



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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The ECC and City offices will be closed Friday, January 1 in observance of New Year’s Day.

The next Abbreviated Situation Status Report will be released: **Tuesday, January 5** and the next full Situation Status Report will be released: **Thursday, December 31**.

Have something to add/update? **Bureaus and agencies should send inputs by noon Wednesday, December 30 to ECCsitstat@portlandoregon.gov with subject line: COVID Situation Update – [Bureau Name].** Reminder that this report will be publicly available [online](#).

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A. VACCINE NEWS AND RESOURCES

Local and Regional News

- On December 28, [KGW reported](#) that Oregon will start ramping up COVID-19 vaccine distribution.
- On December 28, [KGW reported](#) on Novavax, the fifth COVID-19 vaccine to reach final-stage testing in Oregon.
- On December 28, [OHA announced](#) that Oregon Veterans' Homes residents and staff receive first doses of COVID-19 vaccine.
- On December 26, [KGW reported](#) that an Oregon dentist is the first dentist in the nation to administer a COVID-19 vaccine.
- On December 23, [KGW reported](#) on the completion of the first round of vaccinations at the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation.
- On December 22, [KGW reported](#) that Oregon seniors living on their own are wondering when they'll receive COVID-19 vaccines.
- On December 22, [KGW reported](#) on a newly released [dashboard](#) that tracks COVID-19 vaccinations.

National and International News

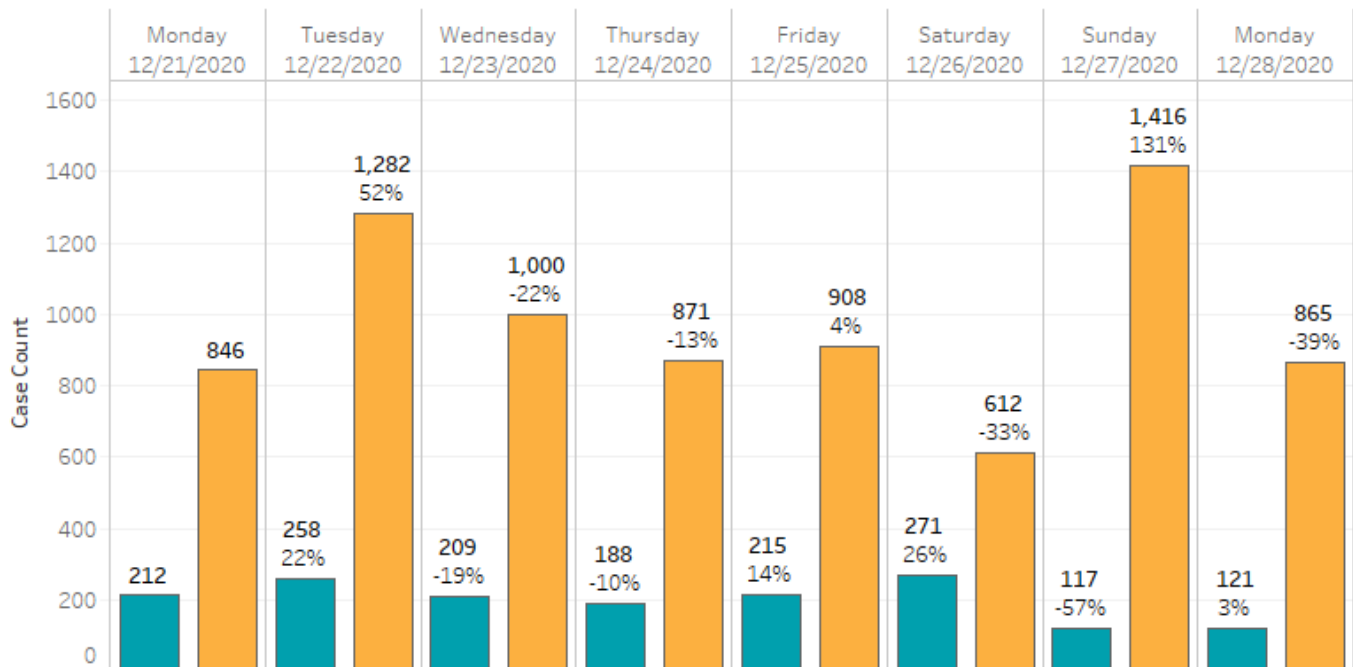
- On December 29, [CNN reported](#) that Vice-President elect Kamala Harris receives first dose of Moderna COVID-19 vaccine.
- On December 28, [CNN reported](#) that the European Union began a vaccination campaign for its 448 million citizens this weekend, days after approving the Pfizer/BioNTech vaccine.
- On December 28, [STAT reported](#) that the shortly after people receive the vaccine they have some type of medical event that has nothing to do with the vaccine.
- On December 25, [ABC News reported](#) why you still need to wear a mask after getting COVID-19 vaccine.
- On December 23, [Reuters reported](#) that the US government will pay Pfizer Inc. nearly \$2 billion for 100 million additional doses of its COVID-19 vaccine to bolster its supply as the country grapples with a nationwide spike in infections.

Vaccine Resources

- CDC vaccine [tracker](#).
- CDC vaccine [information](#).
- OHA vaccine [dashboard](#).
- [Página del OHA sobre la vacuna](#).
- OHA vaccine [information](#).
- OHA [vaccination](#) FAQ.
- OHA [guidance](#) on what you need to know about the new COVID-19 vaccines.
- Multnomah County [updated](#) vaccine page.

B. SITUATION SUMMARY

New Oregon and Multnomah County COVID-19 Cases per day



OVERVIEW

Significant events in this reporting period

Governor Kate Brown announced updates to the County Risk Levels that will go into effect January 1; Governor Kate Brown announced that the Oregon Department of Education and the Oregon Health Authority have the authority to implement several new policy initiatives to assist with the with the goal of returning more students to in-person instruction, by February 15, 2021; Oregon is faring better than most states by two key COVID-19 measures: current hospitalizations and deaths.

Local and Regional News

- As of December 29, there are 527 confirmed Coronavirus hospitalizations in Oregon. The [Oregon Health Authority \(OHA\)](#) releases these numbers daily.
- On December 29, [Governor Kate Brown announced updates](#) to the County Risk Levels that will go into effect January 1. Multnomah County remains in the extreme risk level.
- On December 28, [OPB reported](#) on Oregon State University researchers examining how COVID-19 messaging reaches different communities.
- On December 28, [OregonLive reported](#) that Oregon breweries are hanging on, but suffering.
- On December 28, [KGW reported](#) that Portland Community College instructors are teaming up to offer YouTube videos to struggling online students.
- On December 28, [KATU reported](#) that many struggling Oregon businesses will see tax hikes in 2021.

- On December 28, [KATU reported](#) that Oregon hospitals are facing challenges as vaccines roll out.
- On December 28, [KATU reported](#) that COVID-19 cases in Oregon are better in December, and that health officials are urging continued safety measures.
- On December 28, [KATU reported](#) on the death of an incarcerated person after testing positive for COVID-19 at the Oregon State Penitentiary.
- On December 27, [Willamette Week reported](#) that after days of declining COVID-19 cases, Oregon cases are bouncing back.
- On December 27, [KGW reported](#) that the State of Washington announced a one-time \$54 million extension to assist nearly 100,000 people who lost unemployment benefits.
- On December 27, [KGW reported](#) that Catholic churches are welcoming more parishioners as state capacity limits become recommendations.
- On December 24, [Willamette Week reported](#) on Oregon state officials' failure to inspect funeral facilities for fourteen months, and how COVID-19 has further extended the process.
- On December 24, the [Washington Post published](#) an article about a COVID-19 outbreak in Douglas County that left at least seven people dead.
- On December 23, [Willamette Week published](#) an article about how Oregon is faring better than most states by two key COVID-19 measures: current hospitalizations and deaths.
- On December 23, the [OHA reported](#) that Oregon is trending with the US in accelerated drug overdoses.
- On December 23, [Willamette Week reported](#) that rural Oregon is faring better economically than Oregon cities as the state's economy starts to recover from the COVID-19 pandemic.
- On December 23, [CNN reported](#) that a person who went to work while sick is likely the cause of two separate COVID-19 outbreaks in Oregon.
- On December 23, [Governor Kate Brown announced](#) that in order to return as many Oregon students to the classroom as safely as possible, the Oregon Department of Education and the Oregon Health Authority have the authority to implement several new [policy initiatives](#), with the goal returning more students to in-person instruction by February 15, 2021.
- On December 22, [Governor Kate Brown provided](#) a COVID-19 update for the state of Oregon.

National and International News

- On December 29, [KGW updated an article](#) on when some people might expect to receive a COVID-19 stimulus check.
- On December 29, [CNN reported](#) that record COVID-19 hospitalizations in the US could soon force health experts to ration care.
- On December 28, [CNBC reported](#) on President-elect Joe Biden's plans to invoke the Defense Production Act after taking office in January.
- On December 28, [USA Today reported](#) that nearly 1.3 million people traveled through American airports Sunday, setting a pandemic travel record, despite warnings from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to stay at home to quell COVID-19 cases.
- On December 28, [CNN reported](#) that COVID-19 hospitalizations last week were higher than ever.
- On December 27, [Politico reported](#) that a government shutdown was averted after the president approved the COVID-19 relief package and annual spending bill.
- On December 27, [The Wall Street Journal reported](#) that doses of COVID-19 therapies authorized

for emergency are sitting unused in hospital pharmacies, even as cases surge across the country.

- On December 26, [Fox News reported](#) that California imposed some of the strictest lockdown measures of any state but continues to see a surge in COVID-19 cases.
- On December 26, [The Hill reported](#) that the total number of global COVID-19 cases surpassed 80 million as countries around the world are experiencing surges of the disease amid the holiday season.
- On December 26, [The Guardian reported](#) that humans need the ritual of saying goodbye, the COVID-19 life of a small-town funeral director.
- On December 26, [CNN reported](#) that health officials brace for a surge in US COVID-19 cases after the holidays.
- On December 25, [CNN reported that](#) a black doctor died of COVID-19 weeks after accusing hospital staff of racist treatment.
- On December 24, [VOX reported](#) that adding trained staff is much more difficult than making a physical ICU bed, especially deep into a pandemic.
- On December 24, [CBS News reported](#) that Paycheck Protection Program returns with \$285 billion, and there's still room for fraud.
- On December 23, [The Atlantic reported](#) that December 2020 is now the deadliest month of the pandemic.
- On December 23, [The Guardian reported](#) that two new variants of COVID-19 identified in the UK, are both said to be more transmissible than the previously dominant version.
- On December 23, [The Wall Street Journal reported](#) that cities and states across the country are imposing the strictest COVID-19 lockdowns since spring.

C. PARTNER INFORMATION

STATE

Oregon Health Authority (OHA).

- OHA [guidance](#) on what exactly does “outdoors” mean.
- OHA [guidance](#) on hitting the slopes during COVID-19.
- OHA [guidance](#) on digital eye strain.

D. 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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