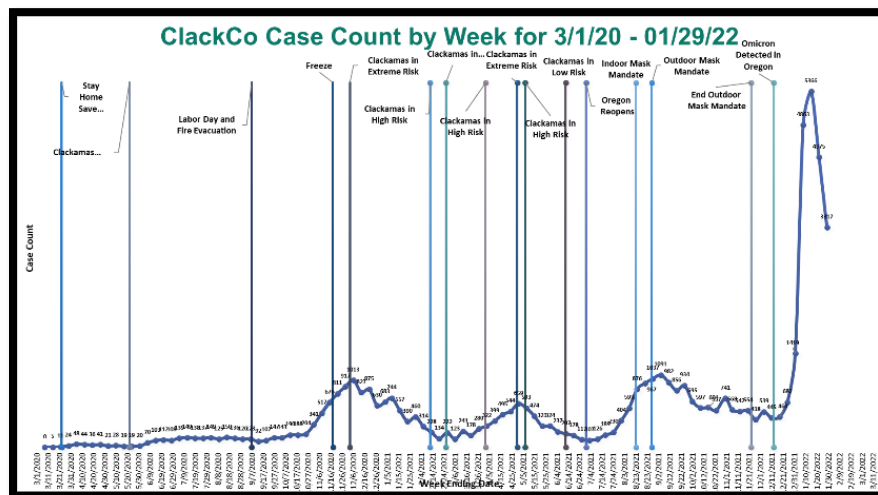

CLACKAMAS COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH DIVISION

WEEKLY REPORT ON COVID-19 FOR 2/3/2022

Omicron updates

New COVID-19 cases are falling significantly nationwide, but hospitalizations are still near pandemic highs. New infections have fallen more than 30% since mid-January. The [seven-day average for daily new cases](#) was 446,355 as of January 31, down from a seven-day average for daily new cases of 696,832 on January 24. The seven-day average of daily deaths has continued to increase in the past week, and recently reached a cumulative death toll of 879,071.

In the past week, Oregon was averaging 7,000 new cases a day. Connecticut is averaging fewer than 2,000 cases a day, down from more than 10,000 daily in early January. Florida is averaging fewer than 25,000 new cases a day, down from a mid-January peak of more than 60,000. Over the past 14 days, Oregon's daily case average has declined by 25% and hospitalizations have increased by 30%. Comparatively, New York's daily case average has declined by 74% and hospitalizations have decreased by 39%. The state of Montana is seeing both daily case counts and hospitalizations increase by 34% and 36%, respectively.



Oregon may have passed its COVID-19 Omicron peak, even though hospitalizations will likely continue to climb. The current number of [hospitalized patients in Oregon](#) is at near-record levels. Oregon's estimates for peak hospitalizations have been revised down several times, from more than 2,000 to 1,650 to 1,550 and, most recently, about 1,220. The latest Oregon Health & Science University forecast, published Friday, estimates hospitalizations will peak at 1,219 on Feb. 6, after which they will hopefully decline rapidly.

The repeatedly downgraded estimates reflect the steps Oregonians have taken to prevent the spread of disease. Oregonians have increasingly refrained from indoor gatherings with people outside of their household, maintained relatively high rates of masking, and have taken other actions such as reducing trips to bars, restaurants and grocery stores.

Masking mandates extended

For the time being, on Friday, January 28, the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) announced that they were filing the following "permanent rules" for masking:

- OAR 333-019-1015 – Masking Requirements in Schools.
- OAR 333-019-1030 – COVID-19 Vaccination Requirements for Teachers and School Staff.

Rules filed on January 31 include:

- OAR 333-019-1010 – COVID-19 Vaccination Requirement for Healthcare Providers and Healthcare Staff in Healthcare Settings.
- OAR 333-019-1011 – Masking Requirements to Control COVID-19 in Health Care Settings.

The "permanent" designation does not mean the rules would last forever, only that they have no built-in expiration date. Despite the name, permanent rules can be rescinded or cancelled when the OHA determines that they are no longer necessary. A permanent indoor masking rule for the general public is expected to be filed in the coming days, as the temporary rule is set to expire on Feb. 8. Clackamas County Public Health continues to strongly recommend masking in indoor public settings and workplaces. Masks work to reduce the spread of COVID-19.

Masking guidance

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) updated guidelines that rank the different levels of protection offered by various types of face coverings. According to the CDC's new description of masks, loosely woven [cloth products provide the least protection](#) and layered finely woven products offer more. Well-fitted N95 and KN95 respirators offer the highest level of protection.

Masking is a critical public health tool for preventing spread of COVID-19. It is important to remember that any mask is better than no mask. The White House is making 400 million N95 masks available to U.S. residents, with many of Oregon's pharmacies already distributing. Masks are anticipated to become available next week. These are the pharmacies in Oregon that will participate in the free mask program:

- Albertsons Companies, Inc (including Safeway)
- Costco Wholesale Corp.
- CPESN USA, LLC
- CVS Pharmacy, Inc
- Health Mart Pharmacies
- Innovatix
- Kroger Co. (including Fred Meyer and QFC)
- Rite Aid Corp.
- Walgreens
- Walmart, Inc.

Wear a mask with the best fit, protection, and comfort for you.

 N95 Respirator <small>NIOSH-approved</small>	 KN95 Respirator	 Disposable Mask <small>Sometimes referred to as "surgical masks" or "medical procedure masks"</small>	 Cloth Mask <small>Non-medical, made of fabric.</small>
<small>When worn correctly, respirators offer the highest level of protection and filter 95% of particles.</small>	<small>Filtration varies depending on standard. When worn correctly, KN95s provide more protection than disposable masks.</small>	<small>Disposable masks offer more protection than cloth masks.</small>	<small>Layered finely woven cloth masks offer more protection. Loosely woven cloth masks provide the least protection.</small>

 Masks and respirators should not be worn by children younger than 2 years old.

[cdc.gov/coronavirus](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus)

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Oregon is one of the most vaccinated states in the U.S.

Oregon ranks near the top among U.S. states and the District of Columbia in vaccinations and boosters, according to data from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

- Oregon ranks 10th in percentage of total population – children and adults – who are fully vaccinated and have received a booster dose
- Oregon is also 10th in the percentage of adults – people 18 and older – who are fully vaccinated and have received a booster dose
- Oregon ranks 12th in the percentage of people 65 and older who are fully vaccinated and have received a booster dose
- Oregon is 18th in total vaccination dose rate

Mental health and COVID-19

No matter what you're dealing with — stress, anxiety, drug and alcohol use, or the impact of COVID-19 — you don't have to cope by yourself. There are tools and resources to help you. You can start by calling the Clackamas County Crisis and Support Line at 503-655-8585 or by emailing safestrong@clackamas.us. Mental health struggles look different for everyone. Here are some common things that might mean it's time to reach out to get support:

- Anxious, feeling helpless, or worrying all the time
- Tired, sad, or low most of time
- Trouble falling sleep or sleeping too much
- Disconnected from others

Here are a few tips you can use to take care of yourself:

- Set and maintain a routine at home
- Focus on things you can control
- Limit your screen time
- Eat a well-balanced diet
- Drink plenty of water
- Aim for 7 to 8 hours of sleep each night
- Spend time outside
- Take deep breaths and stretch often
- Stay connected to friends and family

COVID-19 vaccine breakthrough report

Oregon Health Authority released a new COVID-19 vaccine [breakthrough report](#) on January 27. During the week of January 16–January 22, there were 57,011 cases of COVID-19. 40,594 (71.2%) were unvaccinated and 16,417 (28.8%) were vaccine breakthrough cases. Of all vaccine breakthrough cases, 4,580 (27.9%) were fully vaccinated and boosted. The rate of COVID-19 cases among unvaccinated individuals in the most recent week was over 4 times the rate of COVID-19 cases among those who are fully vaccinated and nearly 9 times the rate of COVID-19 cases among those who are fully vaccinated and boosted.

Individuals who are fully vaccinated and boosted have a significantly lower risk of severe illness and death. Relatively few breakthrough cases have been hospitalized, and even fewer have died.

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	14,631	35.5%
12 to 17	23,112	70.0%
18 to 19	7,014	71.0%
20 to 49	120,993	72.9%
50 to 64	69,279	68.9%
65+	73,034	81.6%

COVID-19 cases among people under age 18

The population of ages 0-17 in Clackamas County is 86,962. The number of pediatric cases in Clackamas County the week of February 3rd is 9,242. The pediatric case rate in Clackamas County the week of February 3rd is 10,628 per 100,000. For more information on pediatrics, visit the [OHA Pediatric Dashboards](#).

COVID-19 hospitalizations

The [number of hospitalized patients](#) with COVID-19 across Oregon is 1,113, which is 14 more than yesterday (1/31). There are 178 COVID-19 patients in intensive care unit (ICU) beds, which is nine fewer than yesterday (1/31). There are 58 available adult ICU beds out of 658 total (9% availability) and 272 available adult non-ICU beds out of 4,192 (6% availability).

COVID-19 cases in Clackamas County

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

Week of Date	Case Count	Cases per 100k	Test Positivity
February 1 st	444	729	18.5%
January 25 th	602	988	19.9%
January 2 nd	4,865	1,140.6	22.8%
December 26 th	1,418	332.5	17.2%
December 19 th	680	159.4	8.0%

Testing Response

Clackamas County Public Health received 12,000 out of an allocated 48,000 iHealth at-homes tests from OHA on February 1 to be distributed for free by community partners. The tests are to be reserved for populations disproportionately affected by COVID-19 and those that have not historically had access to COVID-19 testing and persons who have a known exposure or have COVID-19-like symptoms. Organizations and service providers in the county can request kits from CCPH through an online portal. These tests are not available to the general public at this time. The program distributed nearly 1000 test kits on the first day.

OHA has a separate allocation for community-based organizations, Federally-recognized Tribes and NARA Urban Indian Program), migrant and seasonal farmworkers, the Early Learning Division, homeless services sites, hospital/healthcare workers, and an expansion of the K-12 Testing Program.

The testing site at [Clackamas Community College's Harmony Campus](#) in Milwaukie is open Tuesday-Saturday, 8 a.m. -3 p.m.

Residents can find information on where to access testing [here](#) or order 4 free tests at [covidtests.gov](#).

Disease Response

As the demand for vaccine appointments has leveled off, all the vaccine clinics are open for walk-ins. The team is working with PGA to develop advertising opportunities at Clackamas Town Center, as well as with the transit companies in our rural communities to promote the availability of walk-in vaccines and make vaccines more accessible for people without internet access or those experiencing transportation difficulties.

The home vaccination team is supporting our Migrant Seasonal Farm Workers (MSFW) program and providing vaccination clinics to farm sites around the Canby area on February 5. In addition, the in-home vaccine team is rolling out the in-home testing program for homebound individuals and those experiencing severe mobility issues.

The COVID Investigation & Outreach unit (formerly the Contact Tracing Unit) opened 3317 cases last week, a continued decrease from the previous week. However, the team managed an increased 127 open outbreaks in primarily high risk and vulnerable settings. The team connected to an additional resource for providing emergency shelter to those who need assistance isolating with COVID-19. The focus of the unit remains the provision of COVID-19 education and support to the residents of Clackamas County.



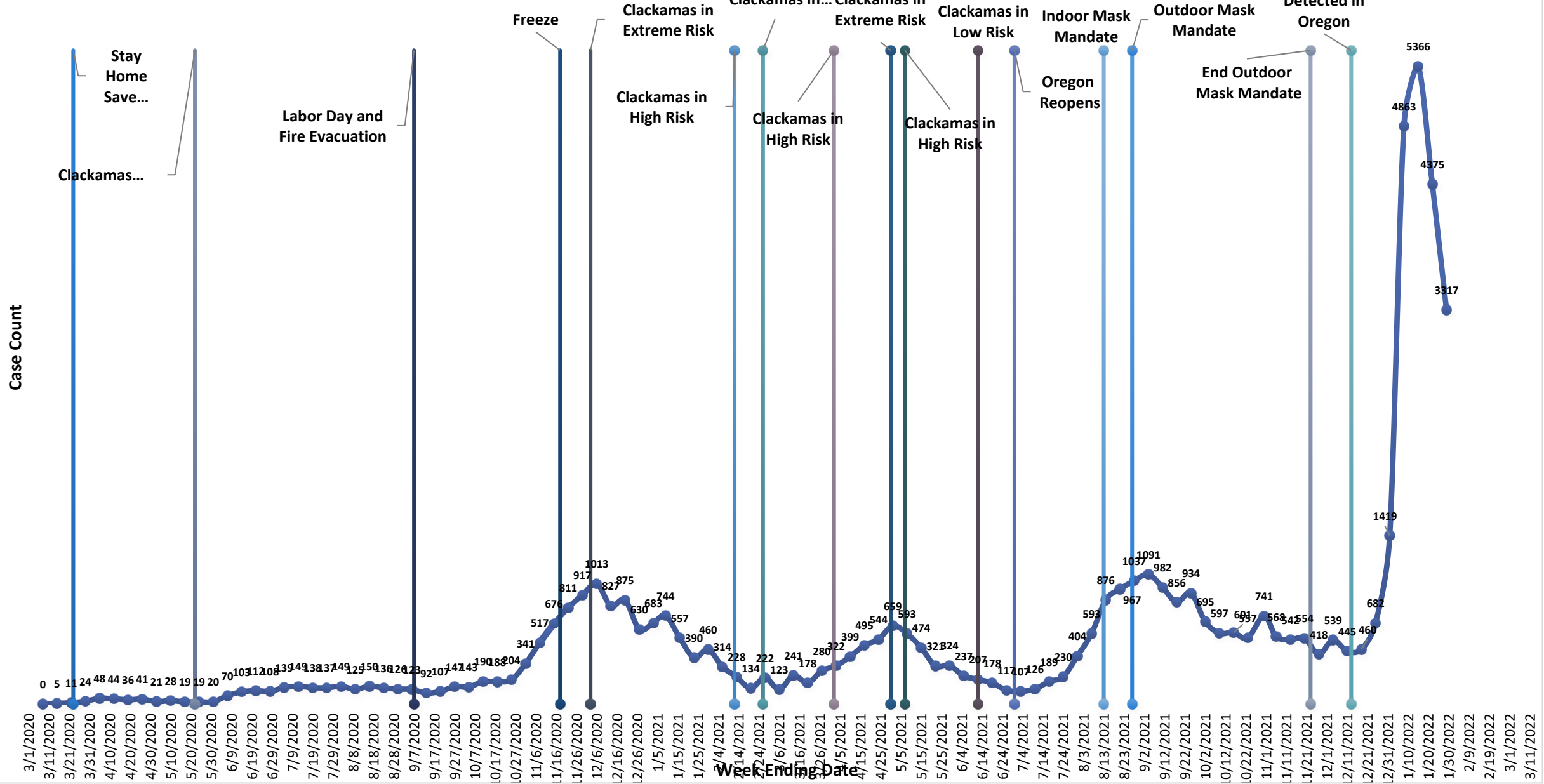
COVID-19 Update

2/3/2022

COVID Current Case and Death Data

as of 2/1/2022	Total cases	Total deaths	Change since 1/27/2022
Clackamas County	54,606	482	Cases: +2,182 Deaths: +7
Multnomah County	98,786	963	Cases: +3,824 Deaths: +7
Washington County	73,233	474	Cases: +3,639 Deaths: +3

Case Count by Week for 3/1/20 - 01/29/22

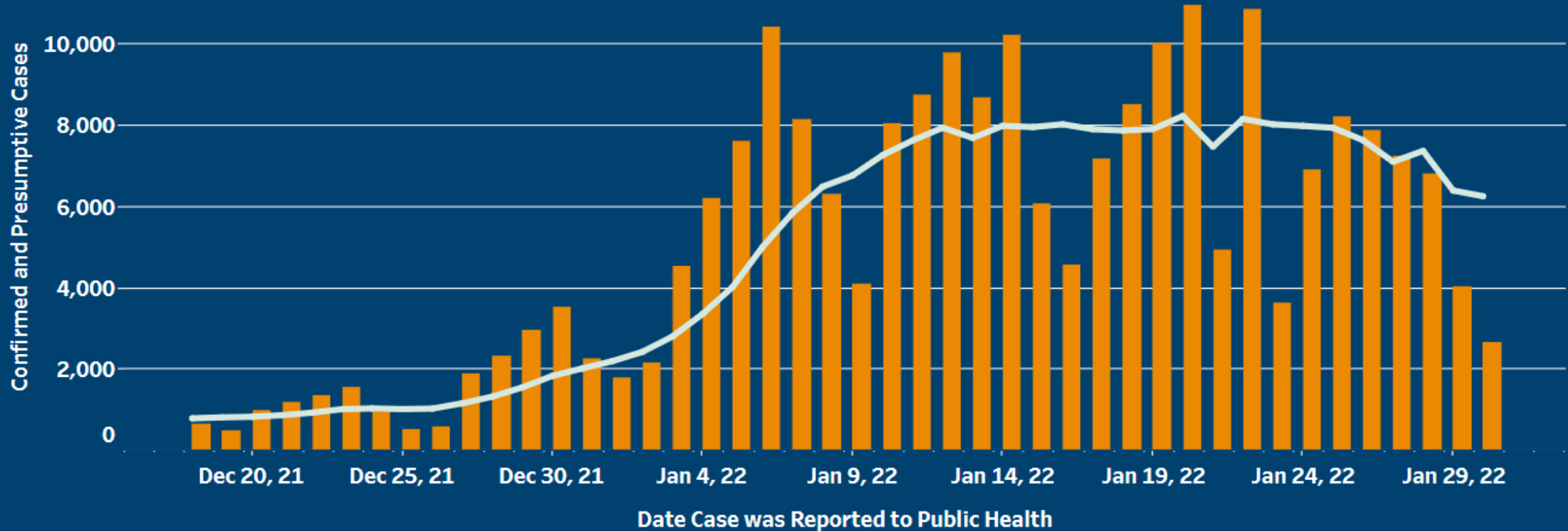


Statewide Numbers from 1/28/2022 to 1/30/2022

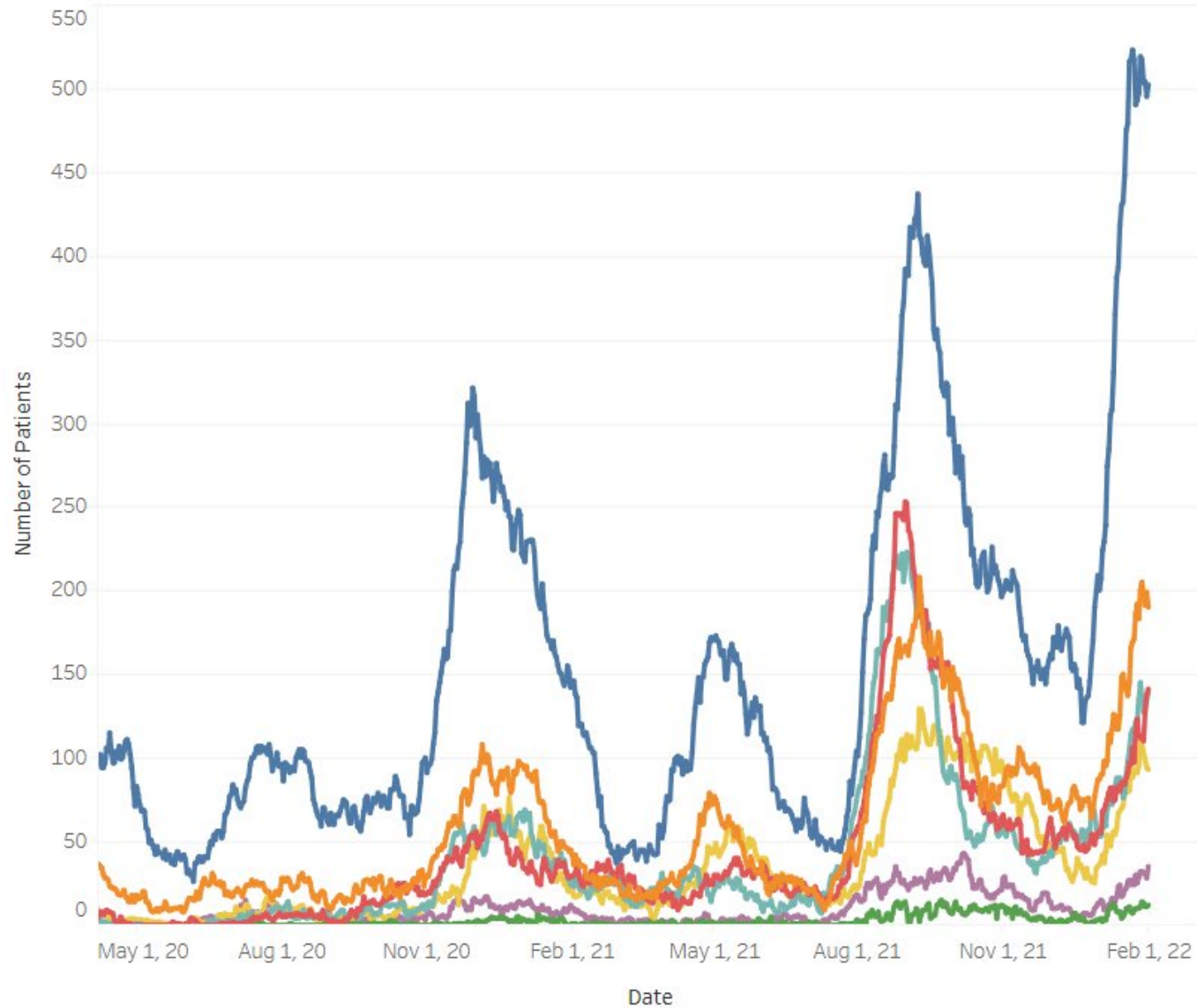
New Cases	7 Day Daily Average of Cases	Cases Per 100k in Previous 7 Days	COVID-19 Patients Hospitalized†	Tests Reported	Test Positivity	New Deaths
13,443 ▼	6,237	1,023	1,099 ▲	87,582	20.6%	15

Arrows indicate an increase or decrease from the previous day. †Hospitalization data from Oregon's Hospital Capacity Web System (HOSCAP).

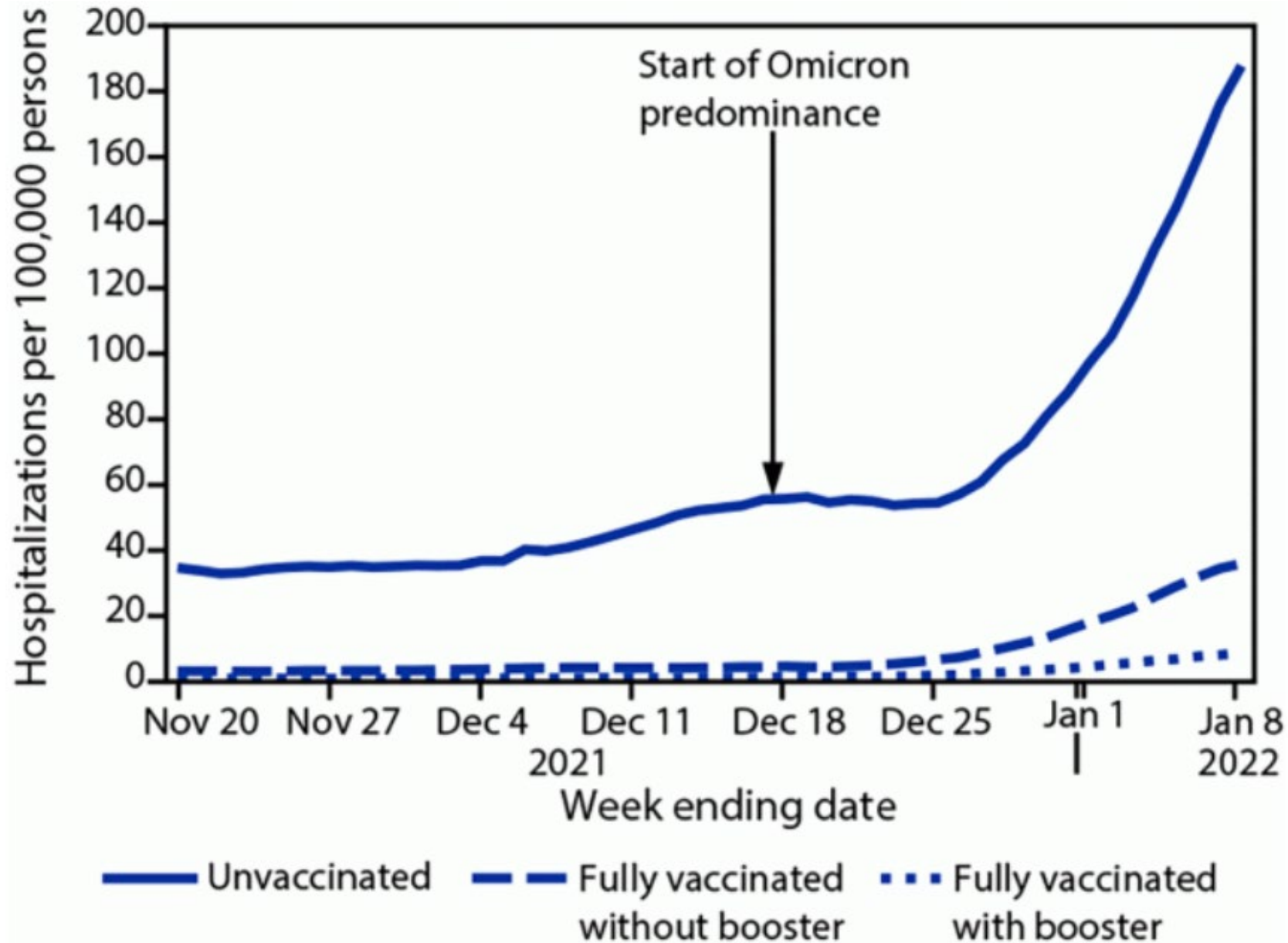
Daily Cases and 7 Day Moving Average over the Previous Six Weeks



COVID-19 Positive Patients in Oregon Hospitals

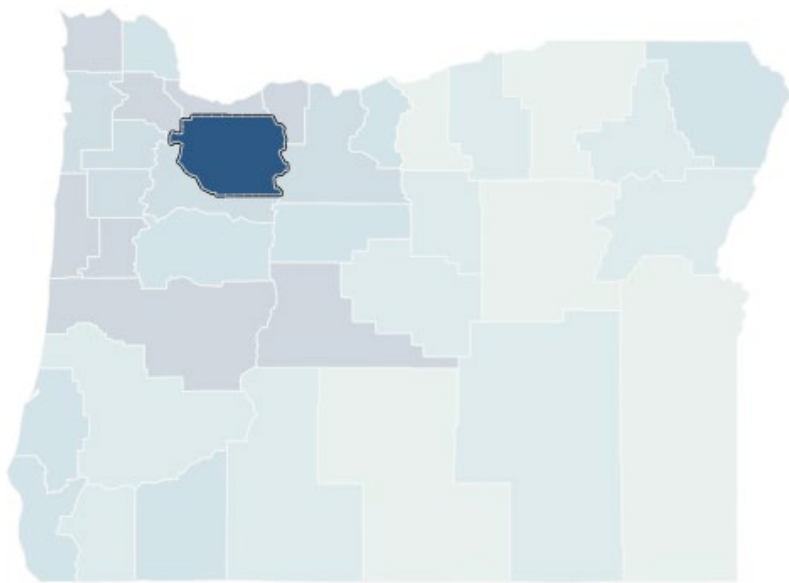


14-day COVID-19 Hospitalization Rates by Vaccination Status (Los Angeles County)



Clackamas County Vaccinations

as of 2/1/2022



People ages 18 years and older living in ClackCo

76.6% have received at least one dose.

71.1% have completed their primary series.

35.1% have received an extra dose (*3rd dose or booster*)

Entire ClackCo Population

Primary Series In Progress: **23,606**

Primary Series Complete: **284,471**

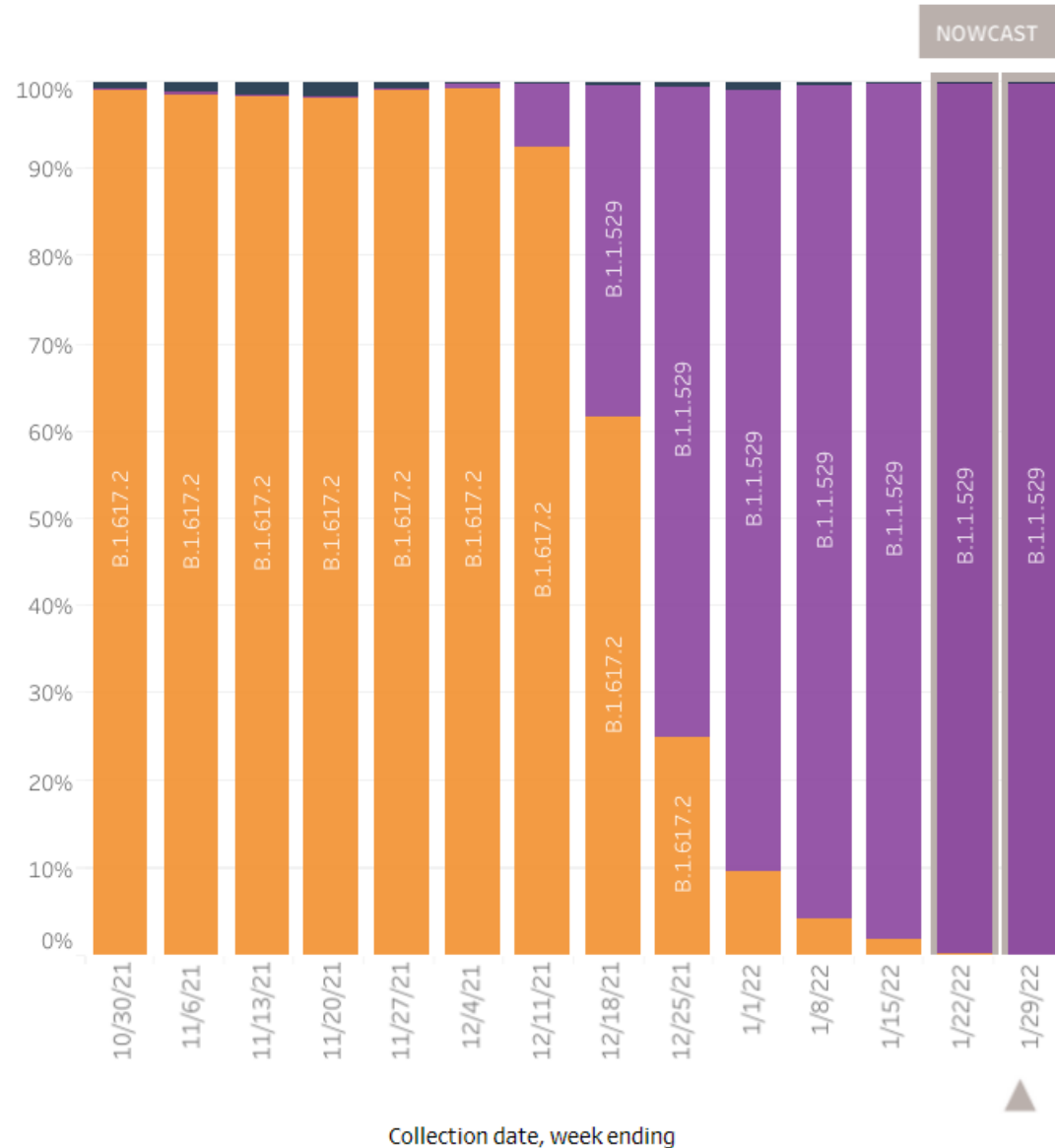
725,507 doses administered in Clackamas

308,077 people vaccinated in Clackamas

Variant Proportions In United States

United States: 10/24/2021 – 1/29/2022

United States: 1/23/2022 – 1/29/2022 NOWCAST



USA

WHO label	Lineage #	US Class	%Total	95%PI
Omicron	B.1.1.529	VOC	99.9%	99.9-100.0%
Delta	B.1.617.2	VOC	0.1%	0.0-0.1%
Other	Other*		0.0%	0.0-0.0%

* Enumerated lineages are US VOC and lineages circulating above 1% nationally in at least one week period. "Other" represents the aggregation of lineages which are circulating <1% nationally during all weeks displayed.

** These data include Nowcast estimates, which are modeled projections that may differ from weighted estimates generated at later dates

AY.1-AY.133 and their sublineages are aggregated with B.1.617.2. BA.1, BA.2 and BA.3 are aggregated with B.1.1.529.

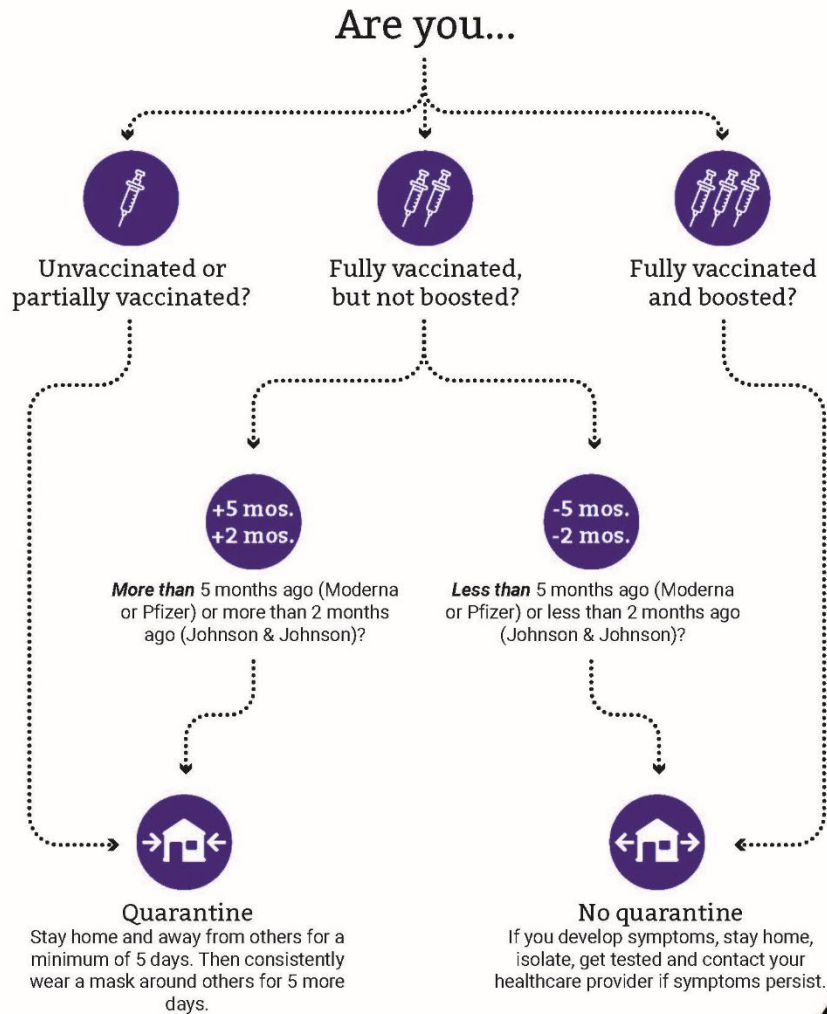
Omicron Updates

- Worldwide average of 3.3 million new cases a day
- U.S. averaging 446,355 new cases a day
- Oregon averaging 7,000 cases a day
- Oregon may have passed it's Omicron peak, hospitalizations may peak next week
- ClackCo averaging 473 cases a day
- 8.8% decrease in COVID-19 hospitalizations in the U.S.



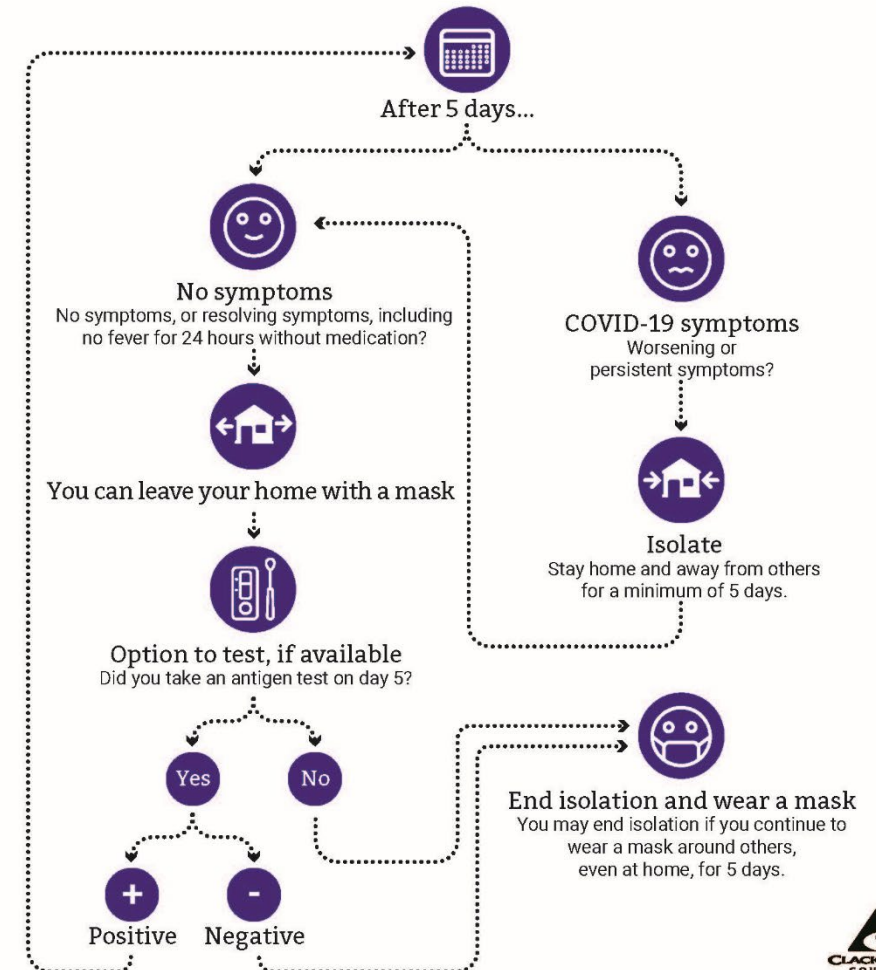
Isolation and Quarantine Guidance

“I’m a close contact of someone who tested positive for COVID-19. Now what?”



What to do if you’ve tested positive for, or are showing symptoms of, COVID-19

Regardless of your vaccination status... ISOLATE!



At-Home Test Distribution

- CCPH received 12,000 out of 48,000 at-homes tests from OHA on February 1
- To be distributed for free by community partners
- Reserved for:
 - Populations disproportionately affected by COVID-19
 - Those who have not historically had access to COVID-19 testing
 - Persons who have a known exposure or have COVID-19-like symptoms
- Organizations and service providers in the county can [request kits from CCPH](#)
- Not available to the general public at this time

Free Tests

Free At-Home Tests

- Every home in the U.S. is eligible to order 4 free at-home COVID-19 tests
- Orders will usually ship in 7-12 days
- Order your tests today at covidtests.gov



Free Drive-Through Tests

- Weekly at Clackamas Community College Harmony Campus in Milwaukie
- Tuesday-Saturday, 8 a.m. -3 p.m.
- Schedule an appointment cur.tv/milwaukie


curative
COVID-19 Testing
No out of pocket costs

Self-collected, shallow nasal PCR test
Results within 1-2 days from receipt of the sample at the lab
Schedule an appointment at cur.tv/canby


The graphic is a rectangular box with a blue border. The top half has a white background with the 'curative' logo (a red asterisk) and the text 'curative COVID-19 Testing' in bold black font, followed by 'No out of pocket costs' in a smaller black font. The bottom half has a red background with white text describing the test: 'Self-collected, shallow nasal PCR test', 'Results within 1-2 days from receipt of the sample at the lab', and 'Schedule an appointment at cur.tv/canby'.

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



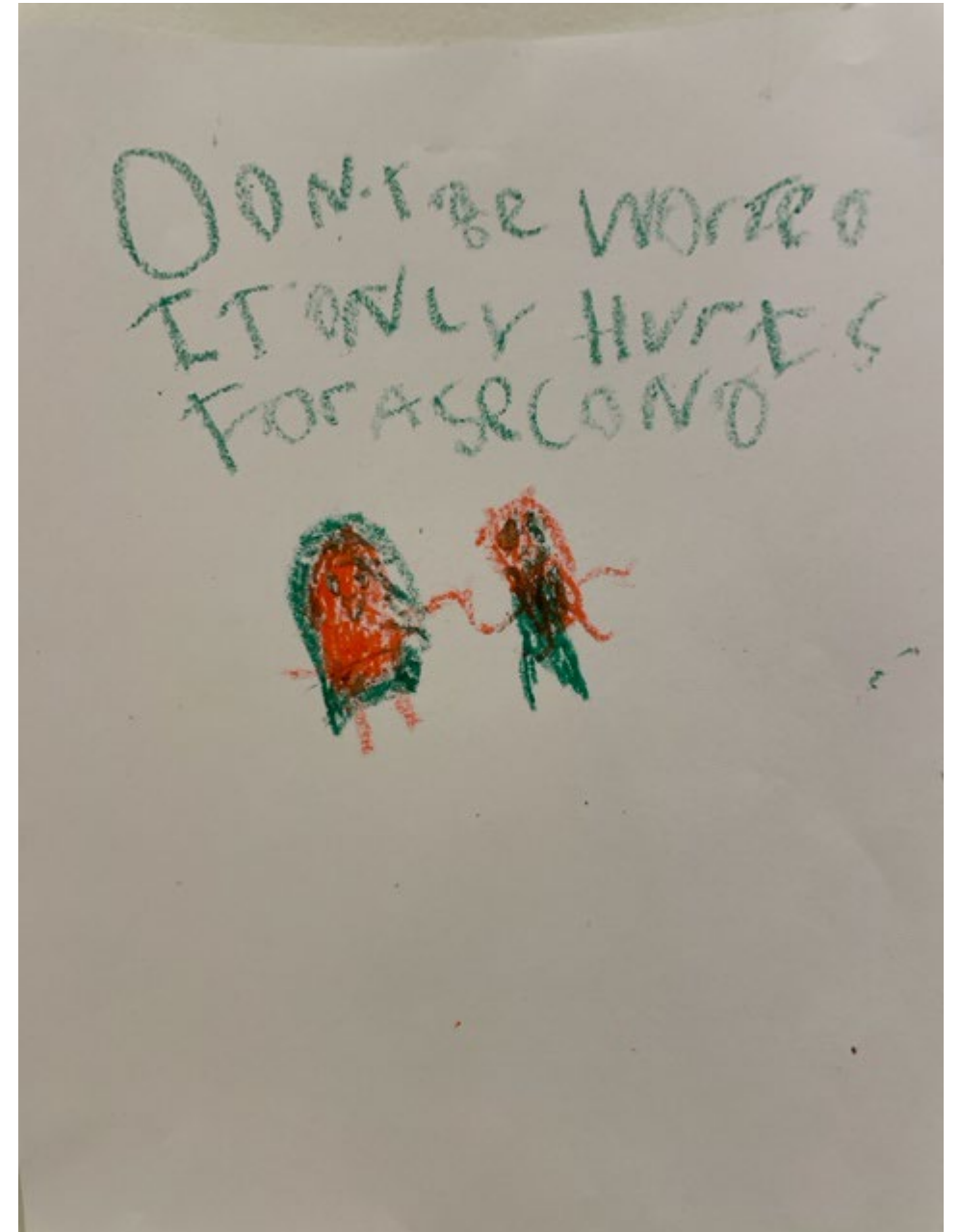
Multiple languages available

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

Boost Up, Clackamas!

- Primary series **plus a booster** dose gives over 70% protection against omicron
- Anyone age 12+ can get a booster dose
- Wait five months after second dose of a Pfizer vaccine or Moderna vaccine
- 12-17 year olds are only eligible to receive the Pfizer vaccine
- Anyone 18 and older should get a booster dose two months after a Johnson & Johnson dose

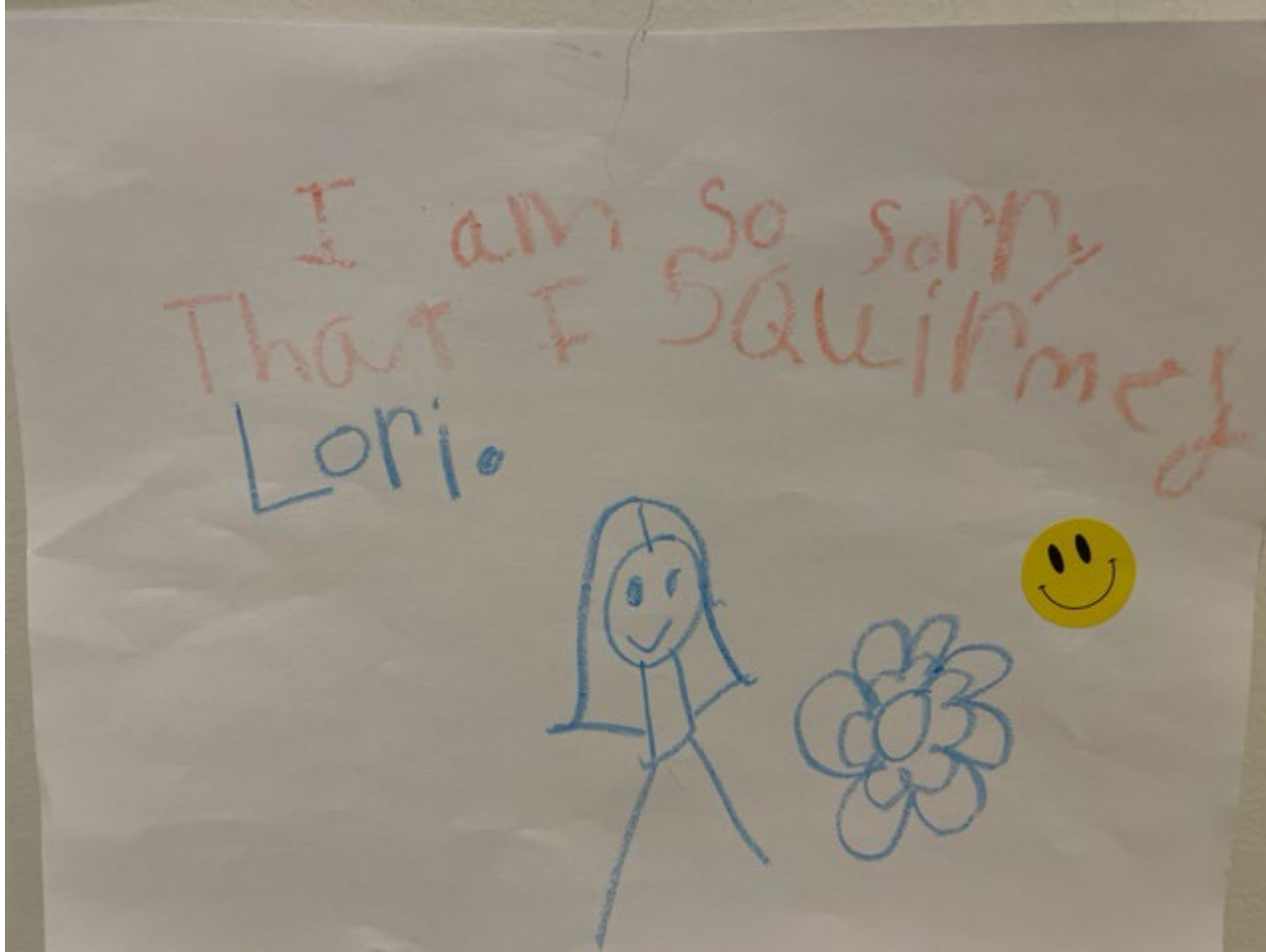


Vaccine Clinics Through March 2022

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

Date	Location
Monday 2pm – 7pm	Molalla United Methodist Church 111 S. Mathias Rd, Molalla
Tuesday 2pm – 8pm	Canby Foursquare Church 2350 SE Territorial Rd, Canby
Wednesday - Saturdays 11am – 7pm	Clackamas Town Center 12000 SE 82 nd Ave, 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:(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



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