

Corrections' COVID-19 Bulletin

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Current Status

The Washington State Department of Corrections' (DOC) Prisons and Work Release facilities are seeing a promising decline in COVID-19 impacts with 9 currently on outbreak status. There were 20 on outbreak status on January 24, 2022. DOC's priority is the health and safety of staff and everyone in its care and custody.

DOC has been using the Incarcerated Individual Betterment Fund (IIBF) to do a variety of things for incarcerated individuals to help the time pass more smoothly. Additionally, a [message was sent to incarcerated individuals and family members](#) on February 25, 2022, that provided an update on DOC's response to COVID-19.

DOC [announced an update to prison and work release visitation status](#) on February 22, 2022.

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

- **12,371** January 2022 Total [Average Daily Population](#) of Incarcerated Individuals for Prison and Work Release Facilities

Staff Cases

- Active Staff Cases **100**
- Total Staff Cases To Date **4,083**
- Total Staff Cases Recovered **3,979**

Incarcerated Cases

- Active Incarcerated Cases **256**
- Total Incarcerated Cases To Date **13,267**
- Total Incarcerated Cases Recovered **12,994**

Isolation & Quarantine

- Incarcerated Individuals in Medical Isolation **325**
- Incarcerated Individuals in Quarantine **2,297**

Vaccination Status

- Incarcerated Individuals vaccinated (at least one dose) **10,417**

**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

To review DOC's COVID-19 Frequently Asked 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: 11
- Total incarcerated cases to date: 2,944
- Portable phones are used in living units that are on single cell cohort schedules and in the Regional Care Facility.
- Hard line phones are used in living units with medical isolation individuals, the alternate housing location in the gym and in the MSU living units per cohort schedule.
- Bottled water is being distributed to the following locations: K Unit and L Unit, due to dry cells and single cell cohort schedule. N Unit A side and the RCF for individuals on medical-isolation status.
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Staff

- Active staff Cases: 7
- Total staff cases to date: 540

Larch Corrections Center

Incarcerated

- Active incarcerated cases: 53
- Total incarcerated cases to date: 410

Staff

- Active staff Cases: 6
- Total staff cases to date: 71

Washington Corrections Center for Women

Incarcerated

- Active incarcerated cases: 0
- Total incarcerated cases to date: 268

Staff

- Active staff Cases: 5
- Total staff cases to date: 214

Limited-Area Outbreak

Coyote Ridge Corrections Center

Downgraded to Limited Area Outbreak status February 25.

B Unit A Pod, A Unit H Tier

Incarcerated

- Active incarcerated cases: 34
- Total incarcerated cases to date: 965
- Portable phone access has been utilized in alternative housing and medical isolation.
- Laundry continues on normal schedule.
- B Unit A Pod, A Unit H Tier now on Limited Area Outbreak Status.
- We are giving yard time as staffing allows for B Unit B Pod, C, D, E, G, I, H and F Unit A Pod.
- The following areas are currently on medical-isolation status: F Unit B Pod, A Unit I Tier and J Tier.
- F Unit A Pod continues to house recovered individuals.
- B Unit will resume testing on Wednesday, March 2, 2022, and on Monday, March 7, 2022.

Staff

- Active staff Cases: 9
- Total staff cases to date: 516

Monroe Correctional Complex

MCC-SOU E Unit and MCC SOU F Unit

Incarcerated

- Active incarcerated cases: 9
- Total incarcerated cases to date: 1,691
- Laundry carts are sent and picked up daily Monday-Friday. Laundry returns the following day.
- Phone access – MCC is starting unit movements earlier in the day to provide more opportunities for phone access.

- MCC-SOU E Unit and MCC SOU F Unit remain on Limited Area outbreak and will be tested Monday, February 28. If all those tests come back negative, they will be presented to HQ EOC for removal from Limited Area Outbreak status.

Staff

- Active staff Cases: 10
- Total staff cases to date: 444

Stafford Creek Corrections Center

G Unit, H1 Unit

Incarcerated

- Active incarcerated cases: 2
- Total incarcerated cases to date: 1,574
- Weekly testing for G and H1 will be conducted Monday, February 28.
- Living Units H2, H3, H4, H5 and H6 will now have access to Correctional Industries, Education, Property, Recreation (for Hobby items and Musical Instruments), Records reviews, Resolution Program and Hearings.
- Correctional Industries: A limited number of incarcerated individuals will be allowed to work, starting off with 25 additional workers February 28. Each Monday, 25 workers will be added as the weeks progress.

Staff

- Active staff Cases: 10
- Total staff cases to date: 293

Washington Corrections Center

R1, R2

Incarcerated

- Active incarcerated cases: 17
- Total incarcerated cases to date: 2,237
- Laundry operations are running smoothly in all living units.
- Phone access: All living units are on a rotation schedule with phone access, additional phones are being sourced where needed.
- R-6 A-D Tiers will also remain under quarantine protocols.
- Monday, February 28, WCC will administer COVID-19 tests to R-1, R-2, R-6 (A/B, C/D Tiers), and R-5 C/D Tiers.

Staff

- Active staff Cases: 10
- Total staff cases to date: 434

Washington State Penitentiary

Delta Unit, Echo Unit, Fox Unit, IMU North, IMU South, Victor Unit, William Unit

Incarcerated

- Active incarcerated cases: 130
- Total incarcerated cases to date: 2,096
- Laundry operations have been utilizing DOC staff when shortages occur with incarcerated workers.
- Phone access continues on a rolling schedule for living units based on unit and cohort size with access either every day or every other day.

Staff

- Active staff Cases: 23
- Total staff cases to date: 677

Work Release Facilities

Facility-Wide Outbreak

Bellingham Work Release

Incarcerated

- Active incarcerated cases: 0
- Total incarcerated cases to date: 30
- COVID-19 testing will be carried out Saturday, February 26. If all those tests come back negative, they will be presented to HQ EOC for removal from Facility Wide Outbreak status.

Staff

- Active staff Cases: 0

- Total staff cases to date: 3

Progress House Work Release

Removed from outbreak status February 25.

Incarcerated

- Active incarcerated cases: 0
- Total incarcerated cases to date: 52

Staff

- Active staff Cases: 0
- Total staff cases to date: 8

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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