
CLACKAMAS COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH DIVISION

WEEKLY REPORT ON COVID-19 FOR 7/28/2022

Coronavirus update

Clackamas County has dropped down to medium risk for community spread of COVID-19 according to the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#). Still, 21 counties, including Washington County and Multnomah County, in the state are in the high-transmission level as the Omicron subvariant BA5 becomes the dominant variant. Many Oregon hospitals are reaching capacity and available ICU beds are dwindling. On Friday OHA reported 26 new deaths, surpassing 8,000 for a pandemic total of 8,022. The 14-day average for new deaths is now 12.2, another new high for the current wave. While deaths have gone up about 30% over the same time period nationwide, they have tripled in Oregon—the state is now 2nd in the country for numbers of deaths from COVID per 100,000 in the past two weeks. [Wastewater monitoring](#) continues to show high levels of COVID-19 in our communities statewide.

Cases in Clackamas County decreased, at 697 total reported cases this past week, marking a 31.9 percent decrease from the previous week. The percentage of positive test results decreased over the past two weeks, from 13.6 percent to 10.0 percent. Cases in Oregon have decreased 11.5 percent in the last two weeks. The state recorded 2,986 new cases over the last 7 days and test positivity holds steady at 14.2 percent. If you take an at-home test, results can be reported Monday through Friday, 8:30-5, through the OHA Hotline: 866-917-8881.

Clackamas County Public Health encourages everyone to wear high-quality, well-fitting masks in indoor public spaces and get boosters up to date at a [vaccine clinic](#) to strengthen your protection against COVID-19.

Cases, hospitalizations and deaths are all higher than they have been at nearly any point this summer as the BA.5 variant continues to spread across the United States. The number of new cases announced each day hovers around 130,000, and all but a few states have seen steady increases over the past two weeks. The official case numbers remain a significant undercount because many people have chosen to use home tests or are forgoing tests altogether. Hospitalizations are also steadily increasing nationally. More than 41,000 people are currently hospitalized with the coronavirus across the country, an increase of 19 percent over the past two weeks. Death data remains volatile following a series of reporting delays related to summer holidays, but deaths are increasing. After two months when daily death numbers rarely rose above 400, the average has recently grown to more than 420 people dying of COVID in this country each day.

Symptomatic but Testing Negative?

According to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), a negative test means that the virus was not detected, but it does not rule out a COVID-19 infection.

- If you have symptoms of COVID-19, continue to stay away from others and if you must be around other people, wear a well-fitting mask. False negative test results are common. Consider retesting if symptoms do not improve or worsen. Some self-tests are designed to be used in a series (also known as serial testing). Consider repeating the test 24 to 48 hours later.
- Follow all instructions from your health care provider.
- Continue everyday measures to protect yourself and others.
- If you are sick and not getting better, talk to your doctor or clinic. You might be sick with something other than COVID-19.

COVID-19 Vaccinations in Clackamas County Symptomatic but Testing Negative?

The number of [new confirmed and presumptive COVID-19 cases reported](#) for Clackamas County.

Week of Date	Case Count	Cases per 100k	Test Positivity
July 24 th	697	169.3	10.0%
July 9 th	1024	210.0	13.6%
June 25 th	1083	276.5	13.0%
June 11 th	1003	220.4	11.6%
June 4 th	955	217.3	12.8%

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 VACCINATED	% SERIES COMPLETE
0 to 4	1,528	0.4%
5 to 11	16,433	41.2%
12 to 17	22,620	65.2%
18 to 19	7,580	83.6%
20 to 49	122,303	70.4%
50 to 64	69,308	79.0%
65+	77,601	88.0%

Testing and Antiviral Response

No-Cost COVID-19 Testing

[Curative](#) 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

[Rapid Molecular Testing](#) (Results usually within an hour)

Monday - Friday, 9:00a - 4:30p

Saturday 8:30a – 2:30p

Additional iHealth Kit Distribution

Oregon Health Authority recently announced that it will make additional iHealth COVID-19 Antigen Rapid Tests available to local public health authorities across the state. Clackamas County Public Health now has access to an additional inventory of 47,610 test kits for distribution to service providers, community-based organizations, adult foster homes, community corrections, small businesses, and other organizations. Since February, Clackamas County Public Health has distributed over 33,000 iHealth test kits to the community.

iHealth Kit Expiration Extension

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) earlier this month granted an additional extension to the iHealth COVID-19 Antigen Rapid Tests distributed by Clackamas County Public Health. All tests now have a 12 month shelf life if properly stored between 36–86°F. This means that the expiration date printed on the back of the test kit box is now extended by 6 months. iHealth Labs has created an expiration date checker available on its website at ihealthlabs.com. Expiration date extensions for these types of products are only granted after studies are performed and submitted for review by the FDA. The approval letter released by the FDA is available at clackamas.us/coronavirus/testing. Our website also provides links to more information on how and why the FDA extends expiration dates.

No-Cost Testing Resources

New, no-cost community testing resources are now available at the Hi-School Pharmacy in Estacada and West Linn as well as Orchid Health Wade Creek Clinic in Estacada. Detailed information is available at clackamas.us/coronavirus/testing.

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 cms.gov/newsroom.

COVID-19 Test to Treat Locator Available Online

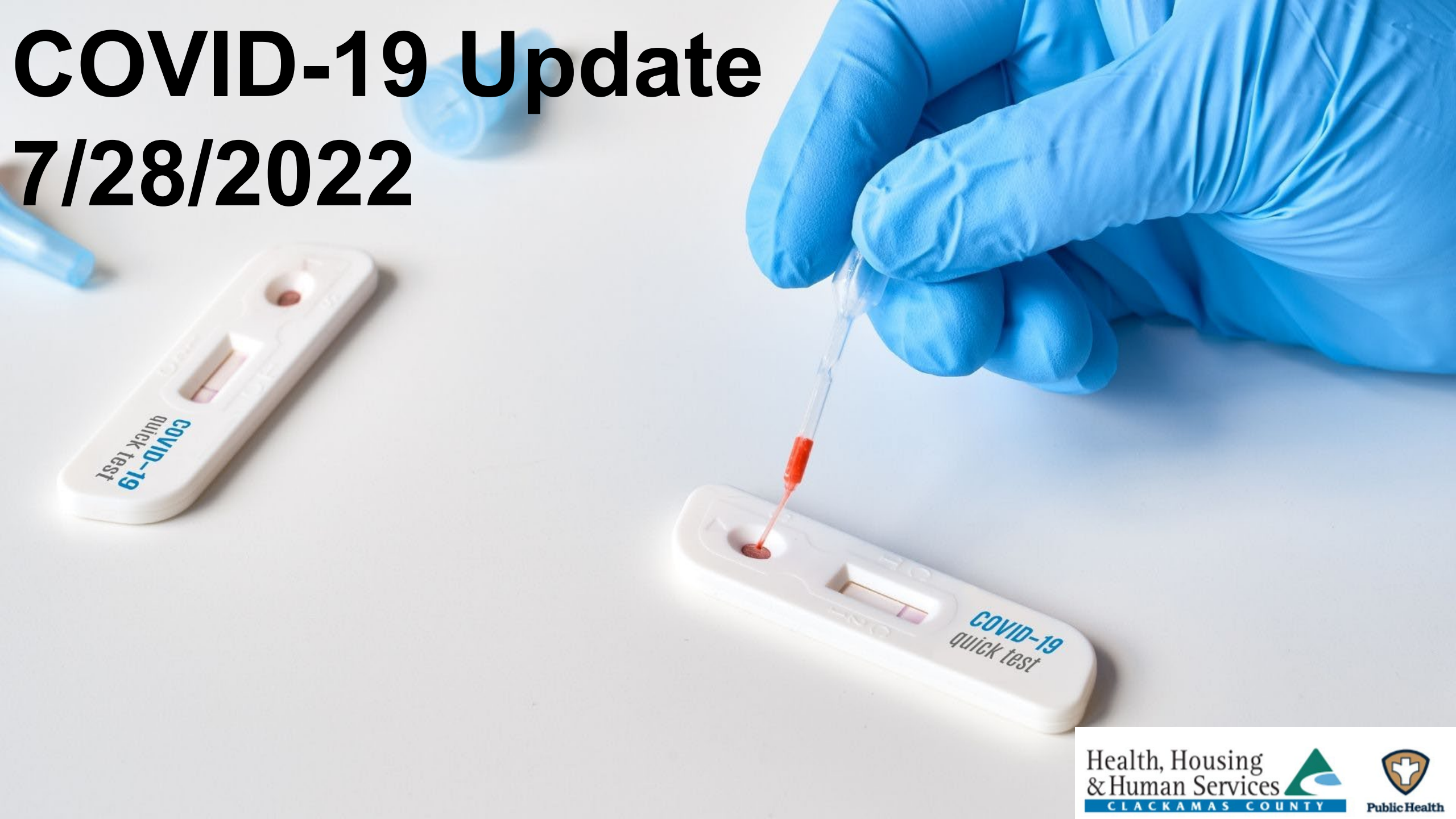
Test to Treat, a federal initiative launched in March, offers a new opportunity for testing and treating COVID-19. At select locations across the country, individuals can get tested and, if they are positive and treatments are appropriate for them, can get a prescription and have their medication filled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

COVID-19 Update

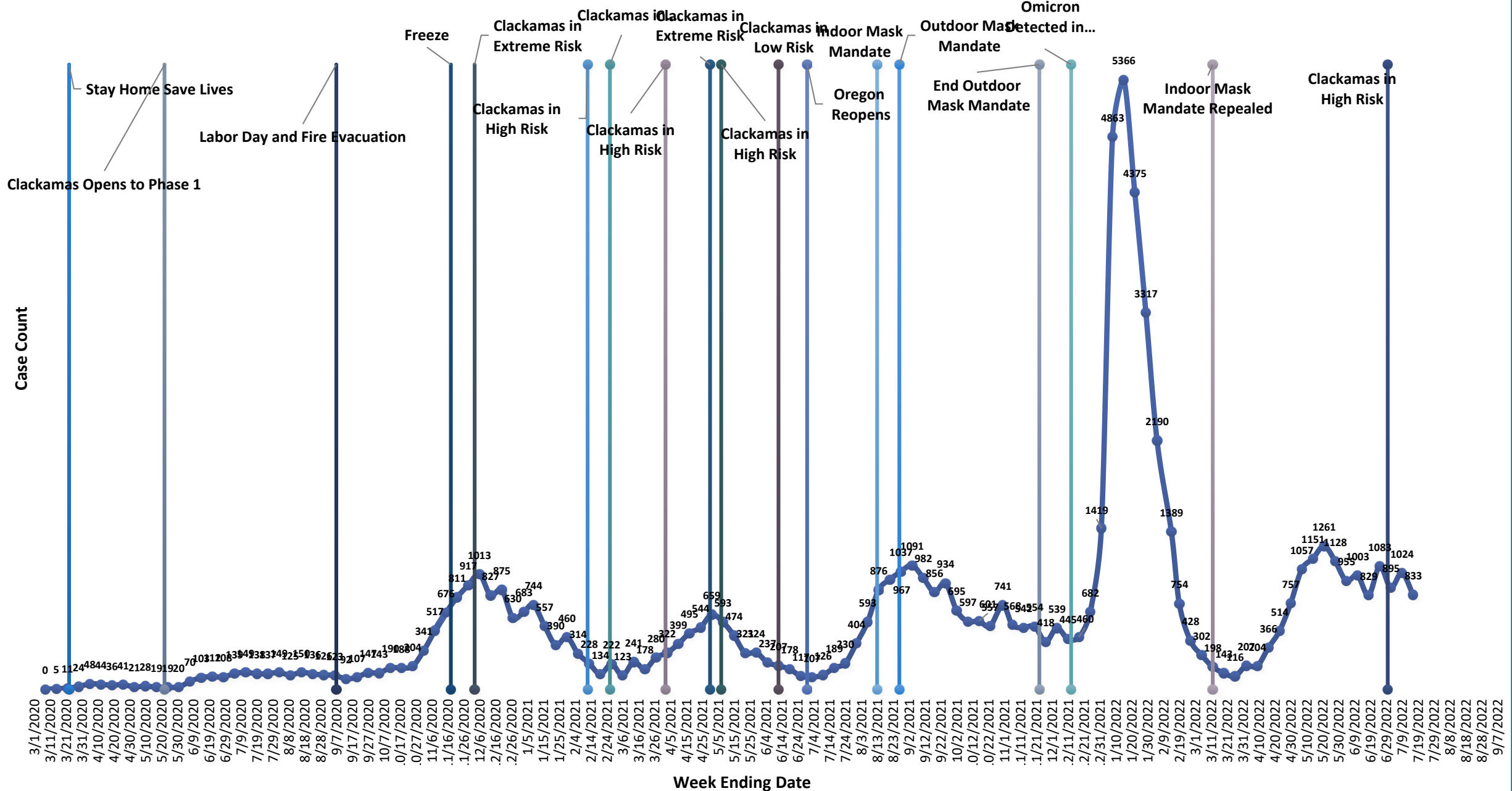
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COVID Current Case and Death Data

as of 7/24/2022	Total cases	Total deaths	Change since 7/10/2022
Clackamas County	73,871	683	Cases: +1,577 Deaths: +23
Multnomah County	148,342	1,288	Cases: +4,030 Deaths: +46
Washington County	107,379	649	Cases: +2,438 Deaths: +18

Case Count by Week for 3/1/20 - 7/16/22



Statewide Numbers from July 24, 2022

CASES — Statewide

Data Current as of 12:01am 7/25/2022

New cases

2,986

7-day average

1,287.6

Total cases

845,331

Source: Opera



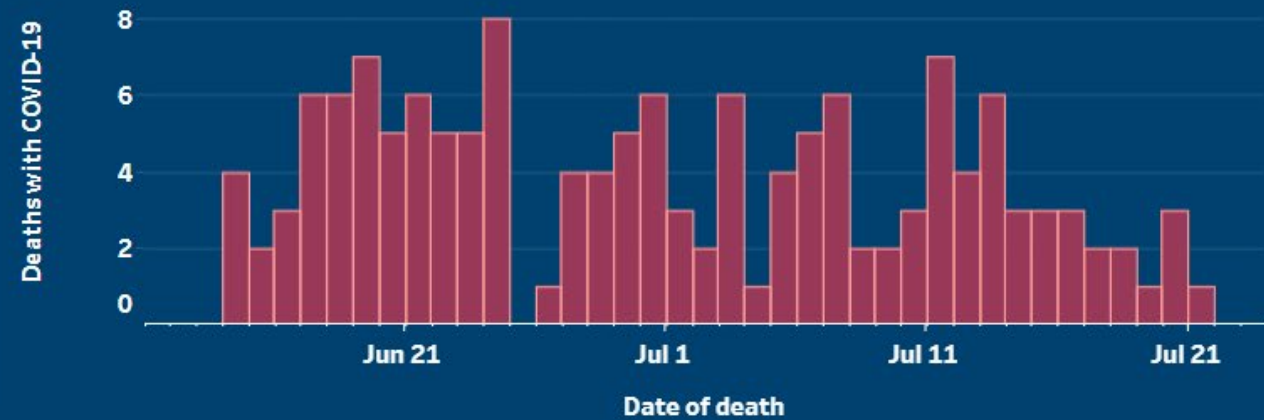
Newly reported deaths with
COVID-19

14

Total deaths

8,036

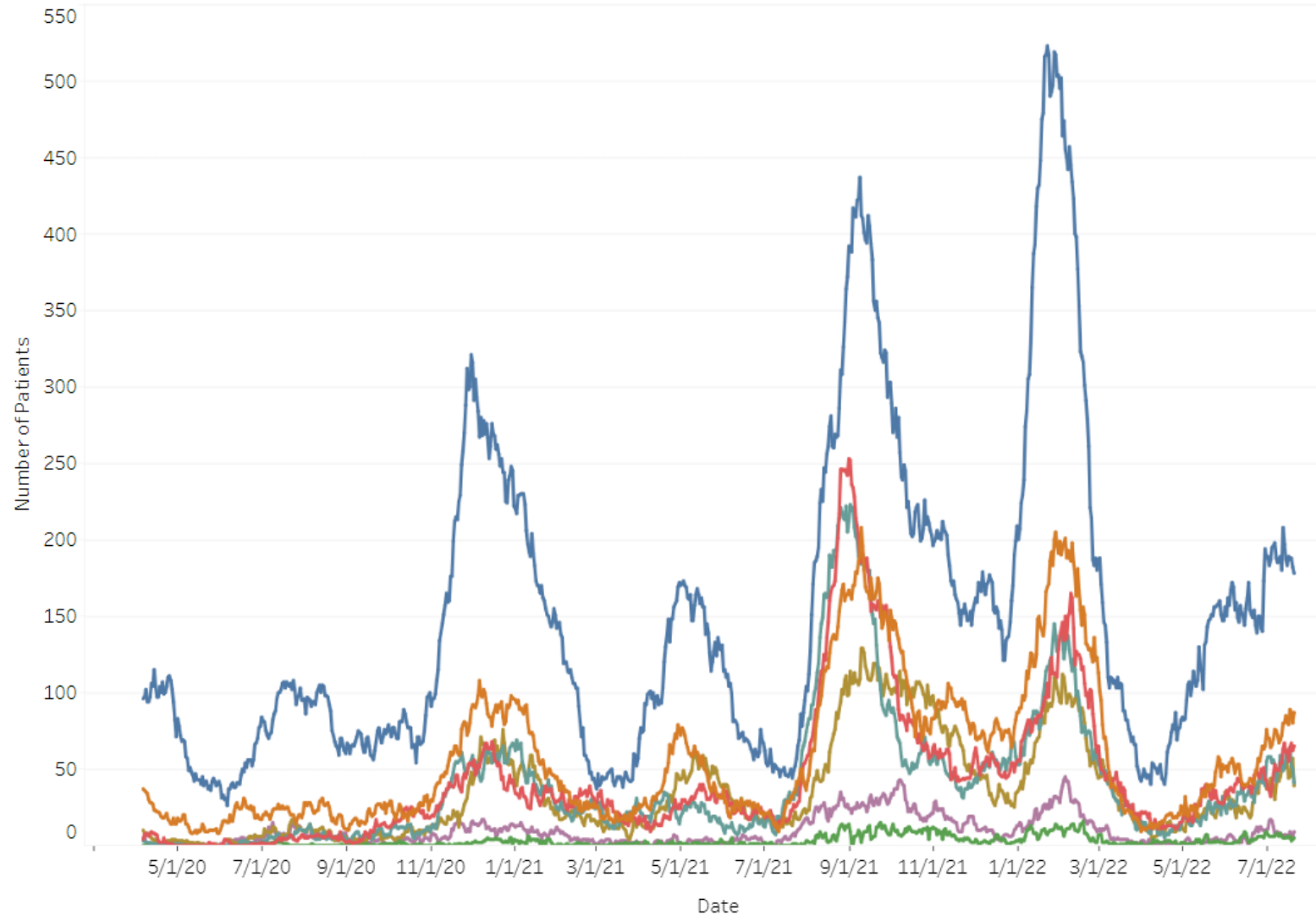
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COVID-19 Positive Patients in Oregon Hospitals

COVID-19 positive patients in Oregon Hospitals

This line graph shows the number of hospitalized patients by region. Data for each region corresponds to a different color.



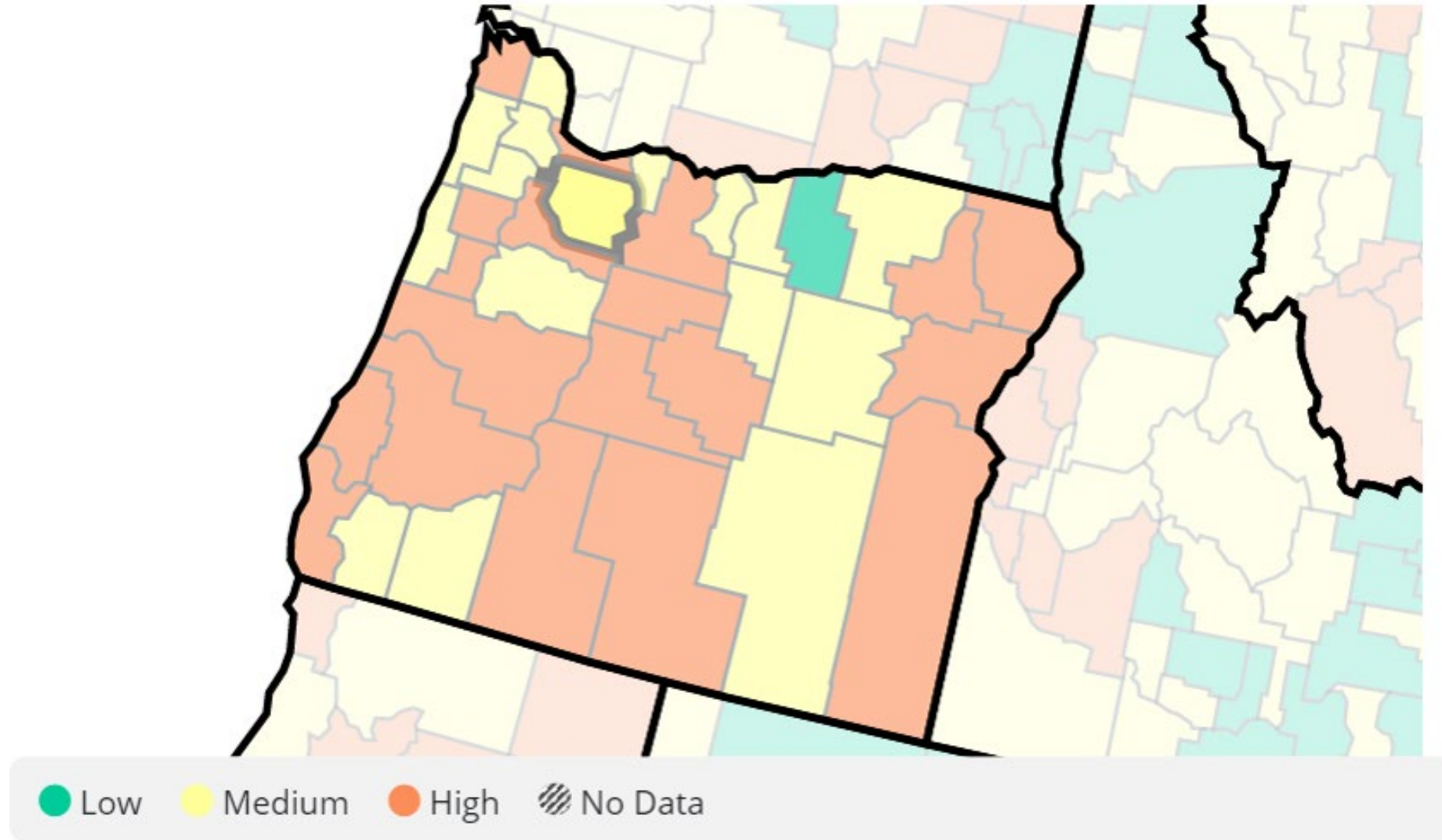
Regional Map

Select a region on the map to filter (ctrl+click to select multiple regions).



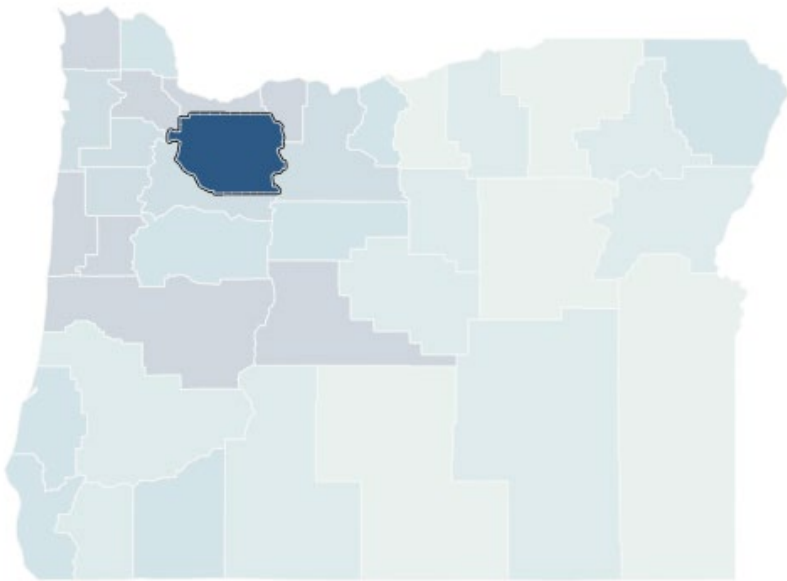
Oregon's COVID-19 Community Risk Level

COVID-19 Community Levels in Oregon



Clackamas County Vaccinations

as of 7/18/2022



People ages 18 years and older living in ClackCo

82.8% have received at least one dose.

77.2 have completed their primary series.

50.1% have received an extra dose (*3rd dose or booster*)

Entire ClackCo Population

Primary Series In Progress: **22,813**

Primary Series Complete: **294,560**

812,730 doses administered in Clackamas

317,373 people vaccinated in Clackamas

Omicron Updates

- Worldwide case count decreased 1.4%
- U.S. averaging 125,827 new cases a day
- U.S. case counts increased 0.5%
- Oregon averaging 1,287 cases a day
- Oregon case counts decreased 11.5%
- ClackCo averaging 99 cases a day
- ClackCo case counts decreased 31.9%



Pediatric Vaccines Available in CCPHD Clinics

- COVID vaccines for 6 months up to 5 years of age available at clinics starting June 29
- Both Pfizer and Moderna vaccines are available and will be administered by medical professionals trained in pediatric vaccine administration
- If you have questions, talk to a pediatrician or another trusted healthcare provider
- [Schedule an appointment](#) for your convenience. Walk-ins available, while supplies last

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/coronavirus/testkits>

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




The FDA has provided information [on its website](#) on how to identify counterfeit test kits.

Drive-Through Tests


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

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




General health information




Isolation and quarantine information




Advice on how to talk to close contacts



Resources to help with isolation



help with reporting of positive test result



Multiple languages 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



Vaccine Clinics

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

Date	Location
First Monday of the Month (8/8) 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)
Every other Thursday (8/4, 8/18, 9/1) 3pm – 7pm	Providence Willamette Falls Community Center 519 15 th St, Oregon City
Every other Friday (7/29, 8/12, 8/26) 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](tel:(503)655-8224) *(Mon-Fri. from 8am-5pm)*

**Register to receive notification for
when an appointment is available:**
GetVaccinated.oregon.gov

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?

- 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>



vsafe.cdc.gov/en/

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

