

COVID-19 vaccine timeline



When did the COVID-19 vaccine become available?

December 2020

The **original** 2-shot Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna vaccines

February 2021

The **original** 1-shot Johnson & Johnson vaccine

November 2021

The 1st **booster** for anyone who got any of the **original** vaccines

March 2022

The 2nd **booster** for anyone who got any of the original vaccines

September 2022

The **bivalent** 1-shot Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna vaccine for anyone

April 2023

The **bivalent** 1-shot booster for anyone who got either of the bivalent vaccines

September 2023

The **updated** 1-shot Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna vaccine for anyone

October 2023

The **updated** 2-shot Novavax vaccine for anyone



What is the difference between the original, bivalent, and updated vaccines?



The **original** vaccines only protected you against the original virus that causes COVID-19. You can no longer get the original vaccines.



The **bivalent** vaccines protected you against the original virus that causes COVID-19 and the Omicron variant of the virus. You can no longer get the bivalent vaccines.



The **updated** vaccines protect you against current variants of the virus. This is the only vaccine that is currently available.

Am I “up to date” on my COVID-19 vaccines?


If you are vaccinated against COVID-19, you are “up to date” if:

- You got any updated vaccine after it came out in September 2023, **or**
- You got any vaccine before September 2023 and 1 shot of the Pfizer-BioNTech, Moderna, or Novavax updated vaccine

If you are not vaccinated against COVID-19, you will be “up to date” if:

- You get the 1-shot updated Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna vaccine, **or**
- You get the 2-shot updated Novavax vaccine

Visit our website to find out if you can get a COVID-19 vaccine at no cost through CDC’s Bridge Access Program.

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