

Vaccines in Kentucky Poll

Impact on Holiday Plans



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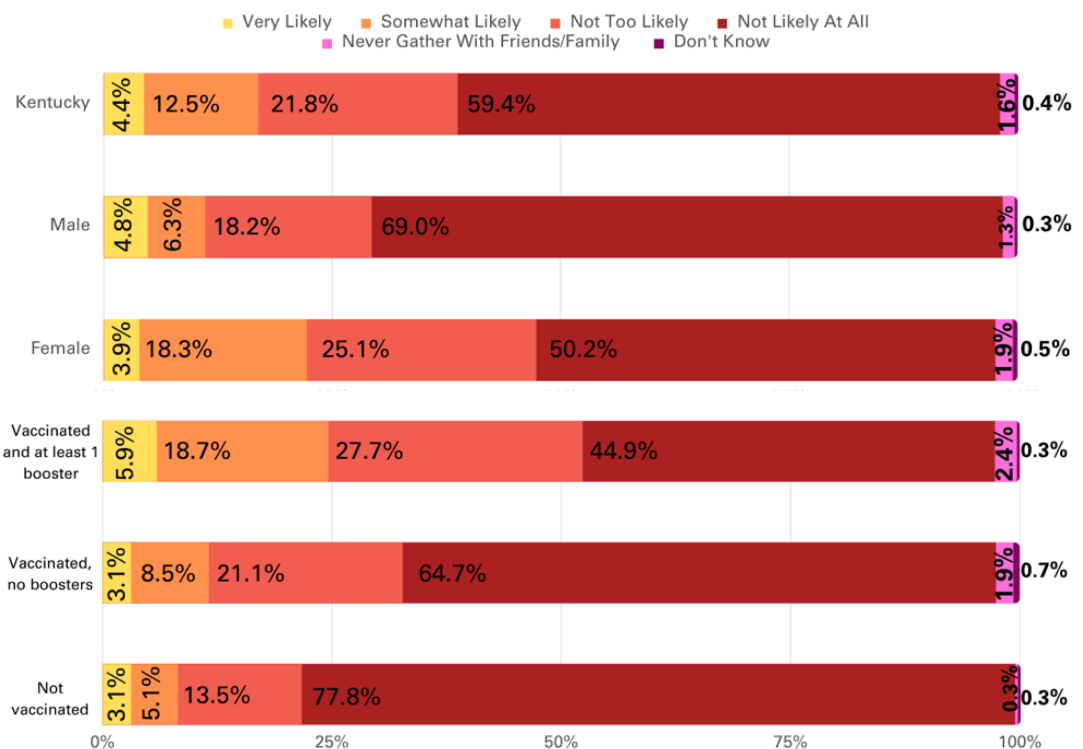
The Foundation for a Healthy Kentucky commissioned a fourth **Vaccines in Kentucky Poll** in October 2022. At the time of the poll, a new bivalent booster was available to all people ages 12 years and older who received the COVID-19 vaccine or their latest booster, at least two months prior. While cases were down in Kentucky, those who were unvaccinated, partially vaccinated or had not received any boosters, represented the majority of cases and deaths. Team Kentucky and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention advised being “up to date” on the COVID-19 vaccine and boosters – meaning an individual has received all primary doses and boosters available to them – was the best way to avoid serious illness, hospitalization and death.

At the time of publication, the Kentucky Department for Public Health reported 58% of the population as being fully vaccinated and 37% being boosted.

COVID-19 not impacting Kentuckians’ holiday plans

Concerns about COVID-19 won’t keep Kentuckians from attending or hosting gatherings this holiday season. More than 8 in 10 Kentuckians responded it was “not too likely” or “not likely at all” that COVID-19 would keep them from holiday gatherings. Almost a quarter (24.6 percent) of those who reported receiving the initial vaccine series plus boosters said they were “very likely” or “somewhat likely” to have COVID-19 prevent them from attending or hosting a small gathering. Women were also more

How likely is it that COVID-19 will prevent you from attending or hosting a small gathering with friends and family this holiday season?



Source: "Vaccines in Kentucky Poll" commissioned by Foundation for a Healthy Kentucky. Margin of error is +/- 3.4% (Oct. 29, 2022 - Dec. 4, 2022)



These findings, unless otherwise noted, are from the “Vaccines in Kentucky Poll,” funded by the Foundation for a Healthy Kentucky. The poll, conducted October 29 – December 4, 2022 by the University of Cincinnati’s Institute for Policy Research, had a margin of error of $\pm 3.4\%$. A random sample of 855 adults from throughout the Kentucky was interviewed by telephone. The summer 2022 Vaccines in Kentucky Poll was conducted June 4 – July 13, 2022, also by the University of Cincinnati’s Institute for Policy Research. It surveyed a random sample of 814 adults from throughout Kentucky by telephone. The full sample estimates will be accurate to $\pm 3.4\%$. These are rounded percentages. There are other sources of variation inherent in public opinion studies, such as nonresponse, question wording or context effects that can introduce error or bias.

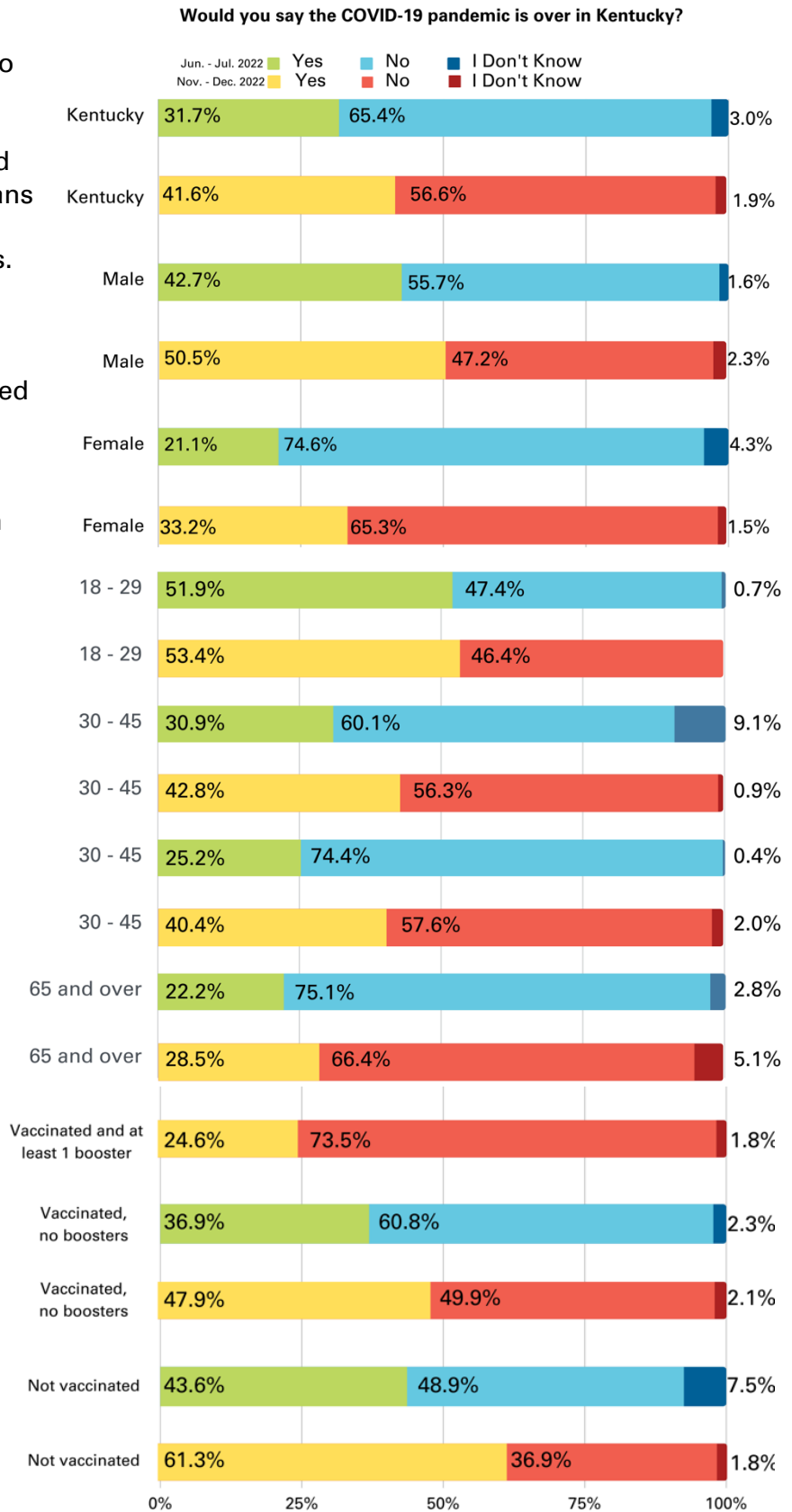
likely than men to say COVID-19 would impact their holiday plans, with more than 1 in 5 responding as such.

Is the pandemic over?

These responses are backed by the overall perception of Kentuckians as to whether the pandemic is over in Kentucky, and in their own lives. Compared to the same question asked during Summer 2022, more Kentuckians say the pandemic is over in the Commonwealth and in their own lives.

Over the summer, 1 in 3 Kentuckians said the pandemic was over in Kentucky. This fall, that number jumped to 4 in 10 people.

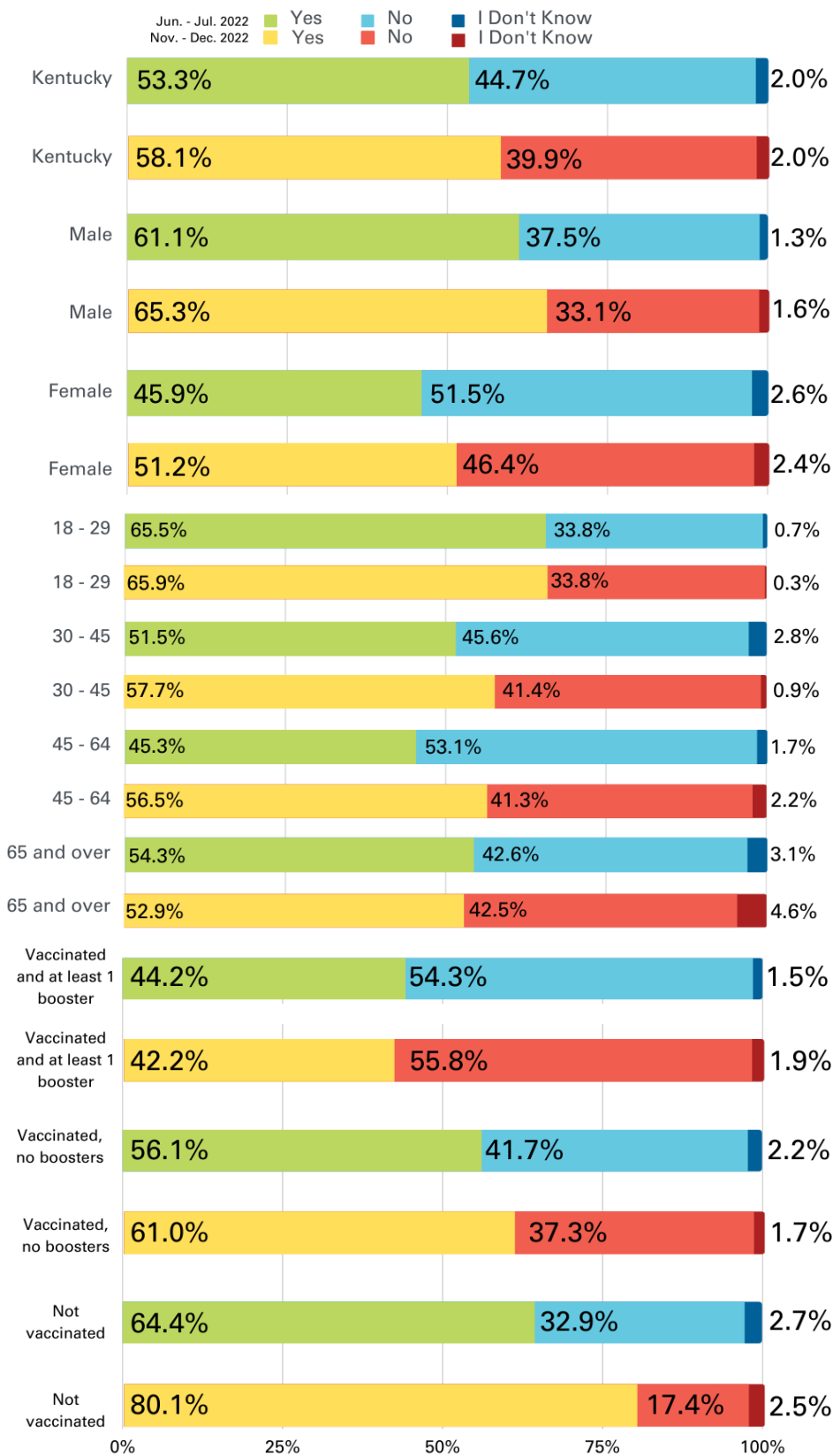
On a personal level, 58.1 percent of people said the pandemic was over in their own lives in Fall 2022, compared with 53.3 percent who responded in the same way in Summer 2022.



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**Regardless of whether the pandemic is over for others in Kentucky ...
do you consider it to be over as it pertains to your own life?**



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