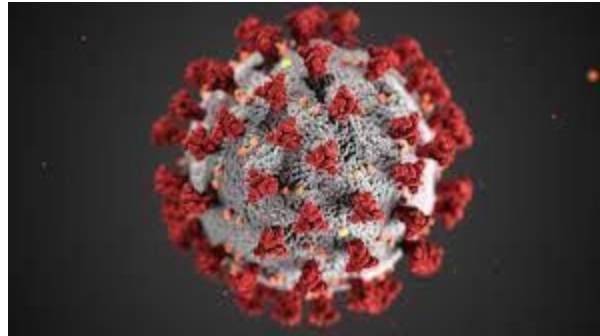


The 6 p.m. COVID-19 report for Del Norte and Curry counties — new percentages!

July 20, 2020



Our 6 p.m. report continues, with the latest data we could round up for July 20, 2020. Our last report was Friday, July 17, as we did not provide a report over the weekend.

New! Percentages (corrected*)

Readers have asked for percentages as a way of interpreting the data. It is difficult to have exact percentages, in part because we don't have access to the very latest population numbers. Also, some people are tested multiple times (such as health care professionals). However, this rough data is interesting:

As of reports available to us on July 20:

National - 14.81% of population tested; 9.26% of tests positive; 3.11% of people with positive tests died.

California - 15.98% of population tested; 6.10% of tests positive; 1.97% of people with positive tests died.

Oregon - 8.04% of population tested; 4.38% of tests positive; 1.76% of people with positive tests died

Del Norte County - 11.26% of population tested; 2.11% of tests positive; no deaths

Curry County - 3.68% of population tested; 1.19% of tests positive; no deaths

*The data originally published with this report inadvertently mis-stated percentages. They are now corrected.

New cases, Curry and Del Norte

Both Curry and Del Norte counties have reported new positive COVID-19 cases since our last report:

CURRY

On July 18, Curry County Public Health received notification this afternoon from Curry General Hospital of two confirmed cases of COVID-19. Public Health reached out to one of the individuals and learned that the person has not been in close contact with anyone for an extended period of time other than his spouse. Contact tracing has been initiated in this case and at this point the individual has been instructed to self-isolate and monitor his symptoms.

The public health department said the second individual who tested positive is from Southern California and has been visiting and staying with family in Crescent City, California. The individual was able to get tested at Curry Medical Center in Brookings. This individual was referred back to California for further contact tracing.

This report brought Curry County totals to a total of ten cases including three active positive cases as of July 19. A total of 843 tests are reported to have taken place, of which 834 were negative. There have been no COVID-19 related deaths or hospitalizations reported in Curry County.

It appears that Curry County is making an update each Friday, unless there are new cases to report. More information is available HERE: <https://currypublichealth.com/home>

DEL NORTE

Also on July 18, there were four new confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Del Norte county. According to the public health department, three of these cases are active, related to a private gathering, and are close contacts of a positive case. Contact tracing was completed and close contacts have been placed in quarantine and recommended to test. One of the cases is inactive due to the delay in reporting. This new case had already completed isolation and recovered. This case was also a contact to a positive case and had been previously placed on quarantine.

Another case was also reported on July 18 in a resident outside Del Norte County. The case was transferred to the appropriate jurisdiction, and not reflected in the updated positive numbers.

New confirmed COVID-19 cases: 4

Current Hospitalizations: 0

Total tests: 3133

Total confirmed cases: 66

Total active cases: 4

Total inactive cases: 62

Total hospitalizations: 2

Total deaths: 0

Transmission

Contact to a Known Case: 46 cases (70%)

Travel-Acquired: 1 cases (2%)

Community Transmission: 17 cases (26%)

Under Investigation: 1 cases (2%)

Gender

Males: 34 cases (52%)

Females: 32 cases (48%)

Age Range

0-17 years: 16 cases (24%)

18-49 years: 37 cases (56%)

50-64 years: 9 cases (14%)

65+ years: 4 cases (6%)

Other Data

Mean Age: 33

Symptomatic Cases: 38 cases (58%)

Asymptomatic Cases: 27 cases (42%)

Passive Case Finding: 25 cases (38%)

Active Case Finding: 40 cases (62%)

ABOUT OUR REPORT

Our late afternoon report, Monday through Friday, is part of our effort to provide the communities served by the Curry Coastal Pilot and Del Norte Triplicate with the latest relevant information about COVID-19.

Although the communities we serve are in two different counties and two different states, residents frequently travel to neighboring communities for work and shopping. The virus is not contained by city, county or state boundaries. And we all need to know the rules at play in the jurisdictions we might visit.

Unless there is urgent information that must be shared, we plan to make just one post daily with the best information we can gather — and compile what is relevant for our Friday print editions.

If you have a suggestion for information you would like to see in this daily (Monday through Friday) report, please send an email to: piloteditor@countrymedia.net.

Unfortunately, all jurisdictions do not report information in the same format, so some information has not been provided for us to share:

CALIFORNIA

California, updated July 20, 2020, with data from July 15:

Tests reported — 5,793,276

Total cases — 366,164 (2.8% increase over previous day)

Total deaths — 7,475 (130 new deaths; 1.8% increase over previous day)

On July 13, California imposed some restrictions statewide, including Del Norte County. This included shutting down indoor dine-in restaurants and bars. In other counties, especially in Central and Southern California, further restrictions are in place. A week ago, there were 25 counties on what has been called a “watch list,” but now there were 32. However, no county north of Glenn County is on California’s list of greatest concern. Get the latest information about rules for various counties online [here](#).

OREGON

Oregon Health Authority reported two more death, raising the state’s death toll to 262, the Oregon Health Authority reported at 12:01 a.m. today.

Oregon Health Authority reported 277 new confirmed and presumptive cases of COVID-19 as of 12:01 a.m. today bringing the state total to 14,847. The new confirmed and presumptive COVID-19 cases reported today are in the following counties: Clackamas (11), Clatsop (2), Columbia (1), Crook (1), Deschutes (19), Douglas (2), Harney (1), Hood River (2), Jackson (5), Jefferson (7), Josephine (2), Klamath (5), Lake (1), Lane (4), Lincoln (2), Malheur (10), Marion (30), Morrow (1), Multnomah (85), Polk (1), Umatilla (41), Washington (38), Yamhill (6).

More Oregon information is available [here](#).

Pelican Bay State Prison

Although Pelican Bay State Prison is in California, employees live in both Del Norte and Curry counties. The California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation maintains a website with the latest information about efforts to control COVID-19 at facilities throughout the state, including PBSP, and updates data regularly for both staff and inmates [here](#).

As of information available at the time of this posting, there been no reports of confirmed positive tests of Pelican Bay inmates and only two confirmed positive employees, both of whom were reported to have recovered and returned to work.

Unless something changes at Pelican Bay, we will discontinue providing detailed information about CDCR in this report, but it is available at the link above.

Across the country

The Centers for Disease Control keeps tab on COVID-19 across the country.

Information updated on July 20, 2020, showed:

Total cases — 3,761,362 3,555,877 (205,485 new cases since our report on Friday)

Total deaths — 140,157 137,864 (2,293 deaths since our report on Friday)

Centers for Disease control information is [here](#).

Around the world

The World Health Organization publishes a regular situation report with a great amount of detail about COVID-19 around the world.

The July 20, 2020, report is [here](#).

Of 14,348,858 cases worldwide, a total of 732,265 were reported since our report on Friday. Of 603,691 deaths, 17,964 were reported since our report on Friday.

About COVID-19

Basic information about COVID-19 is available at the Centers for Disease Control website.

What you need to know:

Anyone can have mild to severe symptoms.

Older adults and people who have severe underlying medical conditions like heart or lung disease or diabetes seem to be at higher risk for developing more serious complications from COVID-19 illness.

Symptoms may include:

Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus. People with these symptoms may have COVID-19:

Fever or chills

Cough

Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing

Fatigue

Muscle or body aches

Headache

New loss of taste or smell

Sore throat

Congestion or runny nose

Nausea or vomiting

Diarrhea

This website has a handy self-checker questionnaire.

Testing

Del Norte County provides a website here with information about testing, which includes some options for Oregon residents, as well as California residents. As of today, the information may seem a little dated, but it's a good start if you would like to be tested.

CVS Pharmacy in Crescent City also provides testing, appointment required, for California residents only. Information here.

In Curry County, check this website for testing information.