out 703 doses yesterday, 648 the day before. They are expecting 700 doses delivered next week (they asked for 6500). Starting on 1/26 they will give the first batch of 2nd doses (100). By next week they will have received 5400 doses and will give out all but 400. The 400 are temporarily held in case the next shipment is late.

A satellite site will hopefully set up in Franklin in February **IF THEY GET SUFFICIENT DOSES**.

This last week the CHD used its own scheduling system because the State's was not up to speed. They will now start using the state site to sign up. I know this is a moving target. Hopefully it will settle out.

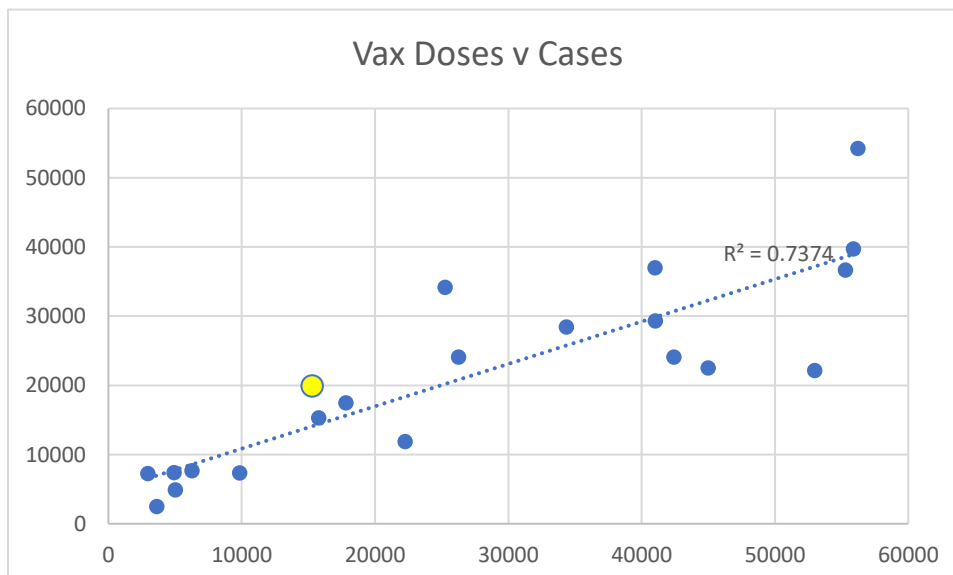
There is some confusion about getting second doses if you were vaccinated at RVCC. If you got your first dose by scheduling with the County, the SCHD will contact you and you will be asked to schedule again at RVCC. If you got there through the State, The State will email you about your second appointment which could be at another location.

The county call center (908-231-7155) will be fully up on Monday. They have the capacity for ten lines. Around the state county health departments are administering about a third of the doses. Hospitals, LTC, Urgent cares etc. are getting the rest.



I wanted to know if Somerset Co. was getting its fair share. To see how Somerset was doing compared to other counties I went to the state [dashboard](#).

Somerset (yellow) is administering proportionally for its population.



Likewise, for the number of cases.

One final comment. A resident complained to me that New York was doing it better. Today however, there are reports in NY that people are showing up for appointments only to find the site ran out of vaccine. That hasn't happened at Somerset Co. yet.

This is a national problem. It should get better as more doses come online.

I continue to advise checking all sites throughout the state as listed on <https://covid19.nj.gov/pages/covid-19-vaccine-locations-for-eligible-recipients>