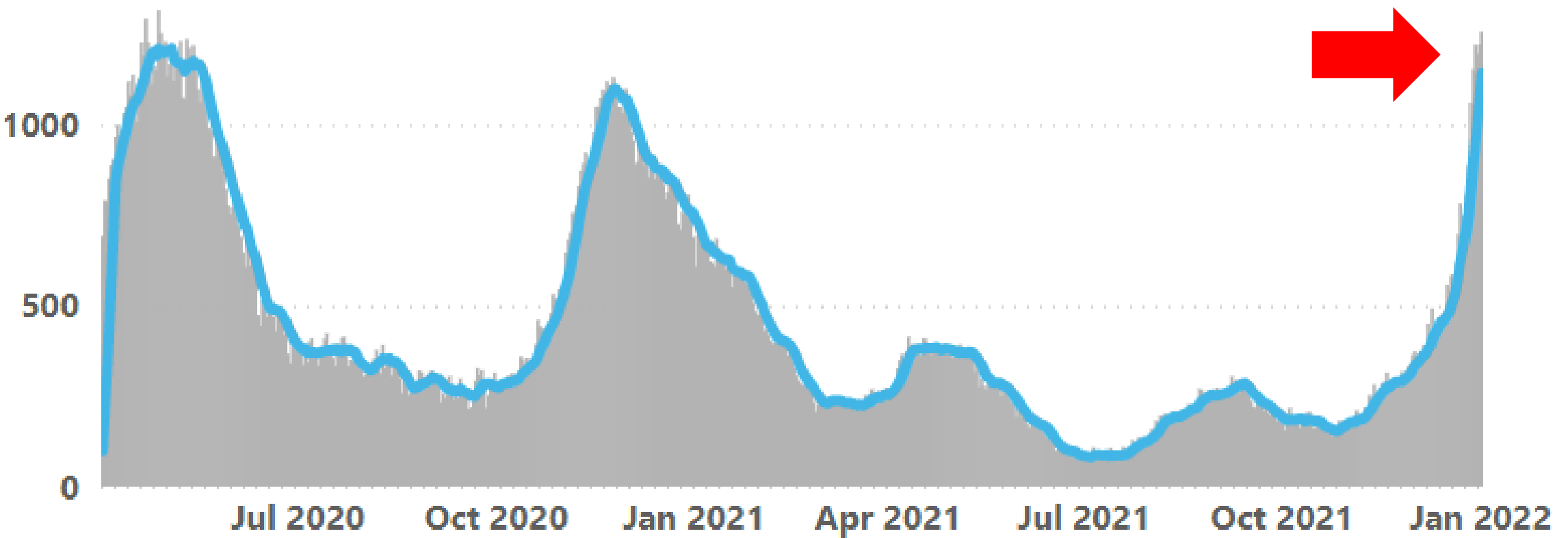


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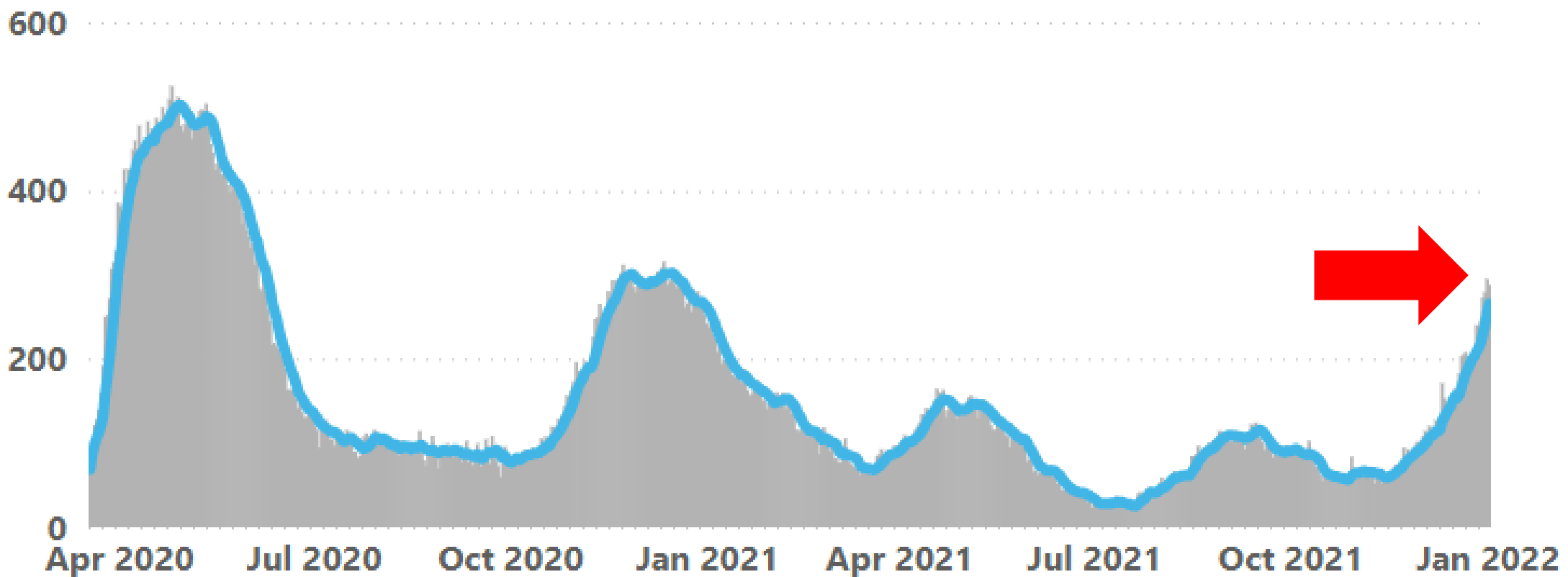
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● Acute Non-ICU Beds Occupied by COVID-19 Patients ● 7-day Rolling Average



# Chicago: ICU Hospital Beds occupied by COVID-19 patients at **highest** census since December 2020

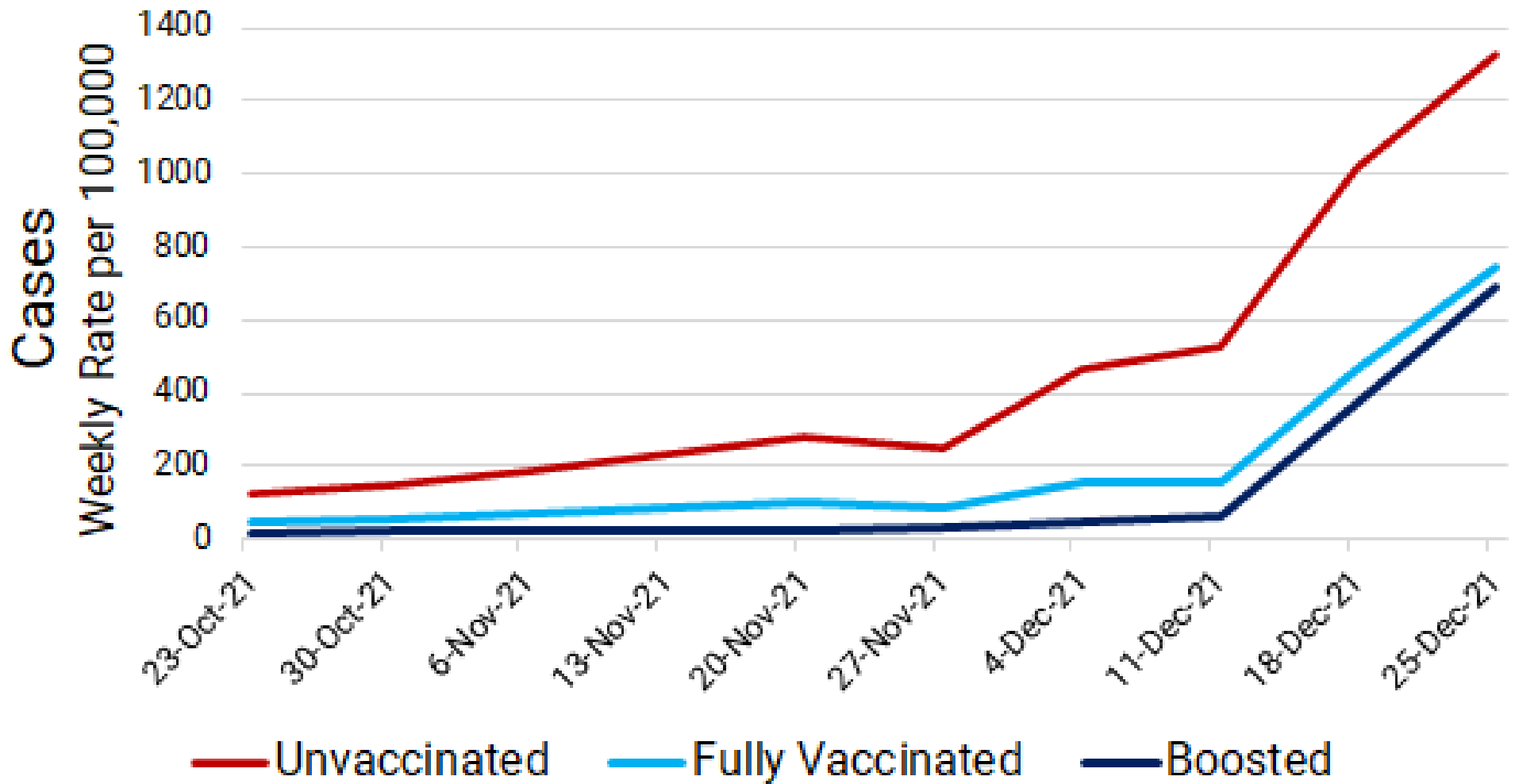


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# Good News: Vaccine still highly protective against INFECTION, though Omicron variant leads to more breakthroughs.



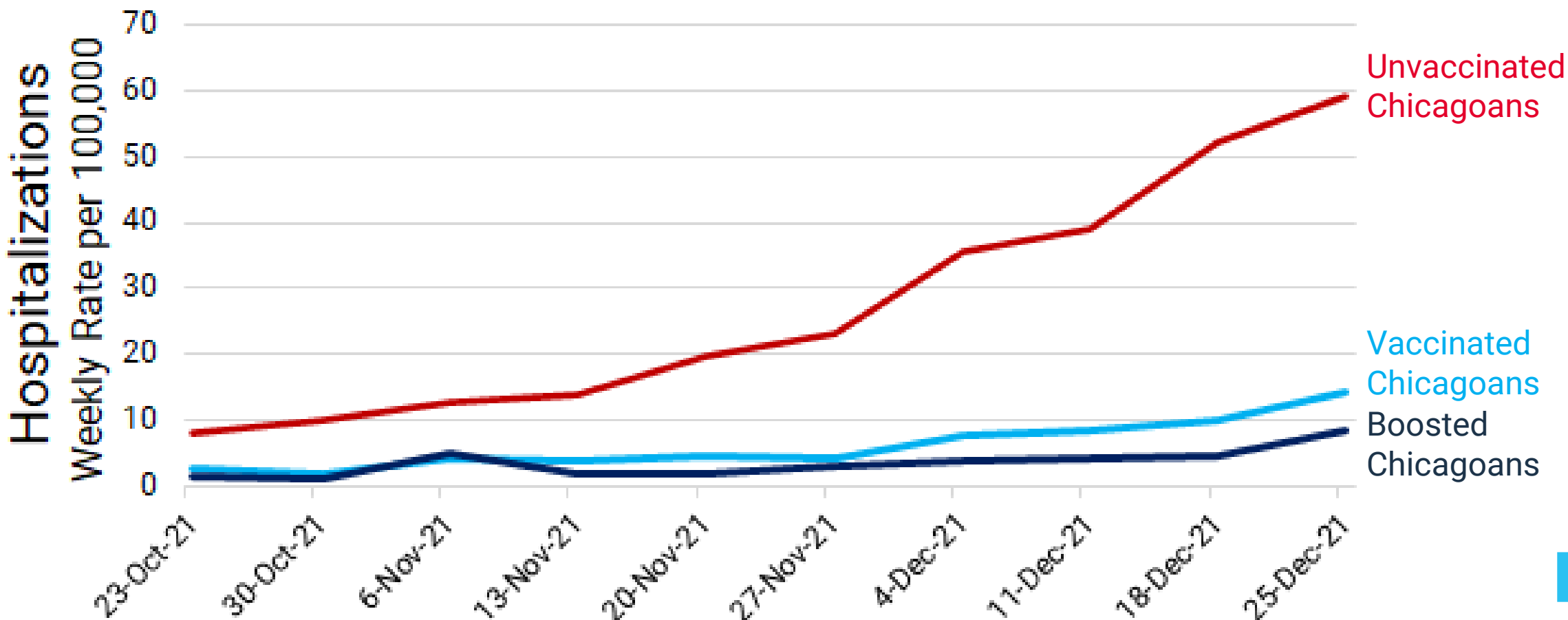
Since Thanksgiving in Chicago, **unvaccinated** diagnosed with COVID at more than TWICE the rate of **vaccinated** Chicagoans, and THREE times the rate of **vaccinated and boosted** Chicagoans



# Good News: In Chicago, vaccines continue to protect beautifully against COVID HOSPITALIZATION, and boosters clearly add to that protection.

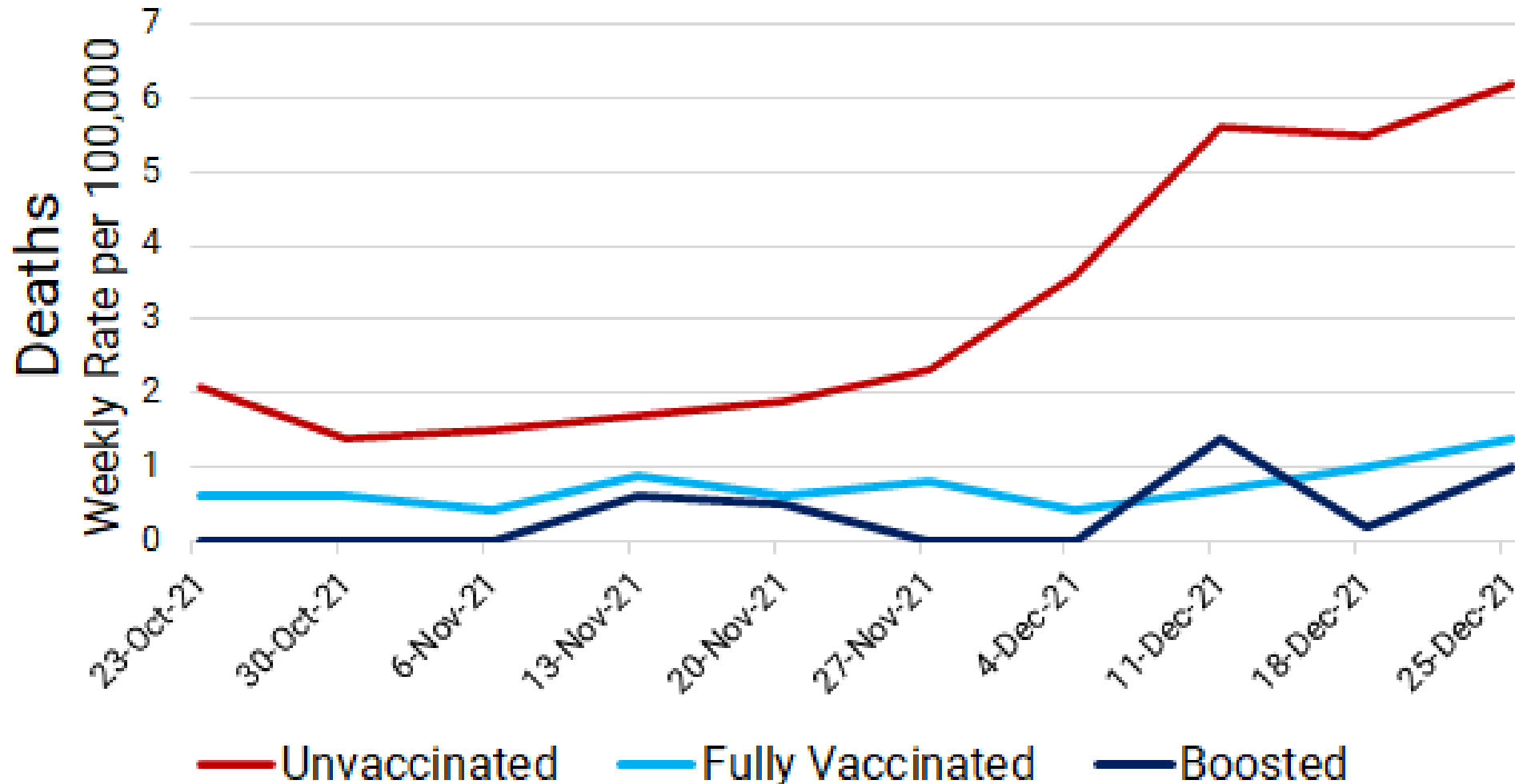


**Unvaccinated Chicagoans** continue to drive our increase in COVID hospitalizations. Since Thanksgiving in Chicago, **unvaccinated** have been hospitalized with COVID at FIVE times the rate of **vaccinated** Chicagoans and NINE times the rate of **vaccinated and boosted** Chicagoans.



# COVID death increase also driven by **unvaccinated** Chicagoans.

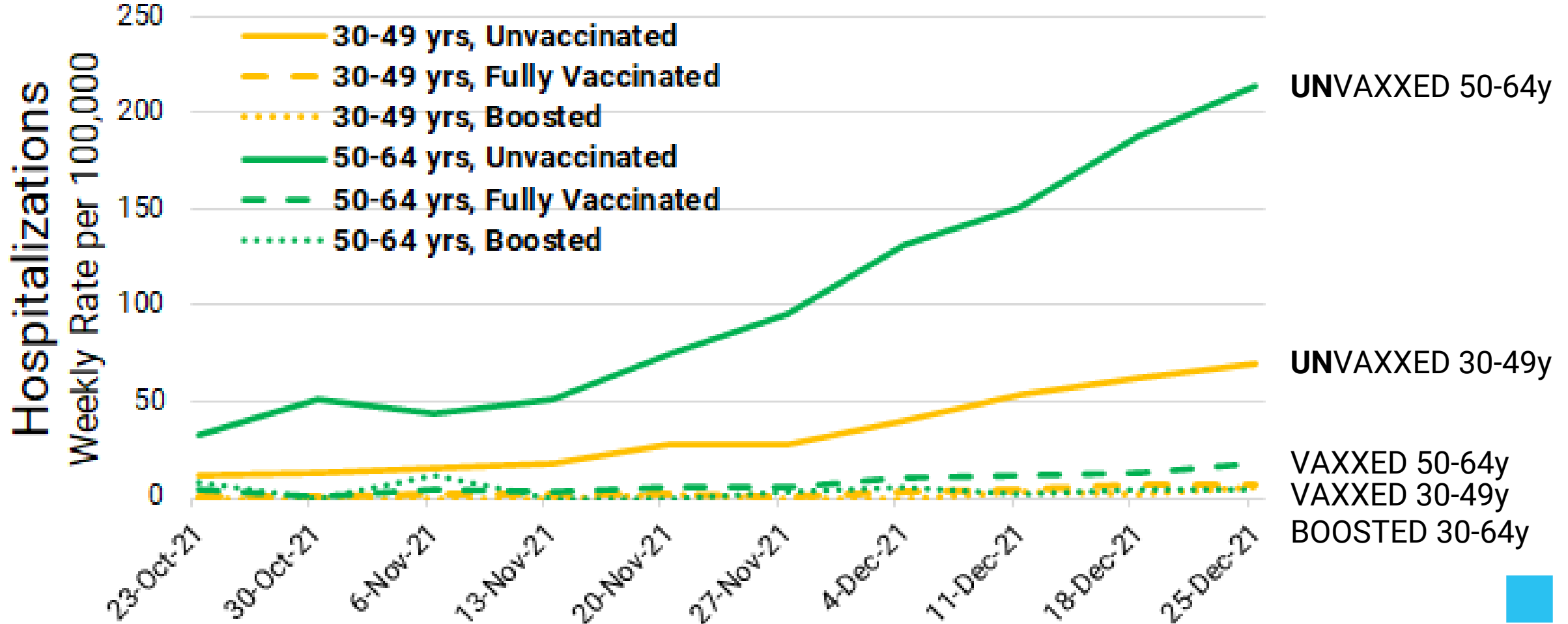
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# Risk of hospitalization increases with age, particularly in unvaccinated. Hospitalization risk among working-age adults (30-64y) in Chicago who have received a booster vaccine is near zero.

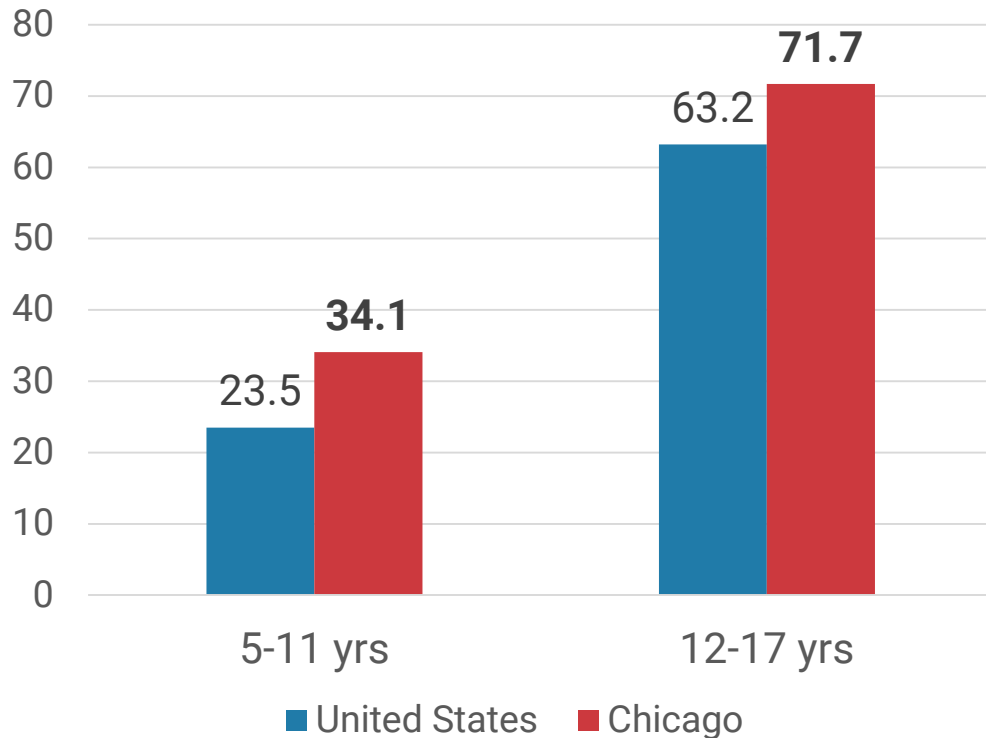


Among 1,250 COVID hospitalizations in Chicagoans age 30-64y since Thanksgiving, just 33 (3%) were fully vaccinated with a booster dose. Since Thanksgiving, unvaccinated Chicagoans age 30-64y have been 35 TIMES as likely to be hospitalized with COVID than vaxxed and boosted adults of same age.

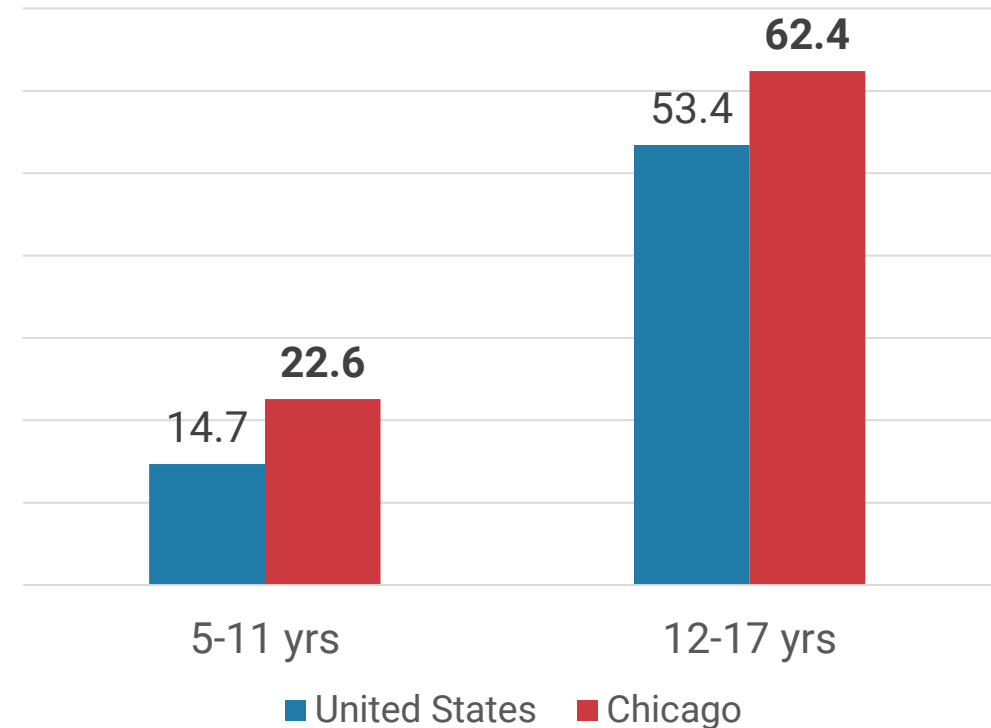


# Chicago youth have higher COVID-19 vaccination rates than youth Nationwide

**% with At Least One Dose**



**% with Completed Series**





## PREVENT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19 IF YOU ARE SICK



### Stay Home Except to Get Medical Care

- ▶ Stay home and isolate for 5 days even if you are vaccinated.
- ▶ After 5 days, if your symptoms have resolved, you can leave your home, but **MUST** continue to wear a mask around others for 5 additional days.
- ▶ If you have a fever or are still feeling sick, continue to stay home until 24 hours after your fever resolves.



### Wear a Mask

- ▶ For extra protection, wear a surgical mask underneath a cloth mask.
- ▶ KN95 masks offer the most protection when worn properly over mouth and nose.



### Get Tested

- ▶ Get a self-test or find a testing site at [chicago.gov/covidtest](https://chicago.gov/covidtest)
- ▶ Isolate yourself from others while waiting for test results.



### Monitor Your Symptoms

- ▶ If you have mild symptoms, contact your healthcare provider or find a community health center at [findahealthcenter.hrsa.gov](https://findahealthcenter.hrsa.gov). Low- and no-cost care available. No insurance and ID required.

Sign-up for Smart911 so first responders have critical information in case of emergency. Register at [Smart911.com](https://Smart911.com) - it's private and free.





# Which mask is best?

- **One that fits snugly against your face** (nose, mouth, and chin). Gaps can let air with respiratory droplets leak in and out around the edges of the mask
- **One that has layers to keep your respiratory droplets in and others' out.**



Need a vaccine or a booster? Have questions?

visit **CHI.GOV/COVIDVAX**

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