Current Status

The Washington State Department of Corrections’ (DOC) Prisons and Work Release facilities are currently mirroring the current increase of COVID-19 cases across the state with 15 facilities currently on outbreak status. DOC’s priority is the health and safety of staff and everyone in its care and custody, and has taken the following measures to mitigate the transmission of COVID-19.

All previously warm closed units at prison facilities have been reopened to provide additional space for quarantine and medical isolation patients, and those who test positive for COVID-19. All patients receive regular checks from medical staff. DOC currently has three Regional Care Facilities (RCF) opened at Airway Heights Corrections Center, Washington Corrections Center and Washington Corrections Center for Women. RCF’s safely and comfortably house incarcerated individuals who have tested positive for COVID-19 and may require more comprehensive medical attention and physical isolation from healthy populations, but do not require hospitalization.

The Washington State Department of Corrections has a webpage for COVID-related frequently asked questions, available here. To view DOC COVID-19 related data, click here.

Additionally, DOC will be increasing the frequency of COVID-19 bulletins to Monday, Tuesday and Thursday each week.

Numbers at a Glance

- **12,546** December 2021 Total Average Daily Population of Incarcerated Individuals for Prison and Work Release Facilities
- **2,605** Total Staff Cases have had COVID-19 to Date
- **7,020** Total Recovered Incarcerated Cases
- **440** Total Active Incarcerated Cases
- **293** Incarcerated Individuals in Medical Isolation
- **3,092** Incarcerated Individuals in Quarantine
- **10,126** Incarcerated Individuals have received at least one dose of COVID-19 vaccine
- **19th** out of 50 states for number of positive cases (Data from covidprisonproject.com)
- **21st** out of 50 states for cases as a percentage of the population (Data from covidprisonproject.com)
- **40th** for mortality rate of positive COVID-19 cases out of the 44 states that report mortality rate data (Data from covidprisonproject.com)

*This number includes Corrections Staff, Contract Staff, Office of the Ombuds and Disability Rights Washington who received vaccine doses from DOC and does not include those staff members who were vaccinated elsewhere.*

Definitions of Interest

Washington State Department of Corrections defines an outbreak as a group of confirmed cases of COVID-19 that includes at least one incarcerated individual.

**Limited Area Outbreak**

i. Two or more confirmed cases of COVID-19 in incarcerated individuals occurring within 14 days who reside in the same living area or work release OR
ii. One or more confirmed cases of COVID in an incarcerated individual AND one or more confirmed cases of COVID in staff or volunteers working in proximity to the incarcerated individual case/cases occurring within 14 days.

Facility Wide Outbreak

i. Two or more Limited Area Outbreaks that are connected, occurring simultaneously in the same facility.

Prison Facilities

Facility-Wide Outbreak

Washington Corrections Center

- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 143
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 1,247

Olympic Corrections Center

Ozette Unit

- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 83
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 86

Coyote Ridge Corrections Center

- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 28
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 479

Limited-Area Outbreak

Washington Corrections Center for Women

Close Custody unit

- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 70
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 110

Stafford Creek Corrections Center

H5 Unit

- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 28
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 1,272

Washington State Penitentiary

Kitchen

- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 3
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 1,018

Mission Creek Corrections Center for Women

Gold Unit

- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 6
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 17

Monroe Correctional Complex

MSU C Unit

- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 63
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 751

Clallam Bay Corrections Center

A Unit, F Unit

- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 6
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 223
Work Release Facilities

Facility-Wide Outbreak

Brownstone Work Release
- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 6
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 12

Progress House Work Release
- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 8
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 35

Reynolds Work Release
- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 13
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 24

Olympia Work Release
- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 5
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 6

Bishop Lewis Work Release
- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 6
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 45

Ahtanum View Work Release
- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 2
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 13

DOC’s COVID-19 Response
Visit the COVID-19 Significant Event Timeline, which is published publicly for interested parties and stakeholders to promote and cultivate an environment of integrity and trust, and to foster openness, values which are part of Corrections' mission to improve public safety.

For additional information visit doc.wa.gov/corrections/covid-19/
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