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Daily COVID Hospitalizations

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Department of Defense Medical Team Deployed to San Joaquin County

French Camp, Calif. – Hospitals in San Joaquin County report having 342 COVID positive patients admitted for care. Demand for intensive care services remains high with adult intensive care units (ICU) operating at 138% of licensed bed capacity. San Joaquin County hospitals report 14 patient deaths due to COVID in the past 24 hours marking the highest single day for reported deaths since the beginning of the pandemic.

A Department of Defense (DOD) medical assistance team consisting of 39 members including 2 physicians, 2 physician assistants, 7 respiratory therapists, 24 registered nurses, and support staff are being deployed to San Joaquin County to expand much needed hospital ICU capacity. The DOD medical assistance team will be working at Adventist Health Lodi Memorial Hospital, Lodi CA and Dameron Hospital, Stockton CA. The DOD medical assistance team is expected to arrive on December 29, 2020 for orientation and be operating in time for the New Year's weekend.

“The deployment of the DOD medical assistance team to San Joaquin County is welcome news. We know from our previous experience during the summer patient surge just how valuable these medical professionals are in serving our community,” said Dan Burch, San Joaquin County EMS Administrator.

The San Joaquin County EMS Agency requested the DOD medical assistance team from the State of California EMS Authority through the California medical/health mutual aid system.

What People Should Do If They Have A Medical Emergency Or Are Sick:

Do not delay seeking care. If you are experiencing a medical emergency such as a heart attack, stroke, difficulty breathing or altered mental status contact 911 to activate the EMS system. If you are ill or sick, contact your physician or healthcare provider.

How People Can Protect Themselves:

We are all in this together. Every person has a role to play. Your actions save lives.

DO: Stay home; Avoid people outside your household; Wash hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds; Wear a face mask when out in public; Cover your cough or sneeze; Frequently clean and disinfect touched objects and surfaces; Maintain physical distance of six feet whenever outside of the house; Stay away from work, school or other people if you become sick with respiratory symptoms like fever and cough.

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Notes to editors:

- San Joaquin County OES in partnership with San Joaquin County EMS Agency will provide updates daily on the most current hospital statistics Monday-Friday.
- Graphs and tables will be provided showing hospital bed capacity, adult ICU capacity and historical tracking. Note: the CDPH county data monitoring website combines adult, pediatric and neonatal ICU bed capacity in its reporting.
- This document is intended to prevent and control the transmission of COVID-19 by informing the public and serves a public health purpose.

San Joaquin County EMS Agency COVID-19 Report

Percent Change in COVID Positive Hospitalizations	Past 24 hours	(-)3%
	Past 7 days	(-)3%

Hospital Bed Capacity in San Joaquin County

Number of Hospital Beds in Use	Percentage of Occupied Licensed Hospital Beds	Number of Hospitalized COVID + Patients	Percentage of Hospital beds Occupied by COVID+ Patients
799	81%	342	43%

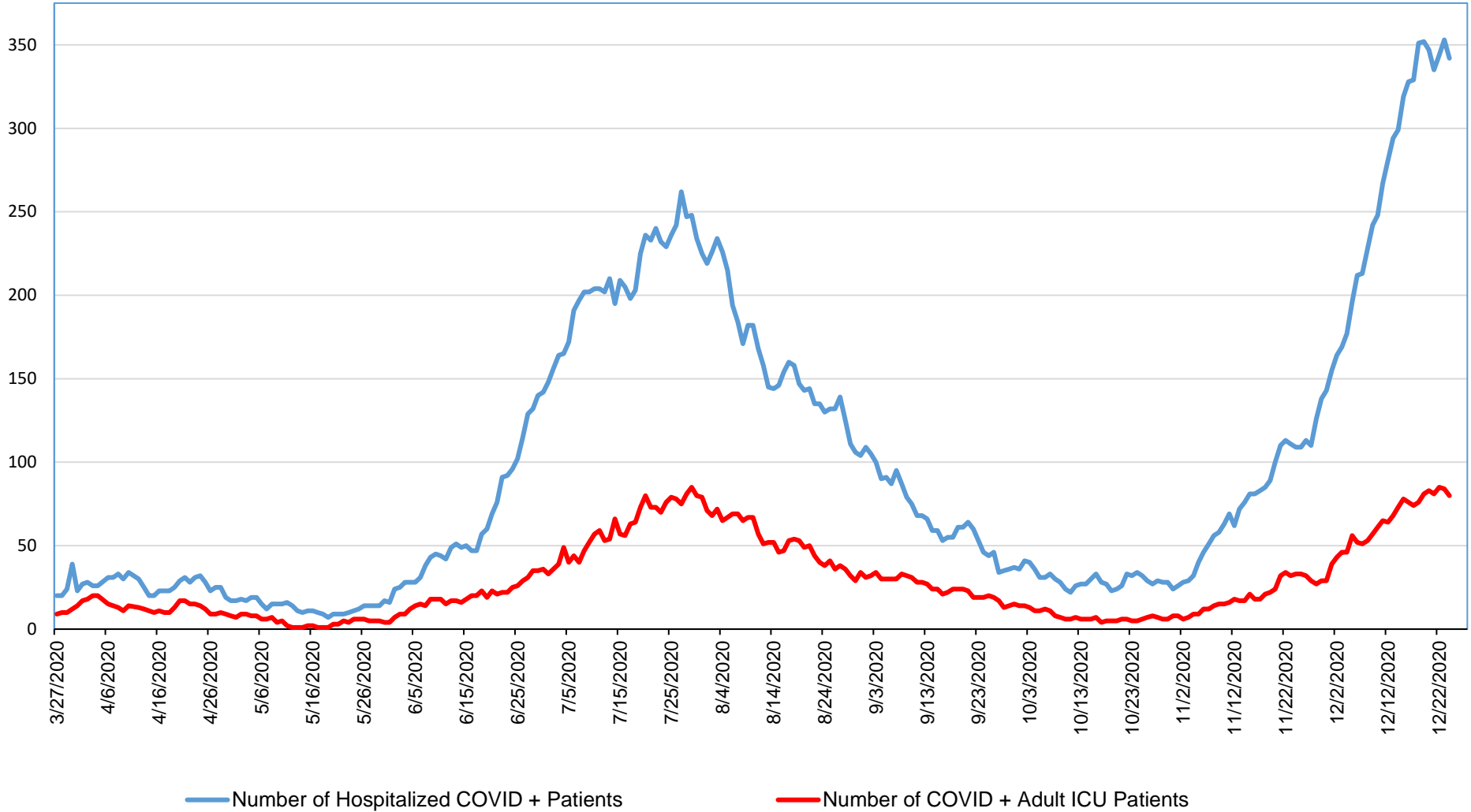
Hospital Intensive Care Capacity in San Joaquin County

Number of Adult ICU Beds in Use	Percentage of Occupied Licensed Adult ICU Beds	Number of COVID + Adult ICU Patients	Percentage of Adult ICU beds Occupied by COVID+ Patients
137	138%	80	58%

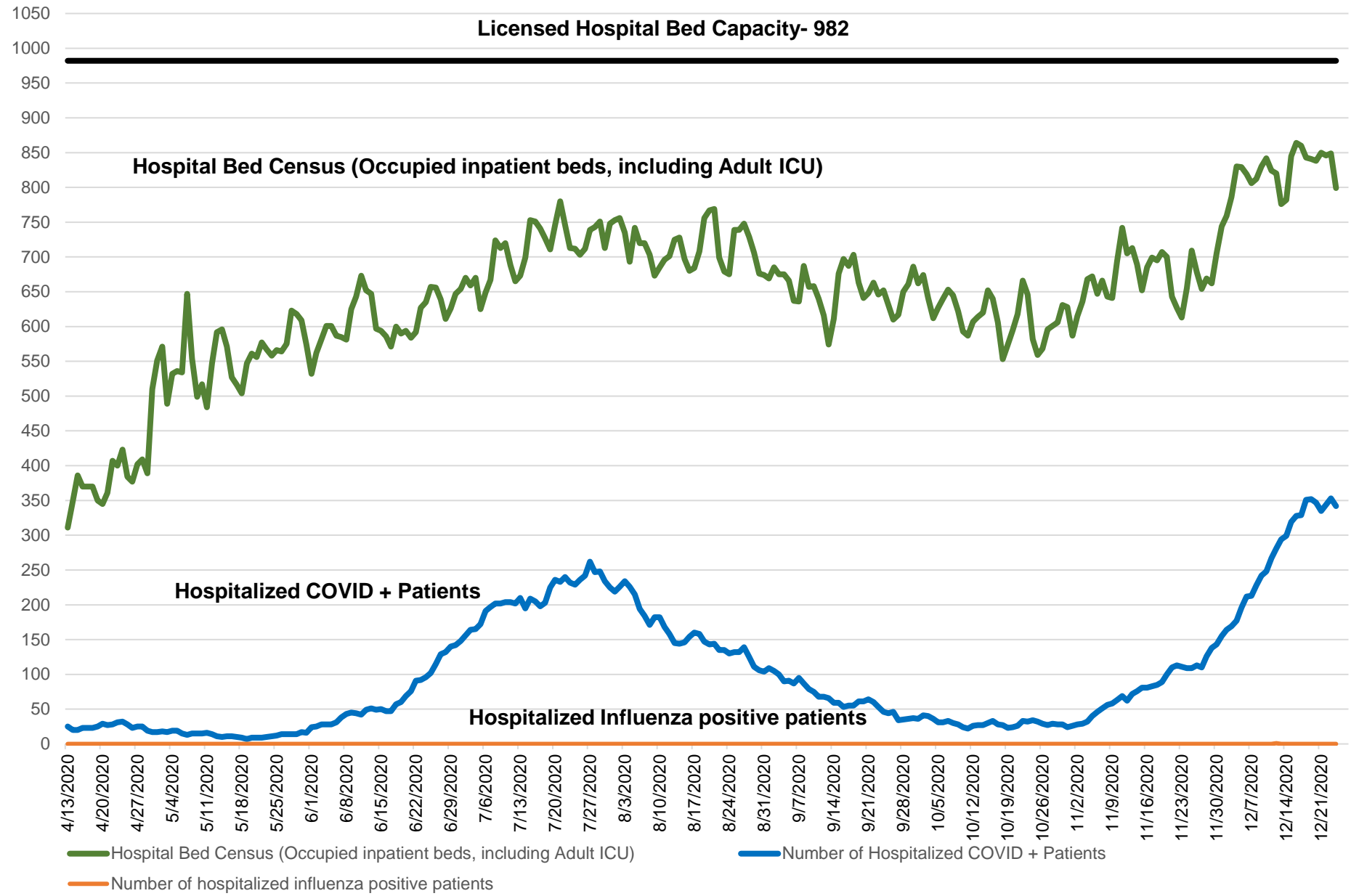
Status of San Joaquin County Hospitals

12/24/2020	Adventist Health Lodi Memorial Hospital	Dameron Hospital Association	Doctors Hospital of Manteca	Kaiser Foundation Hospital Manteca	San Joaquin General Hospital	St. Joseph's Medical Center	Sutter Tracy Community Hospital
Number of Hospital Beds in Use	100	71	47	30	178	338	35
Number of COVID (+) Patients Hospitalized	55	32	24	19	55	135	22
Number of Adult ICU Beds in Use	12	23	6	6	22	58	10
% Adult ICU Capacity	120%	192%	75%	100%	138%	149%	125%
Number of Hospitalized (COVID +) Patients in Adult ICU	9	11	4	5	9	36	6

San Joaquin County EMS Agency COVID-19 Hospitalization Tracking Report



San Joaquin County EMS Agency Hospital Census Tracking Report



San Joaquin County EMS Agency COVID-19 Hospitalization 30 Day Tracking Report

