

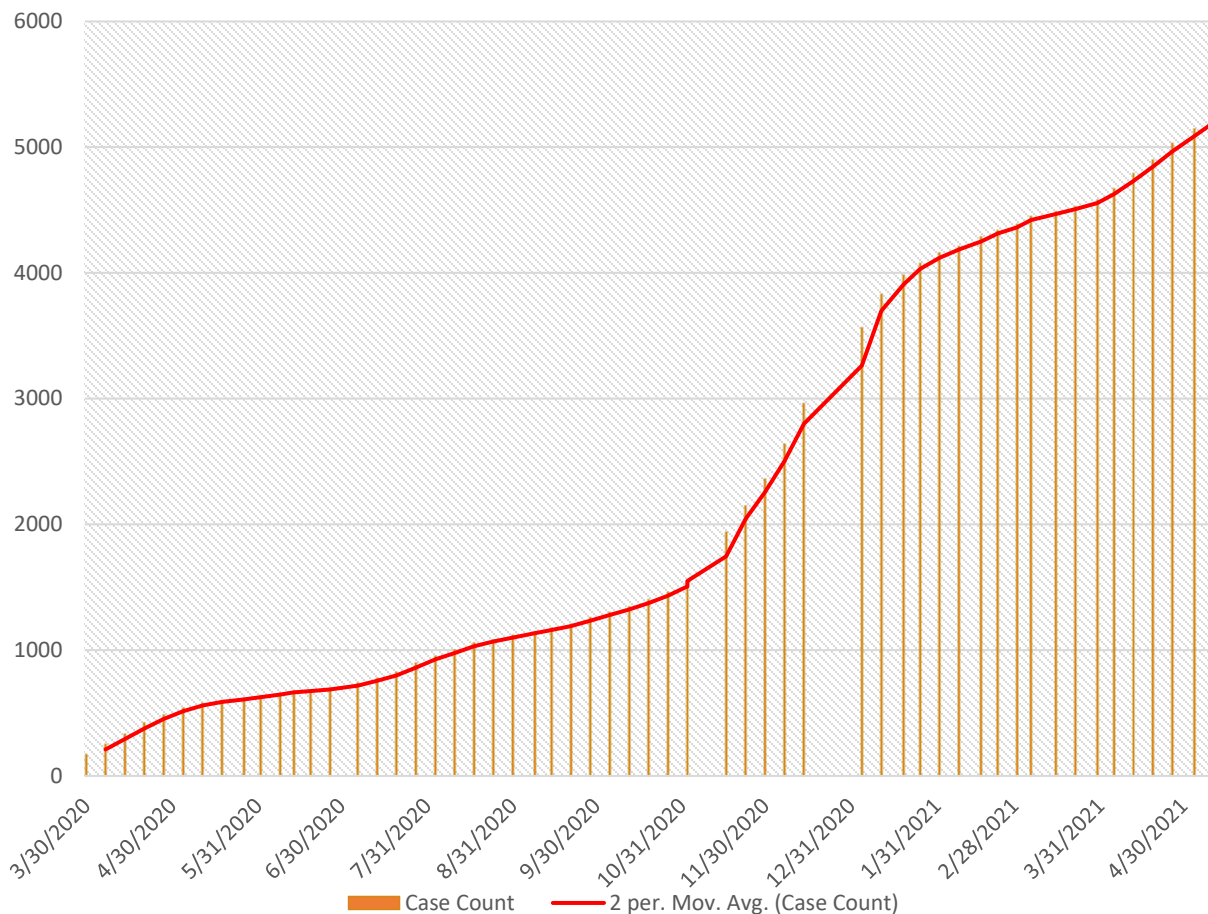
COVID-19 Council Update

May 11, 2021

Current Statistics as of 5/10/2021:

- **Snohomish County** – 37,819 Confirmed/Probable cases (+833 cases from 4/27)
 - 577 Deaths (+5 from 5/3)
 - 2,296 Hospitalizations
 - 47 currently hospitalized with confirmed COVID-19, 3 patients requiring ventilators
 - 643,371 Number of vaccine doses given
- **Washington State** – 415,705 Confirmed - Probable Cases (+8,514 cases from 5/3)
 - 5,586 Deaths statewide (+79 cases from 5/3)
 - 22,866 Hospitalizations
 - 1.3% of Deaths/Total Cases
 - 5,960,719 Number of vaccine doses given
- **City of Lynnwood** – 5,248 Cases (+102 from 5/3) – 4,779 recovered
 - 73 Deaths

Lynnwood Trending

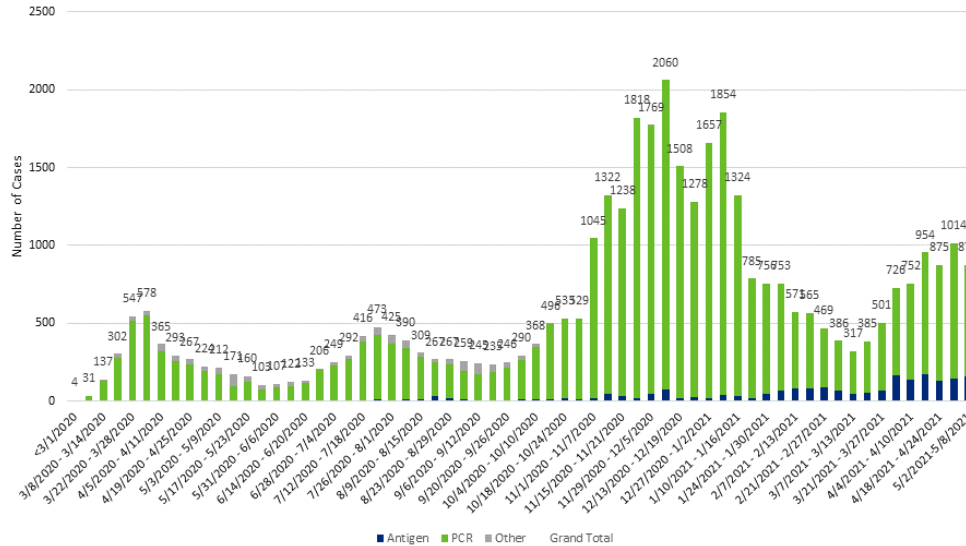


*Statistics and data compiled from the Snohomish Health District website and the Washington State Department of Health website.

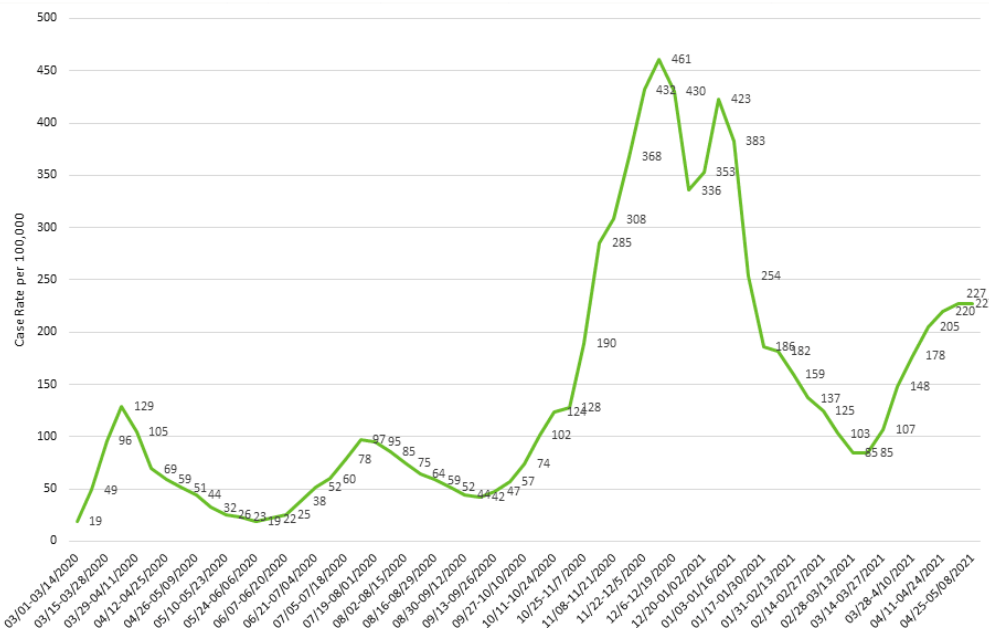
Status Update:

- COVID Case Update:** Good news, bad news. The COVID-19 case rate in Snohomish County appears to have stopped climbing. But it has stalled at 227 cases per 100,000 population, the third-highest level reached during the pandemic. Now is our chance to knock it down.

COVID-19 CASES REPORTED IN SNOHOMISH COUNTY BY DATE (UPDATED WEEKLY)



SNOHOMISH COUNTY COVID-19 CASE RATE PER 100,000 FOR 2-WEEK ROLLING PERIOD (UPDATED MONDAYS)



- Snohomish County Vaccine Availability:** With the vaccine supply to Snohomish County increasing, it is easier and easier to find a vaccine appointment at one of the County's Community Mass Vaccination Sites. Appointments are being posted with more notice, and hours are being expanded to offer options such as weekends and evenings. Visit <http://bit.ly/snocovaccine> to schedule your appointment.

VACCINES AVAILABLE

Now is the time to get your COVID-19 vaccine. Doses available at mass vaccination sites in Snohomish County. It takes all of us. Take your shot.

<http://bit.ly/snocovaccine>



- **FDA begins clearing Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine for use in people ages 12 to 15:** The U.S. Food and Drug Administration on Monday expanded its emergency use authorization for the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine to include adolescents 12 through 15 years of age. The FDA decision amend its emergency authorization, originally issued on Dec. 11, 2020, that cleared the way for administration of the vaccine to people 16 and older.

This is the first of five review decisions by federal and state public health regulators that would be required before the vaccine could become available to people as young as 12 in Washington.

“The FDA’s expansion of the emergency use authorization for the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine to include adolescents 12 through 15 years of age is a significant step in the fight against the COVID-19 pandemic,” said Acting FDA Commissioner Janet Woodcock, M.D. “Today’s action allows for a younger population to be protected from COVID-19, bringing us closer to returning to a sense of normalcy and to ending the pandemic. Parents and guardians can rest assured that the agency undertook a rigorous and thorough review of all available data, as we have with all of our COVID-19 vaccine emergency use authorizations.”


From March 1, 2020 through April 30, 2021, approximately 1.5 million COVID-19 cases in individuals 11 to 17 years of age have been reported to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Children and adolescents generally have a milder COVID-19 disease course as compared to adults.

The graphic below outlines the other steps that would be required before the vaccine could be made available here. Before that happens, no vaccination appointments are being scheduled for patients ages 12 to 15 at Snohomish County Vaccine Taskforce vaccination


sites or clinics.

VACCINATIONS FOR 12-15 YEAR OLDS


WHAT TO KNOW:




STEP 1: FDA EXPANDS EMERGENCY USE AUTHORIZATION OF PFIZER-BIONTECH COVID VACCINE TO INCLUDE AGES 12-15.




STEP 2: ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON IMMUNIZATION PRACTICES (ACIP) MEETS MAY 12 TO VOTE ON WHETHER TO RECOMMEND USE OF PFIZER VACCINE FOR AGES 12-15.



STEP 3: CDC DIRECTOR DECIDES WHETHER THE CDC WILL RECOMMEND THE VACCINE'S USE FOR AGES 12-15.

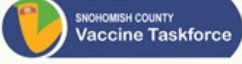


STEP 4: WESTERN STATES SCIENTIFIC SAFETY REVIEW WORKGROUP REVIEWS DATA & DETERMINES WHETHER TO RECOMMEND PARTICIPATING STATES SHOULD ADOPT RECOMMENDATIONS.*
*USUALLY HAPPENS AT SAME TIME AS STEPS 2 & 3. ANNOUNCEMENT COMES AFTER CDC DECISION.



STEP 5: WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AUTHORIZES PARTICIPATING VACCINE PROVIDERS TO BEGIN ADMINISTERING THE VACCINE FOR AGES 12-15.

QUESTIONS? CALL 425-339-5278



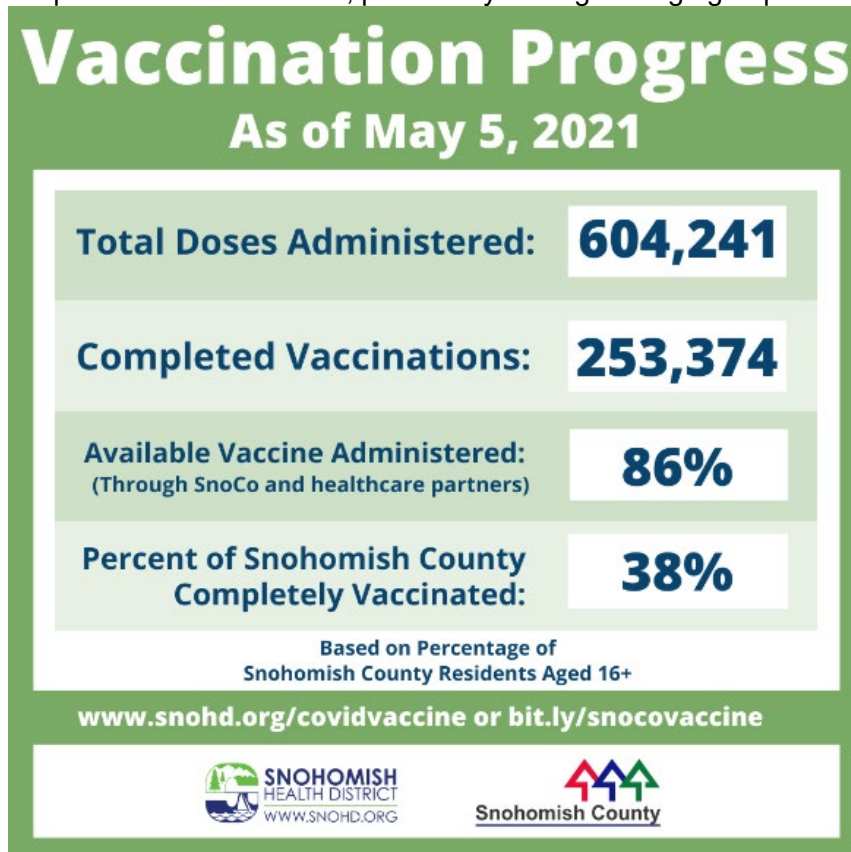
- **More than half of county residents 16 and up have received COVID vaccines:** It's easier than ever to find a COVID-19 vaccine, and more than 45,000 people who live, work and play in Snohomish County took the opportunity to get vaccinated last week. Data through May 4 shows that more than 600,000 vaccines have been administered since December.

The increased supplies and loosening requirements have helped in recent weeks. Snohomish County now has 38% of its residents 16 and up fully vaccinated. When adding in the other 108,000 residents who have received their first dose and are waiting for the second, the total climbs to 54% of eligible residents having received a vaccine.

This is welcome news as Governor Inslee announced a two-week pause on the Roadmap to Recovery. While case rates and hospitalization rates continue to exceed the metrics set for Phase 3, this pause will allow time for more residents to get vaccinated with the goal of driving down transmission. These are both critical tasks that require everyone to mask up and vax up to prevent Snohomish County from moving back to Phase 2 when the next data review happens.

The Health District also released its monthly update of vaccine demographic data on Tuesday. Data through April 18 shows that 70% of adults over 65 years of age have initiated vaccine. That high coverage is why this current wave has resulted in lower numbers of

hospitalizations and deaths, particularly among that age group.



- **Snohomish County Launches New #SnoCoVaxPerks Initiatives for Local Businesses:** Snohomish County has just announced a new initiative called #SnoCoVaxPerks, focused on encouraging COVID-19 vaccines and promoting local businesses in Snohomish County.

As you may have seen, businesses around the state and nation are offering freebies or discounts to fully vaccinated customers. We're reaching out to ask you to join the movement.

Not only will your business be helping encourage residents to get vaccinated, but you would also be getting free advertising for your business.

Participating businesses will be featured on a webpage hosted by the Snohomish Health District. That webpage and #SnoCoVaxPerks will be featured in a press release and media availability, as well as through multiple social media channels and newsletters. It will also be promoted through a direct mailer going to every business and residence in Snohomish County in late-May.

Interested businesses should visit <https://bit.ly/SnoCoVaxPerks> to fill out a quick form with your information.

- **Snohomish Health District Testing Sites:** The schedule for the week of May 3 remains the same:
 - Everett site located at 3715 Oakes Avenue – Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
 - Lynnwood Food Bank site at 5320 176th St SW – open Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
 - Evergreen State Fairgrounds in the front parking lot off of 179th Ave SE in Monroe – open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Appointments for testing are encouraged, and registration is available at www.snohd.org/testing. Those without internet access or needing language assistance can reach the Health District's call center at 425.339.5278 to schedule a testing appointment. The call center is staffed 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Callers after hours or on weekends can leave a message, which will be returned on the next business day.

- **REMINDERS:**

Staying home is still the safest. If you do go out, keep it quick, keep your distance and wear a face covering. Recreate and do business locally to avoid spreading the virus across county lines. Limit the number of people outside of your household that you gather with every week. If you feel symptoms of COVID-19, get tested.

- Symptoms: Fever, Chills, Cough, Difficulty breathing, Fatigue, Muscle pain or body aches, Headache, Sore throat, Runny nose or nasal congestion, or New loss of taste or smell.
- Asymptomatic individuals: If you are a close contact of a confirmed case, or Live in a congregate setting, like a shelter, group home or assisted living facility, or Work in a location that has had a case, Part of a family or social network that has had a case, or Work in healthcare, EMS, law enforcement or other fields where work settings have a higher risk of catching or spreading COVID-19, or Are part of a racial or ethnic group that has been disproportionately impacted by this virus in terms of rate or severity of cases (this includes people who are Black, Latinx, Native American/Alaskan Native, or Pacific Islander).

- **Extended Telecommuting:** The EOC Command Staff along with Mayor Smith have made the decision to extend employee telecommuting through July 31, 2021.
- Initial guidelines have been released related to the **American Rescue Plan**. City Staff is currently reading through the extensive guidelines to determine parameters to expend the city's portion of the relief package.