



# COVID-19 UPDATE

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**WASHINGTON COUNTY**  
**OREGON**

Department of Health and Human Services



# Oregon Numbers as of 8/31/2020

- 1,558 new confirmed and presumptive cases reported in the last week, for a cumulative total of 26,713
- Statewide: 634 cases per 100,000
- Cumulative deaths: 459
- Statewide 7-day average for new hospitalizations 7 (downward trend)

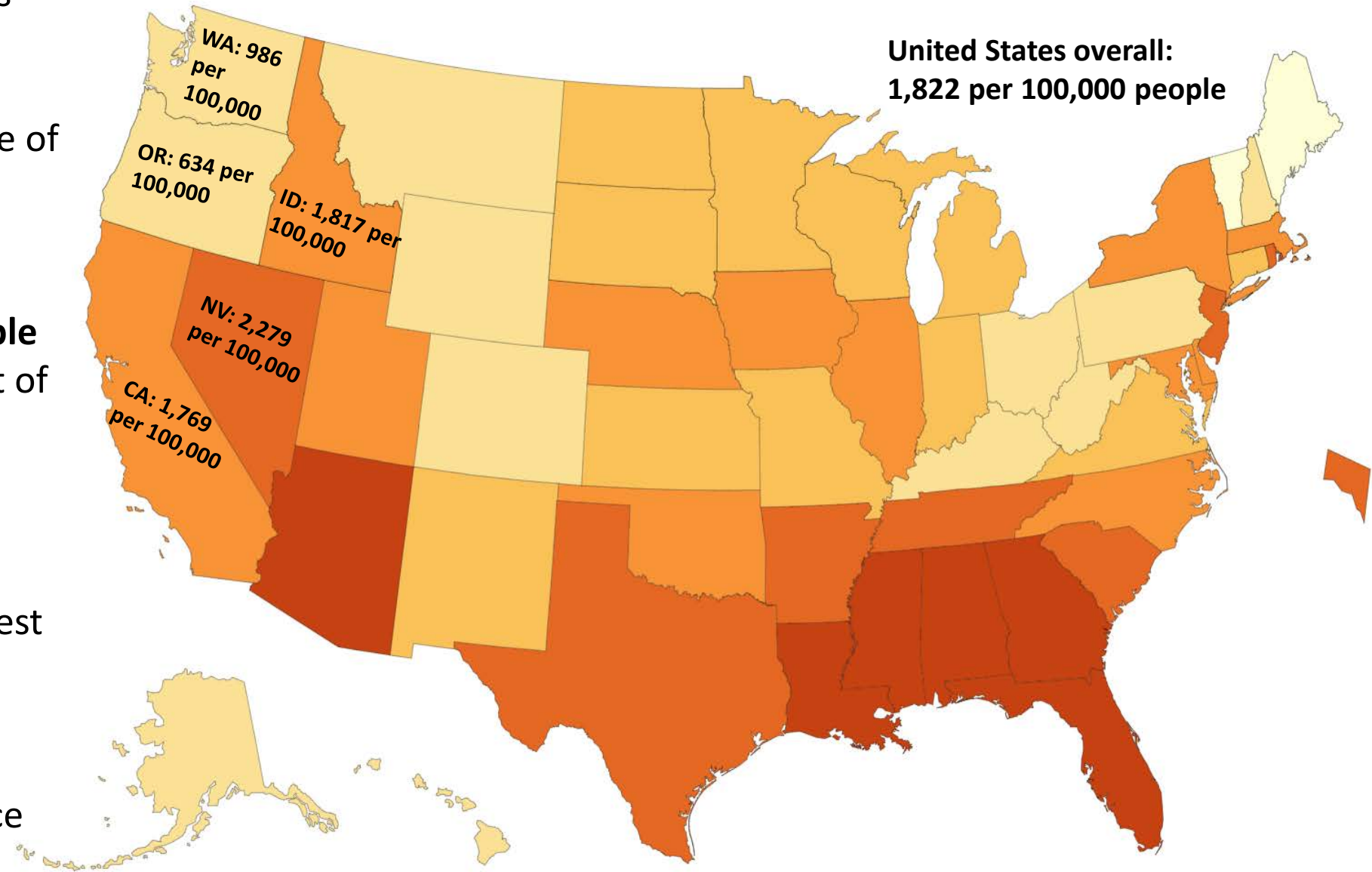


Washington County COVID data Category	8/24/2020	8/31/2020
<b>Total confirmed cases</b>	3,489	3,684
Total presumptive cases	110	116
Total hospitalizations	278	291
Total deaths	36	45
<b>Current Outbreaks</b>		
Long-term care facilities	12	15
Congregate settings	1	2
Workplace settings	15	11
Schools/day care/ camps	4	1



## COVID-19 Case Rate in the US Reported to the CDC by state/territory (cases per 100,000)

- Case rates or incidence rates are a good way to compare across states because they control for differences in size of populations
- Oregon has **634 cases of COVID-19 per 100,000 people** and ranks among the lowest of all states and US territories.
- Oregon has **10 COVID-19 deaths per 100,000 people**, also ranking among the lowest of all states and territories
- Cumulative rates from beginning of pandemic (since Jan 21, 2020)



# Tricounty region—Public Health Phase 2 Readiness Indicators

Public Health Indicators	% ED visits for COVID-like illness	Trend in percent of tests that are positive in the last 7 days	Percent increase in new cases in last 7 days	Percent of cases not traced to a known source in last 7 days	Trend in COVID-19 hospitalizations over the last 14 days	Percent of cases in last 7 days with follow up within 24 hours
	Should be below 1.5%	Should not trend up	Should be no more than 5%	Should be below 30%	Should downtrend	Should be 95% or more
Washington County	<b>0.4%</b>	<b>4.5% (uptrend)</b>	<b>-19%</b>	<b>43%</b>	<b>Downtrend</b>	<b>98%</b>
Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington	<b>0.4%</b>	<b>4.6% (uptrend)</b>	<b>-18%</b>	<b>43%</b>	<b>Downtrend</b>	<b>93%</b>
Clackamas County	<b>0.4%</b>	<b>4.6% (uptrend)</b>	<b>-15%</b>	<b>39%</b>	<b>Downtrend</b>	<b>98%</b>
Multnomah County	<b>0.4%</b>	<b>4.6% (uptrend)</b>	<b>-19%</b>	<b>45%</b>	<b>Downtrend</b>	<b>89%</b>

# Oregon school reopening criteria

## Oregon

- In-person learning: incidence rate <10 per 100,000 and <5% positivity
- Transition to comprehensive distance learning (for schools that had in-person learning occurring): incidence rate >20 per 100,000 and >7.5% positivity
- Comprehensive distance learning for all: incidence rate >30 per 100,00 and >10% positivity

# Comparison of school reopening metrics

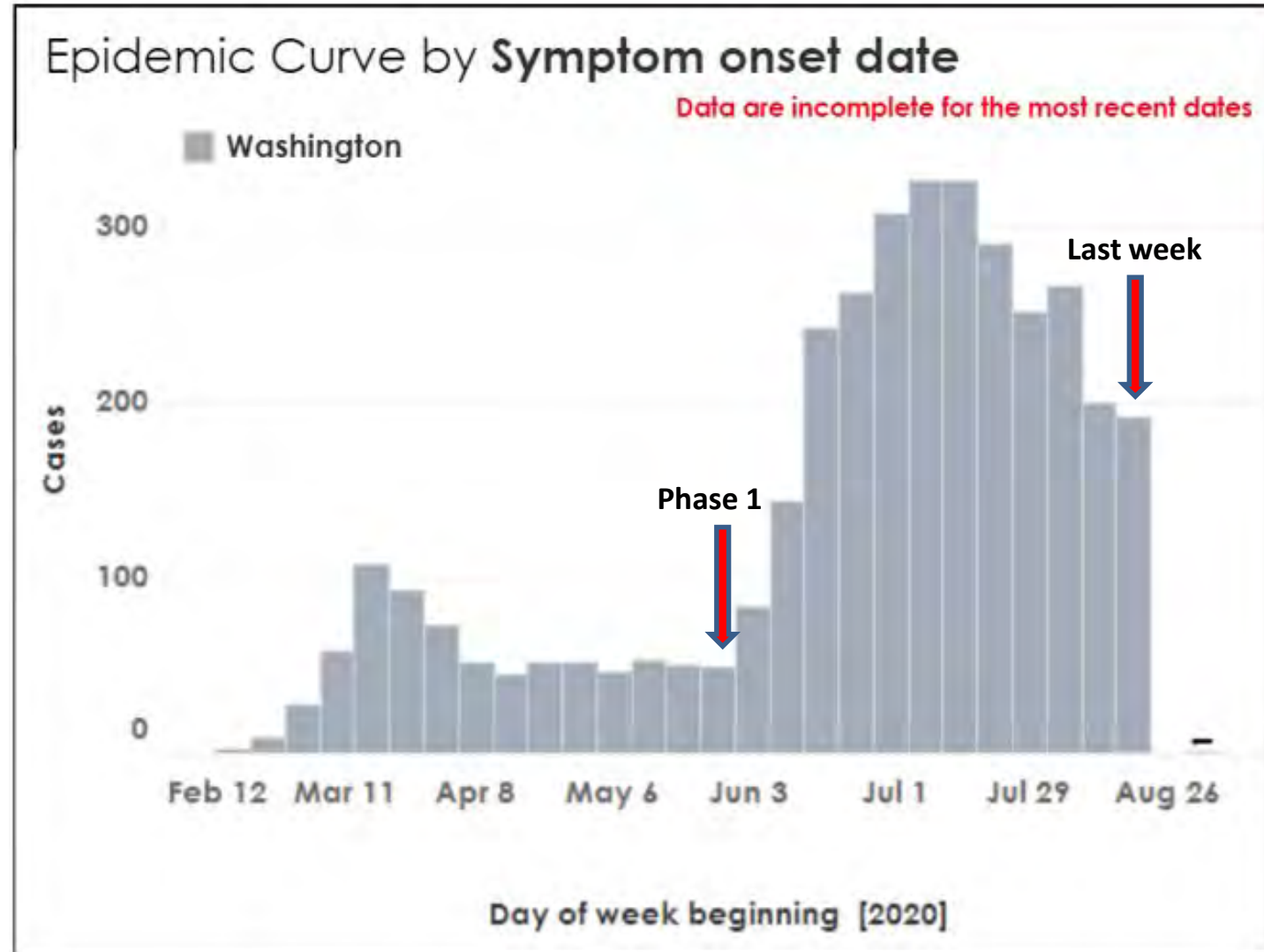
- Oregon requires county and state metrics to be met
- Of our neighboring states, Oregon, California and Washington base their metrics on incidence rate or case rate and percent positivity in the previous 2 or 3 weeks for school reopening
- Exceptions exist for youngest learners and students with learning needs for most states
- Oregon and California have some of the most restrictive plans

# Tri-county region COVID statistics—School reopening metrics

County	Week Start Date	Case Count	Case rate per 100,000	Test positivity (%)
Washington	8/9/2020	252	41	4.1%
	8/16/2020	209	34	4.4%
	8/23/2020	221	36	3.4%
Clackamas	8/9/2020	150	35	4.0%
	8/16/2020	124	29	4.6%
	8/23/2020	134	32	3.7%
Multnomah	8/9/2020	416	51	5.4%
	8/16/2020	339	41	4.5%
	8/23/2020	333	41	3.8%



# Looking better, but we must remain vigilant





# Homeless COVID Prevention Update

## Hotel voucher program

- 12 people currently enrolled

## Safe Sleep Village

- 45 participants to date; 3 people exited

## Family Promise Shelters – Beaverton and Tualatin Valley

- 30 people currently enrolled



# Enforcement

Washington County EOC public health enforcement first team in state

- Current process is complaint driven, strong focus on education
- Non-compliance can result in fines and is considered a criminal misdemeanor
- Exploring options to effectively and consistently issue citations for willfully non-compliant businesses
- We will provide an update on the process next week

Governor continues to encourage local governments to increase enforcement for businesses not complying with face covering requirements



# EOC Demobilization and Transition of COVID Response and Recovery Functions

Effective Thursday, August 27 at 5 p.m., the EOC was demobilized.

Operations Section will transition to the following independent functions:

- Public Health COVID Response Team – Team Leader: Adrienne Donner
- Housing/Homelessness Team – Team Leader: Josh Crites

HHS public information officers (Wendy and Mary) will continue their work.

The Logistics Section and Planning Section functions will transition to Emergency Management.

- Personal protective equipment (PPE) and community infection control item (CICI) information and ordering process will remain the same as the EOC closes and transitions to the COVID Response Team. (This includes our partnership with CWS.)

The Equity Officer and Finance Section chiefs will transition to department and support services.

# Community-Based Organization Partnerships

County contracts with 10 CBOs

- Outreach and Education
  - Currently support 570 families in isolation and 405 people in quarantine
- Beginning coordination with 50+ OHA contracted CBOs



# Preparing for Flu

OHA receiving CARES funding to

- Protect our communities most affected by COVID
- Preserve our health care system
- Prepare for COVID vaccine distribution and administration



# Washington County Flu and Covid Vaccine Planning

Will receive \$150,000 for flu

- partner with FQHCs, OHSU, MWA
- focus on congregate housing, correctional facilities, homeless, BIPOC

Beginning plans for COVID vaccine  
distribution