

WOU Community Health + Polk County COVID-19 Project

Data Brief

January 25, 2021

Cumulative Case Numbers:

Oregon: 138,168 • Polk: 2,581 • Marion: 16,740

County Rankings of Incidence in the Last Week

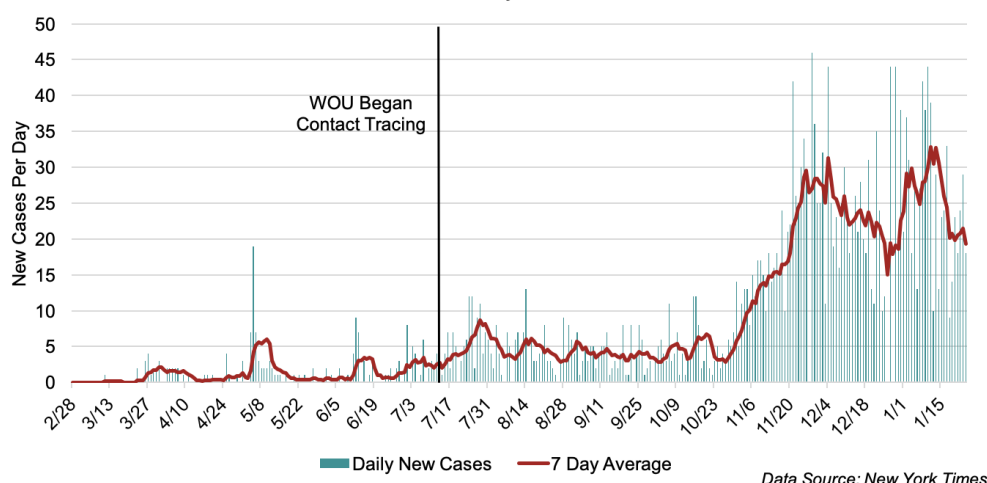
Polk: 8th (was 18th)
Marion: 9th (was 15th) *Out of 36 Counties

Individuals Currently Being Traced by WOU

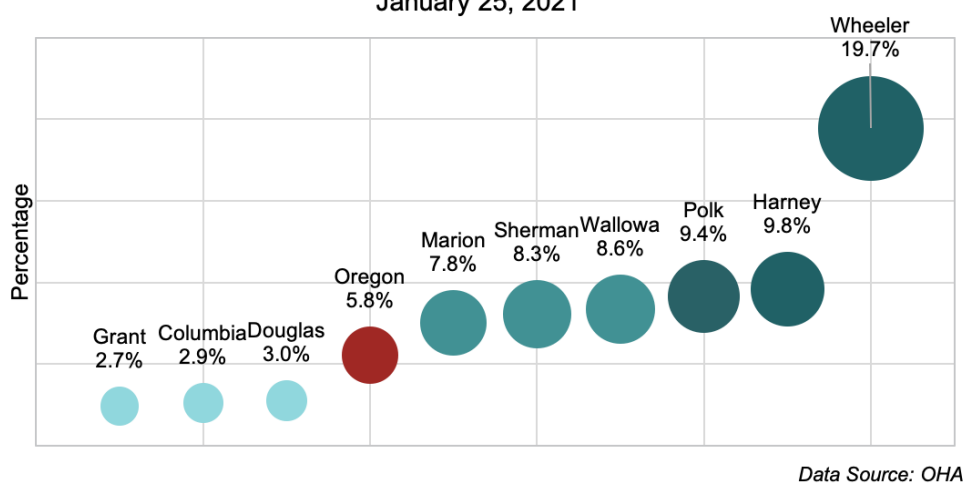
Contact Tracing Team: **156**

(Last Week: 171) As of 8:00am 1/25

Daily New Cases of COVID-19, Polk County, Oregon
as of January 24, 2021



Percentage of Population with at Least One Vaccine Dose
Administered in Oregon Counties
January 25, 2021



Oregon Headlines: Group 1A vs 1B

- Individuals in Phase 1A Groups 1, 2, 3, and 4 are currently eligible for the COVID-19 vaccine. These include health care personnel working in hospitals, urgent care, and other facilities and public health settings, long-term care facility residents, tribal health programs, individuals working in correctional settings, and other first responders.
- Individuals in Phase 1B Groups 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 are teachers, childcare providers and older adults.
- On January 25, Phase 1B Group 1 (teachers and childcare providers) will be eligible for the vaccine.
- For more information on vaccine distribution in Oregon, go [here](#). For Polk County, see page 2.

Main Takeaways From Visuals:

- Over the past week, Polk County had an average of 19 cases per day and appeared to be coming out of the holidays' surge of cases.
- Polk County is one of the leading counties, behind Wheeler and Harney, with over 9% of the population having been vaccinated with at least one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine.



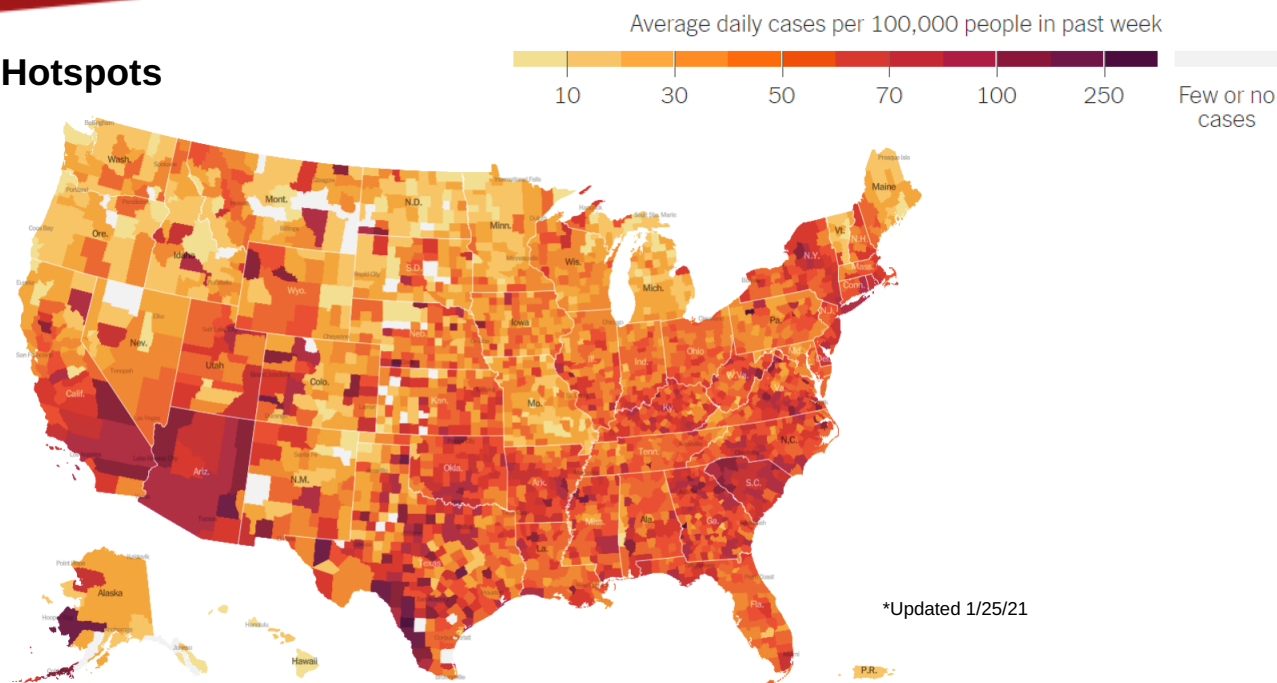
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Community Health



U.S. COVID-19 Hotspots



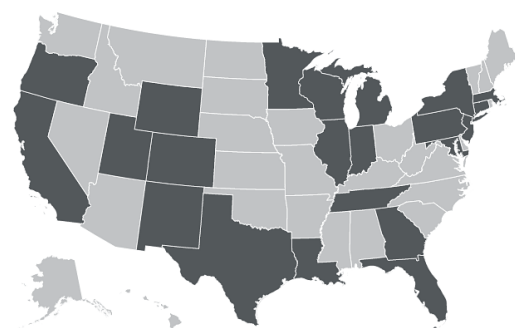
Virus Variant Update

Recent variants seem to spread more easily and quickly than other variants, which may lead to more cases of COVID-19. Currently, there is no evidence that these variants cause more severe illness or increased risk of death. However, an increase in the number of cases will put more strain on health care resources, lead to more hospitalizations, and potentially more deaths.

Rigorous and increased compliance with public health mitigation strategies, such as vaccination, physical distancing, use of masks, hand hygiene, and isolation and quarantine, will be essential to limiting the spread of SARS-CoV-2 and protecting the public's health.

US COVID-19 Cases Caused by Variants

Total Cases: 195



Vaccines at WOU?

For people who live or work in Polk County, vaccines are being provided through Salem Health in the Werner University Center (Pacific Room) at WOU. Anyone who arrives to be vaccinated will be asked to attest to their eligibility as a member of the Oregon Health Authority's Phase 1a group. Individuals must bring their insurance cards, as insurance will be billed for the administration of the vaccine; however, there is no out-of-pocket cost.

For updates and to sign up if you are eligible, go to the [Salem Health COVID-19 Vaccination Information](#) website, and click on the "Polk County" tab.