



## Oregon COVID-19 Reopening Status Report

One week after the pause in Oregon's reopening, the data continues to show that cases are increasing throughout the state. Public health is investigating many outbreaks across the state, as well as identifying increased cases that are not able to be traced back to a known case.

As OHA's modeling projected and health experts expected, Oregon is seeing a rise in cases as Oregonians begin to interact in more normal ways. In addition:

- Some of the increase in cases over the last week are due to large outbreaks in Lincoln and Union counties.
- As testing increases, the percent of positive tests is also increasing, indicating that we are seeing more COVID-19 in the state (now 3.2 percent).
- OHA has not recorded significant increases in emergency department visits for COVID-19-like infections.
- Testing in counties affected by the reopening pause indicate that they are not undertesting. (Undertesting would be indicated by a percent positive of 10 or more.) These counties currently have enough regional hospital bed capacity to treat COVID-19 patients.

To suppress the wider spread of COVID-19 in Oregon, OHA urges state residents to strictly follow public health guidance: wear face coverings in public when unable to maintain six feet of distance, wash hands frequently, avoid groups (especially indoors), stay home if you're sick, work from home if possible, and answer the call if you hear from a contact tracer.

### I. Status of counties currently on pause and recommendations:

#### Multnomah County:

- Multnomah County has not had an uptrend in new hospital admissions over the past two weeks (29 total cases).
- New cases of COVID-19 increased in the previous week with almost half of cases not traced back to a known source.
- Local public health is following up on three workplace outbreaks. Timely follow-up has begun in all cases over the last week.

**Recommendation:** Based on these indicators, Multnomah county will be allowed to move into Phase One, joining neighboring Clackamas and Washington counties. Going forward, data will be considered comprehensively across the tri-county Portland area. Several outbreaks have cases in multiple Portland metro counties, which supports the need to look at data comprehensively across the region.

New hospital admissions are decreasing in Clackamas and Washington counties. While new incident cases are also increasing in these two counties, local public health officials have begun timely follow-up on most cases while investigating workplace and congregate living outbreaks.

**Marion County and Polk**

- Marion County has seen a decrease in new hospital admissions over the past two weeks, despite an approximately 20 percent increase in new cases last week (compared to the previous week).
- Marion County public health officials have begun investigating several outbreaks in a timely way.
- Polk County has not had any new hospital admissions in the last two weeks, despite a large increase in new cases in the past week (23) compared to the previous week (5).
- Polk County public health has initiated timely follow-up for all cases.

**Recommendation:** The data from both counties support their request to move forward into Phase Two. Going forward, the two counties for the Salem metro region will be looked at as a unit. Many of the outbreaks in this region involve residents from both counties.

**Hood River County**

- Hood River has only had 1 new hospital admission in the past two weeks.
- Hood River public health officials have begun timely follow-up for all new cases, and new cases have fallen by half in the last week. (21 last week compared to 42 the week before.)
- Local public health officials are following up on two workplace outbreaks.

**Recommendation:** The data support Hood River’s request to move to Phase Two.

**II. Testing data for Hood River, Multnomah, Marion and Polk Counties**

Indicator	Multnomah	Hood River	Marion	Polk
Number of tests	38,794	1,987	13,973	2,424
Number of positives	1,541	76	1,158	118
Percentage of positives	4%	4%	8%	5%

### III. Current Hospital Bed Utilization (by Hospital Region)\*

Region	Available beds: Adult ICU	Staffed beds: Adult ICU	Available beds- MedSurg and other	Staffed beds- MedSurg and other	Total facility vents	Vents not currently in use	Additional facility vents for surge
Region 1	67	392	203	874	497	399	140
Region 2	29	127	200	801	140	109	119
Region 3	28	96	118	527	100	76	66
Region 5	14	62	79	343	65	52	91
Region 6	4	9	9	17	9	9	11
Region 7	17	52	93	513	99	93	26
Region 9	9	26	52	115	36	33	22

\* In a public health crisis, such as a pandemic, healthcare resources may be overwhelmed. As an important part of emergency planning, hospitals have developed their own surge plans for how to expand hospital bed capacity as needed such as for our state’s COVID response. This potential expanded capacity is not reflected in HOSCAP, the state’s hospital bed tracking tool. Instead, data reported to HOSCAP reflects current staffing levels and bed availability to meet today’s needs.

\*\* Does not include children’s hospitals or psychiatric hospitals.

\*\*\*HOSCAP data are self-reported by hospitals and the quality of the data cannot be verified by the Oregon Health Authority.

#### Regional key

<u>Region (see map)</u>	Description	County (some counties have portions in multiple regions)
Region 1	Northwest Oregon/Portland Metro	Clackamas, Clatsop, Columbia, Multnomah, Tillamook, Washington, Yamhill
Region 2	North Central Coast/Willamette Valley	Benton, Lincoln, Linn, Marion, Polk, Tillamook, Yamhill
Region 3	South Central Coast/Willamette Valley	Coos, Curry, Douglas, Lane, Linn
Region 5	Southern Coast/Willamette Valley	Curry, Jackson, Josephine
Region 6	Columbia Gorge	Gilliam, Hood River, Sherman, Wasco
Region 7	Central/Southern Oregon	Crook, Deschutes, Grant, Harney, Jefferson, Klamath, Lake, Wasco, Wheeler
Region 9	Eastern Oregon	Baker, Malheur, Morrow, Umatilla, Union, Wallowa

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