

# COVID-19 VACCINE PROTECTION DECREASES OVER TIME



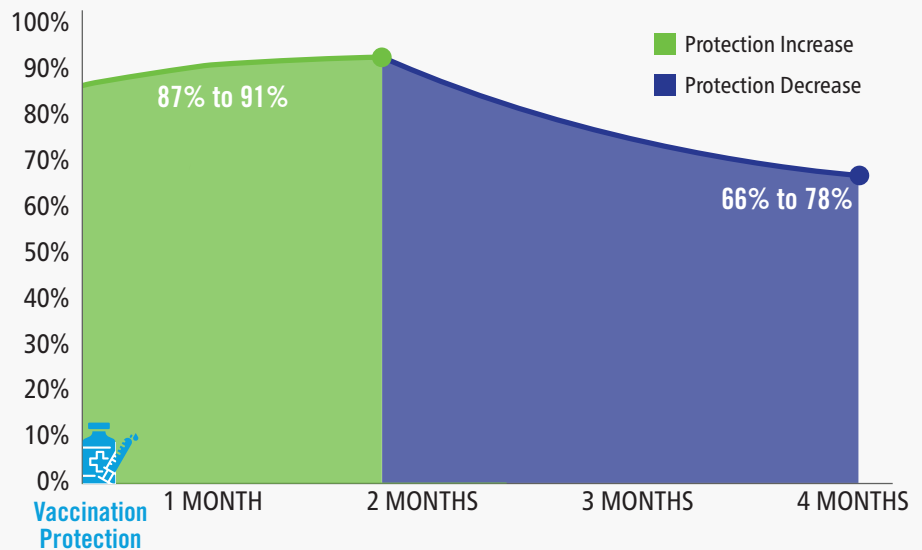
Protection from COVID-19 vaccines wane over time, especially for those who are 60 years of age and older



## Did you know?

Protection against severe outcomes of COVID-19 **increases** after being vaccinated with a third dose, and steadily decreases in protection over time. This is why it is so important to stay up to date with booster doses.

Source: [Waning 2-Dose and 3-Dose Effectiveness of mRNA Vaccines Against COVID-19](#)



## Protection by a Fourth Dose for 60+

The protective effects of a third dose decreases over time and a **fourth dose is currently recommended** for those aged 60 years or older, as well as First Nation, Inuit and Métis individuals and their non-Indigenous household members aged 18 and older.

Source: [Protection by a Fourth Dose of BNT162b2 against Omicron in Israel](#)

## Stay up to date with vaccines.

Full vaccination and booster doses help prevent severe illness or death from COVID-19 infection.

Even if you have been ill, vaccines are safe and will provide additional protection.

Visit [york.ca/COVID19Vaccine](https://york.ca/COVID19Vaccine) for more information on eligibility and where you can get your vaccine

