

Corrections' COVID-19 Bulletin

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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 19 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](#).

Prison facilities are taking steps to ensure that incarcerated individuals receive regular communications from each facility regarding status changes of the facility and COVID-19. [Read more, here](#).

Each prison and work release facility on outbreak status sends out a weekly status update message, that can be viewed on the department's [Significant Events Timeline \(SET\)](#). You can search for information about a specific facility by visiting the SET, hitting ctrl+f, and typing in the acronym of the facility you are interested in.

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 **728**
- Total Staff Cases To Date **3,523**
- Total Staff Cases Recovered **2,791**

Incarcerated Cases

- Active Incarcerated Cases **2,612**
- Total Incarcerated Cases To Date **10,853**
- Total Incarcerated Cases Recovered **8,225**

Isolation & Quarantine

- Incarcerated Individuals in Medical Isolation **2,267**
- Incarcerated Individuals in Quarantine **7,594**

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.*

Frequently Asked Questions

Each week, DOC will be responding to top questions received by the Office of the Corrections Ombuds. To learn more about this, and to see the full list of this week's questions – [visit the webpage, here](#).

Prison Facilities

Starting January 24, 2022, DOC will be including active cases from the last 14 days rather than confirmed cases in the last 30 days. This is in an effort to provide the most current, relevant information possible in the bulletin. You can still review confirmed cases in the last 30 days, and more data, on our [COVID-19 data webpage, available here](#).

Facility-Wide Outbreak

Airway Heights Corrections Center

Incarcerated

- Active incarcerated cases: 575
- Total incarcerated cases to date: 2,298
- Airway Heights will be adjusting their JPay video connect session times starting Saturday, January 28, 2022.
- Continuing to deliver class materials and assignments to those currently enrolled in education classes.
- Services including notary, e-filings and legal copies will continue to be provided.
- Will be providing two cold meals and one hot meal a day due to critical-staffing levels and lack of incarcerated workers.
- Beginning today MSU C6 Recreation building are additional Alternate Housing Area (AHA) for medical isolation purposes to house covid confirmed positive individuals that are asymptomatic.

Staff

- Active staff Cases: 101
- Total staff cases to date: 446

Cedar Creek Corrections Center

Incarcerated

- Active incarcerated cases: 68
- Total incarcerated cases to date: 177
- Alpine Unit, the Visit Room and T-Line have been reopened to temporarily house individuals who have tested positive.

Staff

- Active staff Cases: 16
- Total staff cases to date: 58

Clallam Bay Corrections Center

Incarcerated

- Active incarcerated cases: 129
- Total incarcerated cases to date: 380

Staff

- Active staff Cases: 36
- Total staff cases to date: 163

Coyote Ridge Corrections Center

Incarcerated

- Active incarcerated cases: 265
- Total incarcerated cases to date: 861
- January 26, 2022, all of MSU was tested again, along with A Unit.
- January 24, 2022, D unit and E unit were approved to come off of quarantine.

Staff

- Active staff Cases: 106
- Total staff cases to date: 443

Mission Creek Corrections Center for Women

Incarcerated

- Active incarcerated cases: 22
- Total incarcerated cases to date: 48
- Positive cases have been found in both Mission and Gold Units and those units remain on quarantine.
- Those who have been in close contact with COVID-19 positive individuals are being housed in Bear Unit and tested daily for five days.

Staff

- Active staff Cases: 5
- Total staff cases to date: 30

Monroe Correctional Complex

Incarcerated

- Active incarcerated cases: 636
- Total incarcerated cases to date: 1,493
- The Commissary has been experiencing COVID-related disruptions to their services and delivery capabilities, which is subsequently impacting WCC's ability to deliver store orders.

- January 30, 2022, at 5 p.m. MCC will return to staff serial PCR testing at the WSRU Okay Café.

Staff

- Active staff Cases: 61
- Total staff cases to date: 388

Olympic Corrections Center

Incarcerated

- Active incarcerated cases: 24
- Total incarcerated cases to date: 135
- All incarcerated individuals who have tested positive are temporarily housed in an alternate housing unit in Clearwater Unit.

Staff

- Active staff Cases: 2
- Total staff cases to date: 53

Stafford Creek Corrections Center

Incarcerated

- Active incarcerated cases: 98
- Total incarcerated cases to date: 1,451
- Meals are taking longer to serve due to a shortage of workers in the food-service department.
- The Gym and Visit Room are open for Alternate Housing. F-South is open.
- Operating by a temporary recreation schedule for yards cohorted by tier.
- All programming is currently closed

Staff

- Active staff Cases: 28
- Total staff cases to date: 254

Washington Corrections Center

Incarcerated

- Active incarcerated cases: 259
- Total incarcerated cases to date: 1,812
- Due to delays in receiving test results from the lab, WCC has recently transitioned to the use of rapid antigen tests.
- Specific TC workers may continue with work assignments on a case-by-case basis, as approved by medical.

Staff

- Active staff Cases: 99
- Total staff cases to date: 385

Washington Corrections Center for Women

Incarcerated

- Active incarcerated cases: 42
- Total incarcerated cases to date: 245
- Property schedule has been developed to assist return of property to individuals once cleared by medical to return to units.
- Shower schedules have been established for effected areas.
- Gym, Segregation, RCF and L Unit areas are currently housing medically isolated individuals.
- Commissary orders are delayed due COVID-19 and a shortage of incarcerated workers.

Staff

- Active staff Cases: 47
- Total staff cases to date: 183

Limited-Area Outbreak

Washington State Penitentiary

Adams Unit, Baker Unit, Delta Unit, Health Services IPU, IMU North, Rainier Unit, Unit 6, Unit 8, Victor Unit, William Unit

Incarcerated

- Active incarcerated cases: 480
- Total incarcerated cases to date: 1,504
- One kitchen is supporting facility meals due to incarcerated worker and staffing shortages.
- Fox Unit and half of Echo Unit are not on outbreak status at this time.

Staff

- Active staff Cases: 140
- Total staff cases to date: 563

Work Release Facilities

Facility-Wide Outbreak

Ahtanum View Work Release

Incarcerated

- Active incarcerated cases: 9
- Total incarcerated cases to date: 26

Staff

- Active staff Cases: 7
- Total staff cases to date: 20

Bellingham Work Release

Incarcerated

- Active incarcerated cases: 2
- Total incarcerated cases to date: 27
- Due to staffing shortages, breakfast will be served cold, lunch and dinner will continue to be hot.

Staff

- Active staff Cases: 0
- Total staff cases to date: 3

Bishop Lewis Work Release

Incarcerated

- Active incarcerated cases: 2
- Total incarcerated cases to date: 48
- Off Facility Wide Outbreak as of January 27, 2022

Staff

- Active staff Cases: 2
- Total staff cases to date: 13

Brownstone Work Release

Incarcerated

- Active incarcerated cases: 11
- Total incarcerated cases to date: 34

Staff

- Active staff Cases: 2
- Total staff cases to date: 9

Olympia Work Release

Incarcerated

- Active incarcerated cases: 1
- Total incarcerated cases to date: 8

Staff

- Active staff Cases: 3
- Total staff cases to date: 9

Peninsula Work Release

Incarcerated

- Active incarcerated cases: 3
- Total incarcerated cases to date: 11
- All COVID-19 testing has come back negative since January 22, 2022.
- Currently awaiting results for COVID-19 testing done today January 27, 2022.

Staff

- Active staff Cases: 1
- Total staff cases to date: 8

Progress House Work Release

Incarcerated

- Active incarcerated cases: 8
- Total incarcerated cases to date: 51

Staff

- Active staff Cases: 0
- Total staff cases to date: 6

Reynolds Work Release

Incarcerated

- Active incarcerated cases: 12
- Total incarcerated cases to date: 45
- Testing is provided twice weekly – Monday's and Thursdays

Staff

- Active staff Cases: 1
- Total staff cases to date: 13

Tri-Cities Work Release

Incarcerated

- Active incarcerated cases: 4
- Total incarcerated cases to date: 10

Staff

- Active staff Cases: 3
- Total staff cases to date: 12

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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