

# RISE Advocacy Chapter with RESULTS

## Sept. Webinar: Urgent Need for Equitable Vaccine Access

Sept. 21 & 22, 2021

# New Mission & Vision

## Together Women Rise's Mission

**Together Women Rise cultivates the collective power of community to achieve global gender equality.**

## OUR VISION

**Together Women Rise envisions a world where every person has the same opportunities to thrive regardless of their gender or where they live.**

# RESULTS Anti-Oppression Values

The RESULTS logo consists of the word "results" in a white, lowercase, sans-serif font, positioned inside a red speech bubble shape that points downwards.

*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 racism, classism, colonialism, white saviorism, sexism, homophobia, transphobia, ableism, xenophobia, and religious discrimination.*

*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/>

# Welcome & Celebrations

- Welcome to anyone new. Our goal is to create the political will to shape policies and funding that will benefit women and girls globally. In the process we want to support advocates to have breakthroughs in exercising their political power.
- Congrats to Amy Harmala and Barbara Clawson on getting letters to the editor published!

# Equitable Access to Covid-19 Vaccines

Looking at the COVID-19 situation in the world, what are you hopeful about and what is troubling?

Did anyone read the [NY Times article](#)?

# Equitable Access to Covid-19 Vaccines



What is it necessary for people like us to lift our voices, pressuring our members of Congress to take action on global vaccine access?

- They typically won't do anything we don't make it impossible for them not to do.
- Give them cover: "My constituents are contacting me"
- Show them this is not a partisan issue.
- Show them how COVID-19 is affecting real people.

# C2C-Care 2 Communities



- **RISE 2020 December Featured Grantee**
- **Cap Haitien region in Northern Haiti**
- **COVID-19 Response**
  - **Education, Outreach and Training**
  - **Screening, Testing, Triage and Referrals**
  - **Infrastructure and equipment**

# Equitable Access to Covid-19 Vaccines

## What is wrong

- 20% of populations in low-income countries have some vaccine, compared to 80% in rich countries.
- 2-3% of those in African countries have been vaccinated.
- Our failure to ensure equitable access to the vaccine is creating a variant incubator.
- We don't have enough manufacturing capacity right now to produce all the doses needed by the world.

## What is hopeful

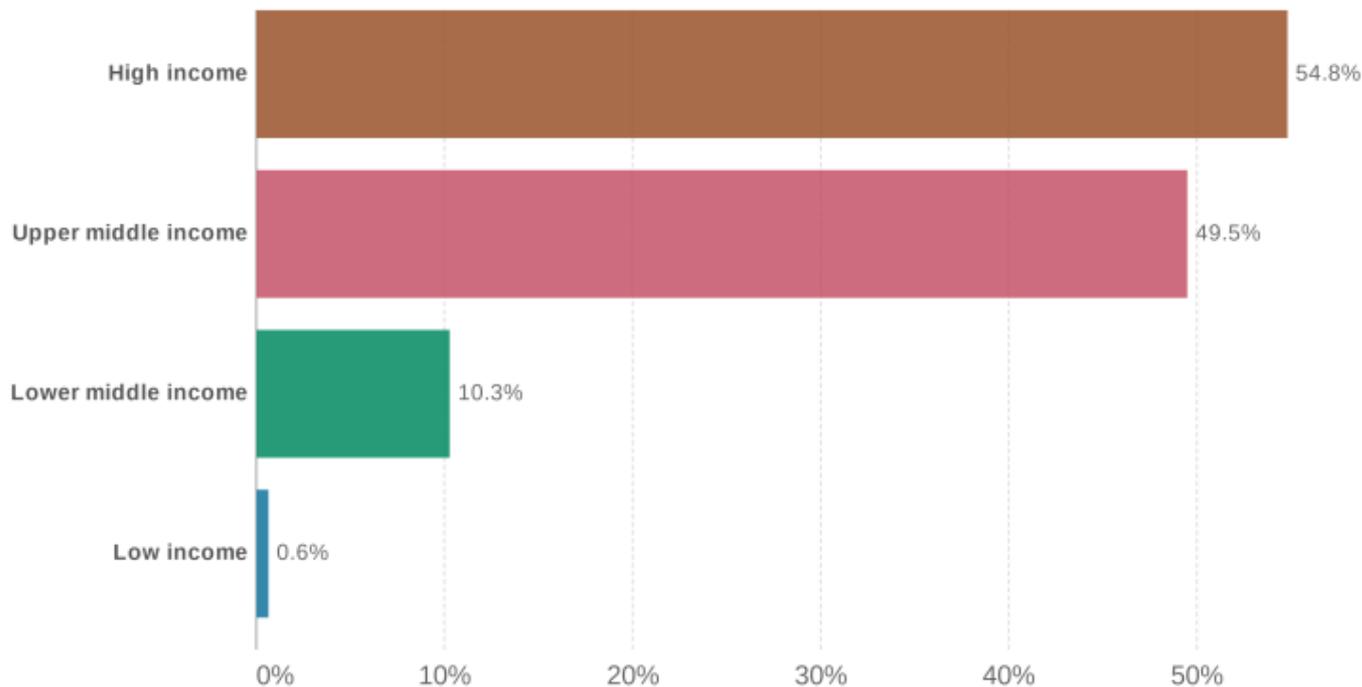
- COVAX exists—we have a mechanism for delivering vaccines equitably, if they can procure them.
- **The House has put \$2 billion in their reconciliation bill to ramp up vaccine manufacturing. We need the Senate to do the same.**
- President Biden has adopted the WHO targets of vaccinating 40% of the world's population, by country, by the end of this year and 70% by Sept. 2022, regardless of income level.
- Biden convening COVID summit on 9/22.

## Share of the population fully vaccinated against COVID-19

Total number of people who received all doses prescribed by the vaccination protocol, divided by the total population of the country.

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Source: Official data collated by Our World in Data – Last updated 9 September 2021, 13:00 (London time)

Note: Alternative definitions of a full vaccination, e.g. having been infected with SARS-CoV-2 and having 1 dose of a 2-dose protocol, are ignored to maximize comparability between countries.

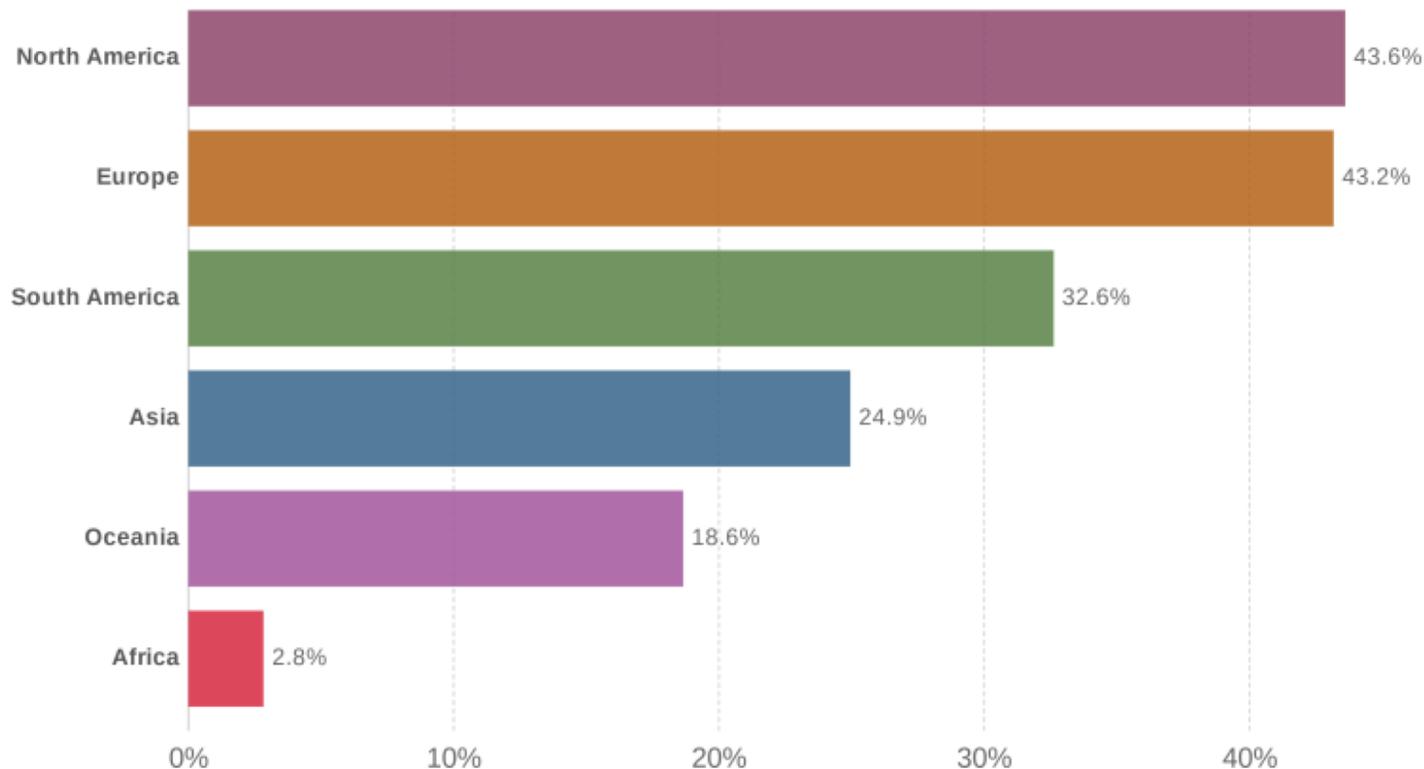
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## Share of people who received at least one dose of COVID-19 vaccine

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.

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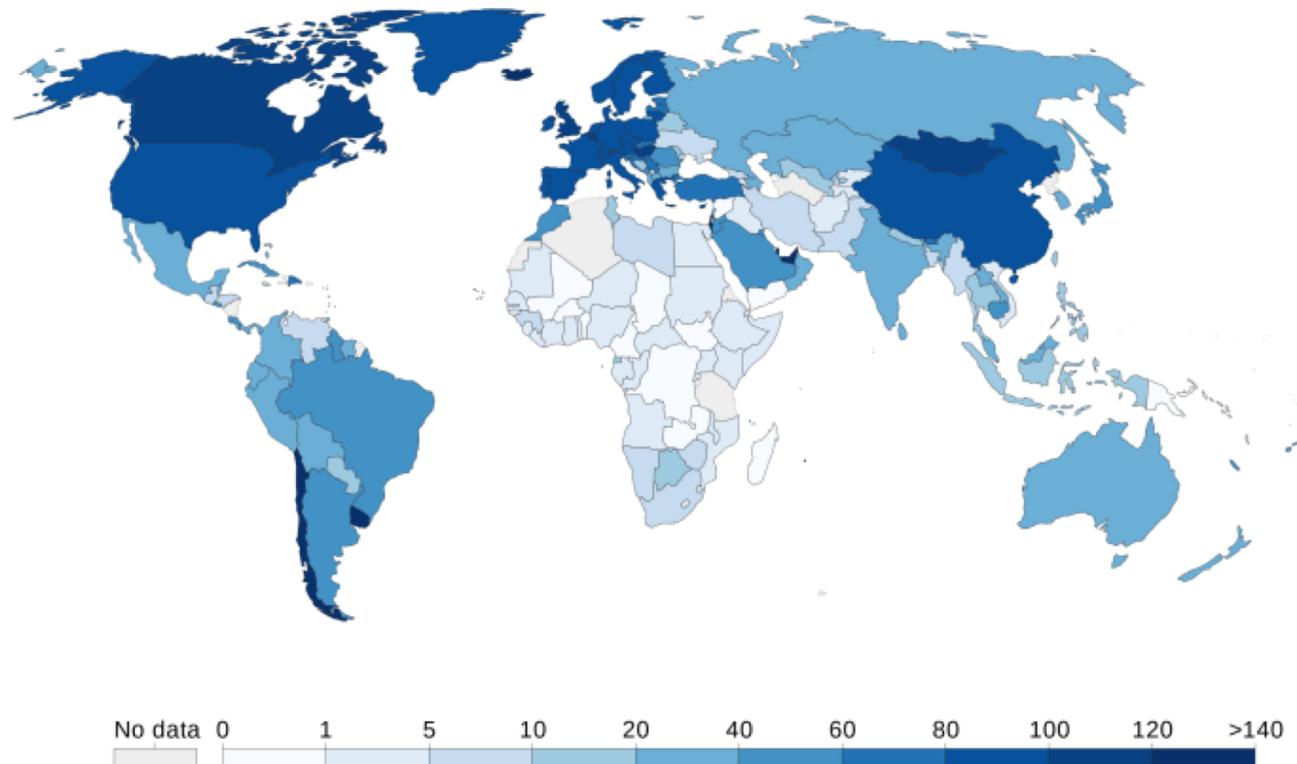
Source: Official data collated by Our World in Data – Last updated 8 July 2021, 11:00 (London time) [OurWorldInData.org/coronavirus](https://OurWorldInData.org/coronavirus) • CC BY

## 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.

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## Consequences of inaction:

- Sickness and death
- Long-term healthcare problems
- Depressed economies
- Resources diverted from other help matters
- Millions of girls never returning to school
- Huge risk of additional variants emerging that could render vaccines impotent

# Vaccine Access

- Congress is taking action (at our urging)
- Health leaders are taking action
- We need to keep the pressure up

# Let's Take Action



- Contact your Senators and ask them to speak to Senate leadership (Schumer) and HELP Committee leadership (Casey, Burr) about including \$2 billion in reconciliation bill to increase vaccine manufacturing.
- Write a letter to the editor and share with your members of Congress.
- Share our action with others so they can take it.

# Questions?

Next Together Women Rise Advocacy with RESULTS webinars:

- October 19 at 7 pm ET & October 20 at 9 pm ET