CLACKAMAS COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH DIVISION WEEKLY REPORT ON COVID-19 FOR 6/9/2022

Omicron update

Clackamas County cases decreased 15.3 percent, with 955 total reported cases this past week. The county is now averaging 136 cases a day, down from last week's average of 161. The percentage of positive test results has also decreased, from 14.7 percent to 12.8 percent. Clackamas County remains in the CDC Community Levels "Medium" COVID-19 risk category. Multnomah County and Washington County also in the "Medium" risk category. Currently, in the "Medium" risk category, Clackamas County Public Health highly recommends that people at risk of severe illness or individuals who interact with high-risk people wear a mask in indoor settings.

Cases in Oregon appear to have peaked. The state is averaging 1,405 cases a day and case levels across the state have dropped by 11 percent, making the second consecutive week of declining case counts. Over the weekend, OHA reported 4,253 new cases and 2 new deaths. The 14-day average for deaths is now 4.9. Hospitalizations are starting to show signs of peaking with 337 total patients, but the number of ICU patients rose over the weekend to 43 with 5 patients on ventilators. Still, the current hospitalization rate is 15 percent of the Delta surge's hospitalization rate. According to an <u>Oregon Health & Science University forecast</u>, hospitalizations could max out at about 313 occupied beds this coming week.

Test positivity rates in Oregon remain high at 12.3 percent for the past three days, however publicly reported cases now represent an even smaller fraction of true infections since most at-home tests go unreported. If you take an at-home test, results can be reported Monday through Friday, 8:30-5, through the OHA Hotline: 866-917-8881.

As of June 1, 2022, the current 7-day moving average of daily new cases in the United States (100,684) decreased 8.5 percent compared with the previous 7-day moving average (110,081). A total of 84,315,762 COVID-19 cases have been reported in the United States as of June 1, 2022. Hospitalizations across the U.S. have also increased, but still represent a fraction of the numbers seen during the Delta surge. Currently, the 7-day daily average is 3,789, a 4.7 percent increase from the prior week's average of 3,619. New reported deaths remain low, with an average 244 new deaths per week, a 23.1 percent decrease compared with the previous 7-day average of 318. As of June 1, a total of 1,002,993 COVID_19 deaths have been reported in the United States. The nation's overall COVID vaccine uptake has been roughly level since the middle of April, with 66.7% of Americans fully vaccinated. Less than half (46.9%) have received their first booster dose.

The United States faces an uncertain summer, with the more transmissible BA.2.12.1 Omicron subvariant becoming the dominant strain over the past 2 weeks. Officials are closely watching two other more transmissible subvariants, BA.4 and BA.5, that recently triggered a small wave in South Africa. Though global cases have resumed a slow decline, some countries are seeing rises as they handle different circumstances regarding more transmissible subvariants. Uganda is experiencing a rise in COVID-19 cases, following a stable period since January. France's cases are rising again, with the 7-day average for daily cases rising to 20,000, but hospitals so far are not seeing extra pressure. China's cases continue to fall, and Beijing is allowing in-person dining to resume and other businesses are also reinstituting normal operations.

U.S. FDA expert panel weighs Novavax COVID vaccine

The FDA's Vaccines and Related Biological Products Advisory Committee (VRBAC) have approved the emergency use authorization <u>request for the Novavax COVID-19 vaccine</u>, a recombinant vaccine that is given in two doses three weeks apart. Novavax uses the purified spike protein from the coronavirus, along with an immune-boosting ingredient called an adjuvant, to stimulate the production of antibodies. By contrast, mRNA vaccines use a snippet of the coronavirus's genome to instruct the body to produce the spike protein internally, which then prompts the development of antibodies.

Though the vaccine is a late entrant into the immunization landscape, health officials have hoped that the new offering could raise vaccine uptake in Americans, given that it is made using a more traditional production platform. A review by FDA staff said it will likely provide meaningful protection against the Omicron variant, but raised concerns about the potential for rare cardiac conditions after vaccination, similar to associations found earlier with mRNA vaccines as well as many other vaccines. The risk of side effects is still likely much less than the risk of these heart conditions from having COVID-19 disease.

Around 12.6 million doses of Novavax's vaccine have been distributed in the European Union, but only around 220,000 doses of the two-shot inoculation have been administered there since it was launched in December. The number of Novavax shots available in the United States is likely to be limited in the near term, according to the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). We do not have information about when this will be available in Oregon.

COVID-19 Vaccinations in Clackamas County

The number of <u>new confirmed and presumptive COVID-19 cases reported</u> for Clackamas County.

Week of Date	Case Count	Cases per 100k	Test Positivity
June 4 th	955	217.3	12.8%
May 28 th	1128	254.2	14.7%
May 20 th	1262	305.3	13.9%
May 14 th	1151	262.1	12.5%

Test results can be reported Monday through Friday, 8:30-5, through the OHA Hotline: 866-917-8881

COVID-19 vaccinations in Clackamas County

Vaccination data for Clackamas County.

Age Groups of people in Clackamas County who have received at least one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine in Oregon (per OHA)				
AGE	NUMBER	% SERIES COMPLETE		
	VACCINATED			
5 to 11	16,462	44.4%		
12 to 17	23,673	72.4%		
18 to 19	7,157	72.6%		
20 to 49	123,104	74.4%		
50 to 64	70,114	70.0%		
65+	73,991	83.4%		

Testing Response

No-Cost COVID-19 Testing

<u>Curative</u> testing site at Harmony Campus in Milwaukie operates 6 days a week with expanded afternoon hours on weekdays. The site also offers **free** rapid molecular testing with results available in about an hour. Appointments are not required.

PCR Testing (Results usually within 48-72 hours) Monday - Friday, 8:00a - 5:00p Saturday - 8:00a - 3:00p

<u>Rapid Molecular Testing</u> (Results usually within an hour) Monday - Friday, 9:00a - 4:30p Saturday 8:30a – 2:30p

At-Home Tests Available at No Cost to Medicare Part B Recipients

Medicare Part B recipients, including those enrolled in a Medicare Advantage plan, can receive up to eight at-home tests per calendar month at no cost. Recipients can request tests at any participating pharmacy or healthcare provider. For more information visit <u>cms.gov/newsroom</u>.

COVID-19 Test to Treat Locator Available Online

Test to Treat, a federal initiative launched in March, offers a new opportunity for testing and treating COVID-19. At select locations across the country, individuals can get tested and, if they are positive and treatments are appropriate for them, can get a prescription and have their medication filled all at one location.

In Oregon, the test to treat sites are currently located at five Walgreens and two HRSA-supported Health Centers. This includes the Walgreens on Sunnyside in Happy Valley for the general public, and Neighborhood Health Centers and Clackamas County Health Centers for established patients.

A tool to find Test to Treat locations as well as more information on the program is available at <u>aspr.hhs.gov/TestToTreat</u>. Prescriptions are currently being offered to those that are at high risk of becoming very sick. New Test to Treat locations will be added as the program expands.

Raising Awareness of Counterfeit COVID-19 At-Home Test Kits

Community members should be aware of counterfeit COVID-19 at-home test kits that have made their way into the U.S. market. The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has identified that counterfeit versions of Flowflex COVID-19 Test Kits and iHealth COVID-19 Antigen Rapid Test Kits are being circulated. The FDA has provided information <u>on its website</u> on how to identify counterfeit test kits. As the iHealth test kits received by Public Health were distributed directly by the manufacturer (via an arrangement with the Oregon Health Authority), there is no reason to believe that the division has received any counterfeit tests. Public Health will update its COVID-19 testing webpage to provide information on how community members can identify counterfeit test kits.

COVID-19 Update 6/9/2022

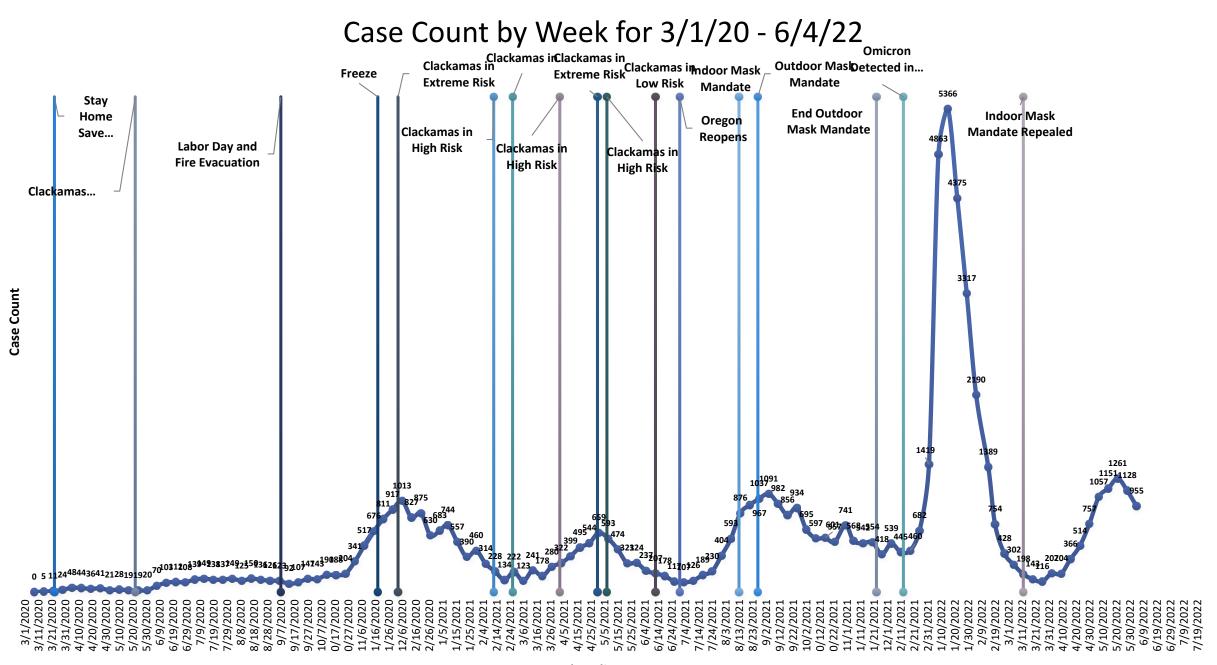
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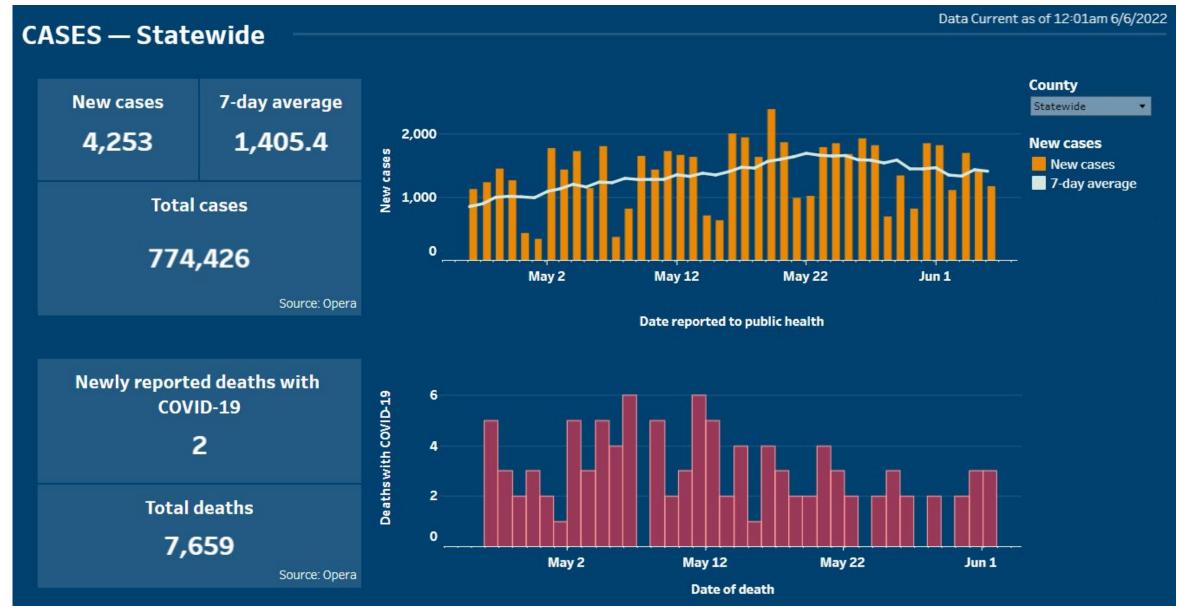
COVID Current Case and Death Data

as of 6/5/2022	Total cases	Total deaths	Change since 5/26/2022
Clackamas County	67,570	642	Cases: +1,331 Deaths: +7
Multnomah County	132,946	1,224	Cases: +5,063 Deaths: +9
Washington County	97,516	604	Cases: +2,531 Deaths: +5

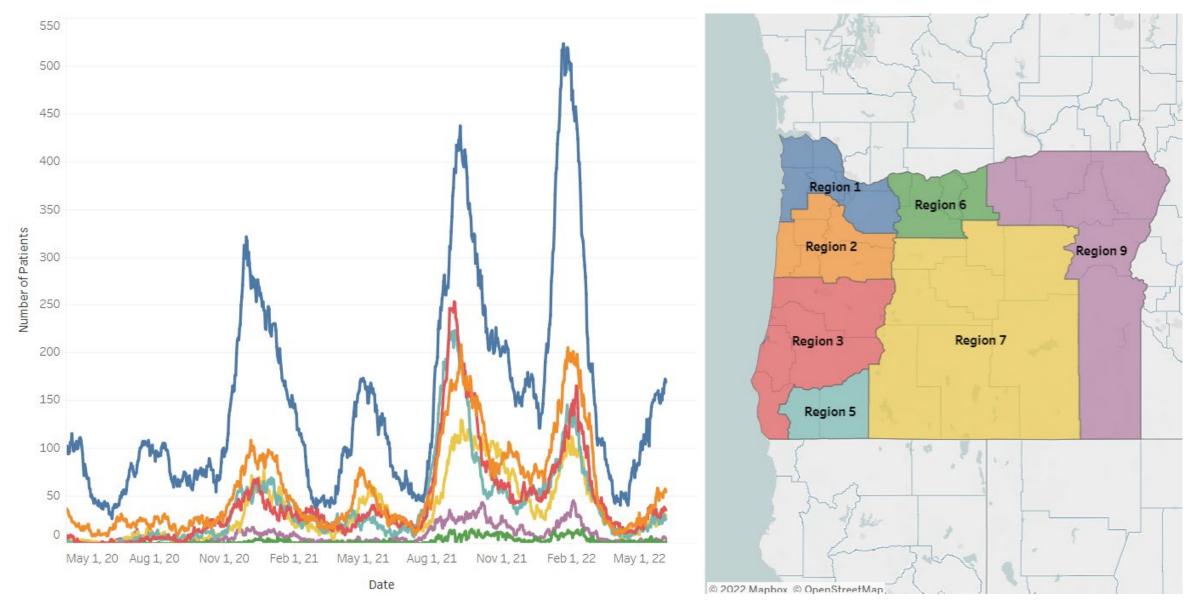


Week Ending Date

Statewide Numbers from June 6, 2022

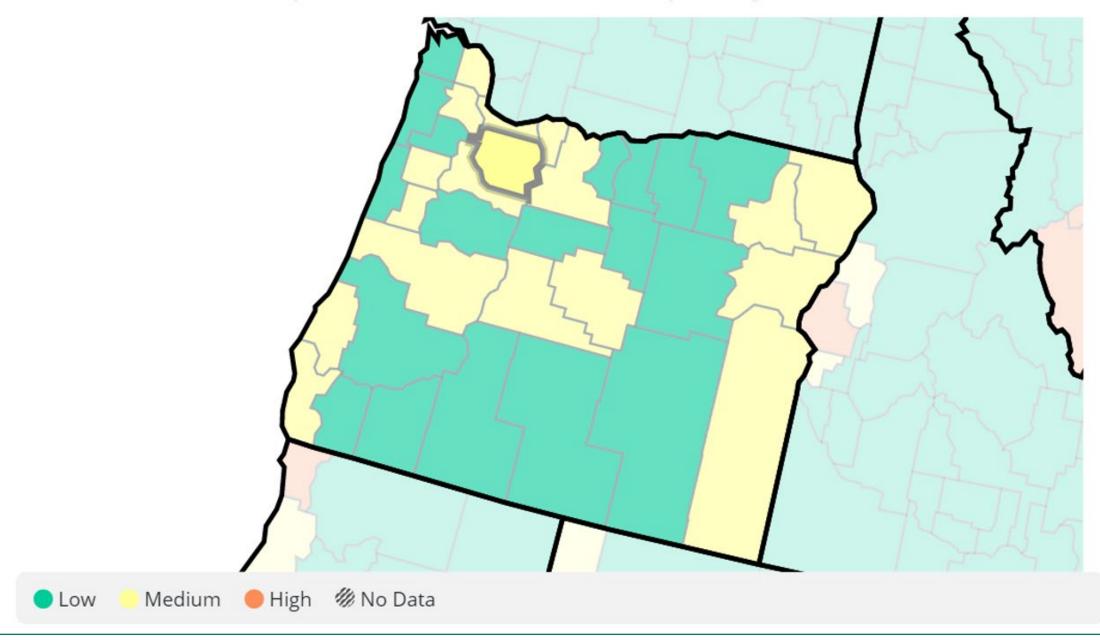


COVID-19 Positive Patients in Oregon Hospitals



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Oregon's COVID-19 Community Risk Level



<u>CDC</u>

Clackamas County Vaccinations

as of 6/7/2022

People ages 18 years and older living in ClackCo

80.8% have received at least one dose.

75.3% have completed their primary series.

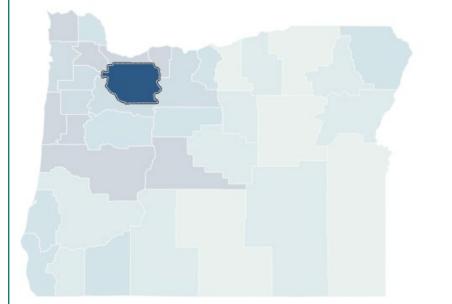
47.8% have received an extra dose (3rd dose or booster)

Entire ClackCo Population

Primary Series In Progress: 21,468

Primary Series Complete: 293,057

797,893 doses administered in Clackamas314,525 people vaccinated in Clackamas



Omicron Updates

- Worldwide case count dropped 9.74%
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Novavax Approval

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FREE Tests

CCPH At-Home Tests

- Local governments and municipalities can request test kits
- Small businesses and organizations serving vulnerable populations can request test kits
- Available at all vaccine clinics
- Organizations interested in

requesting kits should visit

https://www.clackamas.us/

<u>coronavirus/testkits</u>

Federal At-Home Tests

- Every home in the U.S. is eligible to place up to 3 orders of free tests
- Order your tests today at

covidtests.gov



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Drive-Through Tests

- Weekly at Clackamas Community College Harmony Campus
- <u>PCR Testing:</u> Monday - Friday, 8:00a - 5:00p, Saturday - 8:00a - 3:00p
- <u>Rapid Molecular Testing:</u> Monday - Friday, 8:30a - 4:30p, Saturday 8:30a – 2:30p
- Schedule an appointment <u>cur.tv/milwaukie</u>

OHA COVID-19 Hotline and Website

COVID-19 Support Hotline New Oregon Health Authority resource for those who have tested positive and for COVID-19 questions Isolation and Advice on how to tall General health auarantine information to close contacts. information Resources to help help with reporting of Multiple languages with isolation positive test result available Call: 866-917-8881 or visit Oregon.gov/positivecovidtest Phone hours: 8am-6pm Monday-Friday, 10am-4pm Saturday

• Report positive at-home or testing

provider COVID-19 tests

- Take a 20-45 minute online survey
- Get information about what to do if

you test positive

• Also supporting school-related

questions

Supporting Mental Health and Emotional Health

As masks start to come off, it is normal that we may experience some feeling of fear and anxiety. You might find that going mask-less in public and transitioning back to "normal" makes you feel out of place or worried. Here are a few tips you can use to manage your mental health during this time.

- Focus on things you can control; i.e. when you are comfortable taking your mask off in public
- Fuel your body by eating a healthy diet and drinking plenty of water
- Spend time outside
- Take deep breaths and stretch often
- Stay connected to your support systems
- Use kindness and support each other through this phase of recovery
- Connect with someone who will listen at safestrong@Clackamas.us or call 503-655-8585

Masks are Welcome Here

We support your choice to wear a mask



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Vaccine Clinics

Walk-ins available, while vaccine supplies last, and within 30-minutes of clinic closing time.

Date	Location
Monday 3pm – 7pm	Molalla United Methodist Church 111 S. Mathias Rd, Molalla
Tuesday 3pm – 7pm	Canby Foursquare Church 2350 SE Territorial Rd, Canby
Wednesday - Saturday 11am – 7pm	Clackamas Town Center 12000 SE 82 nd Ave, Suite 274, Happy Valley (2 nd floor next to LensCrafters)
June 9, June 23 (Thursday) 3pm – 7pm	Providence Willamette Falls Community Center 519 15 th St, Oregon City
Friday 2pm – 5pm	Sandy Community/Senior Center 38348 Pioneer Blvd, Sandy

VACCINE SCHEDULING



Local opportunities in ClackCo: clackamas.us/coronavirus/vaccine

Schedule via Email: COVIDvaccine@clackamas.us

Schedule via Phone: (503) 655-8224 (Mon-Fri. from 8am-5pm)

Register to receive notification for when an appointment is available: <u>GetVaccinated.oregon.gov</u>

COVID-19 Wraparound Services

Available Resources

• Rent, Mortgage, Utilities, Food, Emergency Shelter, Financial Assistance

How to Refer Someone for Assistance

- Email EOCCBO_Coordinator@Clackamas.us with the client's full name, date of birth, address, and what their current needs are
- Direct them to call the PIC line to be connected with one of our referral coordinators: 503-655-8224

Eligibility

• Clients are eligible for wrap-around support if they have tested positive for COVID-19, meet presumptive criteria, or are a confirmed close contact

What can you do for vaccine safety?

VAERS Vector Adverse Durit Reporting System

 Report adverse events following vaccination to VAERS even if you aren't sure if the vaccination caused the adverse event

- Enroll yourself in v-safe
- Healthcare providers, encourage your patients to enroll in v-safe
- Parents and guardians, you can enroll your children in v-safe





VAERS

Vaccine Adverse Event

Reporting System

http://vaers.hhs.gov

Please get involved, your participation matters

County Resources

Help protect yourself and others by staying home if you are sick. Visit our webpage for more resources:

www.clackamas.us/coronavirus



LET'S SLOW THE SPREAD TOGETHER