CLACKAMAS COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH DIVISION WEEKLY REPORT ON COVID-19 FOR 11/10/2021

Federal OSHA Workplace Vaccine Mandate

- The U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) <u>announced</u> a new <u>emergency</u> <u>temporary standard</u> (ETS) on 11/5/21. The summary can be found <u>here</u>.
- Oregon is a state with its own OSHA program (<u>Oregon-OSHA</u>). What a new federal rule
 triggers is a requirement that the division adopt a rule that is "at least as effective" as the federal
 version. Oregon-OSHA is required to take an approach that is "at least as
 effective" at protecting workers.
- When it comes to workplace health and safety, Oregon OSHA has jurisdiction over both the public and private sector. It is Oregon-OSHA's expectation that whatever happens in Oregon in response to the federal rule would apply to both the public and private sector.
- Oregon-OSHA will have 30 days, from the date of federal adoption, to adopt a rule involving the
 "at least as effective" approach. Federal OSHA does not have jurisdiction in Oregon,
 so Oregon would not have to follow the federal emergency temporary standard until
 Oregon implemented its own rule.
- Oregon-OSHA will be enforcing whatever rule they ultimately adopt the same way they enforce
 other rules under the Oregon Safe Employment Act. Their approach will not only be based on
 enforcement, but also on providing educational, consultation, and technical advice to help
 employers comply.
- The Oregon Health Authority is not currently providing testing resources to support the testing of unvaccinated employees at this time.

A group of companies and several states have <u>sued to block the mandate</u>. The appeals court issued an issued an order temporarily blocking the rule. It is unclear which court will hear the case. The Biden Administration has <u>asked businesses</u> to continue with vaccine and testing requirements.

Pfizer asks FDA to approve booster for all adults

The Food and Drug administration received a request on November 9th to approve the <u>Pfizer COVID-19</u> <u>booster for all adults</u>. If authorized the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention will make recommendations for usage.

Three vaccination data dashboards get updates

Three of OHA's COVID-19 data dashboards have been updated to include more information on COVID-19 vaccinations among pediatric and young adult populations; race and ethnicity of more than 100,000 people previously grouped as "Other Race" or who had an unknown rarest race or ethnicity; and those who have received at least one dose of any COVID-19 vaccine, completed the primary vaccine series, and received at least one extra dose of any COVID-19 vaccine.

New age groups will include 5-11, 12-17, 18-19, 20-49, 50-64 and 65+. Pfizer pediatric doses will show up as "Unknown/Invalid" on the Daily Update dashboard until ALERT IIS is updated to recognize these doses as valid.

OHA is now reporting data on the races and ethnicities of 100,000 people who received at least one COVID-19 vaccine dose and who are from racial and ethnic backgrounds that were previously categorized as "other" or "unknown." They are assigned one race or ethnicity; whichever identity is most rare in Oregon. This gives visibility to people who would normally be grouped as multiracial.

Data on third and booster doses of the COVID-19 vaccines are now being reported together on the Vaccination Metrics dashboard, as extra doses people received beyond the primary vaccine series.

The three updated dashboards include **Daily Vaccine Update**, **Vaccination Trends**, and **Vaccination Metrics**.

OHA releases new COVID-19 vaccine breakthrough report

Vaccine breakthrough cases are defined as instances in which an individual tests positive for COVID-19 at least 14 days following the completion of any COVID-19 vaccine series. There were 2,025 breakthrough cases, accounting for 24.6% of all cases. Cases of COVID-19 are far more common in unvaccinated people. The report shows that the rate of COVID-19 in unvaccinated people is four times higher than in vaccinated people. The number of vaccine breakthrough cases identified in Oregon remains very small when compared to the more than 2.8 million Oregonians who have received at least one dose of a COVID-19 vaccine.

COVID-19 cases among people under age 18

Total pediatric cases statewide with onset dates through the week of 10/23 is 14.7%. Pediatric COVID case counts increased dramatically starting in July and peaked in September 2021. Recent pediatric COVID-19 case rates are highest among people age 5-11. The pediatric case rate is higher in communities of color and indicates a health inequity.

For more information on pediatrics, visit the OHA Pediatric Dashboards.

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
October 31 st	569	133.4	6%
October 24 th	740	173.5	7%
October 17 th	556	130.4	6.7%

COVID-19 Vaccinations in Clackamas County

<u>Vaccination data</u> for Clackamas County. Third doses and booster doses are currently reported together.

Weekly Vaccinations in Clackamas County (per OHA)		
11/2/21-11/8/21	9,503	
10/26-11/1	10,446	
10/19-10/25	6,611	

Q: How many 5-11 year olds have been vaccinated so far?

As of midnight Nov. 7, 5,257 pediatric Pfizer vaccinations have been administered in the state.

<u>FAQs</u> for parents of youth 5-11 year old.

FAQs for parents of youth 12-17 year old.

COVID 19 Outbreak Report

Oregon Health Authority publishes a weekly data snapshot of COVID-19 outbreaks.

COVID-19 hospitalizations

As of November 8th the number of hospitalized patients with COVID-19 across Oregon is 520. There are 134 COVID-19 patients in intensive care unit (ICU) beds.

There are 61 available adult ICU beds out of 673 total (9% availability) and 289 available adult non-ICU beds out of 4,081 (7% availability).

Health Systems

Kaiser Permanente <u>received a strike notice</u> from the Oregon Federation of Nurses and Health Professionals (OFNHP), which represents about 3,400 workers in Oregon, for a planned strike to begin on 11/15. Negotiations are continuing. The Oregon Nurses Association (ONA) issued a <u>statement</u> in solidarity with OFNHP, noting that all of its bargaining units pledged not to cross picket lines.

COVID 19 Testing

The FDA issued an emergency use authorization (EUA) for the <u>Detect Covid-19 Test</u>, an over-the-county diagnostic molecular test. The test requires the use of a smartphone and app, and it delivers results in about one hour.

Test to Stay in K-12 school

Test-to-stay for schools, often referred to as "modified quarantine," is the regular testing of close contacts to allow them to remain in school in person, as opposed to quarantining at home for 10-14 days. The only close contacts eligible for test-to-stay are those who are asymptomatic and agree to maintain additional layered prevention strategies at school (i.e., masking and physical distancing) to minimize the risk of transmission. Close contacts who choose to participate in the test-to-stay program will receive a COVID-19 test every day before school for 7 days following their exposure. In some states and counties that have piloted the test-to-stay program, close contacts who opt-in in the program were not able to participate in sports and extracurricular activities during their 7-day testing period.

Current barriers include limited testing infrastructure, equity concerns, a lack of necessary personnel (such as school nurses or other trained staff members), and feasible ways to coordinate and implement a test-to-stay program while maintaining current school operations. For the test-to-stay program to work, COVID-19 tests must be readily available and accessible. Implementing a test-to-stay program would significantly increase the test supply demand – unfortunately, something the state of Oregon does not have infrastructure to support at this time. Further, some families may be unable to participate in the test-to-stay program if they do not have reliable transportation to the school or district's testing site, or otherwise have accessibility barriers.

Additionally, in order to implement this program, each school will require staff to keep track of which students were exposed. From there staff will need to track each close contact who gets tested, ensure the test was administered properly and before entering school, and document their daily test results. This can be especially difficult with high numbers of close contacts, and when staff are already at capacity.

Currently no school districts in Clackamas County are offering test to stay. All schools in Clackamas County are following Public Health's current guidance: 14-day quarantine recommended for unvaccinated close contacts, with a minimum 10-day quarantine permitted for unvaccinated close contacts with no symptoms. Most schools opt for the 10-day option. A 7-day quarantine option with negative test is potentially coming from Oregon Health Authority but faces many of the same personnel, infrastructure, and supply limitations.

How to spot a vaccine scam

Unfortunately, sometimes when people try to schedule vaccine appointments, they may be at risk of falling prey to scammers.

The Oregon Department of Justice offers these tips on how to spot a vaccine scam:

- You cannot pay for access to the vaccine. If someone calls to make an appointment for you in exchange for payment, hang up.
- The vaccine is free. If someone is asking you to pay for the vaccine, they are trying to take advantage of you.
- Nobody legitimate will call, text or email about the vaccine and ask for your Social Security number, bank account information or credit card number.
- You are not required to provide a Social Security number when registering for a vaccine appointment.

Please share these tips with your friends and family, and if you know someone who is not tech-savvy, offer to help them get an appointment for their vaccine and booster — and then, help them find a way to get to the appointment.

If you have information or think you may have fallen victim to a fraud or scam, call the Attorney General's Consumer Complaint Hotline at 877-877-9392.

Disease Response

The Covid case investigation unit successfully interviewed 214 or 38% of the cases. The outbreak team is managing 89 open outbreaks, the vast majority are in long term care facilities and schools, however the team is in surge capacity and not opening all worksite outbreaks. Efforts are underway to secure motel rooms for safe isolation and quarantine options.

The school team is in regular collaboration conversations with schools regarding reporting and streamlining isolation and quarantine for school cases and exposures. Preventing Covid spread in schools is resource intensive for both schools and public health

The immunization team began pediatric vaccinations for 5-11 year olds this week. This has involved new training for vaccinators, updating orders, updating paperwork and consent documentation. There is high demand for appointments and they have filled quickly. There is limited capacity for appointments due to staffing constraints and a slow start to vaccine availability.









Statewide Numbers from 11/5/2021 to 11/7/2021

New Cases

2,125 ▼*

7 Day Daily Avera..

958.1

Cases Per 100k in Previous 7 Days

78.57

COVID-19 Patients Hospitalized†

520 \

Tests Reported

52,444

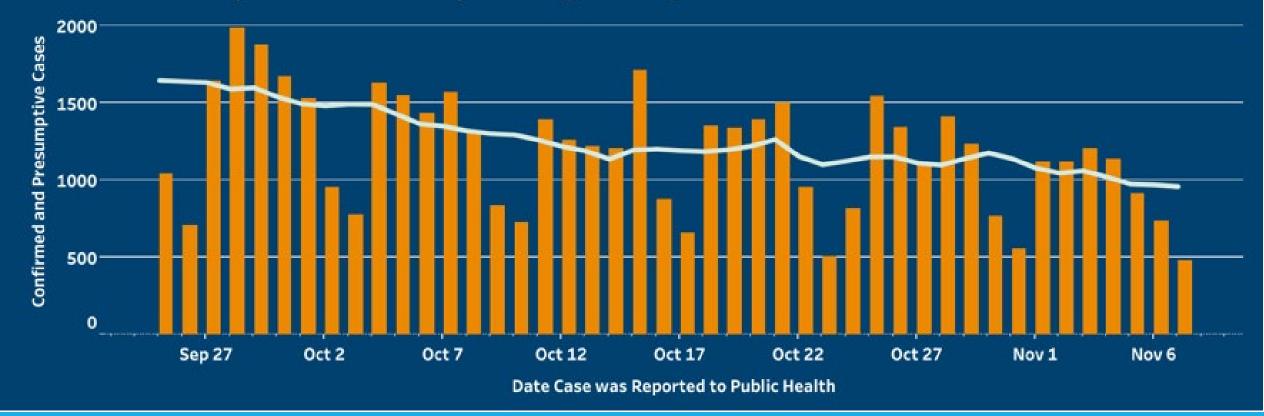
Test Positivity

5.9%

New Deaths

58

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



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

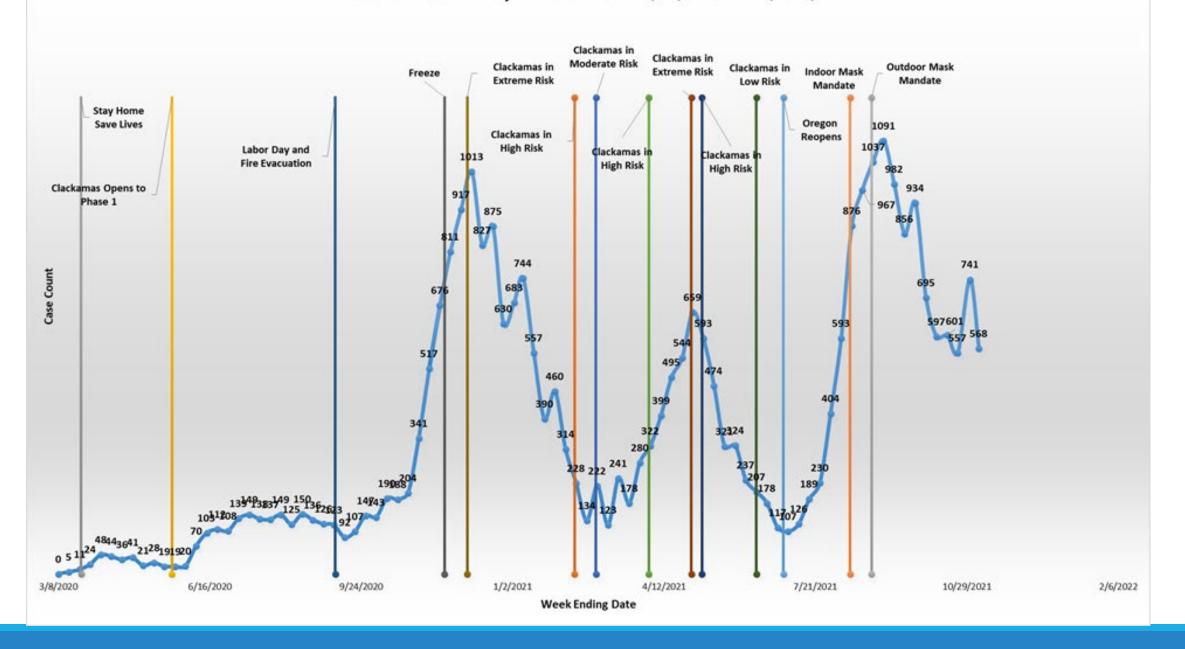
COVID current case/death data

as of 11/8/2021	Total cases	Total deaths	Change since prior week	
Clackamas County	31,229	332	Cases: +583 Deaths: +19	
Multnomah County	58,026	762	Cases: +1923 Deaths: +44	
Washington County	40,371	327	Cases: +679 Deaths: +24	

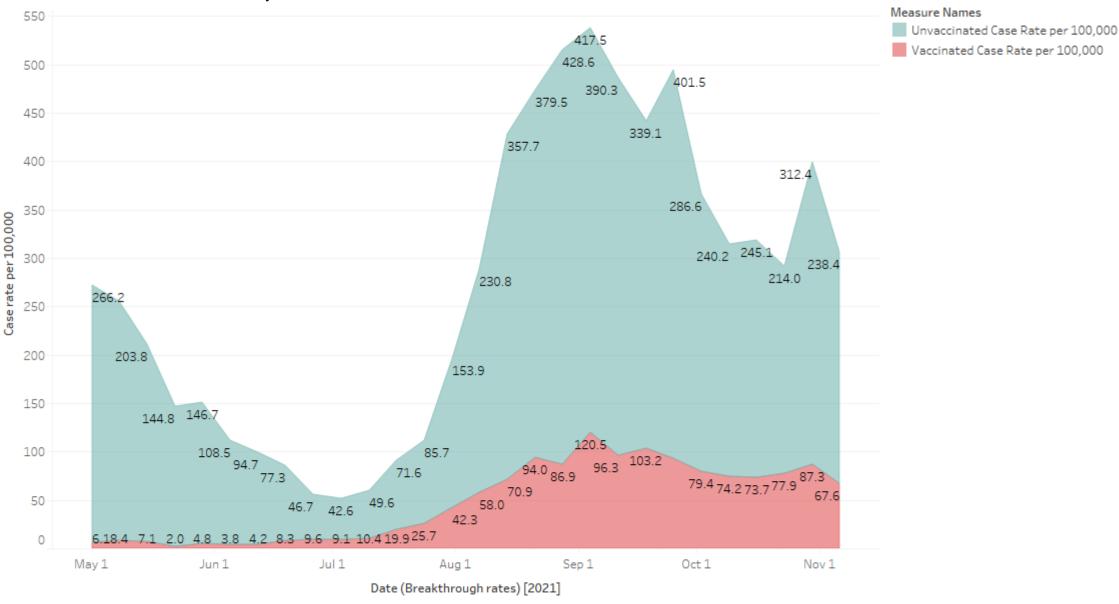




Case Count by Week for 3/1/20 - 11/06/21



Unvaccinated, Vaccinated Case Rates



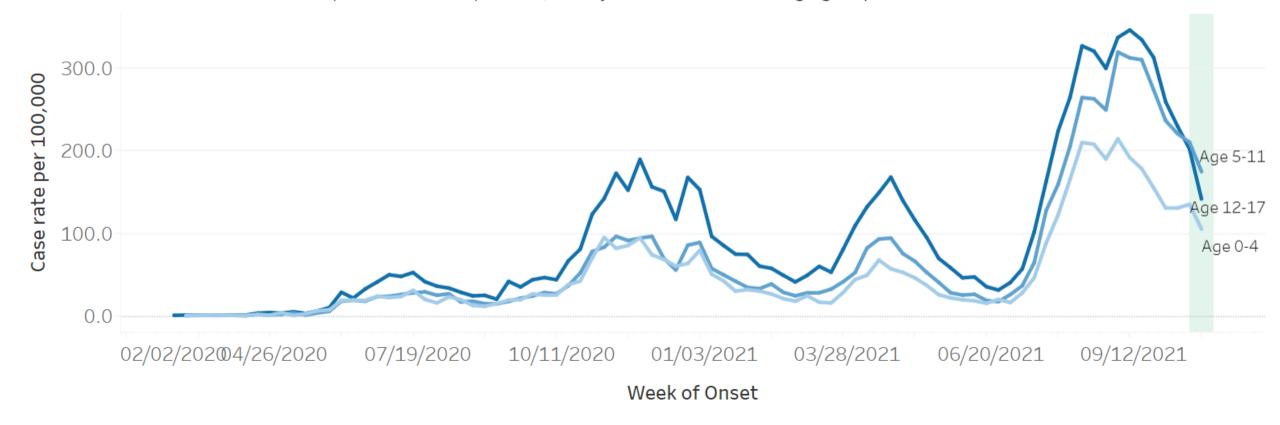
The plots of Unvaccinated Case Rate per 100,000and Vaccinated Case Rate per 100,000 for Date (Breakthrough rates). Colour shows details about Unvaccinated Case Rate per 100,000and Vaccinated Case Rate per 100,000. The data is filtered on Date (Breakthrough rates), which keeps 28 of 28 members.

Frequency of Active	Outbreaks I			ype ana size	
	Data pull 11/08/21 Size of Outbreak				
Outbreak Type	0-3 cases	4-9 cases	10-19 cases	20+ cases	Total
Workplace	1	1	4	1	7
Food/Farm	2	4	0	3	9
LTCF/Retirement	16	7	4	2	29
Day Care	4	1	2	0	7
School	20	6	4	2	32
Religious Facility	0	0	0	0	0
Healthcare Setting	0	1	0	0	1
Social	0	0	0	0	0
Other	3	0	0	1	4
TOTAL	46	20	14	9	89
*Active outbreaks are ou	tbreaks with l	ast case onse	t date <=28 days	from data pull	
** Includes outbreaks wi	th < 2 cases				

Oregon Pediatric COVID-19 cases by age range

Recent pediatric COVID-19 case rates are highest among people age 5-11

The chart below shows the rate of pediatric cases per 100,000 by week of onset and age group.



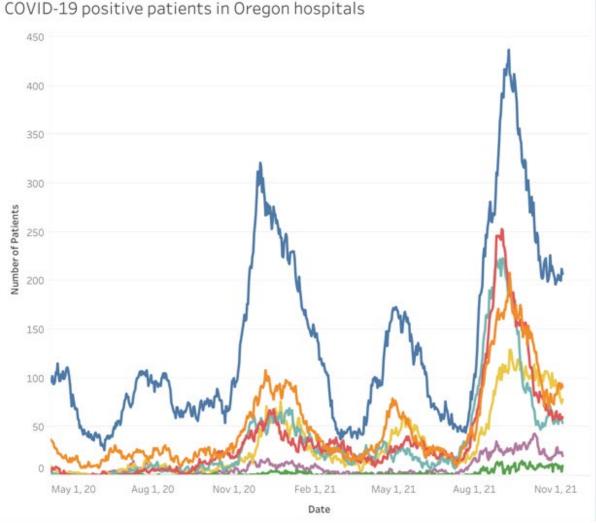
Oregon's Hospitalization Trends by Region



This chart shows COVID-19 hospitalization trends by Hospital Preparedness Program Region¹ as reported to Oregon's Hospital Capacity Web System (HOSCAP)². Use the dropdown menu to choose the type of hospitalization³ and/or click a region on the map to filter the chart (ctrl+click to select multiple regions).

Select Patient Type

COVID-19 positive patients



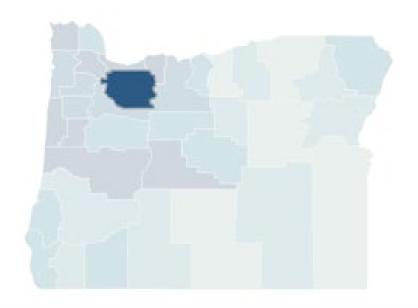


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Overall Capacity	
	Availab
Available Adult ICU Beds	6
Available Adult non-ICU Beds	28
Available Pediatric ICU Beds	
Available Pediatric non-ICU Beds	5
Available Neonatal ICU Beds	4
	Total Staffe
Staffed Adult ICU Beds	67
Staffed Adult non-ICU Beds	4,08
Staffed Pediatric ICU Beds	4
Staffed Pediatric non-ICU Beds	28
Staffed Neonatal ICU Beds	25
COVID-19 Details	Total COVID-19 patien
All Current COVID Patients	53
Patients in ICU Beds	13
Patients on Ventilators	6
	Only COVID-19 Positive Patien
All COVID-Positive Patients	52
Positive Patients in ICU Beds	13
Positive Patients on Ventilators	6
Available Ventilators	83

Hospital Capacity and Usage in Oregon as reported to HOSCAP*

Source: https://public.tableau.com/app/profile/oregon.health.authority.covid.19/viz/OregonCOVID-19Update/CaseandTesting

Clackamas County Vaccinations as of 11/8/2021



566,307 doses administered in Clackamas

279,213 people vaccinated in Clackamas

Series Completet

262,744

Series In Progress

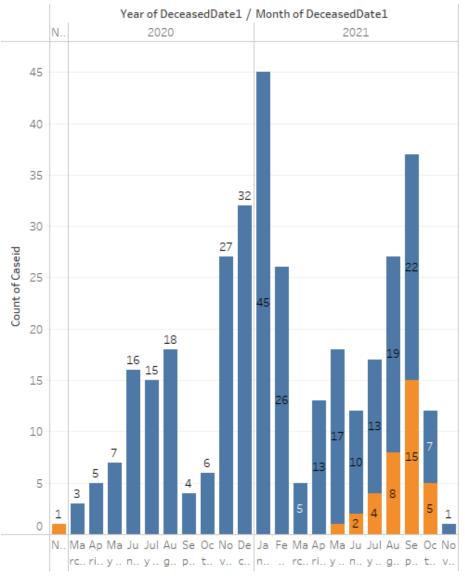
16,469

Deaths by Month (Deceased Date) And Vaccination Status

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Vaccinated

Not Vaccinated



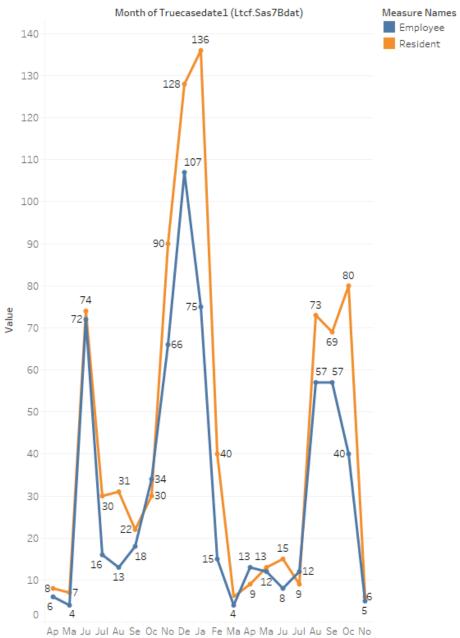
Count of Caseid for each DeceasedDate1 Month broken down by DeceasedDate1 Year. Colour shows details about Uptodate Onset. Details are shown for DeceasedDate1 Month.The data is filtered on Coviddeath, which keeps 1.The view is filtered on Exclusions (MONTH(DeceasedDate1), uptodate_onset,YEAR(DeceasedDate1)), which keeps 28 members.



Long term care facility outbreaks

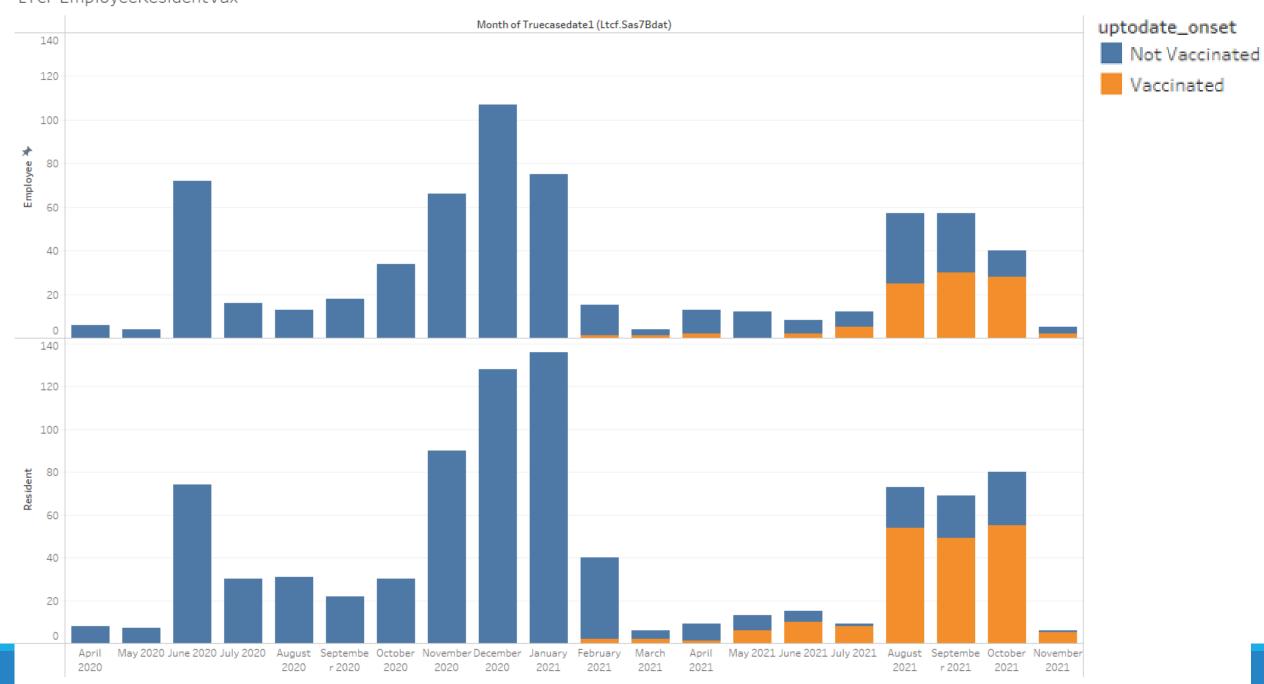
- Overall COVID-19 vaccines have done a good job protecting staff and residents at Long Term Care facilities
- Residents get COVID-19 more than employees
- There are more unvaccinated employees with COVID-19 than residents
- LTCF residents are a highly vaccinated population, as vaccination rates increase so do the percent of breakthrough cases
- Both the LTCF resident and LTCF employee's should get COVID-19 booster vaccinations
- There is high number of hospitalizations and some deaths among the vaccinated LTCF residents

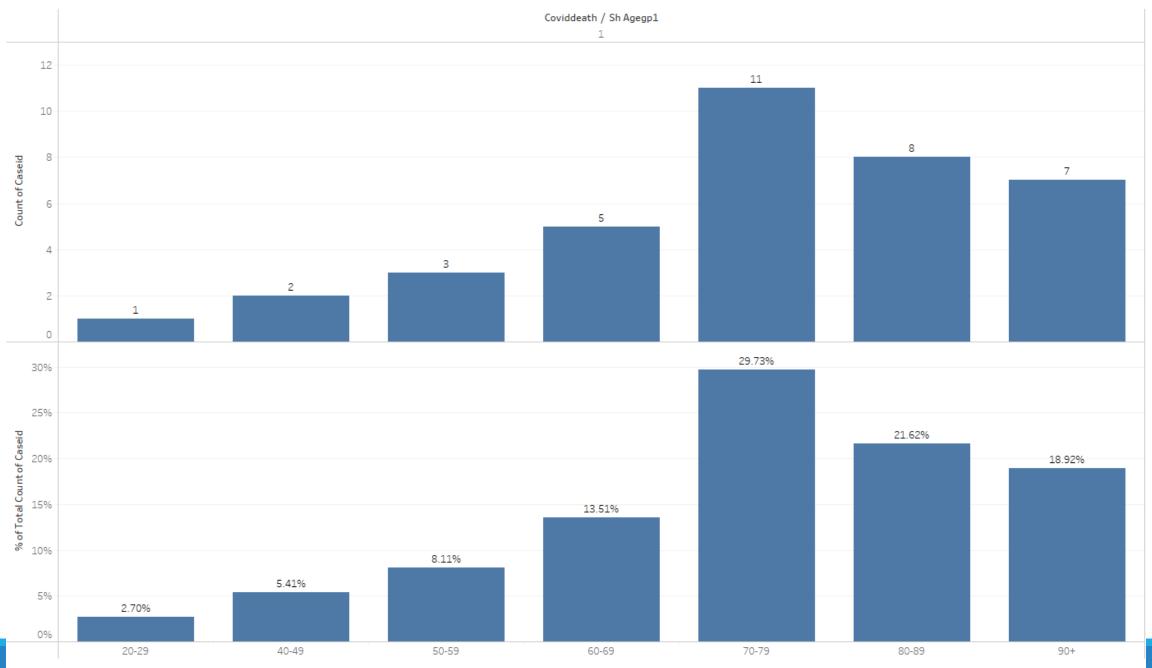
LTCF EmployeeResident Cases



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The trends of EmployeeandResident for Truecasedate1 (Ltcf.Sas7Bdat) Month.
Colour shows details about EmployeeandResident.





Count of Caseidand% of Total Count of Caseid for each Sh Agegp1 broken down by Coviddeath. The data is filtered on DeceasedDate1 MonthandDeceasedDate1 Year. The DeceasedDate1 Month filter keeps September. The DeceasedDate1 Year filter keeps 2021.

U.S. OSHA Mandate



- The U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) published new emergency temporary standard (ETS) on 11/5/21.
- Under the new rule, employers with more than 100 employees
 must require their staff to get vaccinated. Alternatively,
 employers may adopt a policy requiring employees to choose to
 either be vaccinated or undergo regular COVID-19 testing and
 wear a face covering at work.
- Oregon-OSHA has 30 days, from the date of federal adoption, to adopt a rule involving the "at least as effective" approach.
 However, that does not mean the rule needs to be identical to the federal one.
- Oregon-OSHA expects that Oregon's response to the federal rule will apply to both the public & private sector.

On Saturday, November 6th the order has been temporarily blocked by the federal appeals court.

COVID-19 Test to Stay - Schools

Layered Health and Safety Measures

Layered health and safety measures will help us maximize full-time, in-person learning and reduce disruptions for students, staff and families. Every layer matters and helps keep students in class. The virus can pass through one or two layers but not all.

That's why every layer matters starting with vaccinations.







Currently no school districts have the capacity to offer test to stay.

for COVID-19 can stay in school.

Barriers:

- testing supplies
- administrative needs
- funding

All schools in Clackamas County are following current guidance:

This program means students who test negative

 14-day quarantine recommended for unvaccinated close contacts, with a minimum 10-day quarantine permitted for unvaccinated close contacts with no symptoms.

Intermediate step to a 7-day quarantine option with negative test is potentially coming from OHA but faces many of the same personnel, infrastructure, and supply limitations.

Document accessibility: For individuals with disabilities or individuals who speak a language other than English, OHA can provide information in alternate formats such as translations, large print, or braille. Contact the Health Information Center at 1-971-673-2411, 711 TTY or COVID19.LanguageAccess@dhsoha.state.or.us.

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Vaccine Scheduling

Pediatric appointments filled within hours of clinic appointment being made available. We are working to increase capacity. Scheduling is required for appointment. We are working with Oregon Health Authority to add a high capacity vaccination clinic in Wilsonville. We are working with local school districts to hold school site vaccination clinics.

Local opportunities in Clackamas County

clackamas.us/coronavirus/vaccine

Questions? Email COVIDvaccine@Clackamas.us or call our Public Inquiry Center at **503-655-8224** (Mon-Fri. from 8am-5pm)

FREE COVID-19 Testing

- Weekly at Clackamas County Fairgrounds!
- •Thursday Monday 8 a.m. 3 p.m.
- Drive-Through
- •140 appointment available each clinic day
- Schedule an appointment <u>cur.tv/canby</u>

Thank you to community partners Curative, Canby Fire Department, and Clackamas County Fairgrounds



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

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



VAERS

Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System

http://vaers.hhs.gov



- 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





vsafe.cdc.gov/en/



Please get involved, your participation matters