



DOUGLAS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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DOUGLAS COUNTY COVID-19 UPDATE #626

(Douglas County, Ore.) Tomorrow is 9/11 - Patriot’s Day. And as hard as it is to believe, this year, Saturday, September 11, 2021 marks the 20th Anniversary since the cowardly acts of terrorism at the World Trade Center, the Pentagon, and onboard United Flight 93. It was one of the most horrific events in our nation’s history. That day the lives of 2,996 innocent people, including 343 firefighters and 72 law enforcement officers we needlessly cut short. And, another 6,000 people were injured in the events of that fateful day. Tomorrow is 9/11 – the National Day of Service and Remembrance. It is a day when we honor and remember the all lives lost. It is a day when we honor and thank all the brave first responders, military personnel and civilians who unselfishly ran into the rubble and destruction to save lives. It is also a day of service in honor of those lives lost and to honor our heroes. The Douglas County Board of Commissioners encourage our residents to learn more about and sign up for volunteer opportunities in our local communities in order to give back, help and serve others in need.

A QUICK LOOK AT THE NUMBERS, AS OF NOON ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2021

Total Number of New Local COVID-19 Cases	Total Number of Residents Currently Hospitalized	Total Number of Hospitalized Patients that are NOT Fully Vaccinated**
104*	93	91 of the 93

**Our COVID quick look includes the total number of new cases in Douglas County, which combines people with positive test results and presumptives. **We follow the CDC definition for fully vaccinated, which states that a fully vaccinated person is someone who has received both doses of a two-dose COVID-19 vaccine, or one dose of a single-dose COVID-19 vaccine and at least 14 days have passed since the individual’s final dose.*

Today, Friday, September 10, 2021, we have sadly eclipsed the 10,000 mark for the total number of COVID-19 cases reported in Douglas County. A month ago, on Tuesday, August 10, 2021, Douglas County had reported a total of 5,327 COVID-19 cases since the beginning of the pandemic in the county on March 8, 2021. We have seen an unprecedented surge of new 4,726 COVID-19 cases in the county over the last month. It has been both heartbreaking and overwhelming for everyone. There is a little bit of good news, as our new case numbers have been slightly trending down over the last three weeks. However, we still have a lot of hospitalized residents in critical and serious condition in the ICU, on ventilators, BiPaps and ECMO machines. We continue to encourage everyone to do everything you can to stay healthy, stay home if you are sick, minimize contact with those outside your household, wear masks were recommended, wash your hands frequently, take care of your mental health and be kind to others.

COVID-19 UPDATE FOR FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2021:

As of 12:00 pm today, Friday, September 10, 2021, there are ONE HUNDRED AND FOUR (104) people with new positive test results, ONE (1) presumptive that has been moved to a positive with a positive test result and FOUR (4) new COVID-19 related deaths to report, bringing the total number of cases of people with positive test results and presumptives in Douglas County to 10,058*. Currently, there are NINETY-THREE (93) Douglas County COVID-19 patients that are being hospitalized, sixty-two locally and thirty-one out-of-the-area, including one that has been transferred out of the state for specialized care not available here. We continue to work with Mercy to provide information on our COVID patients being hospitalized locally: 15 ventilators (invasive mechanical airway support) and 14 BiPAP’s (Non-invasive ventilation for breathing support) machines are currently in use, 14 COVID positive patients are in the Intensive Care Unit (ICU) and 15 are in the Progressive Care Unit (PCU). 54% of the total hospitalized patients at Mercy are COVID positive. Of our hospitalized cases today, NINETY-ONE (91) out of the 93 are not fully vaccinated.

COVID-19 RECAP FOR THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2021:

On Thursday, September 9, 2021, at 12:00 pm we had ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-FIVE (155) people with new positive test results and FIFTEEN (15) new presumptives to report bringing our total number of cases of people with positive test results and presumptives in Douglas County to 9,954*. We had ONE HUNDRED AND ONE

(101) Douglas County COVID-19 patients hospitalized, seventy-one locally and thirty out-of-the-area, including one patient that has been transferred out of the state for specialized care not available here. We continue to work with Mercy to provide information on our COVID patients being hospitalized locally: 19 ventilators (invasive mechanical airway support) and 11 BiPAP's (Non-invasive ventilation for breathing support) machines are currently in use, 16 COVID positive patients are in the Intensive Care Unit (ICU) and 14 are in the Progressive Care Unit (PCU). 53% of the total hospitalized patients at Mercy are COVID positive. Of our hospitalized cases on Thursday, **NINETY-EIGHT (98)** out of the 101 are not fully vaccinated.

COVID-19 RELATED DEATHS OF DOUGLAS COUNTY RESIDENTS

Our Douglas County Public Health Officer, Dr. Robert Dannenhoffer, has confirmed the deaths of four more Douglas County residents related to the COVID-19 virus. Our **one hundred and sixty-third** COVID-19 related death was a 54-year-old woman who was diagnosed with COVID-19 on Monday, August 16, 2021 and passed away on Wednesday, September 8, 2021. She was not vaccinated. Our **one hundred and sixty-fourth** COVID-19 related death was a 57-year-old man who was diagnosed with COVID-19 on Wednesday, August 18, 2021 and passed away on Wednesday, September 8, 2021. He was not vaccinated. Our **one hundred and sixty-fifth** COVID-19 related death was a 68-year-old woman who was diagnosed with COVID-19 on Saturday, August 28, 2021 and passed away on Wednesday, September 8, 2021. She was not vaccinated. Our **one hundred and sixty-sixth** COVID-19 related death was a 24-year-old woman who was diagnosed with COVID-19 on Thursday, August 26, 2021 and passed away on Thursday, September 9, 2021. She was not vaccinated. In the interest of privacy for the loved ones of these residents and as our ethical responsibility to follow all medical laws, no additional information will be released. We thoroughly scrutinize and investigate all deaths, and review all medical records to make sure that everyone we list has met the requirements for a COVID related death, as per the Oregon Investigative Guidelines. Each death related to COVID-19 is painful for all Douglas County residents, and a sad reminder of the terrible impact COVID-19 has had in our local communities. The Douglas County Board of Commissioners, Dr. Dannenhoffer, DPHN and the DCCRT team extend our heartfelt condolences and sympathies to all family members, friends, relatives, co-workers and community members of those who have passed after contracting this deadly virus.

Douglas County, OR - COVID-19 - Case Update Chart**					
Date	Monday September 6, 2021	Tuesday, September 7, 2021	Wednesday September 8, 2021	Thursday, September 9, 2021	Friday, September 10, 2021
Total COVID-19 Cases	9,577	9,633	9,784	9,954	10,058
People w/ Positive PCR or Antigen Test Results	9,283	9,339	9,488	9,643	9,748
Presumptive	294	294	296	311	310
Total Currently Hospitalized	110	113	105	101	93
Total COVID-19 Related Deaths	149	157	162	162	166

***Our COVID case update includes the total number of cases in Douglas County, which combines people with positive test results and presumptives, as well as a breakout of those case numbers. There will be times when a presumptive will move to a positive test result, and our total case number will not change because the case has already been counted.*

STATE AND FEDERAL COVID-19 INFORMATION

The Federal and State Governments, and their agencies are the ones that set policy, issue mandates and provide the guidelines for a state of emergency like the current COVID pandemic. For information log onto [U.S. Center for Disease Control \(CDC\)](https://www.cdc.gov) and the [Oregon Health Authority \(OHA\)](https://www.oregon.gov/oha). If you have questions about the current guidelines, mandates or the recommendations, please contact them directly for more information. OHA posts their daily updates at www.healthoregon.org/coronavirus. Please do not call 911, Douglas County Sheriff's Office or Douglas County Offices to report issues with the State of Oregon, OHA or the Governor's mandates.

ACCESS TO LOCAL COVID-19 RESOURCES

Local Online Access to Updates: Stay up to date with accurate and local COVID-19 information by visiting the [Douglas County Government Website](https://www.douglascountygov.com) or [DCGOV Facebook page](https://www.facebook.com/douglascountygov) or the [DPHN Website](https://www.dphn.org) or [DPHN Facebook page](https://www.facebook.com/dphn).



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 **Free Local e-Newsletter Subscription:** You can also sign up for the free Douglas County e-Newsletter that publishes and sends out the update to our subscription base. Log onto: www.co.douglas.or.us.

 **Douglas County COVID-19 Hotline (541) 464-6550:** Your Douglas County Board of Commissioners and DPHN continue to offer a local resource hotline for Douglas County residents for COVID-19. The hotline provides answers to frequently asked questions, basic COVID information and referrals to local resources and services. Our local hotline number is (541) 464-6550 and is staffed from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, 7 days a week.

 **DPHN Vaccine Information:** Want more information on the vaccines? Log onto: <http://DougCoVaccine.com>.

 **DPHN Informational Videos:** Check out [DPHN's YouTube Channel](#) for informational videos about COVID-19.

 **Douglas County Tiger Team:** The Tiger Team organizes our county-wide COVID-19 vaccine program via free pop-up vaccine clinics, with [Umpqua Valley Ambulance](#), who provide a certified vaccinator and medical assistant. The clinics are open to anyone 18 years of age and older, and preregistration is not required. [Click here](#) for the calendar of upcoming clinics or call (541) 670-3110 or (541) 464-6550, if you are interested in having team come to your location.

 **Aviva Health:** Offering free drive-through COVID-19 vaccination and testing services to all symptomatic residents, as well as registered Aviva Health patients who are asymptomatic. No appointment needed. Patients must be Douglas County residents and be 12 years of age or older***. The drive-through is located at 4221 NE Stephens Street, Suite 101A in Roseburg and is open M-F: 8:00 am to 4:30 pm. Vaccinations are also available on a limited basis at Aviva Health's outlying clinics in North County, Sutherlin, Glide, and Myrtle Creek. People seeking vaccinations at their outlying clinics should call (541) 672-9596, to determine availability. For more information please visit www.aviva.health/covid-19-resources/. Aviva also has an online [COVID FAQ page](#) with answers to frequently asked questions.

 **Lower Umpqua Hospital District:** Lower Umpqua Hospital District has a COVID-19 Vaccine Call Center for COVID-19 vaccine information in the Reedsport area. Call **(541) 271-2175**, Monday through Friday from 9 am to 4 pm.

 **Cow Creek Health and Wellness Center:** Free, no appointment necessary, daily COVID-19 drive-through testing and vaccination clinics for all community members across from 2360 NE Stephens Street in Roseburg. Clinics offered M-F: 8:15 am to 4:00 pm and S-S: 10:00 am to 3:45 pm. You must be 18 years or older to receive the vaccine. For more information, please call (541) 529-9608 or visit <https://www.cowcreek-nsn.gov/public-health/>.

 **Roseburg VA Health Care System:** Veterans can set up an appointment COVID-19 vaccine, by calling the Roseburg VAMC at **(541) 440-1000**.

 **Douglas County Senior Services** can help seniors with questions, find testing and vaccines at **(541) 440-3677**.

****Please note for residents ages 12 to 14, this will require a parent or guardian to accompany them and give written consent for the vaccine. Written consent can also be obtained in advance. Under Oregon law, minors 15 years of age and older may consent to medical treatment, including vaccinations, when provided by a physician, physician assistant, naturopath, nurse practitioner, dentist or optometrist, or other professionals operating under the license of these providers; however, families are encouraged to make decisions about vaccinations together.*

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