

- NSW recorded 1,116 locally acquired cases of COVID-19 in the 24 hours to 8pm last night. Regrettably four people have died, all were unvaccinated.
- Thank you to the more than 148,000 people who received a vaccination yesterday. This is an excellent number and our vaccination rates are leading the nation. We could hit our 70% target earlier than planned and have more freedoms by the middle of October. If you haven't had your vaccine yet, please book in urgently at nsw.gov.au
- Now is the time to get ready - businesses need to have a COVID-safe plan and make sure their employees are vaccinated.
- Please make sure you know the [lockdown rules](#) in your area and please adhere to the advice. Lockdown measures are how we protect each other. They are how we save lives until our community is vaccinated. The areas of most concern in Greater Sydney are Guildford, Georges Hall, Merrylands, Auburn, Punchbowl, Bankstown, Lakemba, Yagoona and South Granville. Please be very careful and take every opportunity to get vaccinated.
- There have been several new cases in West and Far West NSW, the Hunter region, the Central Coast and Illawarra Shoalhaven. If you live in regional NSW, please keep coming forward to get your vaccination to keep your community safe.
- Thank you to everyone for coming forward for testing. There were over 170,000 tests yesterday. Please do not hesitate to get tested if you have even mild symptoms or are a contact of a case, especially in areas where there has been sewage detection. These are Temora, Thredbo, Merimbula, Port Macquarie, Dumbogan, Bonny Hills, Warren, Molong, Tamworth and Gunnedah.
- We cannot eliminate the Delta strain of COVID-19, but we will be able to live with it. Together we will get through this difficult time.