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## USVI Is at Its Lowest Positivity Rate Since Pandemic Started; 28,933 First-dose Vaccinations Have Been Administered, Dept. Of Health Says

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The U.S. Virgin Islands is at its lowest positivity rate since the Covid-19 pandemic started in March 2020, administration officials made known Tuesday. "When fourteen of the 50 states are at the highest risk for a Covid-19 surge, the U.S. Virgin Islands has a seven-day Covid-19 positivity rate of 1.55 percent," Governor Albert Bryan said — the lowest positivity rate recorded since the onset of the pandemic.

Mr. Bryan credited Virgin Islanders for taking precautions to keep themselves safe along with the work of his administration — from the V.I. Dept. of Health to the Covid-19 Task Force. "I just really want to say thank you," Mr. Bryan said Tuesday during his administration's Covid-19 response update press briefing.

According to the latest data provided by D.O.H. representing April 4 statistics, there were 62 active cases in the territory: 28 on St. Croix, 31 on St. Thomas and 2 on St. John. Over 90,000 tests have been performed, with 2,945 people testing positive. Twenty-six individuals have died from the virus locally.

D.O.H. Territorial Epidemiologist Dr. Esther Ellis said 28,933 first-dose vaccine shots were administered as of Tuesday, while 17,102 people have been fully vaccinated. The territory is now administering the Pfizer, Moderna and Johnson & Johnson (Janssen) vaccines. See [here](#) for an efficacy comparison between the three vaccines — all of which have been approved for use in the U.S.

Mr. Bryan said less than 6 percent of the nearly 29,000 people who received vaccine shots in the U.S. Virgin Islands provided out-of-territory addresses.