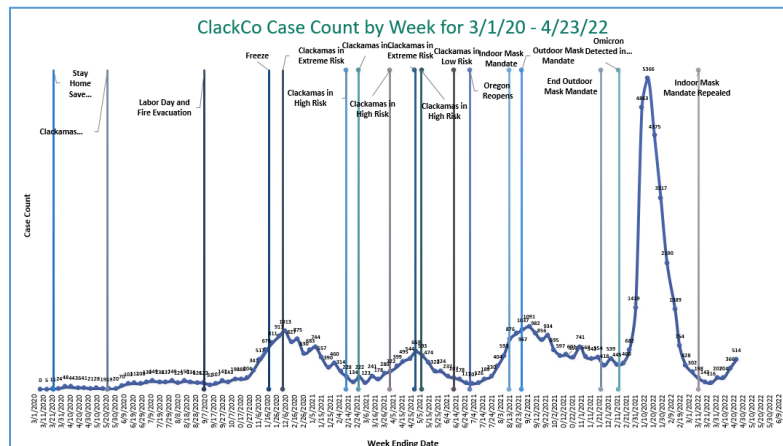

CLACKAMAS COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH DIVISION

WEEKLY REPORT ON COVID-19 FOR 4/28/2022

Omicron update

Clackamas County saw another rise in weekly case counts, reporting 514 cases in the past week. Last week Clackamas tallied 366 cases. Oregon's most significant increases from the prior week's case counts were seen in Multnomah, Washington, and Clackamas counties.



On Monday, Oregon officials reported a 48% increase in weekly confirmed or presumed COVID infections, marking the fourth consecutive week of rising case numbers. Oregon is now averaging about 764 cases a day over the past week, up from last week's average of 519. Test positivity, a strong indicator of disease prevalence, for the week was reported to be 8.3 percent, up from last week's 7.2 percent. Due to the success of at-home testing, the reported case numbers are an underestimate of the true numbers of cases. Hospitalizations rose slightly, with 159 total patients, 19 in ICU, and 5 on ventilators. OHSU's latest modeling report shows that even with BA.2 circulating and the lifting of mask requirements, hospitalizations statewide are still expected to be around 300 or less in mid-June. Still, Oregon remains far below the case and hospitalization numbers seen during late 2020, the Delta wave of 2021, and this year's Omicron surge. Cases also appear to be flattening just a bit.

Reports of new coronavirus cases in the United States are still climbing in a majority of states and territories during the past two weeks. Inclines are the sharpest in the Northeast and Midwest. The average number of reported cases announced per day in the U.S. remains at its lowest level since the summer of 2021. Still, the prevalence of home tests, which often go unreported in official tallies, suggests that the current volume of cases is likely an undercount. Hospitalizations also remain low. On average, around 15,000 people are in American hospitals with the coronavirus each day — a figure comparable only to the earliest weeks of the pandemic. Deaths continue to decline. Fewer than 400 coronavirus deaths are currently being reported each day, a decrease of more than 30 percent in the past two weeks.

Individuals should assess their own risk level, stay up-to-date on vaccinations, mask while in crowded indoor spaces, and increase air filtration and ventilation at home and work.

Treatment for children under 12

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) on Monday said it expanded the approval of the COVID-19 treatment Veklury, also known as remdesivir, for children 28 days and older. Veklury is the first approved COVID treatment for children under 12, which is critical because only children five and older are eligible for the vaccines.

Children 28 days or older who weigh at least seven pounds, have tested positive and are hospitalized or at high risk for severe COVID will be able to access the treatment, though the FDA and CCPH still urge vaccination for those eligible.

Expanding antiviral access

The Biden administration announced a series of initiatives aimed at increasing the use of antiviral pills to treat COVID-19. Pfizer's Paxlovid shows very high efficacy, reducing hospitalizations and deaths by more than 89% in a [large clinical trial](#), and Merck's molnupiravir was only 30% effective at reducing hospitalization in a large trial, although it appeared effective at preventing death.

The first step will be to make Paxlovid and Merck's molnupiravir available at more locations. Administration officials said they plan to nearly double the number of locations where the drugs are available, including pharmacies, community health centers, urgent care centers, and Veterans Affairs clinics. Currently the drugs are available at 20,000 locations. That figure is expected to jump to more than 30,000.

The number of "test-to-treat" facilities will also increase, where eligible patients can receive a COVID test, followed by a prescription, and then the prescribed medicine. The Biden administration also plans to target an awareness campaign to the general public, and will provide services including an online test-to-treat locator and a call center (1-800-232-0233) to provide help in more than 150 languages.

The treatments are authorized only for those with risk factors for severe illness — but as much as 60% of those who are contracting COVID may be eligible for the antivirals, because common risk factors like age and diabetes are included.

Not everyone is eligible to be prescribed Paxlovid. If you test positive at a test-to-treat that dispenses antivirals and has an authorized medical provider, you can get a COVID-19 pill prescription (if eligible) and fill it on the spot. If you test positive at a different testing site or through an at-home testing kit, you can schedule an online or in-person visit with a provider at a "test-to-treat" location to get and fill a prescription as well. And just like with other medications, your regular health care provider may have Paxlovid available on sight, or be able to send a prescription to a pharmacy for you.

Antivirals, available by prescription from a provider, in ClackCo:

<https://healthdata.gov/Health/COVID-19-Public-Therapeutic-Locator/rxn6-qnx8/data>

Find a test-to-treat location:

<https://covid-19-test-to-treat-locator-dhhs.hub.arcgis.com/>

COVID-19 Vaccinations in Clackamas County

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

Note: As the use of at-home COVID-19 tests rises, so does the concern that most of those test results go unreported, leading to an undercount of the true number of COVID-19 cases. Test results can be reported through the OHA Hotline: [866-917-8881](tel:866-917-8881)

Week of Date	Case Count	Cases per 100k	Test Positivity
April 23	514	120.3	8.2%
April 16 th	366	87.7	6.7%
April 9 th	204	49.5	4.3%
April 2 nd	207	29	3.3%

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
5 to 11	16,187	43.4%
12 to 17	23,541	72.0%
18 to 19	7,105	72.1%
20 to 49	122,652	74.1%
50 to 64	69,775	69.5%
65+	73,495	82.6%

Testing Response

No-Cost COVID-19 Testing

[Curative](#) testing site at Harmony Campus in Milwaukie operates 7 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 & Sunday, 8:00a - 12:00p

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

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

Saturday & Sunday, 9:00a - 11:30a

Story from the field

Clackamas County Public Health has engaged in numerous efforts across the county focused on facilitating partnerships with community-based organization (CBOs). When entering these partnerships, CCPH's CBO liaisons work hard to address the social determinants of health, improve health outcomes, and increase health and vaccine equity. Here, one liaison shares their fulfilling experience serving the county's vulnerable populations:

For the last year, I have served Clackamas County as a Community-Based Organization Liaison for Public Health and a diverse group of community-based organizations (CBOs), ranging from organizations that serve culturally-specific (Latinx/Hispanic, East Asian, Pacific-Islander, Native, Slavic), vulnerable (Immigrant / Refugee, Rural, Houseless, Women's, Previously-Incarcerated) and faith-based (Catholic, Jewish, Islamic), and many others. I am a coordinator to these organizations in order to provide health service delivery for Covid-19 vaccines, wrap around support services (food, rental, utilities), as well as outreach, education, and community engagement on how communities can be educated in how to protect themselves and the ones they love from the deadly virus.

From the late summer of 2021 to the end of December in 2021, I helped manage the Vaccine Equity for Community Partners Grant. This funding allowed a dozen of our CBOs to host their own vaccine clinics for their communities and also amplified messaging to protect their own communities from Covid-19.

My greatest satisfaction in this grant process was to see the direct human effect that our team's work has had on the individuals and communities we serve. You could see this on the relieved faces on the individuals and families who attended these clinics, knowing that they were out of harm's way from getting sick.

COVID-19 Update

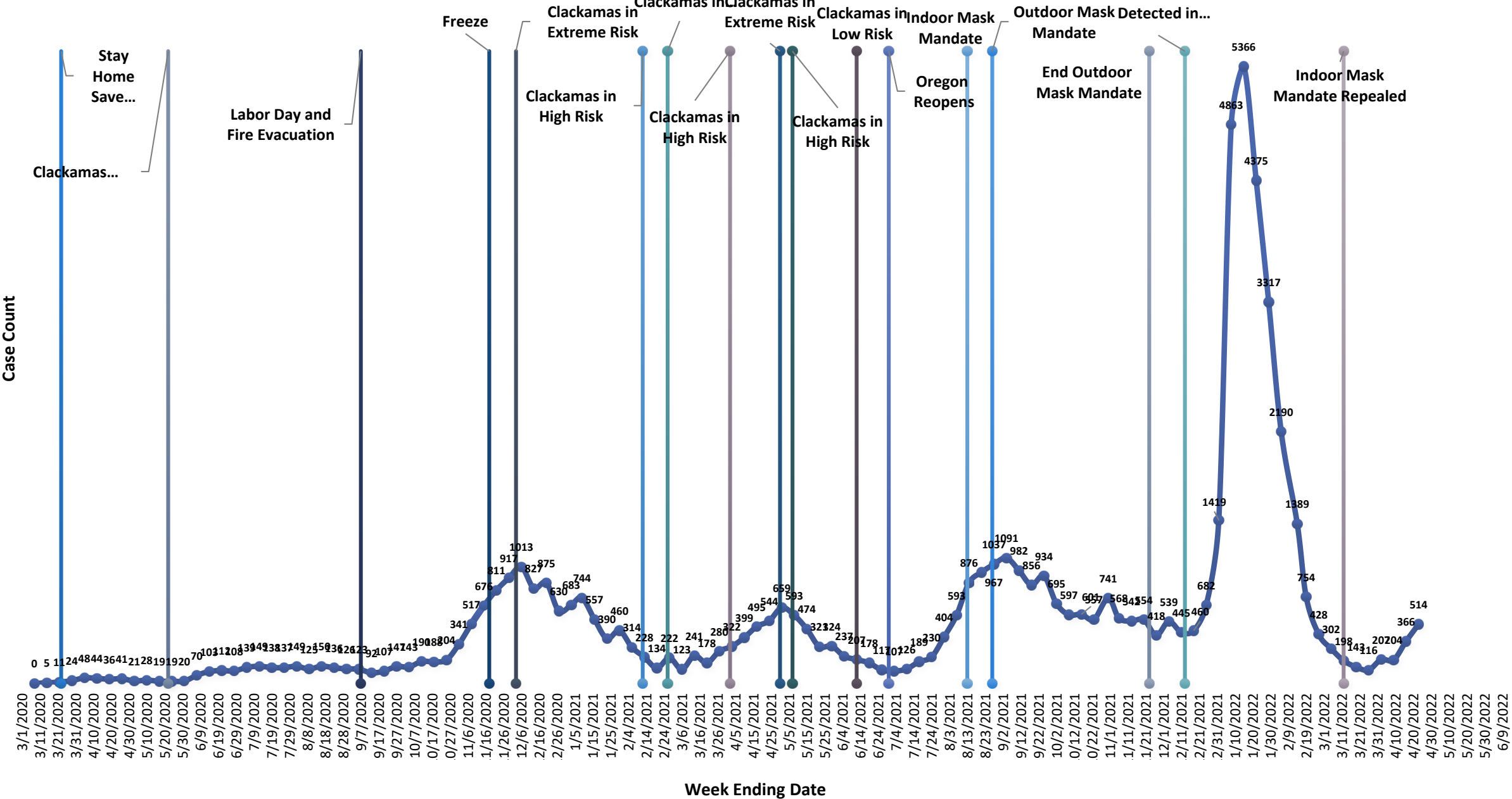
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COVID Current Case and Death Data

as of 4/26/2022	Total cases	Total deaths	Change since 4/19/2022
Clackamas County	61,143	629	Cases: +512 Deaths: +3
Multnomah County	117,320	1,194	Cases: +1,804 Deaths: +3
Washington County	87,075	587	Cases: +987 Deaths: +1

ClackCo Case Count by Week for 3/1/20 - 4/23/22



Statewide Numbers from April 18, 2022

CASES — Statewide

Data Current as of 12:01am 4/25/2022

New cases

2,082

7-day average

764.6

Total cases

716,414

Source: Opera



Newly reported deaths with
COVID-19

8

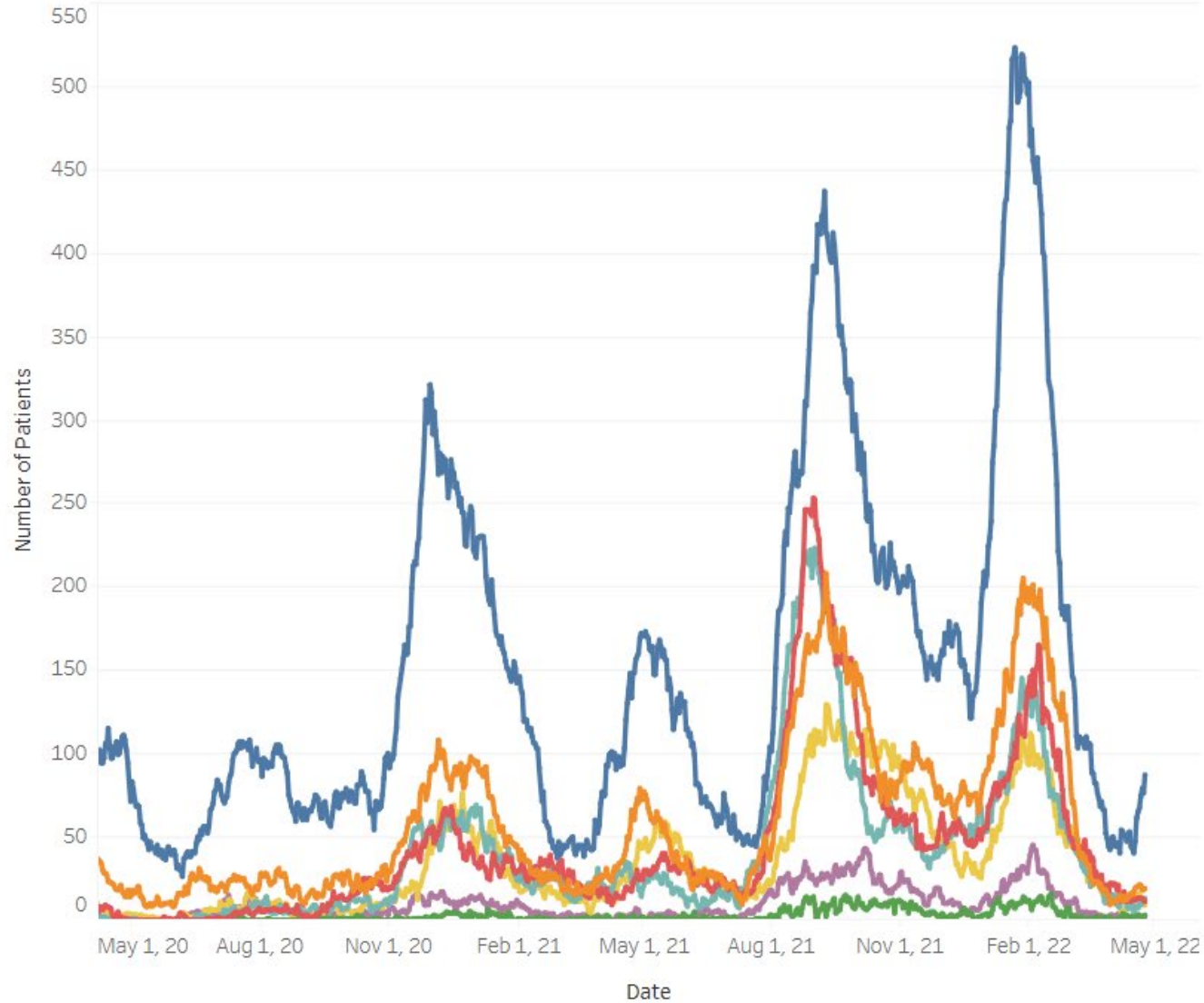
Total deaths

7,485

Source: Opera

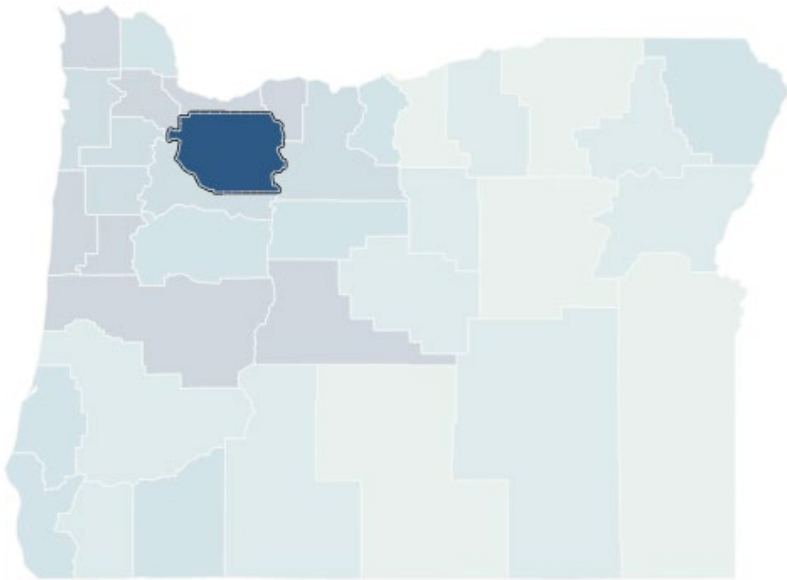


COVID-19 Positive Patients in Oregon Hospitals



Clackamas County Vaccinations

as of 4/25/2022



People ages 18 years and older living in ClackCo

80.4% have received at least one dose.

74.9% have completed their primary series.

46.7% have received an extra dose (*3rd dose or booster*)

Entire ClackCo Population

Primary Series In Progress: **21,753**

Primary Series Complete: **291,024**

767,160 doses administered in Clackamas

312,777 people vaccinated in Clackamas

Omicron Updates

- Worldwide case count dropped 24%
- U.S. averaging 42,605 new cases a day
- U.S. case counts increased 35.3%
- Oregon averaging 764 cases a day
- Oregon case counts increased 48%
- ClackCo averaging 73 cases a day
- ClackCo case counts increased 40.4%



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](https://www.clackamas.us/coronavirus/testkits)

Federal At-Home Tests

- Every home in the U.S. is eligible to order **4 more** free iHealth tests
- Orders will usually ship in 7-12 days
- Order your tests today at covidtests.gov




Drive-Through Tests


- Weekly at Clackamas Community College Harmony Campus
- Now open 7 days a week
- PCR Testing:
M-F, 8:00a - 5:00p, Sat-Sun, 8:00a - 12:00p
- Rapid Molecular Testing:
M-F, 9:00a - 4:30p, Sat-Sun, 9:00a - 11:30a
- 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
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)
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](tel:5036558224) *(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

