

Local Snapshot

Pacific County Positive Cases: 246
Pacific County Residents Tested: Data Unavailable
Probable Cases (Not Confirmed): N/A
Pacific County Active Cases: 86
Pacific County Hospitalizations: 12
Pacific County Deaths 3

All counties in WA State have reported confirmed cases of COVID-19.

The Pacific County Emergency Operations Center is open Monday - Friday, 8:00am - 4:00pm

Please give us a call with any COVID-19 related questions or concerns.
North County: (360) 875-9407 / South County: (360) 642-9407
If you are experiencing a medical emergency, please contact 9-1-1 immediately.

Washington 211 COVID-19 Call Center

Call for general information related to COVID-19. If you need information or have a general question, call 1-800-525-0127 or text 211-211 for help. You can also text the word "Coronavirus" to 211-211 to receive information and updates on your phone wherever you are. You will receive links to the latest information on COVID-19, including county-level updates, and resources for families, businesses, students, and more.

For the latest Washington State COVID-19 data please click on the link below:

<https://www.doh.wa.gov/Emergencies/Coronavirus>

For the latest PACIFIC COUNTY COVID-19 DATA please click on the link below. The page is very informative and illustrates how we are trying to disseminate information and resources:

<https://www.pacificcountycovid19.com/>

Next Weekly Community Forum: Wednesday, December 2, 2020 at 11:30 (re-occurring) via Zoom or Facebook Live

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84282447783>
1-253-215-8782 meeting id: 84282447783#

Statewide Snapshot

WA State Total Positive/Confirmed Cases as of 11/03//2020: 134,121. WA Total Deaths: 2,571
Neighboring Counties: Wahkiakum County 12 cases, Grays Harbor 881 cases, Lewis County 954 cases, Clatsop County 309 cases.

55 Additional Positive COVID-19 Cases in Pacific County

Pacific County Public Health and Human Services has received notice of 55 additional positive cases of COVID-19 in Pacific County. These cases are new since November 16 and are in addition to the 191 previously reported cases for a total of 246 cases. There are currently 86 active cases being monitored by public health nurses.

Per direction from Pacific County Deputy Health Officer Dr. Steven Krager, positive rapid tests which had previously been reported as probable cases will now be reported as part of the over-all total. The Washington State Department of Health will continue to report confirmed cases, as a result, the number of cases shown by the Department of Health will lag behind what is reported by Pacific County. It is important to note false positives are rare. The numbers reported by Pacific County will continue to reflect an accurate count of active cases within the county.

Pacific County is currently seeing exponential growth of Covid-19 cases. From April through October Pacific County reported 121 cases. From November 1, through November 17, Pacific County has reported 125 cases.

The individuals are:

- Male, 0-10 years old, linked to household positive case
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- Male, 0-10 years old, linked to household positive case
- Female, 0-10 years old, linked to household positive case
- Male, 0-10 years old, linked to household positive case
- Female, 11-20 years old, linked to household positive case
- Female, 11-20 years old, linked to household positive case
- Male, 11-20 years old, linked to household positive case
- Male, 11-20 years old, linked to household positive case
- Male, 11-20 years old, linked to household positive case
- Male, 11-20 years old, linked to household positive case
- Female, 11-20 years old, linked to household positive case
- Female, 11-20 years old, linked to household positive case
- Male, 11-20 years old, linked to workplace exposure
- Male, 11-20 years old, linked to workplace exposure
- Male, 11-20 years old, linked to workplace exposure
- Female, 21-30 years old, linked to workplace exposure
- Female, 21-30 years old, linked to workplace exposure
- Male, 21-30 years old, linked to workplace exposure
- Female, 21-30 years old, linked to household positive case
- Male, 21-30 years old, linked to workplace exposure
- Male, 21-30 years old, linked to workplace exposure
- Male, 21-30 years old, linked to workplace exposure
- Female, 31-40 years old, linked to workplace exposure
- Male, 31-40 years old, linked to household positive case
- Male, 31-40 years old, linked to workplace exposure
- Male, 31-40 years old, linked to workplace exposure
- Male, 31-40 years old, linked to workplace exposure
- Male, 31-40 years old, linked to household positive case

- Male, 31-40 years old, linked to social interaction
- Female, 31-40 years old, linked to workplace exposure
- Female, 31-40 years old, linked to workplace exposure
- Female, 31-40 years old, linked to workplace exposure
- Female, 41-50 years old, linked to household positive case
- Male, 41-50 years old, linked to workplace exposure
- Male, 41-50 years old, linked to workplace exposure
- Female, 41-50 years old, linked to community exposure
- Female, 41-50 years old, linked to workplace exposure
- Female, 41-50 years old, linked to household positive case
- Male, 41-50 years old, linked to workplace exposure
- Male, 51-60 years old, linked to workplace exposure
- Male, 51-60 years old, linked to workplace exposure
- Male, 51-60 years old, linked to workplace exposure
- Female, 51-60 years old, linked to workplace exposure
- Male, 51-60 years old, linked to household positive case
- Male, 51-60 years old, linked to workplace exposure
- Female, 51-60 years old, linked to social interaction
- Female, 51-60 years old, linked to workplace exposure
- Male, 61-70 years old, linked to workplace exposure
- Male, 61-70 years old, linked to community exposure
- Female, 61-70 years old, linked to out of county visitor
- Male, 61-70 years old, linked to out of county visitor
- Female, 81-90 years old, linked to out of county visitor

4 cases are currently hospitalized with all other individuals isolating at home. Case investigations and contact tracing are on-going.

Pacific County Health and Human Services strongly encourages the public to limit social gatherings, maintain social distancing of at least six feet between persons, and practice personal protective measures to include: correctly wearing a mask/face covering in public, washing hands often with soapy water for at least 20 seconds, and avoid touching your face. For up to date information and guidance, please monitor the Pacific County Health and Human Services Facebook page or visit: www.pacificcountycovid19.com.

COVID-19 Update

The state Department of Health (<http://www.doh.wa.gov/>) wants to keep you as informed as possible about continuing developments surrounding COVID-19 as well as guidance and resources you can share with employees, clients, or customers.

Difficult Conversations

This week, we released the latest [statewide situation report](#) on COVID-19 transmission. It shows that COVID-19 is spreading rapidly across Washington. Both the number of people who get COVID-19 and the number of people who need to be hospitalized for it have increased across the state. Increasing spread of COVID-19 makes planning for the holidays difficult. No one wants to risk getting people they love sick. If you will be seeing extended family members or friends in person for Thanksgiving, make it safer by staying home now. For the next two weeks until Thanksgiving, essentially quarantine yourself and leave your house only for the most essential reasons. And ask your family to do the same to protect you.

Even with these precautions, an indoor, in-person gathering is risky. It's completely reasonable—and safer—to decide to celebrate Thanksgiving with just your immediate household this year. Making that decision is hard, and it can be even harder to tell your family what you have decided! But during COVID-19, saying “no” to some events can be an act of caring, especially if our loved ones are [at high risk of getting very sick](#).

So, how can you say “no” to an event or get-together in a way that doesn't hurt anyone's feelings? Try these tips:

Be clear

Saying no effectively starts with just that – saying no. A simple, direct “no” is the best way to make yourself understood and closes the door for negotiations.

Offer alternatives

Ask if there is another way to connect with the person who invites you to a gathering. Acknowledge you really want to see them but want to keep everyone safe. “I wish we could get together, but I don't want to do anything to risk you or my family/myself getting sick.” Maybe start planning an opportunity to see each other when the weather lets us be outside.

Be honest

Excuses are tempting, but they can easily backfire when your convenient excuse is met with an equally convenient solution. For example, telling someone you can't go to an event because you don't have anyone to watch your children leaves the door open for them to invite your kids as well.

Don't feel pressured to keep the conversation going

Your “no” is enough. If you get pushed for more reasons or are accused of being unkind or selfish, you aren't obligated to reply. It's ok to say something like “I'm sorry you're upset, but this is my decision and I need you to respect it” – and leave it at that.

For more questions, answers and tips on how to share celebrations safely in the coming months, check out our Safer Gatherings website at www.coronavirus.wa.gov/gatherings

Numbers. The latest numbers are on our webpage. As of 11:59 p.m. on November 11, 123,359 people in Washington have tested positive for COVID-19. Of those, 9,178 people had to be hospitalized, and 2,507 people (or 2.0%) have died of the disease. More COVID-19 data can be found on the [DOH website](#) and in the state's [risk assessment dashboard](#).

Practice compassion. One of the best gifts you can give your family and friends during the coming months is to not make them feel guilty about saying “no” to an invitation. We all need to make the best decisions we can for ourselves and for our families this year. Accepting those decisions with a simple “I understand—hope we can do it next year!” makes it easier on everyone.

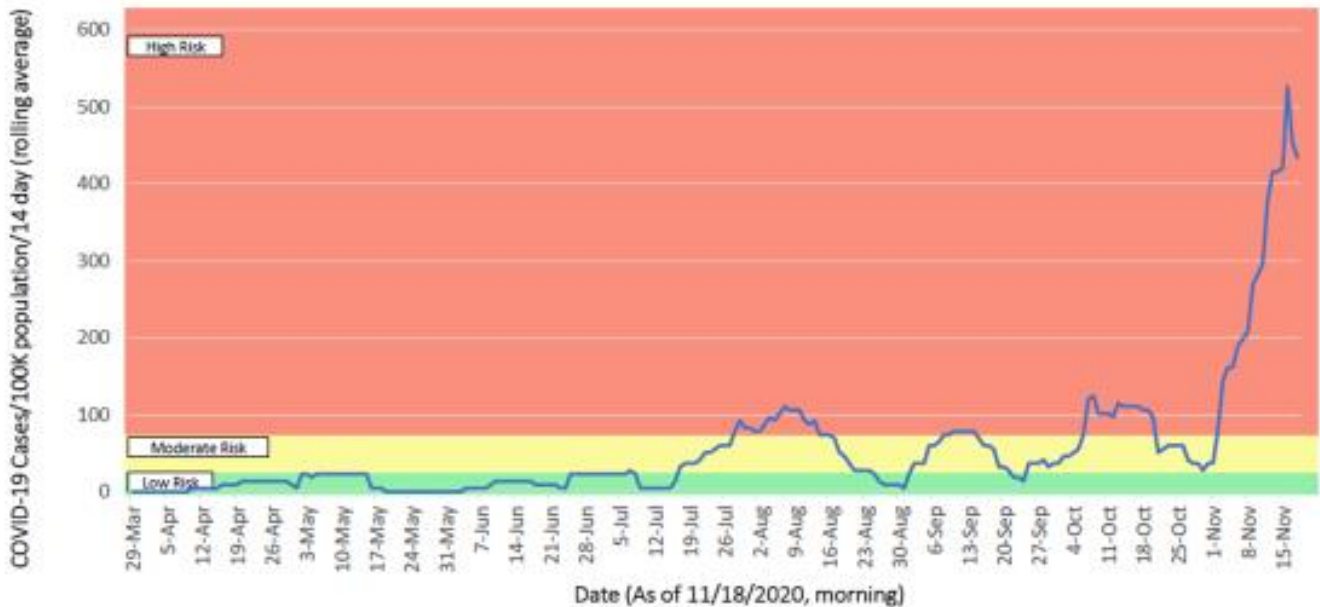
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Pacific County Metrics: School Risk Assessment

Reference: Decision Tree for Provision of In Person Learning among K-12 Students at Public and Private Schools during the COVID-19 Pandemic: https://www.doh.wa.gov/Portals/1/Documents/1600/coronavirus/DecisionTree-K12schools.pdf?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery



Inslee appoints Umair A. Shah, MD, MPH New Secretary of Health

Gov. Jay Inslee today appointed Umair A. Shah, MD, MPH as the new Washington state secretary of health starting December 21. Dr. Shah currently serves as executive director and local health authority for Harris County Public Health in Texas. Read the full news release [here](#).

Governor Jay Inslee held a press conference today to announce the new state Department of Health secretary. The governor was joined by Dr. Umair A. Shah, the incoming secretary of health, and Dr. Kathy Lofy, state health officer. A recording of the press conference is available from TVW [here](#).

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County Data and Case Update	10/28/2020	11/4/2020	11/10/2020	11/18/2020*
COVID-19 Cases	120	122	159	246
<i>Cases that resided in Pacific County</i>	117	119	156	243
<i>Active Cases (monitored by Public Health)</i>	10	14	42	86
<i>Probable Cases (monitored by Public Health)</i>	2	12	8	N/A*
<i>Closed Cases (no longer monitored by Public Health)</i>	112	120	122	160
Hospitalizations	8	8	8	12
Deaths	3	3	3	3
Percent Deaths (deaths/confirmed cases)	2.5%	2.5%	1.9%	1.2%
Total Tests: Pacific County Residents (Pacific County Healthcare/Public Health)	3371 (5565)	3503 (6060)	3635 (6444)	Unavailable** (7118)
Percent Positive (confirmed cases/total tests)	3.6%	3.5%	4.4%	Unavailable**
Percent Positive (7 Day Average):	4.1%	1.5%	28%	Unavailable**
Cases per 100k per 14 days (rolling)	41.6	23.1	180.2	434.4

Updates highlighted

*Data transition to include "Probable" as "COVID-19 Case." No longer require PCR confirmation

**Requires antigen test data

Inslee Announces Statewide Restrictions for Four Weeks

Gov. Jay Inslee announced a four-week statewide set of [restrictions](#) in response to the recent rapid spread of the COVID-19 virus in Washington and across the country.

The restrictions are statewide and took effect Monday, November 16 at 11:59 PM and will remain in effect until Monday, December 14. The modified restrictions of restaurants, however, will take effect Wednesday, November 18 at 12:01 AM.

Read the rest of the story on the governor's [Medium page](#). The full proclamation is available [here](#). The full guidance page is available [here](#).

Fall Child Care COVID-19 Grants Available

To ensure a stable, functional and flexible child care system that supports providers and families during COVID-19, the Department of Children, Youth, and Families (DCYF) is providing direct support to licensed child care providers for stabilization, to assist with reopening and staying open, to offset increased costs associated with the COVID-19 pandemic and to incentivize providers to serve school-age children. Learn more [here](#).

PACIFIC COUNTY

Total Number of Residents Confirmed with Covid-19 by Zip Code

