

Multnomah County COVID-19 Situation Report

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Executive Summary

The rise of the COVID-19 “delta variant” is evident in Oregon — it is contributing to the spread of COVID-19 among people who are not yet vaccinated and is exacerbating the impact of the pandemic on communities of color. Local Black/African American/African Immigrant and Refugee communities, in particular, saw significant increases in COVID-19 hospitalization rates in April, followed by a decline in subsequent months. Serious illness in these communities, as measured by the COVID-19 hospitalization rate, remains well above that of local non-Hispanic white populations. In response to the current phase of the COVID-19 pandemic, Multnomah County has developed a multi-pronged effort to increase vaccination among people who are not yet vaccinated. Two tools in current use are increased messaging about the risks to people who are not yet vaccinated, both on broad platforms (including social media and radio messaging) and in focused events featuring community influencers and health experts, and the introduction of Visa gift cards at Multnomah County COVID-19 vaccine sites. The gift card program offsets the costs a person may face when seeking vaccination (which may include childcare costs, transportation, or time off work) and also includes gift cards for “vaccine ambassadors,” those people who partner in the vaccination effort by bringing their friends and family in for COVID-19 vaccination.

Multnomah County COVID-19 Vaccine Data and Clinics

As of July 18, 2021:

- **531,530 Multnomah County residents** (out of a total population of 829,560) have been partially or fully vaccinated for COVID-19 (source: [OHA COVID-19 Vaccination Trends](#) data dashboard)

The most up to date Multnomah County vaccine clinic data is available on the County’s [Novel Coronavirus COVID-19](#) website on the [COVID-19 Vaccination distribution through Multnomah County programs](#) page. Please reference the [Upcoming COVID-19 Vaccination Clinics](#) page for full clinic details, including locations, days and times, and community specific events hosted by partner organizations.

Multnomah County COVID-19 Epidemiology Data

The table below depicts COVID-19 case and mortality data at local and state levels for the reporting period of **July 5 - 19**.

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Multnomah County Cases	Multnomah County Deaths	Oregon Cases	Oregon Deaths
551 (new) 41,133 (total)	2 (new) 617 (total)	3,863 (new) 212,755 (total)	46 (new) 2,826 (total)

“Total” refers to total individual cases and deaths since the outset of the COVID-19 pandemic, and “new” refers to individual cases and deaths that have occurred during the reporting period of July 5 - 19 (source: [Oregon’s COVID-19 Testing and Outcomes by County](#)).

Race and Ethnicity Impact in Multnomah County

Detailed local data, including demographics (race, sex, age, and housing status) are available in the [Regional COVID-19 data dashboard](#) hosted by Multnomah County.

Multnomah County Community COVID-19 testing

Multnomah County Community testing is designed to help provide testing for people without health insurance, and people without a regular health care provider. For COVID-19 testing resources throughout the community, please check Multnomah County’s [COVID-19 Testing](#) page. This site includes both County resources and community based testing sites.

- You don’t need to be a Multnomah County patient or have health insurance.
- You can get tested regardless of your immigration status. We will not share your information with law enforcement or immigration officials.
- We focus on reaching Black, Indigenous, and People of Color communities.
- Testing is conducted outdoors whenever possible. Please dress to accommodate the weather.
- **Please note:** Test sites schedules can change. Please check Multnomah County’s [COVID-19 Testing](#) web page or call **503-988-8939** to confirm testing site hours.

Locations and hours

- **East County:** East County Health Center (parking lot), 600 NE 8th St., Gresham, Mondays and Thursdays, 9:00 am - 3:45 pm. This site’s last day of testing will be **July 29**.
- **North Portland:** Portland Community College, Cascade Campus, 705 N Killingsworth St., Portland, Wednesdays, 11 am - 5:30 pm. This site’s last day of testing will be **July 28**.
- **Mid County:** Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization (IRCO), 10301 NE Glisan St., Portland, Fridays, 11:15 am - 1:45 pm
- **Rockwood:** Latino Network, Rockwood Office, 312 SE 165th Ave., Portland, Saturdays, 8:45 am - 11:45 am

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