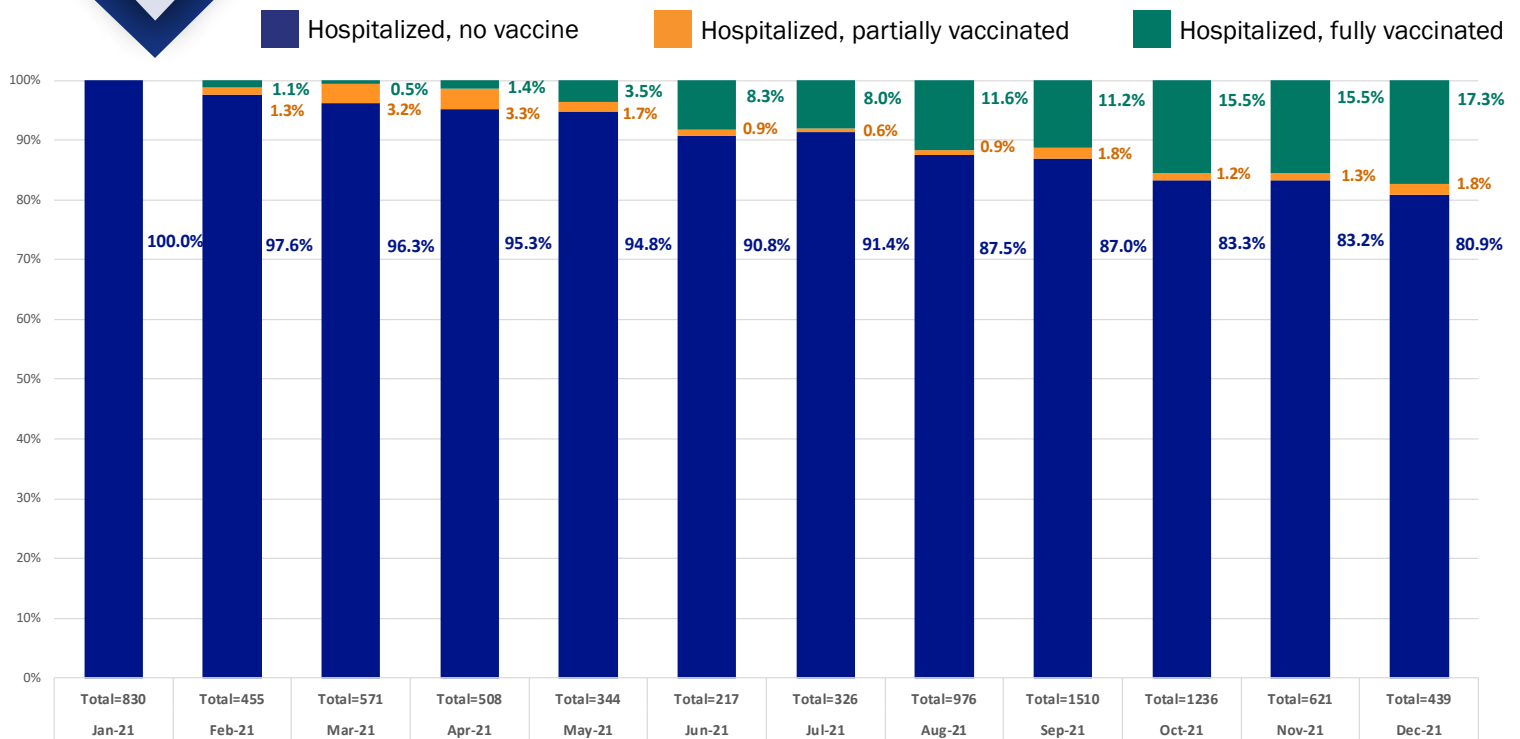


You can't catch COVID-19 from the **COVID-19 VACCINE**

We are hoping the data below helps to dispel the circulating myth that partially vaccinated people are catching COVID-19 from their first dose of the vaccine and are filling up the hospitals. That is blatantly false, as you can see from the information below.

8,033 cases were hospitalized for COVID-19 from Jan. 1, 2021 – Dec. 31, 2021:

- 89.6% had no vaccine when they became ill
- 1.5% were partially vaccinated (received one dose of a two-dose series) when they became ill
- 8.9% were fully vaccinated when they became ill



IS IT POSSIBLE TO BECOME INFECTED WITH COVID-19 AFTER RECEIVING ONE DOSE OF VACCINE IN A TWO-DOSE SERIES?

The COVID-19 vaccine does not contain live virus, so it is impossible for the vaccine to cause infection.

However, it does take a couple of weeks for the immune system to fully respond even after the first dose. It is possible to become infected if exposed to the virus that causes COVID-19 before or shortly after getting the vaccine. A person has the most protection from becoming infected with COVID-19 after being fully vaccinated and receiving a booster shot.