

AFY 2021/FY 2022

Governor's Budget Recommendation

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Georgia Department of Public Health



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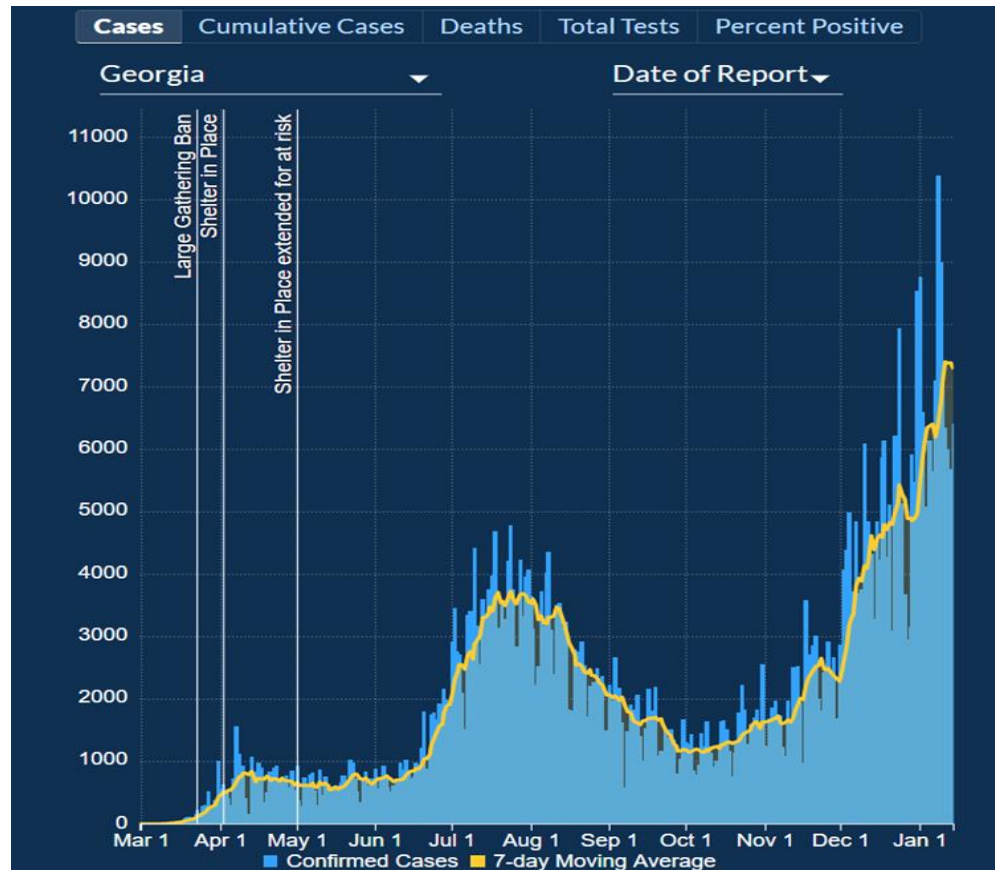
18 Public Health Districts

159 County Boards of Health

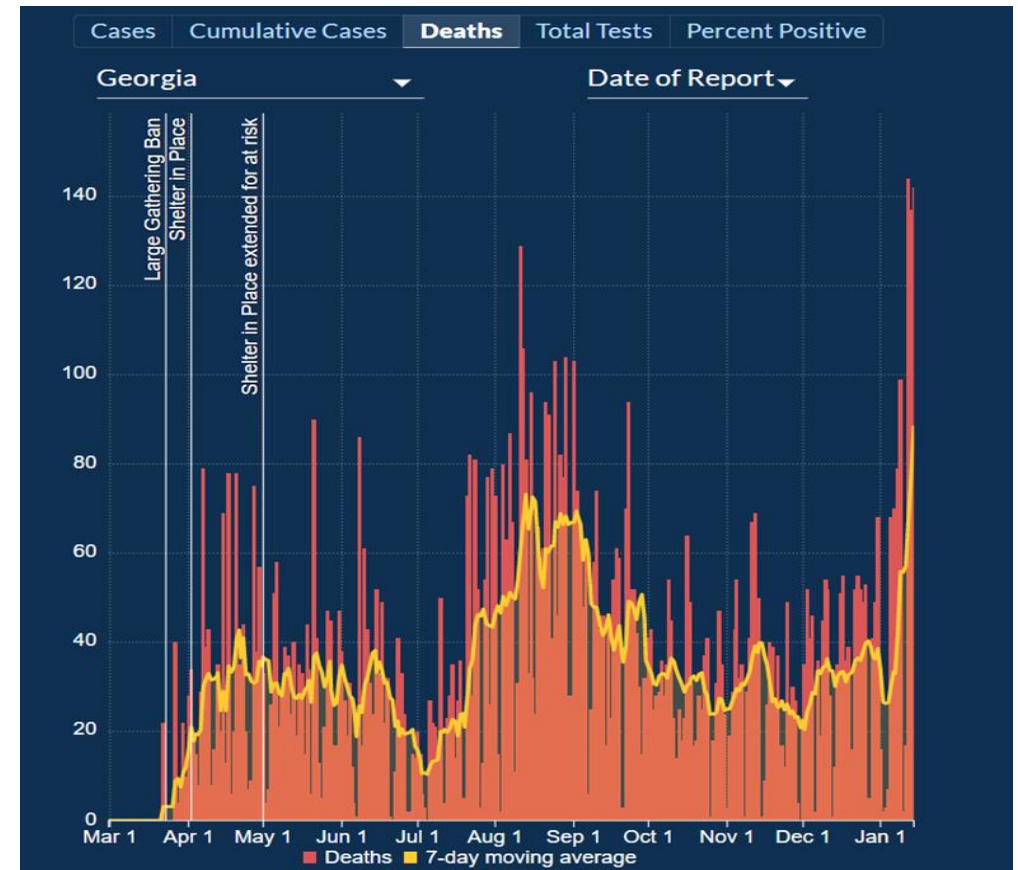
10.8 million Georgians

COVID-19 in Georgia

Case Count



Death Count



DPH Responds to COVID-19

STRATEGY

- A statewide, multipronged response to combat COVID-19 in Georgia and prevent further spread of the virus through widespread testing, isolation of individuals who are sick, identifying and quarantining close contacts exposed to COVID-19, and making vaccine widely available to all Georgians, as supplies allow.

SURVEILLANCE

- DPH epidemiologists monitor for and mitigate COVID-19 outbreaks by tracking cases, identifying where cases are occurring, collecting disease information through data such as hospitalizations, deaths, demographics (age, sex, race/ethnicity) and medical treatments.

TESTING

- DPH maintained 188 “specimen points of collection” sites (SPOCs) statewide, staffed by local public health personnel.
- Along with the Georgia Public Health Laboratory, DPH partners with private laboratories, community-based organizations, and private sector companies to support COVID-19 testing in Georgia.

CONTACT TRACING

- DPH established a COVID-19 workforce of approximately 1,500 case investigators and contact tracers who identified close contacts of individuals with COVID-19 so that those contacts would quarantine and monitor for symptoms.

VACCINATION

- COVID vaccine has been distributed statewide to public health departments and other providers including hospitals, pharmacies, FQHCs, private physicians who will administer vaccine to the general public, based on the current phase of vaccine administration. Planning for mass vaccine sites throughout the state are being planned.

COVID-19 Vaccine

- Two vaccines have received FDA Emergency Use Authorization (EUA)
 - Pfizer– 95% effective in clinical trials
 - Moderna – 94.5% effective in clinical trials
- Both vaccines require **2-doses**
 - Pfizer at least 3 weeks apart
 - Moderna at least 4 weeks apart
- Both vaccines were **tested in diverse adult populations**
 - 30% of U.S. participants were Hispanic, Black, Asian, or American Indian/Alaska Native
 - 21% (Pfizer) and 24% (Moderna) of US participants were older adults (65+)
 - Ages 16 to adult (Pfizer) and ages 18 to adult (Moderna) are eligible for vaccination



COVID-19 Vaccine Administration



- The Georgia Department of Public Health is currently administering COVID-19 vaccine in Phase 1A+ which includes:
 - Healthcare workers (physicians, nurses, laboratory technicians, EMS personnel, environmental services, etc.)
 - Residents and staff of long-term care facilities
 - Adults aged 65+ and their caregivers, as applicable
 - Law enforcement, firefighters, first responders

Vaccinations in Georgia

Georgia COVID-19 Vaccine Status Dashboard

Data from Georgia Department of Public Health

Dashboard is updated daily, excluding weekends and holidays.

Enrolled Providers

1,631

Pfizer Allocation

411,450

Moderna Allocation

529,200

Pfizer Shipped

407,550

Moderna Shipped

519,500

Vaccines Administered

340,865

**Totals are cumulative from the initial date of vaccine availability.*

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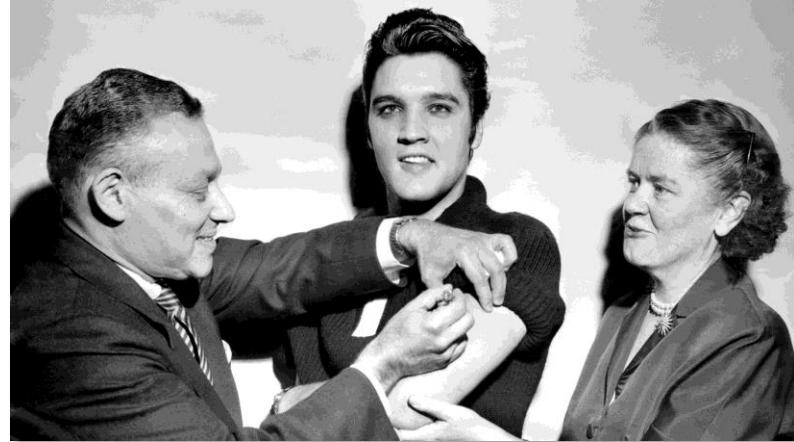
1. Enrolled Providers - number of providers enrolled to administer vaccines to date.
2. Allocation - number of vaccines allocated to Georgia from the distributing pharmaceutical.
3. Shipped - number of vaccines received in Georgia from the distributing pharmaceutical.
4. Vaccines Administered - number of people who received the vaccine in Georgia to date.

**Numbers include data reported to DPH as of the previous day. Reporting lags may mean that not all vaccines that have been administered are captured in these data.*



Don't Hesitate to Vaccinate

- **Get a COVID-19 vaccine** when it is available to you
- **SHARE your experience** with family and friends and your patients or fellow residents
- **SHOW you received the vaccine** with a sticker, a button or a picture on social media
- **You play a critical role** in COVID-19 vaccine uptake in Georgia



DPH COVID-19 Engagement

GEORGIA CHAMBER, METRO ATLANTA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, AND HISPANIC CHAMBER

- Attended ongoing meetings and held regular calls regarding safe return to work and promoting best practices (masks, social distancing, handwashing, following guidelines in Governor's Executive Order), collaborated on messaging and outreach to Hispanic community.

GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- Partnership for safe recruitment and establishment of new business enterprise in the state.

GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

- Visited farm and poultry plant operators across the state, provided written guidance on safe operations, and facilitated testing of workers.

GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND STATE SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS

- Participated in regular statewide superintendent calls to help guide safe school operations and answer questions; collaborated on back to school and campus guidance for fall reopening.

MEDICAL ASSOCIATIONS, OTHER PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS, AND HOSPITALS

- Regular briefing calls with medical and professional association members and hospitals; webinars with Children's Healthcare of Atlanta on Pediatric COVID (for audience of school superintendents, school nurses and district health directors and staff).

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATIONS

- Provided COVID-19 status updates, testing guidance, and epidemiology reports to the Association of County Commissioners of Georgia and Georgia Municipal Association.

PUBLIC PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS

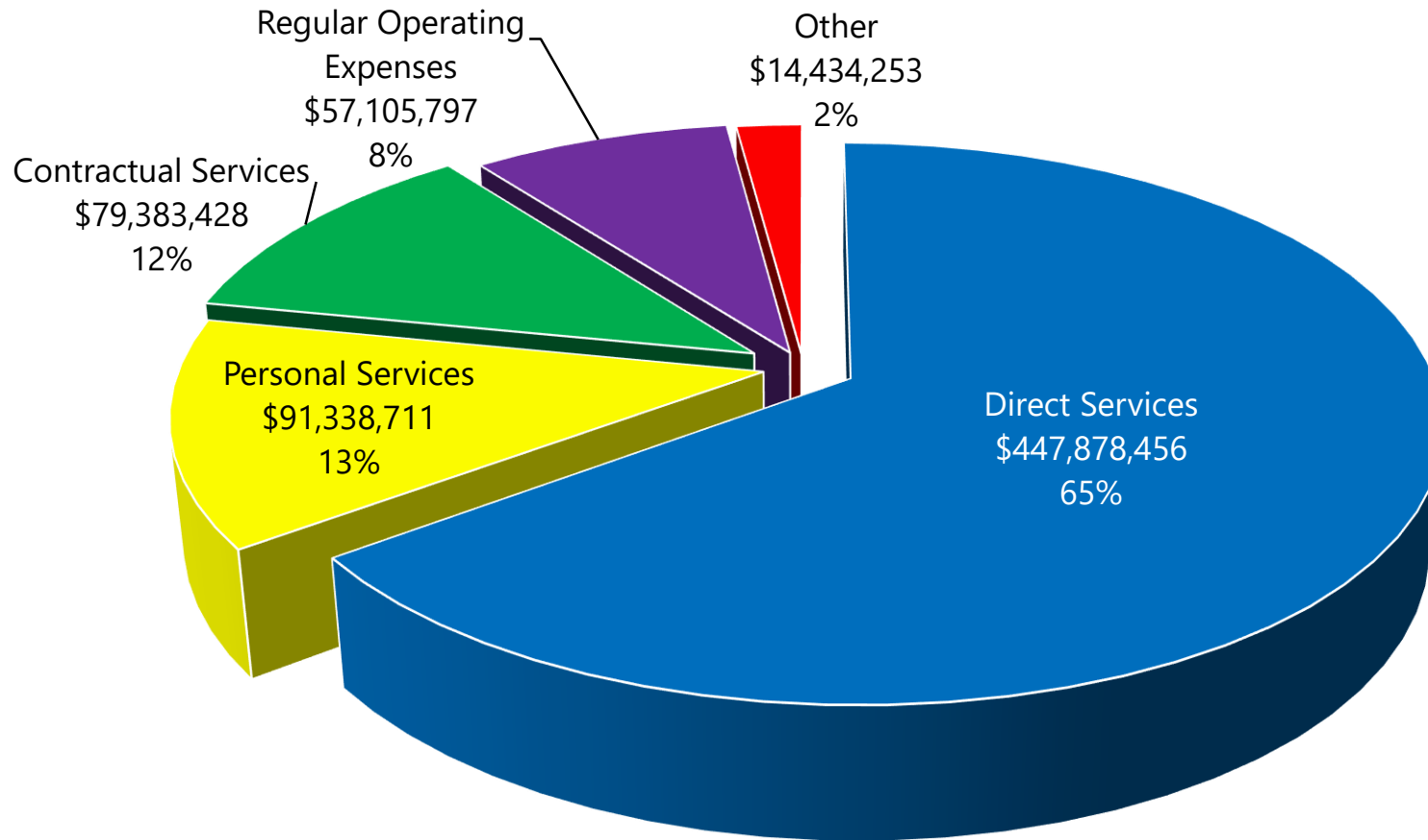
- The Woodruff Foundation and CDC Foundation provided funding for additional COVID-19 staff, including epidemiologists and contact tracers. The Blank Foundation through collaboration with CORE (Community Organized Relief Effort) helped establish additional COVID-19 test sites in select locations around the state.

COVID-19 Federal Grant Summary

Federal Grant Title	Award Amount
Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC)	\$893,063,222
Immunization and Vaccines for Children - COVID Funding	\$110,813,431
Public Health Crisis Response (PHEP)	\$21,666,345
Other COVID-19 Federal Grants	\$9,562,526
Total	\$1,035,105,524

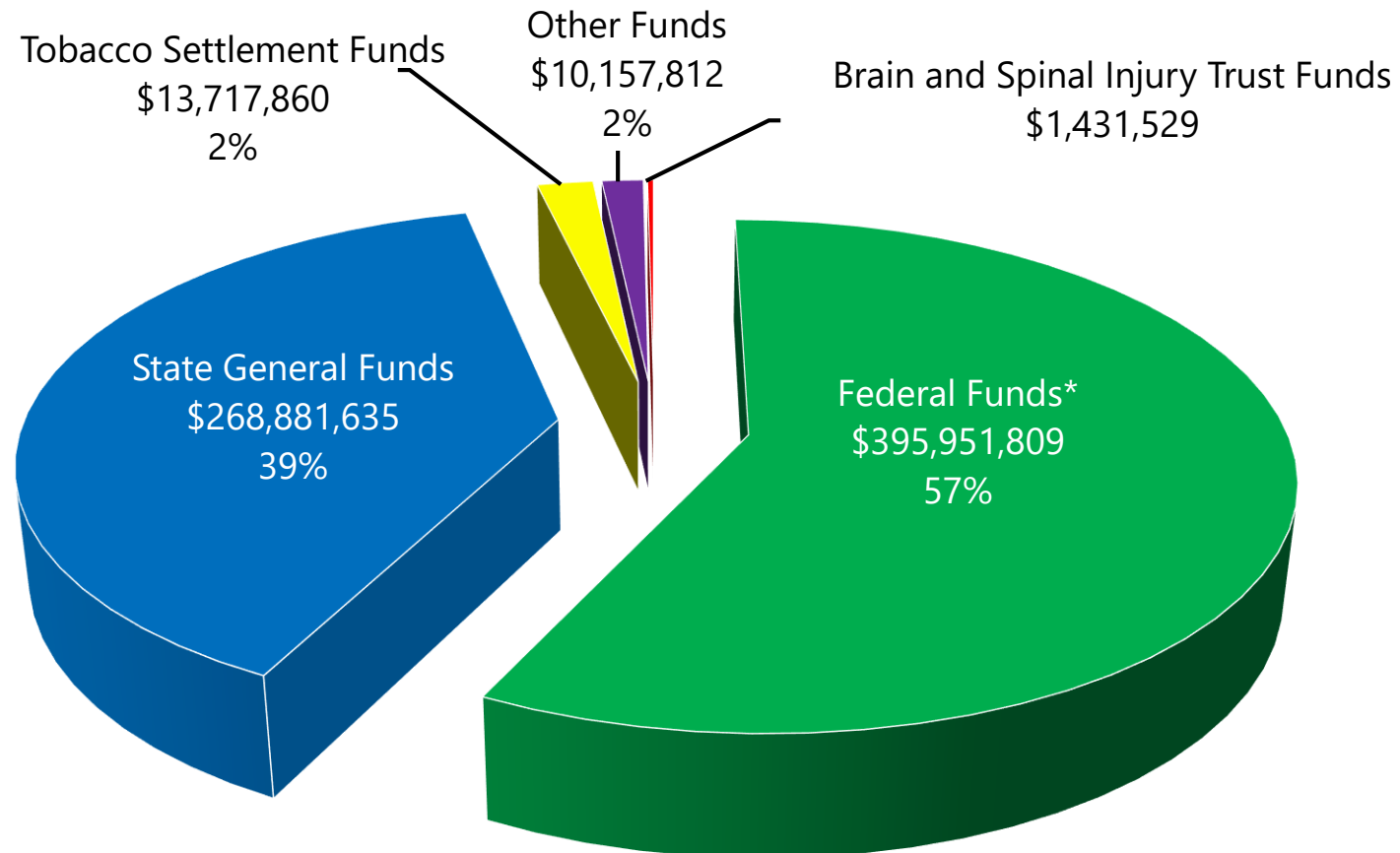
**Table reflects federal grant awards as of January 15, 2021.*

FY 2021 Appropriation By Expense Category



Total Funds: \$690,140,645

FY 2021 Appropriation By Fund Source



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**Federal Funds Appropriation does not include Direct Federal Funds for COVID-19 Response.*

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Program Budget Item	AFY 2021	FY 2022
<i>Emergency Preparedness/Trauma System Improvement</i>		
Grady Regional Coordinating Center	\$289,000	\$506,000
<i>Infant and Child Essential Health Treatment Services</i>		
Recognize savings from the E-FMAP during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency and transfer funds to the Grady Regional Coordinating Center	(289,000)	
Recognize savings from the E-FMAP during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency and utilize for comprehensive health services to children and infants	Yes	
FMAP Adjustment		30,963
<i>Infectious Disease Control</i>		
Reflect accurate count of funded positions	144,026	144,026
Pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) Pilot Program (HB 290 – 2019 Session)		85,650
<i>Inspections and Environmental Hazard Control</i>		
Body Art Licensure (SB 214 – 2019 Session)		173,600
SUBTOTAL	\$144,026	\$940,239
Statewide Change		
Teachers Retirement System (TRS) Adjustment		\$6,341
SUBTOTAL		\$6,341
DPH TOTAL	\$144,026	\$946,580



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