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DOUGLAS COUNTY COVID-19 WEEKLY UPDATE

(Douglas County, Ore.) It's 02-02-2022, as well as Groundhog Day in the United States. According to media sources, earlier this morning, the famous Punxsutawney Phil of Gobbler's Knob, Pennsylvania saw his shadow, thus predicting (according to 135 year folklore tradition) six more weeks of winter this year in the Northern hemisphere.

DOUGLAS COUNTY COVID-19 UPDATE #667

WEEKLY RECAP – THURSDAY, JANUARY 27, 2022 - WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2022			
Total Number of New Local COVID-19 Cases* Reported for the Week	Total Number of People w/ Positive PCR or Antigen Test Results Reported for the Week	Total Number of New Presumptives Reported for the Week	Total Number of COVID-19 Related Deaths Reported for the Week
978	923	55	9

**Our COVID quick look includes the total number of new cases in Douglas County for the week, which combines people with positive test results and presumptives for the previous week.*

Douglas County, OR - COVID-19 – Seven Day Case Update Chart†							
Date	Thursday, January 27, 2022	Friday, January 28, 2022	Saturday, January 29, 2022	Sunday, January 30, 2022	Monday, January 31, 2022	Tuesday, February 1, 2022	Wednesday, February 2, 2022
Total COVID-19 Cases to Date	17,263	17,439	17,610	17,643	17,653	17,859	18,008
People w/ Positive PCR or Antigen Test Results	16,521	16,691	16,841	16,874	16,884	17,075	17,210
Presumptives	742**	748	769	769	769	784	798
Total Currently Hospitalized	31	28	28	39	39	35	33
Total Hospitalized Patients NOT Fully Vaccinated	21 of the 31	20 of the 28	20 of the 28	29 of the 39	29 of the 39	24 of the 35	24 of the 33
Total COVID-19 Related Deaths	330	331	331	332	332	333	336

†Our COVID case update chart includes the total number of cases reported in Douglas County since the beginning of the pandemic in our county on March 8, 2020. The chart illustrates the combination of residents with positive test results and confirmed presumptives, as well as the breakout of each of those. 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 in our over-all total. We follow the CDC definition for fully vaccinated and up-to-date, 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. Up-to-date means they have completed the full series of the COVID-19 vaccine, and if eligible they have also gotten their booster, or if they are fully vaccinated, but not yet eligible for a booster.

***Please note that one presumptive has been moved to positive with a positive test result.*

LOCAL VACCINE AND BOOSTER AVAILABILITY IS HIGH

The COVID-19 vaccines and booster doses are readily available around the county. Check with your health care provider, AVIVA Health, Umpqua Health, Lower Umpqua Hospital, local pharmacies, Roseburg VA or attend a local drive-thru clinic.

- 1. Our Local COVID Hotline is Still Active and Available.** Our local COVID-19 hotline at **(541) 464-6550** has been in operation since March of 2020. They are ready and available to help answer your COVID-19 related questions about vaccine availability, how to isolate or quarantine, provide referrals for care and when/where to get tested. The

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hotline is open 7 days a week from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm. Just a reminder that the hotline does not provide medical advice. If you need medical attention or advice, please contact your health care provider or a local urgent care facility.

2. **DPHN's EPI-Team is Still on the Job.** As they have since the beginning, Douglas Public Health Network (DPHN), our local public health contractor works under the Douglas County Commissioners, Tim Freeman, Tom Kress and Chris Boice, who still retain the Public Health Authority for the County. DPHN will continue to conduct local case investigations; provide case management and education; offer support services to isolated cases and maintain their tracking and reporting systems.
3. **Please Help to Protect our Emergency Systems.** Please do not call 911 or the hospital to ask COVID-19 questions. We need our emergency systems to continue to function and be available for those that need it most. If you are not seriously ill, but need medical advice or want testing, please contact your health care provider. If you don't have a provider, please call our local COVID Hotline at (541) 464-6550 and they will try to help connect you with a local health care provider.

WHAT CAN YOU AND YOUR FAMILY DO TO TRY AND STAY HEALTHY DURING THE CURRENT SURGE?

Our team continues encourage everyone, for the sake of our local businesses, services, economy and neighbors, to make the best decision for yourself and your family in order protect those around you from contracting or spreading the coronavirus disease. We have provided education on implementing the widely proven and age-old safety measures to prevent the spread of respiratory illnesses, including COVID-19 and influenza. Our team encourages you to access your risk and comfort level, and make the best choice for you.

1. Please stay home from work, school, shopping or running errands if you are sick.
2. Please consider getting vaccinated, if you have not got the shot yet. Get the booster dose too!
3. Cover your coughs and sneezes with a tissue, and then throw the tissue in the trash.
4. Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
5. If soap and water are not readily available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol.
6. Consider wearing a face covering when you are around those not from your immediate household or when you are in indoor settings.
7. Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
8. Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands.
9. Never visit a hospital or long-term-care facility if you have a fever or cough due to an illness.
10. Clean and disinfect surfaces that are often touched.
11. Delay or limit travel to COVID hot spots or highly populated areas.
12. Take care of your health overall. Staying current on your vaccinations, including flu vaccine, eating well and exercising all help your body stay resilient.

DOUGLAS COUNTY HOSPITALIZED PATIENT UPDATE

As of today, Wednesday, February 2, 2022, there are **THIRTY-THREE (33)** Douglas County COVID-19 patients that are being hospitalized, twenty-six locally and seven out-of-the-area. We continue to work with Mercy to provide information on our COVID patients being hospitalized locally, this last week they averaged **3** COVID-19 positive patients a day in the Intensive Care Unit (ICU) and 4 COVID-19 positive patients a day in the Progressive Care Unit (PCU). This last week an average of **17%** of their total hospitalized patients were COVID positive. Of our hospitalized patients today, **TWENTY-FOUR (24)** of the 33 patients are not fully vaccinated.

NEWLY REPORTED COVID-19 RELATED DEATHS OF DOUGLAS COUNTY RESIDENTS

Douglas County Public Health has confirmed the deaths of more Douglas County residents related to the COVID-19 virus. Our team confirms and then reports all COVID-19 related deaths in the order that they are received. Our **three hundred and thirty-second** COVID-19 related death was a 55-year-old man who was diagnosed with COVID-19 on Sunday, November 21, 2021 and passed away on Saturday, January 29, 2022. He was not vaccinated. Our **three hundred and thirty-third** COVID-19 related death was a 56-year-old man who was diagnosed with COVID-19 on Saturday, January 29, 2022 and passed away on Monday, January 31, 2022. He was not vaccinated. Our **three hundred and thirty-fourth** COVID-19 related death was an 81-year-old man who was diagnosed with COVID-19 on Saturday, January 22, 2022 and passed away on Monday, January 31, 2022. He was not vaccinated. Our **three hundred and thirty-fifth** COVID-19 related death was a 79-year-old man who was diagnosed with COVID-19 on Tuesday, January 11, 2022 and passed away on Tuesday, February 2, 2022. He was not vaccinated. Our **three hundred and thirty-sixth**



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COVID-19 related death was a 98-year-old man who was diagnosed with COVID-19 on Wednesday, January 19, 2022 and passed away on Wednesday, January 26, 2022. He was not vaccinated. In the interest of privacy for the loved ones of this resident, and as our ethical responsibility to follow all medical laws, no additional information will be released. Douglas County Public Health officials thoroughly scrutinize and investigate all deaths, and review all medical records to make sure that everyone we report has met the requirements for a COVID related death, as per the [Oregon Disease Investigative Guidelines for COVID-19](#). 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 our COVID-19 Communications 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.

NOTIFICATION OF DELAYED COVID-19 RELATED DEATHS OF DOUGLAS COUNTY RESIDENTS

Douglas County Public Health has been receiving delayed reports of COVID-19 related deaths of Douglas County residents from Oregon Vital Records, hospice/long-term care facilities and out-of-state institutions. Our team confirms and then reports all COVID-19 related deaths in the order that they are received. Our **three hundred and twenty-eighth** COVID-19 related death was an 84-year-old woman who was diagnosed with COVID-19 on Saturday, September 4, 2021 and passed away on Tuesday, December 14, 2021. We were notified of the death by Oregon Vital Records on Tuesday, January 25, 2022. She was not vaccinated. Our **three hundred and twenty-ninth** COVID-19 related death was a 93-year-old woman who was diagnosed with COVID-19 on Wednesday, August 25, 2021 and passed away on Saturday, December 11, 2021. We were notified of the death by Oregon Vital Records on Tuesday, January 25, 2022. She was fully vaccinated. Our **three hundred and thirtieth** COVID-19 related death was a 92-year-old woman who was diagnosed with COVID-19 on Sunday, November 21, 2020 and passed away on Sunday, April 4, 2021. We were notified of the death by Oregon Vital Records on Tuesday, January 25, 2022. She was fully vaccinated. Our **three hundred and thirty-first** COVID-19 related death was a 79-year-old woman who was diagnosed with COVID-19 on Monday, November 15, 2021 and passed away on Saturday, December 18, 2021. We were notified of the death by Oregon Vital Records on Tuesday, January 25, 2022. She was not vaccinated. In the interest of privacy for the loved ones of this resident, and as our ethical responsibility to follow all medical laws, no additional information will be released. Douglas County Public Health officials thoroughly scrutinize and investigate all deaths, and review all medical records to make sure that everyone we report has met the requirements for a COVID related death, as per the [Oregon Disease Investigative Guidelines for COVID-19](#). 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 our COVID-19 Communications 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.

COVID-19 VACCINATION WEEKLY UPDATE – WEEK ENDING SATURDAY, JANUARY 29, 2022

Douglas County's vaccine pace slowed a bit in the last week, with 1,301 doses given last week. Although many (900) were boosters, there were 177 first time doses of the vaccine. The remaining vaccines are second and third non-booster doses. We continue to compare and track our numbers using CDC's vaccine data, as they more accurately represent our vaccination numbers. The data includes the Federally administered doses given at the Roseburg VA, that Oregon's ALERT System only recently started including in their reports. Our current numbers are as follows:

- **For those 18 years old and above in Douglas County who are fully vaccinated** (as calculated by the CDC) we are at **61.2%**.
- **The percent of the ENTIRE population in Douglas County** who are fully vaccinated (as calculated by the CDC) is currently **51.7%**. This percentage, plus the number of natural infections gives an idea of the level of community immunity.

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- **Those Douglas County residents who have received a booster** (as calculated by the CDC) have the best vaccine protection. For the entire population **41.1%** are vaccinated and boosted and for those over 65, **59%** are fully vaccinated and boosted.

Omicron is now the predominant variant in Oregon and likely in Douglas County. For previous variants, prior infection provided good (approximately 85%) protection from infection, and we previously included that number in the number unlikely to get re-infected. Unfortunately, with Omicron, previous infection with Alpha or Delta seems to provide less than 20% protection. The primary series of vaccination provides some protection (35%) and protection for a boosted individual climbs to 55 to 80% against acquiring the disease and further protection against hospitalization. Our local data shows that the primary vaccine series provide about 70 to 80% protection against hospitalization and a booster provides 80 to 90% protection against hospitalization. Thus, only about 45% of people in Douglas County had good levels of protection against Omicron prior to this surge, and thus we might expect to see a large number of Omicron cases. It is not too late to get a COVID vaccine. We encourage everyone to get your initial series, and if eligible, get a booster. If you had a previous infection, a dose of the mRNA vaccine will increase your immunity. OHA vaccine clinics are open every day in Roseburg and Reedsport. The Roseburg clinic is located in the parking lot at the corner of NE Fowler Street and Diamond Lake Blvd. (across from the Roseburg Public Library) and is open every day from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. The Reedsport Clinic is located at 680 Fir Avenue, adjacent to the Douglas County Courthouse Annex and is also open every day from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm

REMINDER: DOUGLAS COUNTY COVID-19 UPDATE HAS MOVED TO A WEEKLY PUBLICATION

As a reminder, as of Wednesday, December 1, 2021, we shifted to a weekly release for our Douglas County COVID-19 Update. But, our team will continue to post our [COVID-19 Seven Day Case Update Chart](#), as well as our updated information list of [Local COVID-19 Resources](#) to the county website (www.co.douglas.or.us) on weekdays (except for holidays and observed holidays).

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 \(CDC\)](#) and the [Oregon Health Authority \(OHA\)](#). 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](#) or [DCGOV Facebook page](#) or the [DPHN Website](#) or [DPHN Facebook page](#).

📧 **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>.



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OHA OFFERING FREE DRIVE THRU VACCINE CLINIC IN ROSEBURG: OHA is currently hosting a free drive-thru vaccination and booster clinic at 1530 NE Diamond Lake Blvd., at the corner of NE Fowler Street and Diamond Lake Blvd., adjacent to the Roseburg Public Library in downtown Roseburg. They will be offering all three vaccines, boosters and pediatric doses. They are open every day 10:00 am – 5:00 pm until further notice. No appointment is necessary. If you have questions about the clinic, please contact OHA directly at (866) 698-6155 or log onto: www.oregon.gov/OHA.

COVID-19 VACCINE CLINIC

All three vaccines available.
No appointment needed.
No cost.

Roseburg
The drive-through clinic is located in the parking lot (1530 NE Diamond Lake Blvd) at the corner of NE Fowler St, and Diamond Lake Blvd (Hwy 138), adjacent to the Roseburg Public Library in downtown Roseburg.

Open every Monday – Sunday
10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

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FREE COVID-19 VACCINES

Dates:
January 29th - February 23rd

Time:
10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Location:
Douglas County Courthouse Annex
680 Fir Avenue
Reedsport, OR 97467

COVID-19 Vaccines available:
Pfizer
Moderna
Johnson & Johnson

Pediatric vaccines available for children ages 5+

- NO ID required
- NO appointment required

If you have any questions, please call the VIVE NW support line at (844) 291-4970

OHA OFFERING FREE DRIVE THRU VACCINE CLINIC IN REEDSPORT: OHA will open a free drive-thru vaccination and booster clinic starting on Saturday, January 29, 2022 and running through Tuesday, February 22, 2022. The clinic will be at 680 Fir Avenue, adjacent to the Douglas County Courthouse Annex in Reedsport. They will be offering all three vaccines, boosters and pediatric doses. They are open every day 10:00 am – 5:00 pm. No appointment is necessary. If you have questions about the clinic, please contact OHA directly at (866) 698-6155 or log onto: www.oregon.gov/OHA or call the VIVE NW support line at (844) 291-4970.

DPHN COVID-19 INFORMATIONAL VIDEOS: Check out [DPHN's YouTube Channel](#) for locally produced informational videos about COVID-19, featuring Dr. Bob Dannenhoffer, our Douglas County Public Health Officer.

AVIVA HEALTH: UPDATED 1-19-22

TESTING: Due to COVID-19 case surges and decreased availability of testing supplies, Aviva Health is following the current OHA guidelines to prioritize testing for people who need it. We are temporary suspending testing for non-medically necessary reasons, such as travel and other leisure activities. Please consult your PCP or call (541) 492-2067 if you have any questions. Aviva Health continues to offer vaccinations and boosters to eligible people at our Vaccination Clinic located at 4221 NE Stephens Street in Roseburg. Appointments are required and can be self-scheduled online by visiting: <https://consumer.scheduling.athena.io/?locationId=17792-24&practitionerId=17792-121>.

COVID VACCINE*: ALL vaccinations are by appointment only** Aviva Health continues to offer free drive-through COVID-19 vaccination services to patients and non-patients, by appointment only. Patients must be Douglas County residents. Residents may schedule a vaccine appointment by calling (541) 492-2067. Vaccinations are also available on a limited basis, by appointment only 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.

COVID-19 BOOSTER VACCINES*: ALL vaccinations are by appointment only** Aviva Health is now offering the Pfizer and Moderna COVID-19 boosters to certain groups of people, **by appointment only**, at its vaccination clinic located at 4221 NE Stephens Street, Suite 101A, Monday through Friday, from 8:30 am to 11:30 am and 1:00 pm to 4:30 pm. Please call **(541) 492-2067** to schedule your booster appointment. For more information please visit www.aviva.health/covid-19-resources/.

 **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: UPDATED 1-27-22**
VACCINATIONS:** Cow Creek Health and Wellness and Cow Creek Public Health is temporarily pausing community vaccines and boosters in order to provide increased capacity for COVID-19 testing for Tribal members and employees. Established patients of Cow Creek Health and Wellness Center can call (541) 672-8533 and press #3 for the Roseburg Clinic to schedule a COVID-19 vaccine or booster appointment.

TESTING: Cow Creek Health and Wellness Centers are no longer offering free community testing. Testing is available by appointment only for established patients of Cow Creek Health and Wellness Center, Tribal members or employees of the Cow Creek Tribe by calling (541) 672-8533 and pressing #4 for the Canyonville Clinic to schedule a COVID-19 testing appointment.

 **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, locating testing and vaccines at **(541) 440-3677**.

****Please note for residents under the age of 14, this will require a parent or guardian to accompany them and give written consent for the vaccine. 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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