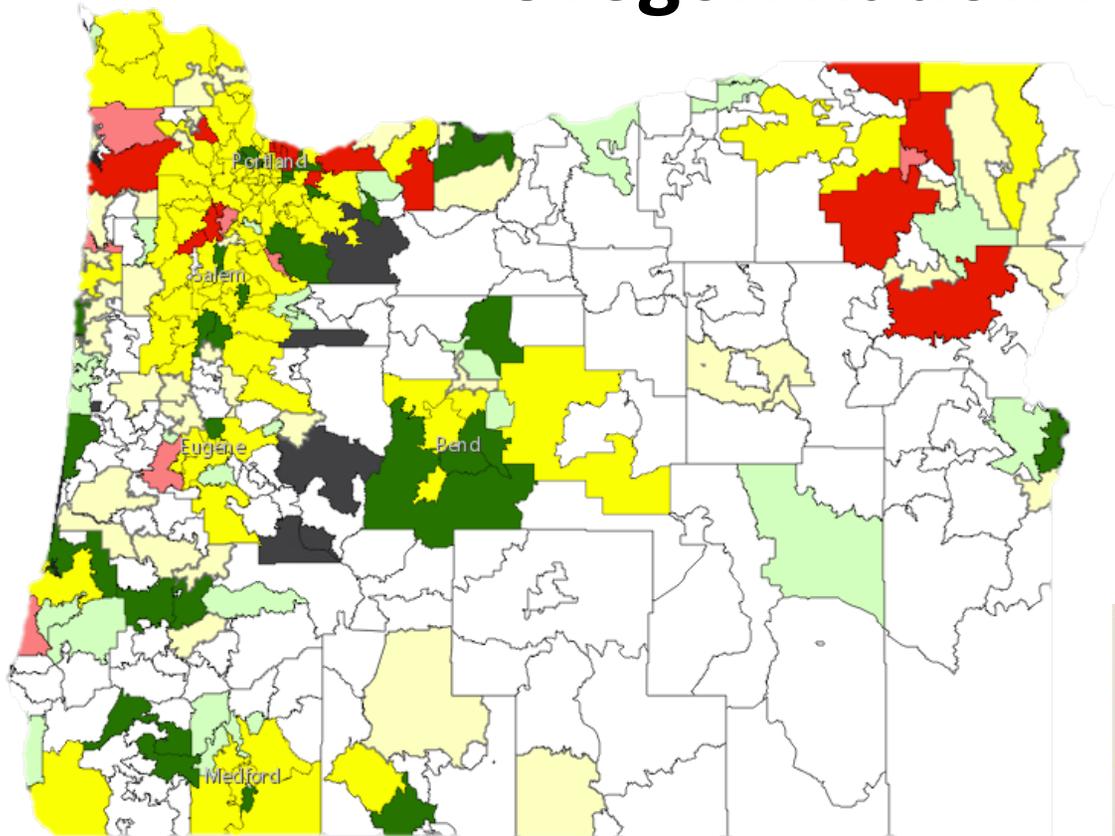


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The faded color indicates that there are only 5-19 locations in the zip code where there are test results. Because that is a very low number of locations, they are assigned as a provisional risk level.

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Indoor Radon Risk Levels 2022



Radon Facts

- In Oregon, approximately 276 radon-related lung cancer deaths happen each year.
- The Oregon Radon Awareness Program (ORAP) asks radon test kit manufacturers to voluntarily submit short-term and long-term radon tests that have been conducted mainly by residents of single-family homes.

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Oregon Pending/Enacted Legislation

Oregon Revised Statutes § 105.462--.490: Amends existing disclosure law to require sellers of real property consisting of up to four dwelling units to provide buyers with a seller's property disclosure statement, which includes disclosure of any testing of or treatment for formaldehyde, radon gas, mold, lead-based paint, or asbestos on the property.

Oregon Revised Statutes § 105.848: (1) The Real Estate Agency shall provide information to alert potential buyers of one and two family dwellings to issues concerning radon in the dwellings. The information may include, but need not be limited to, radon hazard potential and methods of testing for and mitigating radon. The agency may collaborate with public or private entities to provide the information. (2) The agency shall place the information described in subsection (1) of this section on the agency's website and make printed copies of the information available to the public. The agency may charge a reasonable fee for providing a printed copy of the information. (3) The agency shall encourage public and private entities dealing with potential buyers of one and two family dwellings to post the information described in subsection (1) of this section on entity websites and to assist in making printed copies of the information available to the public.

Oregon Revised Statutes § 332.341 & 345: Requires school districts to develop a plan that provides for radon testing in any frequently occupied room in contact with the ground or located above a basement or crawlspace, and for retesting at least once every 10 years. Requires test results to be provided to the local school board and the State Health Authority and made readily available to parents/guardians, staff and others. Also requires the state Health Authority to disseminate information on radon to school districts and to develop model plans for school districts to follow. Regulation adopted by the Oregon Department of Education (Or. Admin. Code 581-022-2223) requires each school district and public charter school to develop a "Healthy and Safe Schools Plan" that includes a plan to test for elevated levels of radon as mandated by the law, as well as plans: to test for and reduce exposure to lead in drinking water; to reduce exposure to lead paint; to implement IPM practices; and to communicate results for required tests. The regulation also requires school districts and charter school boards to annually provide a "high level summary of major mitigation efforts in the last year as a result of the Healthy and Safe Schools Plan" to building occupants, parents/guardians, and the community.

Oregon Revised Statutes §§ 433.502--.526: Authorizes the Oregon Health Authority to conduct Indoor Air Quality (IAQ) field investigations, establish IAQ standards, and implement a public information program. Requires that if established, the standards include particulate matter, aldehydes, radon, carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide, ozone, and water vapor. Authorizes the Department to establish a public recognition program for office workplaces, buildings, and public areas that consistently meet the IAQ requirements set forth in state law.

Oregon Revised Statutes § 455.365: (1) The Building Codes Structures Board and the Residential and Manufactured Structures Board shall adopt design and construction standards for mitigating radon levels in new residential buildings that are identified under the structural specialty code as Group R-2 or R-3 buildings and new public buildings. In adopting the standards, the boards shall give consideration to any standards recommended by the United States Environmental Protection Agency for radon mitigation systems in buildings. (2) The boards shall make the design and construction standards for mitigating radon levels applicable in: (a) Baker, Clackamas, Hood River, Multnomah, Polk, Washington and Yamhill Counties; and (b) Any county for which the boards, after consultation with the Oregon Health Authority, consider the standards appropriate due to local radon levels. (3) The Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Services may authorize a municipality that administers and enforces one or more building inspection programs under ORS 455.148 or 455.150 to also administer and enforce any applicable standards for mitigating radon that are adopted by the boards. (4) The director, in consultation with the boards, may adopt rules for the implementation, administration and enforcement of this section