



## COVID-19 INCIDENT UPDATE: December 16, 2020

Statistics from December 15, 2020

INCIDENT FACTS AND SUMMARY			
Total Confirmed Cases: <b>6,927</b>	Hospitalized in Shasta County <b>65</b>	In Isolation <b>559 (estimate)</b>	Active Cases <b>624 (estimate)</b>
Confirmed Cases Tuesday <b>122</b>	Currently in the Intensive Care Unit (ICU) <b>15</b>	Available Regional ICU Capacity <b>28.1%</b>	Released from Isolation to Date <b>6,239</b>
Negative Tests Tuesday <b>760</b>	Negative Tests to Date <b>97,164</b>	Total Tests <b>104,091</b>	Deaths <b>64</b>

### CURRENT SITUATION

- We had 122 cases on Tuesday, including 52 men and 70 women:
  - 6 children under age 13
  - 9 teenagers
  - 18 people in their 20s
  - 25 people in their 30s
  - 14 people in their 40s
  - 21 people in their 50s
  - 11 people in their 60s
  - 8 people in their 70s
  - 8 people in their 80s
  - 2 people over age 89
- We are sorry to have to report a death today. The patient was a man in his 70s.
- This report includes a weekly update to our total case numbers, as we have been conducting case investigations to correct reported cases that were duplicates or out-of-county records.
- Anyone can be tested for COVID-19 **and same-day appointments are often available**. Average turnaround time for tests at the state testing sites is now between 2 and 3 days. Testing not only lets you know your current COVID status, but it also brings down our positivity rate and increases our testing volume, which can help us get into a lower tier. Go to [ShastaReady.org](https://lhi.care/covidtesting) and click on "Get tested," or go directly to <https://lhi.care/covidtesting> to access state testing.
- Christmas is around the corner, and the safest way to celebrate this year is to stay home with your immediate household. Gatherings with family and friends who do not live with you can increase the chances of spreading COVID-19, and we saw a surge in cases after Thanksgiving. If you do plan to get together with people outside your household, **please consider getting tested** in the next few days, especially if you have not been able to observe a 14-day quarantine beforehand, or if your family's work or school schedule brings you into regular contact with potential virus exposure.