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 18 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 and continue maintaining safe and humane correctional environments.

The department has also taken a number of steps to address staffing shortages. You can read about those steps, here.


Numbers at a Glance
Average Daily Population
- 12,546 December 2021 Total Average Daily Population of Incarcerated Individuals for Prison and Work Release Facilities

Staff Cases
- Active Staff Cases 724
- Total Staff Cases To Date 3,102
- Total Staff Cases Recovered 2,374

Incarcerated Cases
- Active Incarcerated Cases 1,643
- Total Incarcerated Cases To Date 8,836
- Total Incarcerated Cases Recovered 7,177

Isolation & Quarantine
- Incarcerated Individuals in Medical Isolation 1,322
- Incarcerated Individuals in Quarantine 4,060

Vaccination Status
- Incarcerated Individuals vaccinated (at least one dose) 10,207

National Comparison
- 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
Medical isolation and quarantine among the incarcerated population
- **Medical Isolation**: separating a symptomatic patient with a concern for a communicable disease from other patients.
- **Quarantine**: separating from other individuals those who are not showing symptoms yet have been exposed to an individual with a contagious disease.

Limited Area Outbreak
- 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

Airway Heights Corrections Center
- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 144
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 1,831

Cedar Creek Corrections Center
- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 15
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 110

Clallam Bay Corrections Center
- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 60
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 277
- 324 pending tests from last facility wide COVID-19 testing on January 18.

Coyote Ridge Corrections Center
- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 174
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 625

Mission Creek Corrections Center for Women
- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 31
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 42
- Bear Creek Unit has been opened temporarily to house incarcerated individuals who were identified as close contact with the those who tested positive.

Monroe Correctional Complex
- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 195
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 925

Olympic Corrections Center
- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 117
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 120
- Recovered individuals will initially maintain housing in the Clearwater Unit, but will be provided an opportunity to program with fewer restrictions.

Stafford Creek Corrections Center
- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 109
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 1,353

Washington Corrections Center
- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 592
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 1,696
- Evergreen Unit is on Cleared Status, but programming remains limited to essential-work functions and outdoor recreation.

Washington Corrections Center for Women
- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 80
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 120
- Positive cases have been found in both Mission and Gold Units
- Close contacts with Mission and Gold Units are being housed in Bear Unit tested daily for five days.
Limited-Area Outbreak
Washington State Penitentiary
Adams Unit, Unit 8

- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 61
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 1,831
- The entire population except for Unit 8, will be tested tomorrow, January 20.

Work Release Facilities

Facility-Wide Outbreak

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

Bellingham Work Release
- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 7
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 25
- Kitchen manager has returned
- Due to staffing shortages, breakfast will be served cold, lunch and dinner will continue to be hot.

Bishop Lewis Work Release
- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 9
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 48

Brownstone Work Release
- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 22
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 29

Eleanor Chase House Work Release
- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 4
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 6

Olympia Work Release
- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 7
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 8

Progress House Work Release
- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 14
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 42

Reynolds Work Release
- Number of new cases in last 30 days: 29
- Number of confirmed cases to date: 40

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

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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