



# COVID-19 RESPONSE

CITY OF PORTLAND  
EMERGENCY COORDINATION CENTER



## Abbreviated Situation Status Report

**INCIDENT NAME: COVID-19**

**CITYWIDE READINESS STATUS: Full Activation**

**ECC GENERAL PHONE: 503-823-2323**

**INCIDENT WEBSITE: City of Portland [COVID-19 information website](#)**

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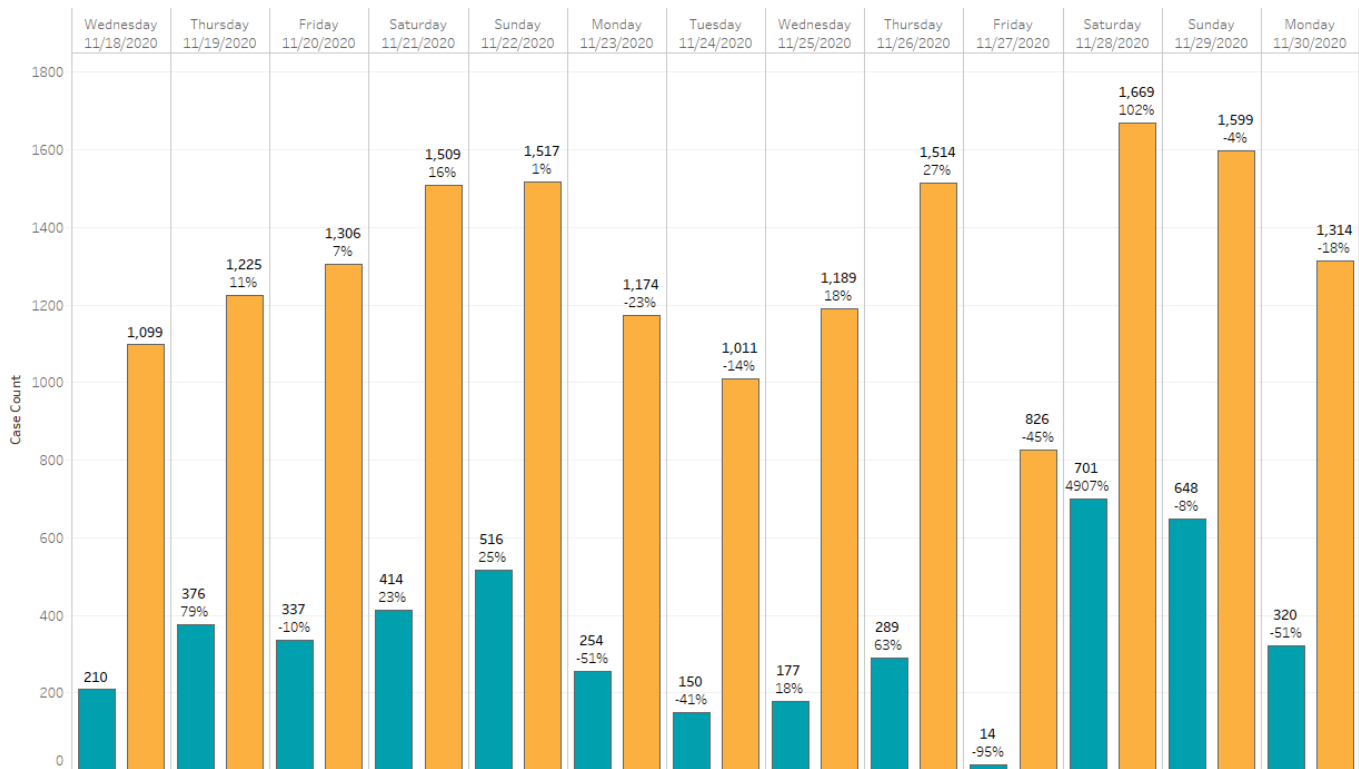
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## A. SITUATION SUMMARY

New Oregon and Multnomah County COVID-19 Cases per day



### OVERVIEW

#### Significant events in this reporting period

- Multnomah County will emerge from the state’s 2-week freeze on December 3<sup>d</sup>, and the county will transition into the state’s highest category of public health restrictions, the “extreme risk” level; Oregon Health and Science University (OHSU) is seeking local volunteers for a research study into the safety and effectiveness of a potential COVID-19 vaccine; When COVID-19 closed schools, Black, Hispanic and low income families took the biggest hit in math and reading.

#### Local and Regional News

- As of December 1, there are 577 confirmed Coronavirus hospitalizations in Oregon. The [Oregon Health Authority \(OHA\)](#) releases these numbers daily.
- On December 1, [KATU reported](#) that the Oregon Department of Consumer and Business Services issued fines to Allstate Insurance Company and Root Insurance Company for failure to provide grace periods for premium payments, and cancelling or nonrenewing Oregonians’ policies.
- On December 1, [OregonLive reported](#) that four Portland State women’s basketball games were cancelled after a positive COVID-19 test in their program.
- On December 1, [OregonLive reported](#) that Hermiston, Oregon, is offering city parking lots for restaurants to serve outdoor dining.
- On November 30, [OregonLive reported](#) that small businesses that received federal Paycheck Protection Program funds could be required to pay taxes on the government aid they received.

- On November 30, [Multnomah County reported](#) that the county is offering financial support to restaurants impacted by COVID-19 restrictions. Restaurants can apply for up to \$7500 and food carts can apply for up to \$2500. The deadline to apply is December 15.
- On November 30, [KGW reported](#) on a COVID-19 outbreak at a local Portland shelter for people experiencing homelessness.
- On November 30, [KGW reported](#) that Oregon health officials are concerned about a post-holiday COVID-19 spike.
- On November 30, [KGW reported](#) that the Oregon Health and Science University (OHSU) is seeking local volunteers for a research study into the safety and effectiveness of a potential COVID-19 vaccine.
- On November 28, [OregonLive reported](#) that while Multnomah County will emerge from the state's 2-week freeze on December 3, the county will transition into the state's highest category of public health restrictions, the "extreme risk" level.
- On November 27, the [Oregon Department of Agriculture reported](#) on a COVID-19 outbreak at a mink farm.
- On November 26, [OregonLive reported](#) on an Oregon gym fined \$90,000 for defying Governor Brown's COVID-19 orders.
- On November 25, [Governor Brown announced](#) new COVID-19 [guidelines](#).
- On November 25, [OregonLive reported](#) that Governor Kate Brown is loosening some COVID-19 restrictions in counties with lower risks of COVID-19 spread.
- On November 25, [OregonLive reported](#) that eight Portland firefighters have tested positive for COVID-19, resulting in over 50 firefighters quarantining.
- On November 24, [KGW reported](#) that COVID-19 ICU nurses are nervous about the hospitalization surge in Oregon.
- On November 24, [Willamette Week reported](#) that nearly 800 doctors signed a letter urging Oregonians to follow Governor Brown's COVID-19 orders.
- On November 24, [KGW reported](#) that some elected officials in Oregon are facing backlash after vacationing in Hawaii and Mexico as COVID-19 cases increase.
- On November 24, [KGW reported](#) that Oregon law enforcement officials recommend calling non-emergency lines to report individual COVID-19 restriction violators, rather than 911.

### ***National and International News***

- On December 1, [KATU reported](#) that president-elect Joe Biden is urging Congress to pass a "robust" COVID-19 relief package.
- On December 1, [KATU reported](#) the President summoned Stephen Hahn, head of the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), to the White House, as the President pushes for faster vaccine release.
- On December 1, [Reuters reported](#) that after 4.2 million COVID-19 cases in November the US pins hope on vaccine.
- On December 1, [NBC News reported](#) that when COVID-19 closed schools, Black, Hispanic and low income families took the biggest hit in math and reading.
- On November 30, [CNN reported](#) that leaked documents reveal China's mishandling of the early stages of COVID-19.
- On November 30, [Fox News reported](#) that Dr. Anthony Fauci indicated that schools should stay open.

- On November 29, [KGW reported](#) that despite a nationwide eviction ban, evictions are still happening to renters.
- On November 29, [CNN reported](#) that in Japan, more people died from suicide last month than from COVID-19 in all of 2020.
- On November 29, [The Los Angeles Times reported](#) that LA County's holiday COVID-19 restrictions face skepticism from a weary public.
- On November 28, [CBS News reported](#) that US hospitalizations top 90,000 for one day for the first time.
- On November 28, [USA Today reported](#) that the young die from COVID-19, even as many are in denial.
- On November 28, [CNBC reported](#) that Congress stalled on stimulus talks and that time is running out as millions of people face a benefits cliff.
- On November 28, [CNN reported](#) that the US is rounding the corner into a calamity, with COVID-19 deaths projected to double soon.
- On November 27, [Politico reported](#) that governments around the world weigh the question of who gets the vaccine first.
- On November 27, [USA Today reported](#) that Dr. Anthony Fauci suggested Thanksgiving may be the beginning of a dark holiday season as the surge in COVID-19 cases is likely to persist, or even get worse, through December, January and February.
- On November 27, [Stat News reported](#) that mask defiance remains strong in Big Sky Country, even as the pandemic rages.
- On November 27, [The Wall Street Journal reported](#) that COVID-19 is headed into parts of Europe that lack doctors.
- On November 27, [KGW reported](#) that Washington state courts are launching an eviction resolution program in preparation of the expiring eviction moratorium.
- On November 26, [Vice World News reported](#) on how Australia made one of the biggest COVID-19 recoveries in the world.
- On November 26, [Reuters reported](#) that America marks a COVID-19 altered Thanksgiving.
- On November 26, [NPR reported](#) that a government model suggests US COVID-19 cases could be approaching 100 million.
- On November 26, [Politico reported](#) that across the food and grocery industry, the holidays are starting to resemble panic buying similar to spring, when the supply chain and businesses were teetering and strained.
- On November 26, [CNN reported](#) that in some states, your phone can send you an alert if you were near someone who has coronavirus.
- On November 25, [OregonLive reported](#) that the US Supreme Court blocked New York State's COVID-19 limits on houses of worship.
- On November 25, [KGW reported](#) that an AstraZeneca manufacturing error clouded COVID-19 vaccine study results.
- On November 25, [NPR reported](#) that embattled public health workers are leaving their jobs at a steady and alarming rate.

## B. PARTNER INFORMATION

### STATE

#### ***Oregon Health Authority (OHA).***

- OHA [outlines](#) Oregon’s new framework for counties.
- OHA [reports](#) weekly cases and hospitalizations set new pandemic highs.
- OHA [guidance](#) on social bubbles.
- OHA [sector risk category chart](#).
- OHA [guidance](#) for open enrollment in Oregon Marketplace for health insurance.
- OHA COVID-19 survey:

As you may have heard in the news, several potential COVID-19 vaccines are being tested and may become available in the coming months. Oregon will distribute safe, effective vaccines once available. Community members who participated in webinars on November 18 told OHA their thoughts, perceptions, and priorities about a COVID vaccine (check out the English webinar recording [here](#)).

If you did not participate in one of these webinars and would like to share your thoughts on COVID-19 vaccines, you can do so by completing a short, anonymous survey available in [English](#) and [Spanish](#). We want to hear your thoughts! Using your input, we are designing community engagement to ensure you have the information you need about these vaccines. Please take the survey and share with others in your community.

#### ***Oregon Homeownership Stabilization Initiative (OHSI).***

- The Oregon Homeownership Stabilization Initiative has launched a mortgage relief program to help homeowners at risk of losing their homes due to COVID-related financial hardship. Eligibility requirements, frequently asked questions, and the application portal are available on the [OHSI website](#).

## C. RESOURCES

### RESOURCES UPDATE

*Our resource information is now located on the [COVID-19 webpage](#). The resources page will have information on resources from Multnomah County, City of Portland, Asking Questions and Getting Help, Equity, Volunteering, About COVID-19, Well-being, Housing, Homelessness, Workplace, Food Security and Portland Area Schools & Universities.*

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