

The RESULTS National Webinar

July 10, 2021

Welcome!

Our Anti-Oppression Values



RESULTS is a movement of passionate, committed everyday people. Together we use our voices to influence political decisions that will bring an end to poverty. Poverty cannot end as long as oppression exists. We commit to opposing all forms of oppression, including ableism, ageism, classism, colonialism, homophobia, racism, religious discrimination, sexism, transphobia, white saviorism, and xenophobia.

At RESULTS we pledge to create space for all voices, including those of us who are currently experiencing poverty. We will address oppressive behavior in our interactions, families, communities, work, and world. Our strength is rooted in our diversity of experiences, not in our assumptions.

With unearned privilege comes the responsibility to act so the burden to educate and change doesn't fall solely on those experiencing oppression. When we miss the mark on our values, we will acknowledge our mistake, seek forgiveness, learn, and work together as a community to pursue equity.

There are no saviors — only partners, advocates, and allies. We agree to help make the RESULTS movement a respectful, inclusive space.

Find all our anti-oppression resources at: https://results.org/volunteers/anti-oppression/

Guest Speaker: Ann Oliva





- Senior Fellow with the Housing team at the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities (<u>www.cbpp.org</u>)
- Former Senior Policy Advisor at the Corporation for Supportive Housing
- From 2007 to 2017, official at HUD, most recently as Deputy Assistant Secretary for Special Needs Assistance Program (SNAP).
- In 2015, Oliva was named one of the 50 Most Influential Leaders in HUD's 50-year history and was honored with the True Colors Fund's True Leader Award.

U.S. Poverty "Asks"



Follow up with housing and tax aides. **Urge them to speak to leadership, urging them to focus on bold and long-term anti-poverty policies**:

- Making 2021 EITC/CTC provisions permanent
- Rental assistance (likely via Housing Choice Vouchers) should be universal for all those who qualify – with multi-year guaranteed funding
- Support efforts to address access to affordable housing + racial inequities

Now is the time to be bold.



Bipartisan Infrastructure + Budget Reconciliation

Opportunity to secure large-scale policies that:

- Dramatically reduce child poverty
- Address racial inequities

Why is it key for members of Congress to speak to leadership (our "Ask")?

- Conversations happening now about their recovery priorities specifically what changes they want to include beyond the Administration's proposal
- As Congress moves large-scale legislation, key that Congressional leaders/negotiators their peers care about poverty and equity

Housing Sign-on Letter

Deadline: Tuesday, July 13

Congress of the United States

June XX, 2021

The Honorable Charles Schumer Senate Majority Leader United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi Speaker of the House U.S. House of Representatives H-232 U.S. Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Mitch McConnell Senate Minority Lender United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Kevin McCarthy House Minority Leader U.S. House of Representatives H-204 U.S. Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Majority Leader Schumer, Minority Leader McConnell, Speaker Pelosi, and Minority Leader McCarthy:

We write to highlight the urgent need for substantial affordable housing infrastructure investments as part of the broader effort to repair and modernize our nation's critical infrastructure systems. Without proportional affordable housing investments, there is no path for an equitable recovery and long term financial stability for low and middle income American families.

If we fail to act now, our nation's consornic growth will continue to be held back by the over 7 million unit defect in affindable homes. Our current low affordable how using inventory is a significant driver of higher housing goots, which in turn strains limited federal rotal assistance programs. Despite the clear and urgent need, only one in flow households who qualify for housing assistance receives it due to decades of chronic underfunding by Congress. Millions of eligible households are currently stuck on waiting lists - often for several years - hoping for help to come assource.

The long wait for help sets families further back year after year. Eight million of the lowestincome renters pay at least half of their income on rent, leaving them without the resources they need to pit food on the table, purchase needed medications, or make ends meet. Cornsavirus and the compounding effects of explosive wildfines and extreme weather events have made the need for affordable housing more clear than ever in both rural and urban consimunities. Even before the cornavirus pandemic, fifty-four million rural residents lived in areas that had either a severe need or moderately severe need for the production of more affordable rural housing.

The President's call to invest more than \$300 billion in housing in the American Jobs Plan is a critical first step, but we must ensure that these resources are targeted to help the millions who pay more than baif of their income on rent today. The American Jobs Plan laudably includes funds for affordable bousing development, and capital investments are indeed needed to repair public housing and build and preserve affordable and supportive housing through the national Housing Trust Fund. Without rental assistance, however, people below the poverty line generally will not be able to affixed to live an homes built with nevestments in the American Jobs Plan. Development subsidies repiscally do not cover the ongoing costs of operating and managing housing, and the lowest-income households cannot afford rents sufficient to cover those costs. We must ensure that any homes built with these federal investments are affordable to people with the greatest needs.

For these reasons, we urge you to include at a minimum the following key affordable housing infrastructure programs in the Build Back Better infrastructure package.

- Build on recent investments in short-term, emergency rental assistance by providing multi-year mandatory funding for a major housing voucher expansion to pave the way toward universal rental assistance.
- · At least \$70 billion to address the Public Housing repair backlog.
- \$45 billion for the National Housing Trust Fund, of which \$26 billion should be reserved for permanent supportive housing for people experiencing homelessness.

While these programs and funding levels merit additional emphasis, this list should not be regarded as a complete list of all the ways we all can or should act to lower housing costs for American families. For example, Congress should make additional investments to preserve and create affordable housing in rural and tribal communities, address lead-based paint and other home health hazards, increase access to affordable homeownership for people and communities who have been too often locked out, and ensure that all communities provide access to opportunity for those who live and work there. However, we respectfully encourage you to consider these three principal recommendations as minimum housing investments that will help ensure the broader in the Build Back Better infrastructure package delivers broad and equitable benefits to all Americans.

Sincerely,

For more information or to sign onto the letter, please contact matthew_traylor@merkley.senate.gov in Sen. Merkley's office or christopher.jerrolds@mail.house.gov in Rep. Torres's office.



Bipartisan Support for Vouchers

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- <u>Ending Homelessness Act</u>, Rep. Maxine Waters (D-CA). Phasedin expansion of HCVs with guaranteed funding – TO BE INTRODUCED SOON!
- The Family Stability and Opportunity Vouchers Act, Sens. Todd Young (R-IN) and Chris Van Hollen (D-MD)
- <u>Choice in Affordable Housing Act of 2021,</u> Sens. Chris Coons (D-Del.) and Kevin Cramer (R-ND)
- The Housing Choice Voucher Mobility Demonstration Act (H.R. 5793/S. 2945)
- The Fostering Stable Housing Opportunities Act (H.R. 4300/S. 2803)
- Veterans Health Care and Benefits Improvement Act (<u>H.R. 7105/P.L. 116-315</u>) and the Veteran HOUSE Act (<u>H.R. 2398</u>/incorporated into <u>P.L. 116-283</u>).

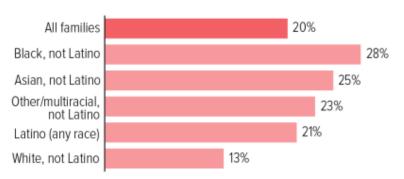
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Housing Unaffordability + Instability Persist



1 in 5 Renters Living With Children Not Caught Up on Rent, With Families of Color Facing Greatest Hardship

Share of adult renters living with children saying their household is not caught up on rent



Note: Other/multiracial, not Latino = people identifying as American Indian, Alaska Native, Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander, or more than one race. Chart excludes renters who did not respond to the question.

Source: CBPP analysis of Census Bureau Household Pulse Survey public use file, data collected April 14 - May 24, 2021.

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- CDC Eviction Moratorium Expires July 31!
- In the 5 states and 27 cities, landlords have filed for 385,996 evictions during the pandemic.
- **6,250** evictions were filed two weeks ago.

Source: https://evictionlab.org/eviction-tracking/

Source: https://www.cbpp.org/1-in-5-renters-living-with-children-not-caught-up-on-rent-with-families-of-color-facing-greatest



Q& A with Ann Oliva

Rental Assistance and an Equitable Recovery

How State and Local Advocates Can Support Unprecedented Investments to Help People Struggling to Afford Housing



Resources

- CBPP's dedicated page on voucher expansion:
 <u>https://www.cbpp.org/research/resource-lists/expanding-housing-vouchers</u>
- One pager/infographic: https://www.cbpp.org/sites/default/files/5-3-21hous-infographic.pdf
- Toolkit: Check out our NEW toolkit on housing vouchers with talking points, sample social media content, and ideas for action in your community.
 - https://drive.google.com/file/d/1dz6Uu5jB9hjBI_wGEYWbJGnRSNY wmGMA/view

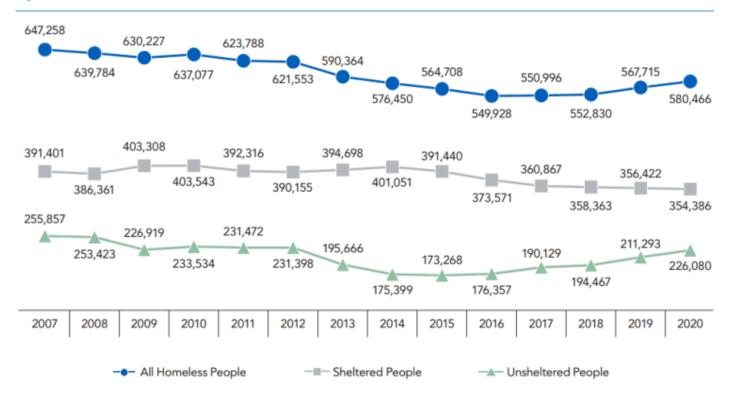


Now Is the Time to Expand Federal Rental Assistance



EXHIBIT 1.1: PIT Estimates of People Experiencing Homelessness

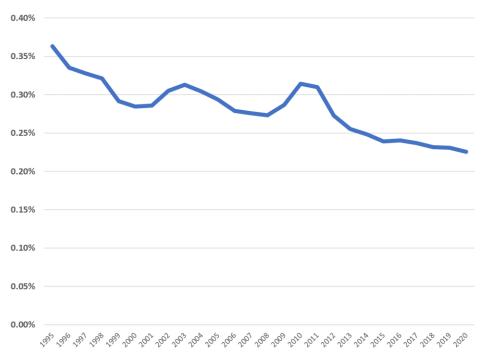
By Sheltered Status, 2007–2020





Discretionary Housing Assistance Spending Has Fallen to Historic Lows

Spending as a percent of gross domestic product





Why Housing Choice Vouchers?

Vouchers can:

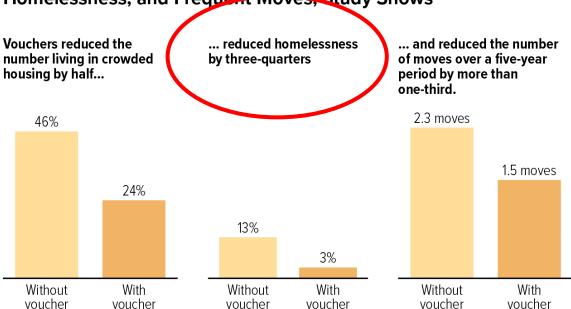
- Reduce poverty
- Sharply reduce homelessness and overcrowding
- Reduce domestic violence
- Can improve health and educational outcomes
- Advance racial equity
- And more

Research shows that Housing Choice Vouchers:

- Reduce the share of families living in shelters or on the street by three-fourths, the share living in overcrowded conditions by more than half, and the share of adults experiencing domestic violence by half.
- Allow seniors to remain in their homes and allow people with disabilities to live independently.
- Reduce how frequently children must change schools. This also benefits their classmates by helping their teachers better gauge and advance students' learning.
- Give low-income children better access to low-poverty, highresource neighborhoods – particularly children of color, who disproportionately live in high-poverty areas due to a long history of discriminatory government policies.



Housing Choice Vouchers Sharply Reduced Crowded Housing, Homelessness, and Frequent Moves, Study Shows

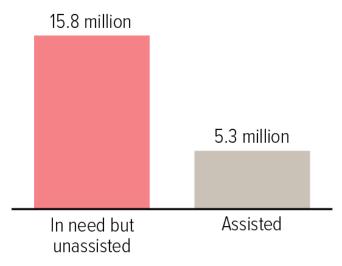


Note: The chart compares the housing status of low-income families in six U.S. cities who were randomly selected to receive a voucher and used it for at least part of the previous year to families in a control group who did not use vouchers. Families experiencing "crowded housing" were living in housing that has less than one room per household member. Number of moves reflects the average moves over a 4.5- to 5-year period since random assignment.

Source: Michelle Wood, Jennifer Turnham, and Gregory Mills, "Housing Affordability and Family Well-Being: Results from the Housing Voucher Evaluation," Housing Policy Debate, 2008.



16 Million Households Needing Federal Rental Assistance Do Not Receive It Due to Funding Limits



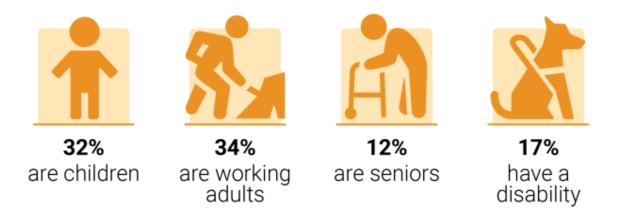
Note: In need = households earning 80 percent or less of the local median household income and paying more than 30 percent of monthly income for housing and/or living in overcrowded or substandard housing.

Source: Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) custom tabulations of 2017 American Housing Survey and CBPP tabulations of HUD and Agriculture Department data.



24 million people

live in low-income renter households that pay more than half their income for housing (rent and utilities)



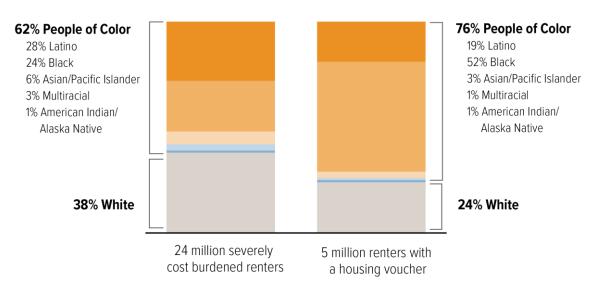
Notes: Low income = household earns less than 80% of the local median income. Severely cost-burdened = household pays more than 50% of their monthly income on rent and utilities.

Source: CBPP analysis of 2014-2018 American Community Survey microdata and 2018 HUD area median income limits.



Expanding Housing Vouchers Would Help Millions of Renters, Mostly People of Color Currently Not Reached by the Program

Share of renters in low-income households



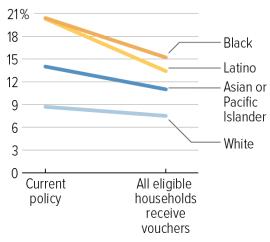
Note: Low-income = household earns less than 80% of the local median income. Severely cost burdened = household pays more than half their income for rent and utitilities. Latino category may contain individuals of any race that identify as Latino or Hispanic; other categories exclude individuals that identify as Latino or Hispanic. Chart excludes severely cost burdened individuals identifying as some other race, representing .4% of the total.

Source: CBPP analysis of 2014-2018 American Community Survey microdata, 2018 HUD area median income limits, and 2018 HUD administrative data.



Expanding Housing Vouchers to All Eligible Households Would Cut Poverty and Reduce Racial Disparities

Percent of people in poverty by race/ethnicity



Note: Currently about 1 in 4 households eligible for a voucher receives any type of federal rental assistance. Latino category may contain individuals of any race that identify as Latino or Hispanic; other categories exclude individuals that identify as Latino or Hispanic.

Source: Columbia University Center on Poverty and Social Policy calculations using data from the 2019 Annual Social and Economic Supplement to the Current Population Survey

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American Rescue Plan EITC and CTC changes



- Expansion of EITC for workers without children
 - Increases maximum credit from around \$500/yr to \$1,500/yr
 - Expands eligible workers to 19 yrs + (previously 25-64 yrs old)
- Expansion of CTC for families with children
 - All low-income families get the full credit, even if you have no income
 - Before 2021, max refund was \$1,400 and families earning below \$2,500/yr got nothing, while wealthy families got the full \$2,000 credit
 - Credit increased from \$2,000 per child to \$3,000 per child 6-17 yrs old and \$3,600 per child under 6

CTC Expansion

EITC Expansion

The improvements are game-changers!



Estimated Number of Children Who Would Benefit Each Year From Permanent Expansion of Child Tax Credit, by State

Relative to before American Rescue Plan's temporary expansion

	Children under 17	Children under	Children under 18	Children under	Share of children
	previously left out of full	18 lifted above	lifted above or	18 who would	under 18 who
	\$2,000 credit who would	poverty line by	closer to poverty	benefit from	would benefit
	benefit from permanent	permanent	line by permanent	permanent	from permanent
	expansion	expansion	expansion	expansion	expansion
Total U.S.	27,000,000	4,120,000	9,894,000	65,560,000	89%

Estimated Number of Working Adults Without Children Who Would Benefit Each Year From Permanent EITC Expansion in American Families Plan, by State and Race/Ethnicity

Relative to before American Rescue Plan's temporary expansion

State	Total	White	Latino	Black	Asian	Another race or multiple races
Total U.S.	17,445,400	,658,700	3,639,600	2,739,300	815,700	592,100

New Child Tax Credit payments



- July 15: IRS starts monthly CTC payments to families
 - Most families will get \$250-300 per child
- Payment will go out each month through December
 - This will amount to ½ of their 2021 CTC; other half will be paid as a lump sum at tax time next year
- Most will get payments automatically but if you have not filed taxes in last two years, you may need to sign up
- Go to <u>www.childtaxcredit.gov</u> for more info

It is time for Congress to protect workers and children



- The CTC expansions could cut child poverty by <u>almost</u> <u>half</u>
- EITC expansion stops low-wage workers from being taxed into poverty
- BUT... the changes only last one year (including the CTC monthly payment)

Tax credits for low-income workers and families should be made permanent this year.

July U.S. Poverty Action



Submit your own letters to the editor this month:

- Remind people about the new CTC monthly payments and urge Congress to make the EITC and CTC provisions permanent.
- Call on Congress to commit to guaranteed, multi-year funding for the Housing Choice Voucher program so that all eligible renters can get help.

The July 2021 U.S. Poverty Action has template LTEs and other resources at: https://results.org/volunteers/monthly-actions/

July U.S. Poverty Action Resources



Main Resources

- Monthly Action Sheets: https://results.org/volunteers/monthly-actions/
- Lobby Resources: https://results.org/volunteers/lobbying/
- Laser Talks: https://results.org/volunteers/laser-talks/
- Lobby Report Form: <u>www.tinyurl.com/RESLobbyReport</u>
- EITC and CTC stats by state: https://www.cbpp.org/research/federal-tax/congress-should-adopt-american-families-plans-permanent-expansions-of-child
- State housing data https://nlihc.org/housing-needs-by-state
- Columbia University poverty data on expanding CTC: <u>www.tinyurl.com/ColumbiaCTC</u> and expanding HCVs with CTC: <u>www.tinyurl.com/ColumbiaHousingCTC</u>

RESULTS Op-ed Workshop Tuesday, July 20, 9:00 pm ET



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Dr. Joanne CarterExecutive Director

International Conference Wrap Up





Watch our new 2021 International Conference video at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SieVaUTFqBs

IC Advocacy Week Share





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RESULTS New York

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Volunteer Advocate
RESULTS Nova Southeastern
University (NSU)

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Accomplishments since January 2021!



- Recap of the First 100 Days Campaign!
- Appropriations: House SFOPS
- Media Progress: 245 pieces as of June 30th, 2021
- Meeting Progress: 517 House and Senate meetings as of July 8th, 2021

Looking Ahead

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July

- Housing, tax, vaccine actions
- Work with RCs to assess your group's health, review roadmaps, regional conferences
- July 22 policy forums: 8 pm ET US Poverty; 9 pm ET Global Poverty

August

- Key actions
- Slower pace: no National Webinar, no Policy Forums

Looking Ahead



September

- Motivational Interviewing series starts
- StrengthFinder leadership training offering
- Regional Conference planning for fall
- New advocates start being referred to groups by Expansion Team

Vote in Board Election



We have 3 outstanding candidates running for one of our four RESULTS Grassroots Board Member seats.

The deadline to vote is Saturday, July 17.

All active RESULTS volunteers are eligible to vote.

Go to https://results.org/blog/results-2021-grassroots-board-elections/ to learn about the candidates and vote today!

July Events



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July Events



July 22

- 8 pm ET U.S. Poverty Policy Forum
- 9 pm ET Global Poverty Policy Forum

Register for one or both at: www.results.org/events

New Advocate Orientations are on-going! Register for an upcoming orientation at: www.results.org/volunteer

July Events



U.S. Poverty Free Agents Webinars

Tuesday, July 20, 1:00 pm and 8:00 pm ET

Contact Jos Linn at jlinn@results.org for more information.

Global Poverty Free Agents Webinar

Monday, July 26, 7:00 pm ET

Contact Lisa Marchal at lmarchal@results.org for more information.

See more on the RESULTS Events Calendar:

https://results.org/events/



U.S. Leadership to Address the Global Vaccine Access Crisis

As the first vaccines begin to be deployed, the promise of equitable access is at serious risk.

I need to be blunt: **the** world is on the brink of a catastrophic moral **failure** – and the price of this failure will be paid with lives and livelihoods in the world's poorest countries.



Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus Director General World Health Organization January 2021

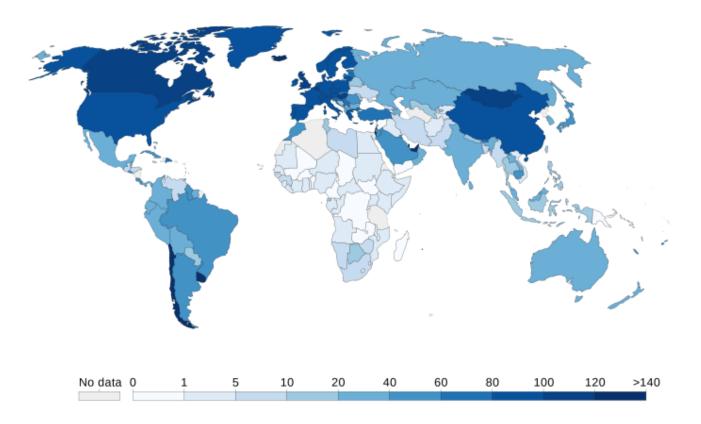


COVID-19 vaccine doses administered per 100 people



For vaccines that require multiple doses, each individual dose is counted. As the same person may receive more than one dose, the number of doses per 100 people can be higher than 100.



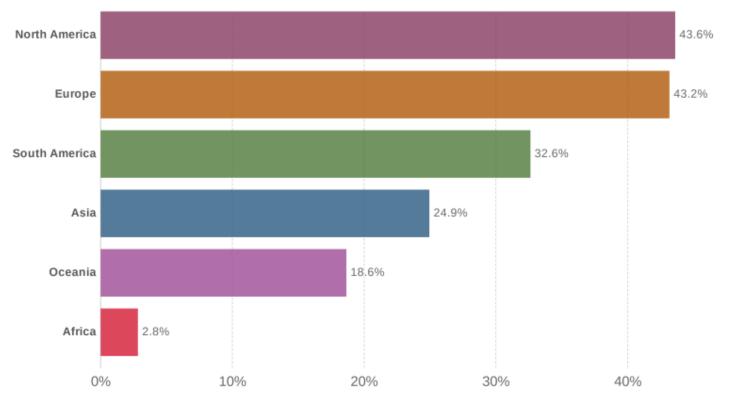


Share of people who received at least one dose of COVID-19 vaccine

Our World in Data

Share of the total population that received at least one vaccine dose. This may not equal the share that are fully vaccinated if the vaccine requires two doses. This data is only available for countries which report the breakdown of doses administered by first and second doses.





Source: Official data collated by Our World in Data - Last updated 8 July 2021, 11:00 (London time) OurWorldInData.org/coronavirus • CC BY

Guest Speaker: Robert Weissman





- President of Public Citizen (https://www.citizen.org).
- Worked as director of the corporate accountability organization Essential Action from 1995 to 2009.
- From 1989 to 2009, editor of the Multinational Monitor magazine tracking multinational corporations.
- Weissman helped make HIV drugs available to the developing world and has provided assistance to numerous governments on intellectual property and access to medicine issues.
- Previously worked as a public interest attorney at the Center for Study of Responsive Law.
- Earned a J.D. from Harvard Law School, graduated magna cum laude.

Take Action



- Tell President Biden: the United States must lead the global effort to boost the supply of Covid-19 vaccines an end to the pandemic.
- Tell Congress: The U.S. should allocate \$25
 billion to accelerate the production of
 vaccines and bring an end to the pandemic.



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