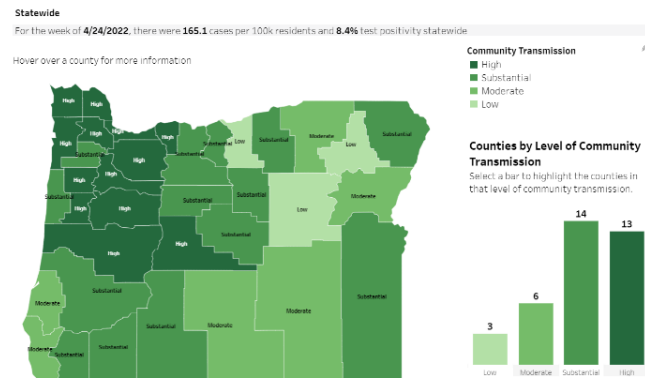

CLACKAMAS COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH DIVISION

WEEKLY REPORT ON COVID-19 FOR 5/5/2022

Omicron update

Clackamas County saw its weekly case count increase to 757 this week, a 47.3 percent increase from last week's case count of 514. Test positivity increased from 8.2 percent to 11.2 percent, marking the first week that test positivity has hit double digits since February 15. Oregon reported nearly 7,000 new coronavirus cases in the past week, averaging 992 cases per day. This is the fifth consecutive week of increasing case numbers. Still, Oregon's case growth declined, with 30 percent more cases than the previous week, after two consecutive weeks with about 50 percent case growth. Cases across the state are still climbing, but not as quickly as they had been mid-April.

[Community transmission](#) across the state overall fall under the "Substantial" or "High" categories. The official OHA and CPH guidance for areas with moderate or higher levels of transmission is to wear a well-fitting, high-quality mask in indoor public settings.



Despite the rising cases, researchers at Oregon Health and Science University are optimistic that Oregon will not see the kind of surges in hospitalized patients that were seen with Omicron and Delta. While the Omicron variant is significantly more contagious, it's decidedly less severe. That holds true for both the original Omicron variant and the BA.2 subvariant. This is primarily because the vaccines are working to prevent severe illness.

Hospitalizations in Oregon increased, with 185 total patients, 31 in ICU and 8 ventilator patients. The rise in hospitalizations is not as steep as the Delta and Omicron waves. It closely matches what we saw in the Alpha wave last May. That could indicate that we will see a smaller wave of hospitalizations this time. About half are considered incidental cases, or hospitalizations where the person came for treatment for a different condition and happened to test positive for COVID-19. Hospitalizations are still expected to peak around 315 occupied beds in June, according to [OHSU modeling](#).

Coronavirus cases and hospitalizations are rising in most American states. More than half a dozen states have seen reports of new cases double in the past two weeks. In much of the Northeast, hospitalizations have increased by 40 percent or more. Still, the number of new cases announced each day in the U.S. remains at its lowest level since last summer, and hospitalizations, despite recent growth, are nearly as low as they have been at any point in the pandemic. Deaths continue to decline. Fewer than 400 coronavirus deaths are currently being reported each day, a decrease of more than 20 percent in the past two weeks.

One reason for the relatively modest scope of the surge thus far could be growing natural immunity. This week, the C.D.C. estimated that more than [60 percent of Americans](#) have been infected with the coronavirus.

Moderna and Pfizer seek vaccine approval for children under 5

The Food and Drug Administration laid out a [tentative timetable](#) for deciding whether to authorize a coronavirus vaccine for children under 5. June 8 is the earliest date that it will present data to its outside advisers for a recommendation. Following the Vaccines and Related Biological Products Advisory Committee's deliberations, FDA officials could consider authorizing vaccines for younger children — with that decision also depending on the agency's reviews of the vaccine data.

Thus far, Moderna has shared some data on two doses, using one-fourth the strength of an adult dose, of COVID-19 vaccine for younger children. Pfizer and BioNTech's data on three doses, at one-tenth the strength of the adult dose, for younger children is not yet available.

While parents are waiting to vaccinate their young children, the best way to protect them is to get vaccinated and boosted. Adults are also advised to use masks around unvaccinated children.

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 30 th	757	174.0	11.2%
April 23 rd	514	120.3	8.2%
April 16 th	366	87.7	6.7%
April 9 th	204	49.5	4.3%

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	16,239	43.6%
12 to 17	23,556	72.1%
18 to 19	7,106	72.2%
20 to 49	122,704	74.1%
50 to 64	69,830	69.6%
65+	73,592	82.7%

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

Antiviral Access

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.

Find a test-to-treat location:

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

Disease Response

The COVID-19 Investigation & Outreach (CIO) unit opened 757 cases and managed 36 active outbreaks last week. In alignment with state and federal guidance, the unit transitioned to a new formation at the end of the week. The CIO continues to manage high-risk and high-consequence outbreaks and offer wrap supports to the community, but no longer conducts general case investigations or contact tracing. This was reflected in a reduction in staffing and the departure of 10 unit staff at the end of April, as well as a pivoting of bilingual staff to assist with increased accessibility to support services.

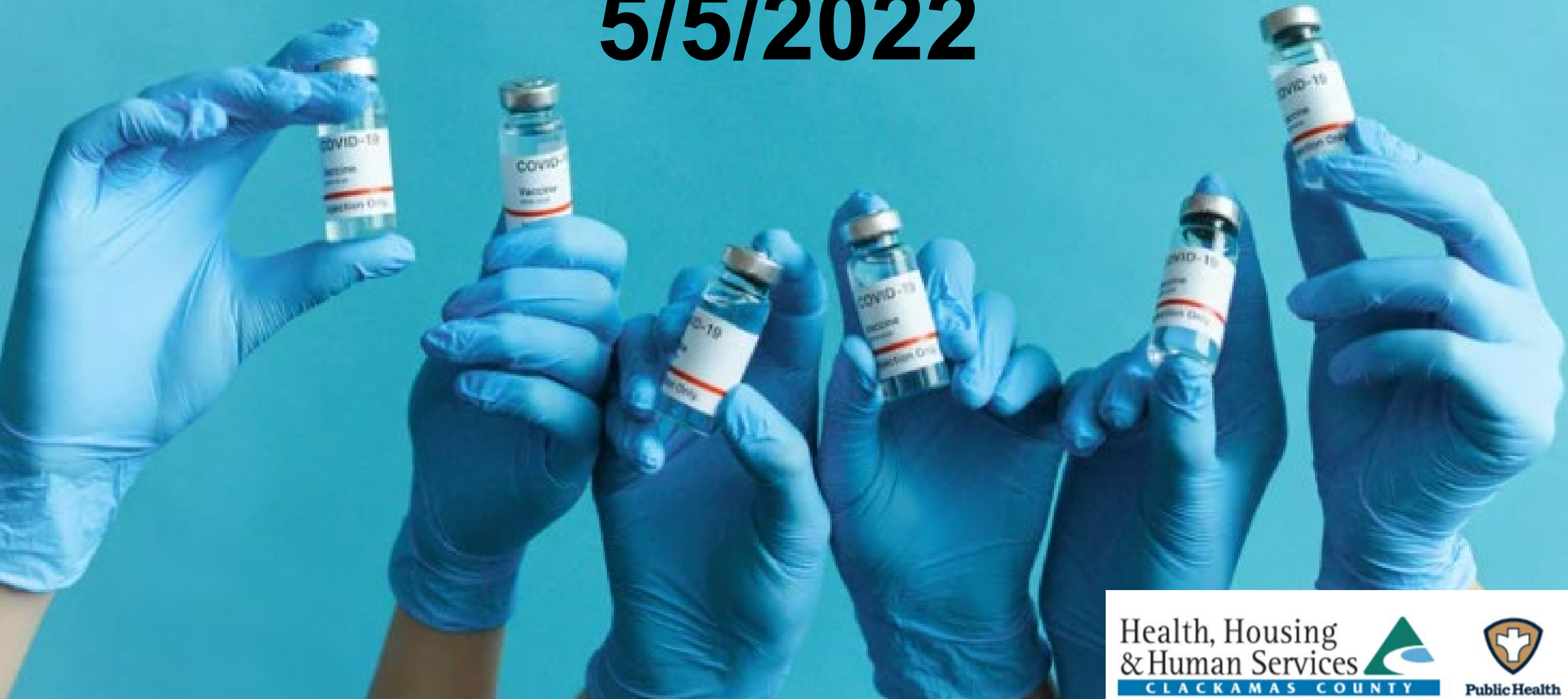
All regularly scheduled vaccine clinics remain open to walk-ins as well as scheduled appointments. The Providence Willamette Falls Community Center clinic has dropped back to an every-other week schedule through June.

The mobile vaccine van has been outfitted and mobilized to support more on-site vaccine clinics at local businesses and long-term care facilities (LTCF). In-home vaccines of 2nd dose boosters for homebound seniors and people with mobility issues have increased and remain steady.

The Slavic Liaison has developed a three-month radio and print media plan through Slavic media to promote safe and effective vaccines and the Clackamas Town Center clinic on Fridays, where there is Russian and Ukrainian translations available.

COVID-19 Update

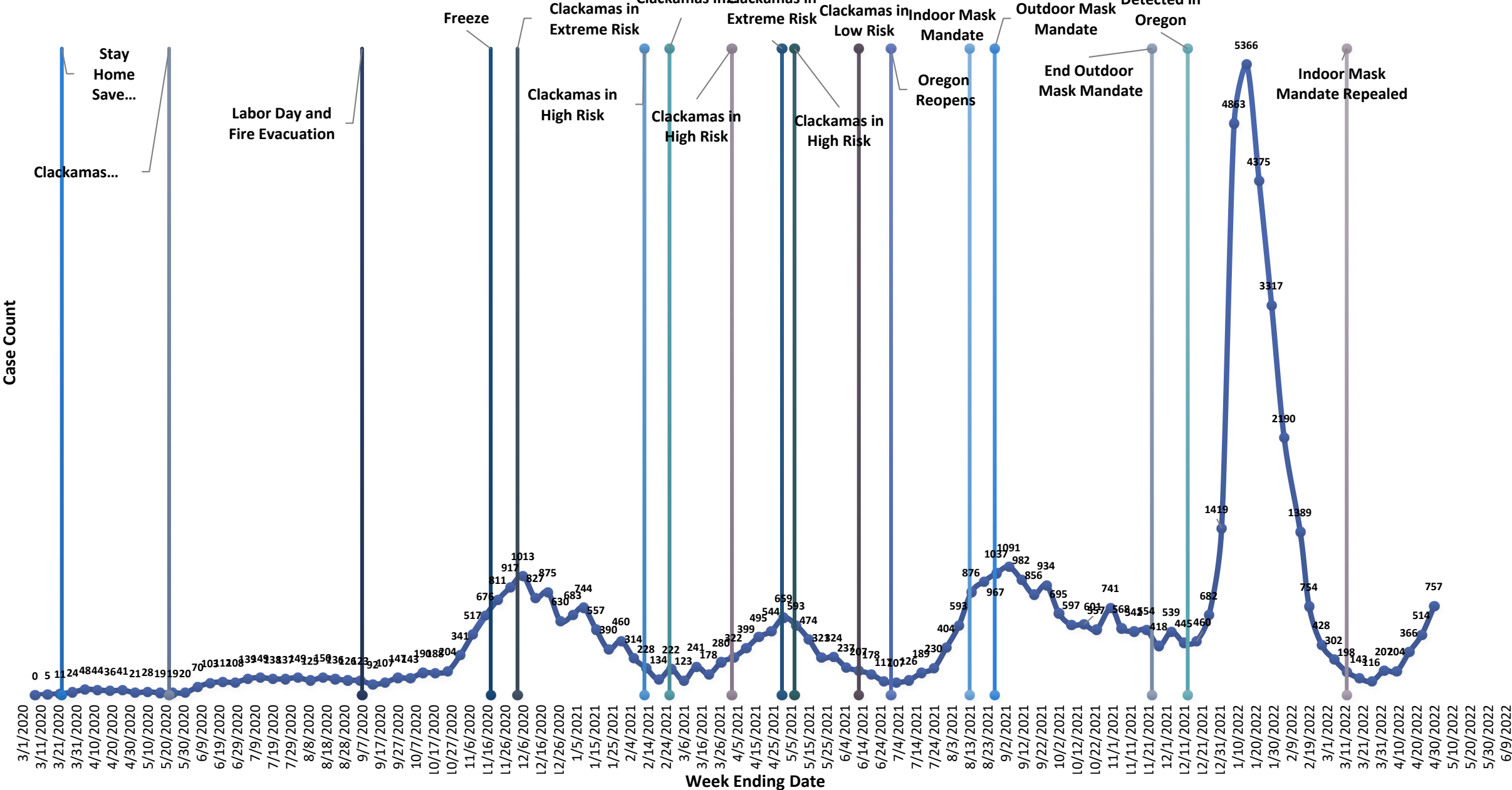
5/5/2022



COVID Current Case and Death Data

as of 5/2/2022	Total cases	Total deaths	Change since 4/26/2022
Clackamas County	61,893	629	Cases: +750 Deaths: --
Multnomah County	119,638	1,195	Cases: +2,318 Deaths: +1
Washington County	88,231	588	Cases: +1,156 Deaths: +1

Case Count by Week for 3/1/20 - 4/30/22



Statewide Numbers from May 2, 2022

CASES — Statewide

Data Current as of 12:01am 5/2/2022

New cases

2,043

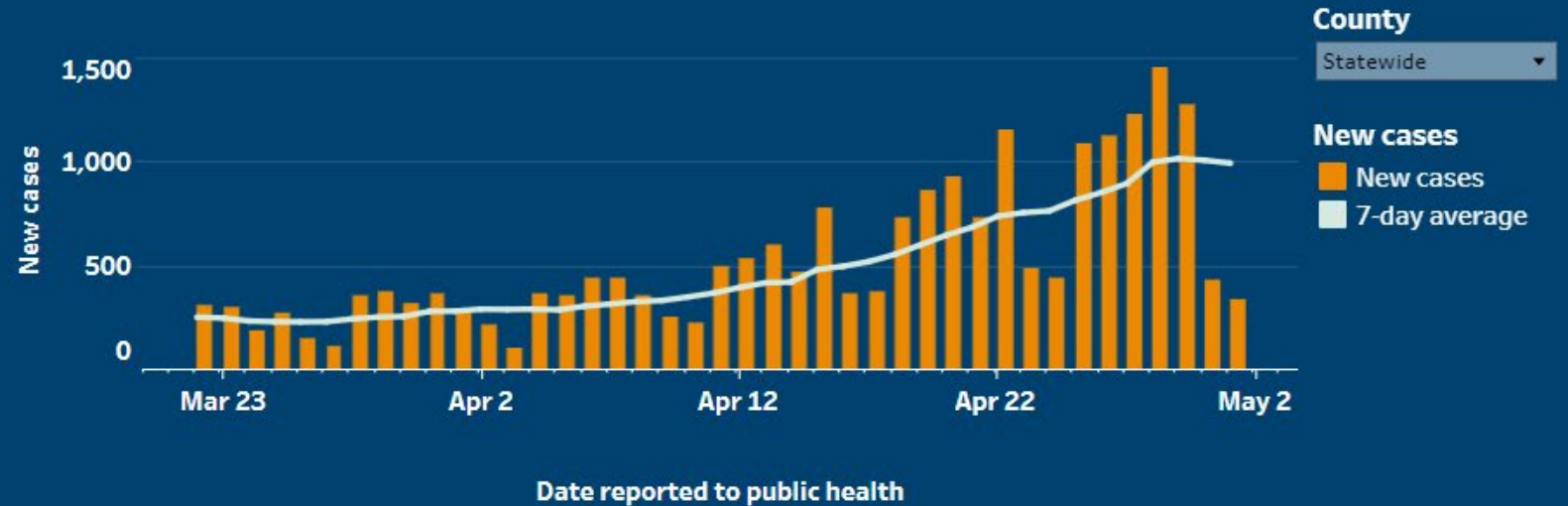
7-day average

992.6

Total cases

723,336

Source: Opera



Newly reported deaths with
COVID-19

3

Total deaths

7,505

Source: Opera

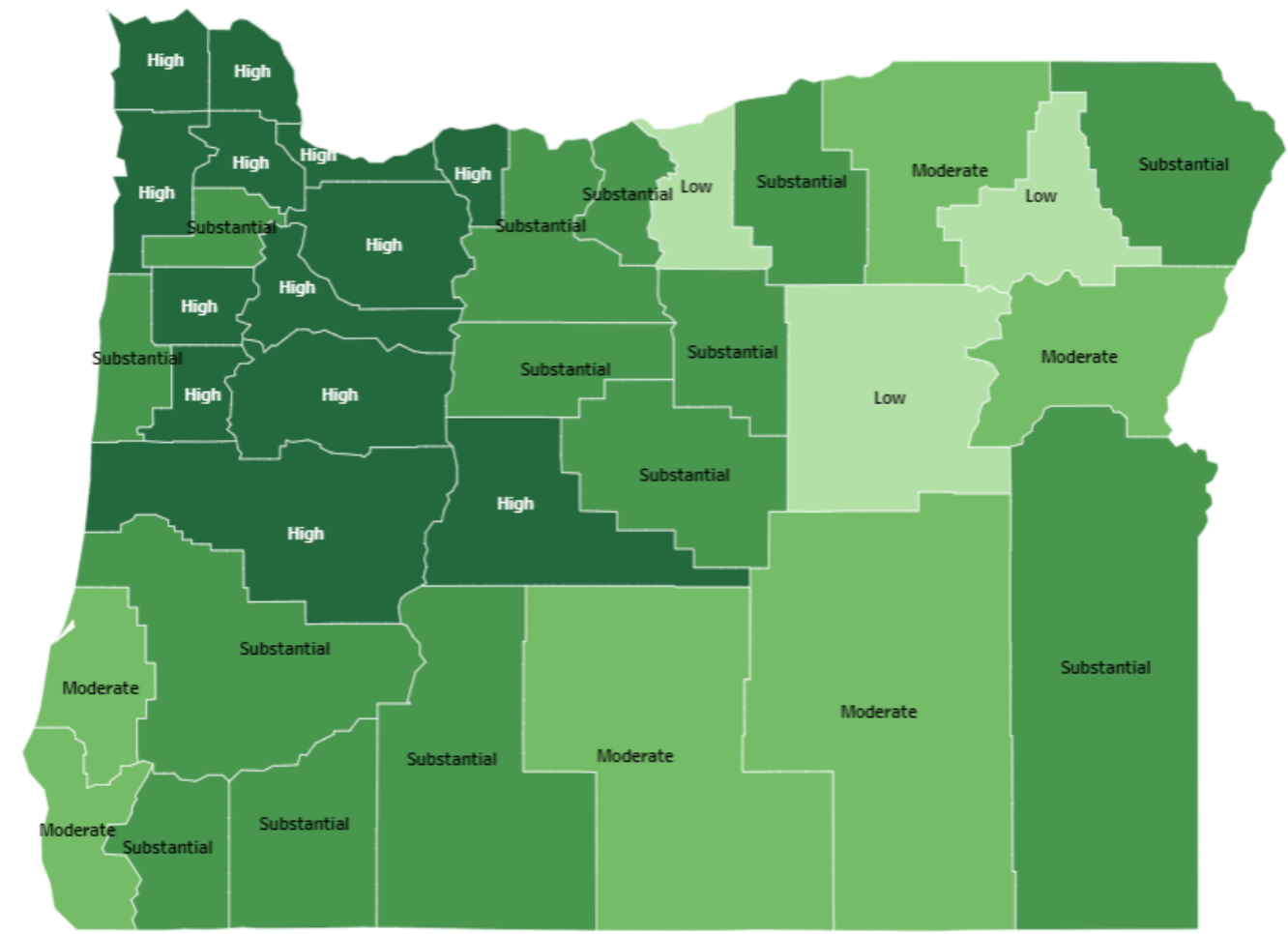


Oregon's COVID-19 Community Transmission

Statewide

For the week of 4/24/2022, there were **165.1** cases per 100k residents and **8.4%** test positivity statewide

Hover over a county for more information

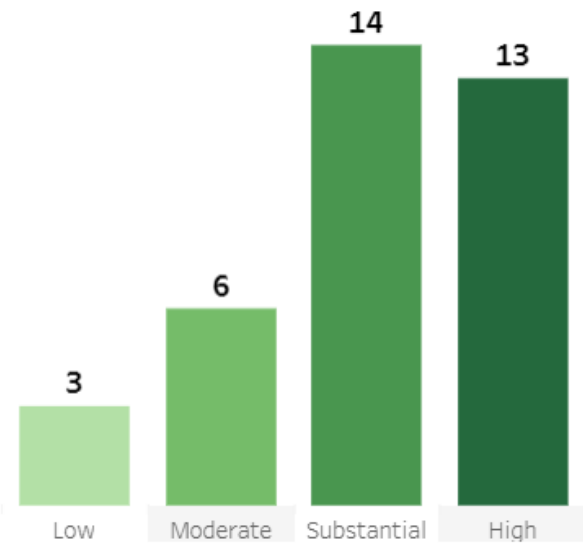


Community Transmission

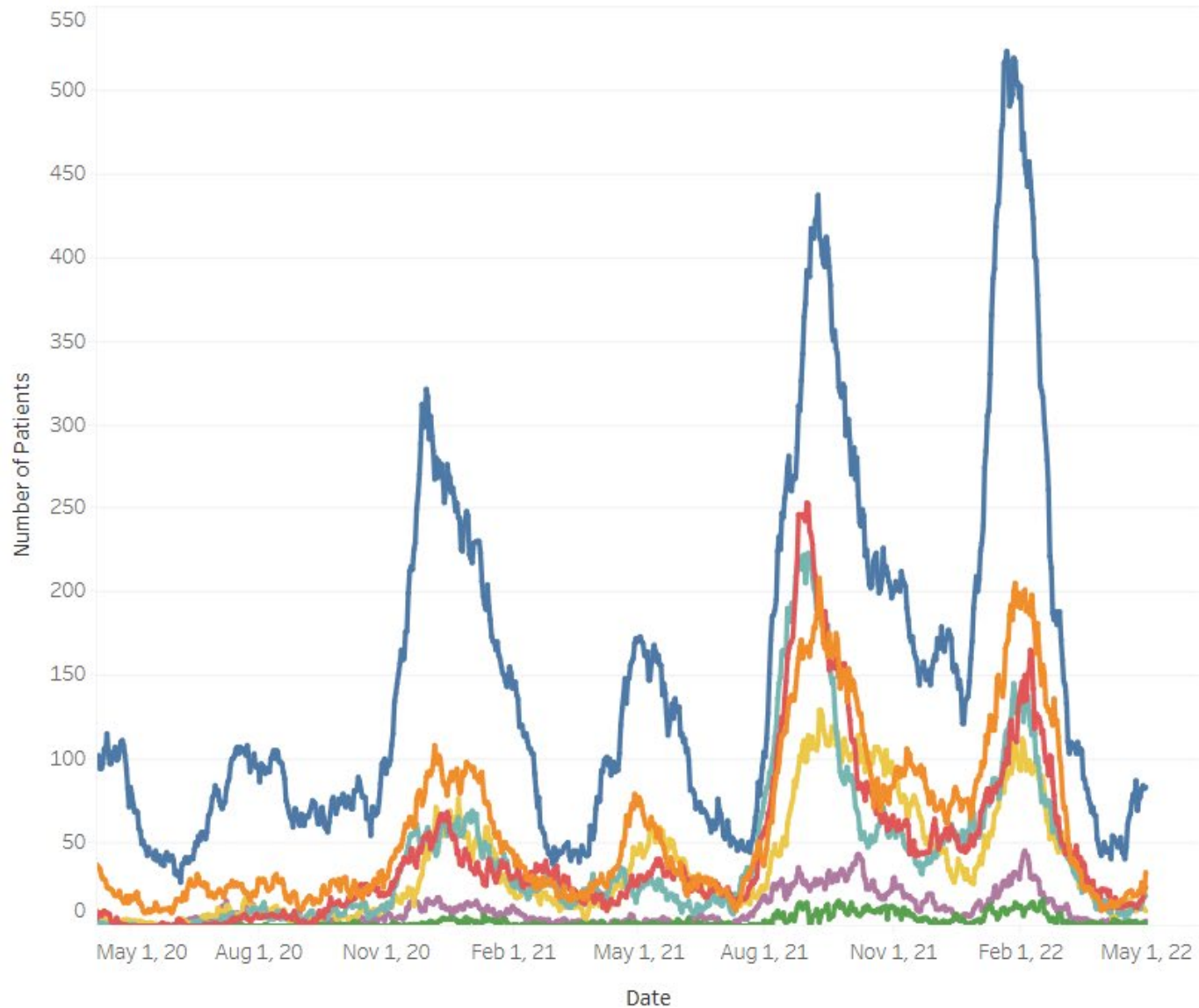
- High
- Substantial
- Moderate
- Low

Counties by Level of Community Transmission

Select a bar to highlight the counties in that level of community transmission.

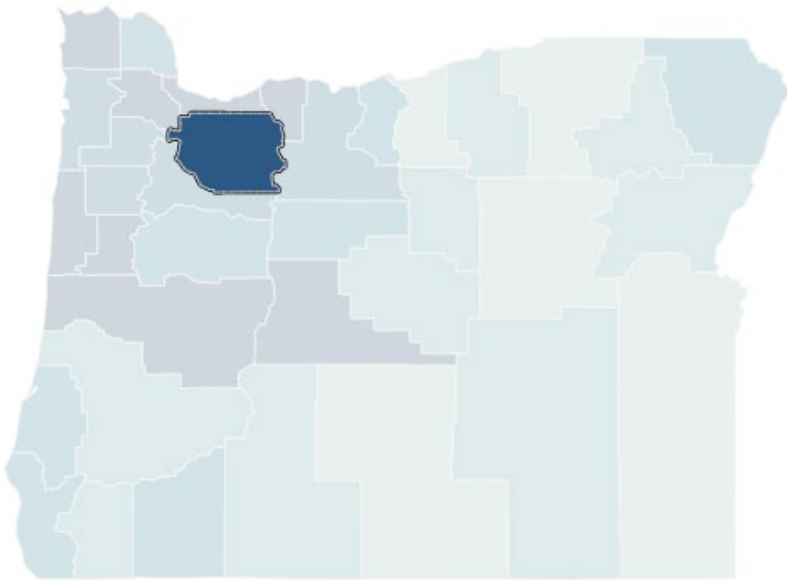


COVID-19 Positive Patients in Oregon Hospitals



Clackamas County Vaccinations

as of 5/2/2022



People ages 18 years and older living in ClackCo

80.5% have received at least one dose.

74.9% have completed their primary series.

46.9% have received an extra dose (*3rd dose or booster*)

Entire ClackCo Population

Primary Series In Progress: **21,691**

Primary Series Complete: **291,359**

772,800 doses administered in Clackamas

313,050 people vaccinated in Clackamas

Omicron Updates

- Worldwide case count dropped 17.88%
- U.S. averaging 53,133 new cases a day
- U.S. case counts increased 25.2%
- Oregon averaging 992.6 cases a day
- Oregon case counts increased 30%
- ClackCo averaging 108 cases a day
- ClackCo case counts increased 47.3%



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 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)
May 12, May 26, 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](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

