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## COVID-19 Project Data Brief (WOU Community Health + Polk County), August 25, 2020

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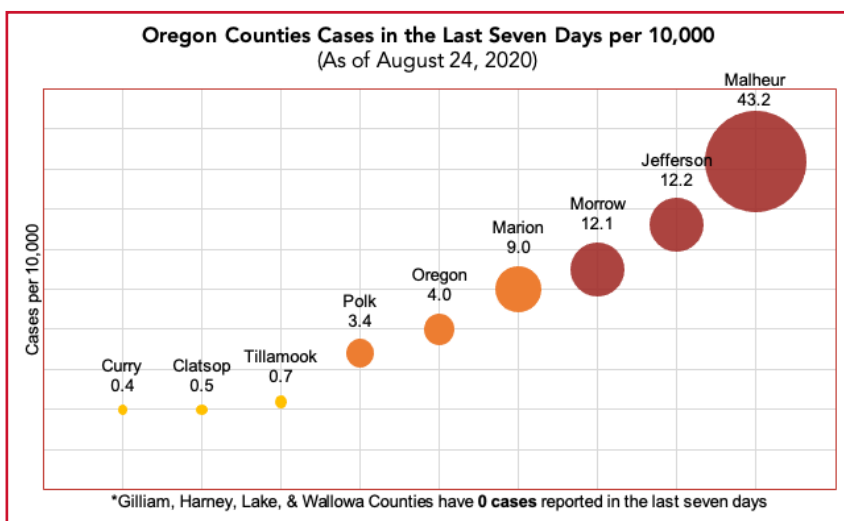
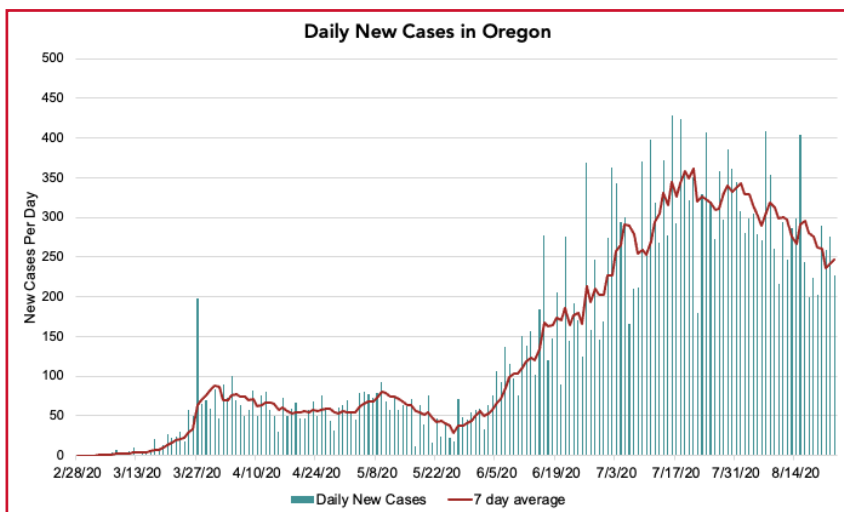
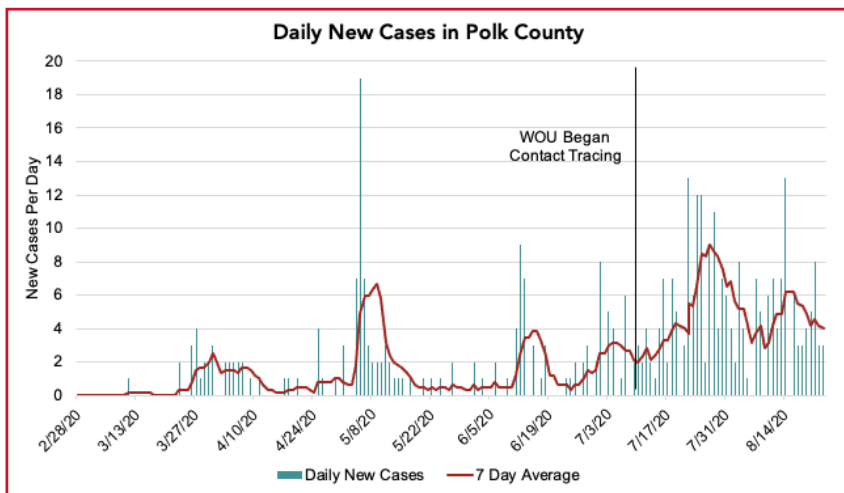
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### Cumulative Case Numbers:

Oregon: 24,938 • Polk: 393 • Marion: 3,516

**Individuals Currently Being Traced by Polk County/WOU Tracing Team: 106**



### HEADLINES: OREGON

- August 19: [The Oregon Legislature](#) has approved a \$35 million program to provide financial relief to those who have experienced economic hardships due to COVID-19. Oregonians are now able to apply for a one-time payment of \$500 if eligible. There are more than 150 locations statewide where eligible individuals will be able to receive relief checks via participating credit unions and banks.
- August 18: [The OHA opened grant applications](#) to not-for-profit organizations statewide, Oregon's nine federally recognized Tribes and the Urban Indian Health Program. The grants come from legislatively directed \$45 million in federal CARES Act COVID-19 relief funds. The aim of these grants is to address the disproportionate impact the pandemic has had on Oregon's tribal communities and communities of color by assisting people with health and economic disruptions, food insecurity and housing, and safety and violence prevention.

### County Rankings of Incidence in the Last Week

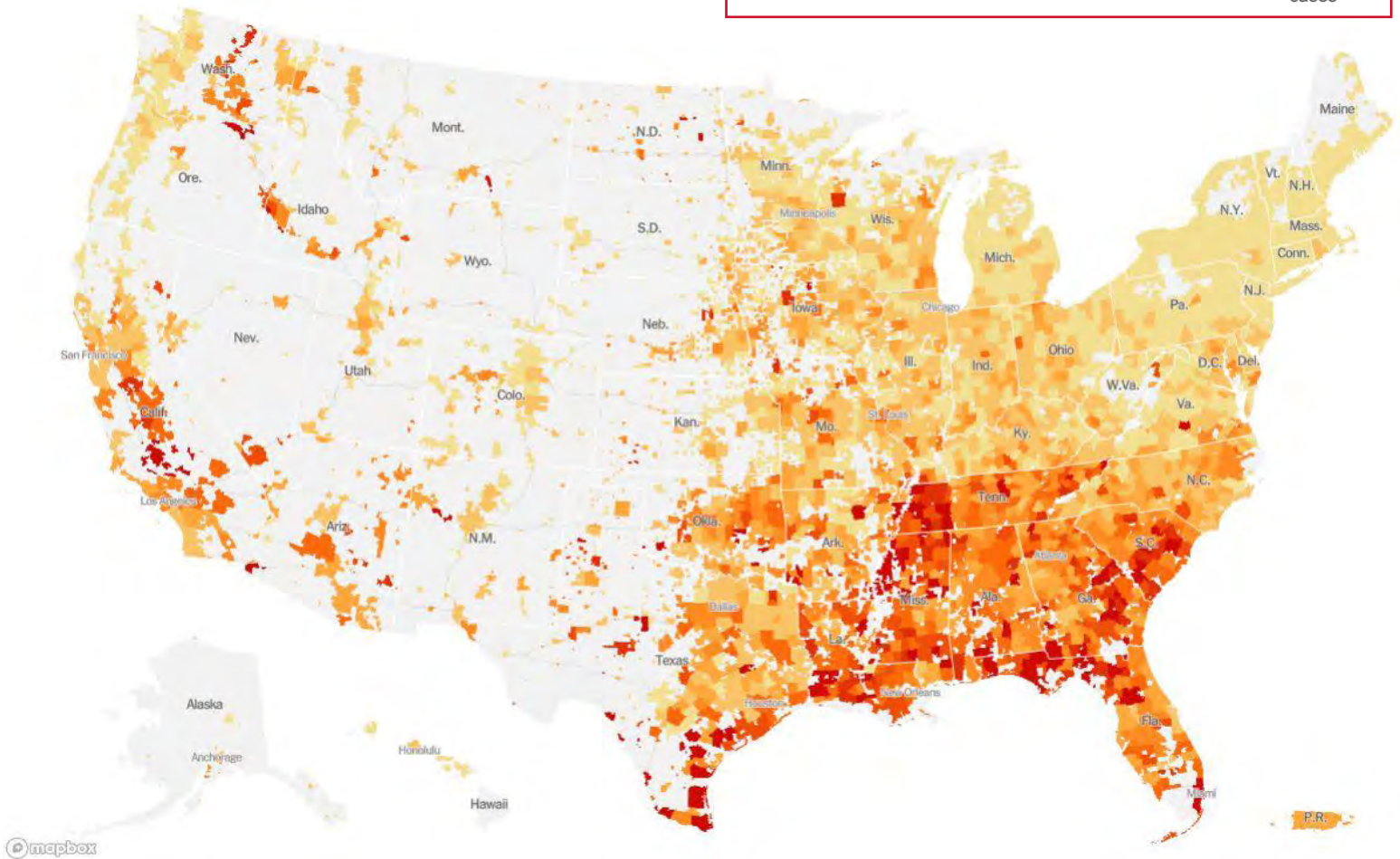
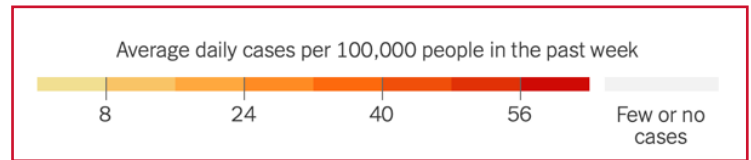
↓ **POLK: 14th** (9th last week) ↑  
**MARION: 5th** (7th last week)

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# National & International News

## U.S. Hotspots



## COVID-19 News Headlines Around the World

**Vaccine Update:** There are seven companies worldwide with vaccines in phase three testing (effectiveness tests in large study populations): The U.S.'s Moderna (Institutes of Health), Germany's BioNTech (Pfizer and Fosun Pharma), China's CanSino Biologics (Academy of Military Medical Sciences), Britain and Sweden's AstraZeneca (University of Oxford), China's Wuhan Institute of Biological Products (Sinopharm), China's Sinopharm (Beijing Institute of Biological Products), and China's Sinovac Biotech.

**Top Five Countries Leading in Most Confirmed COVID-19 Cases:** ① USA: 5,612,163 ② Brazil: 3,582,362 ③ India: 3,106,348 ④ Russia: 961,493 ⑤ South Africa: 609,773 (as of 8/24/2020)

**Good News Internationally:** [The prime minister of Australia](#) has signed a letter of intent with drug maker AstraZeneca to manufacture a coronavirus vaccine in Australia. If the vaccine trials prove successful, the vaccine will be made free to 25 million Australians. The effectiveness of the vaccine will be tested in larger groups of human trials over the coming months.

Newsletter Sources: Centers for Disease Control, Oregon Health Authority, New York Times, Oregon.gov

