

## AccuWeather.com Forecast

TODAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Sunshine mixing with some clouds	Sunshine	Sunshine	Plenty of sunshine	Plenty of sunshine
PENDLETON TEMPERATURE FORECAST				
67°	44°	60°	37°	61°
HERMISTON TEMPERATURE FORECAST				
70°	42°	62°	36°	61°
61°	37°	59°	37°	61°
63°	40°	60°	36°	62°

### ALMANAC

**PENDLETON**  
through 3 p.m. yesterday

**TEMPERATURE**

HIGH	LOW
61°	35°
60°	38°
82° (1933)	19° (1919)

**PRECIPITATION**  
24 hours ending 3 p.m. 0.00"  
Month to date 1.41"  
Normal month to date 0.79"  
Year to date 13.70"  
Last year to date 9.53"  
Normal year to date 9.73"

**HERMISTON**  
through 3 p.m. yesterday

**TEMPERATURE**

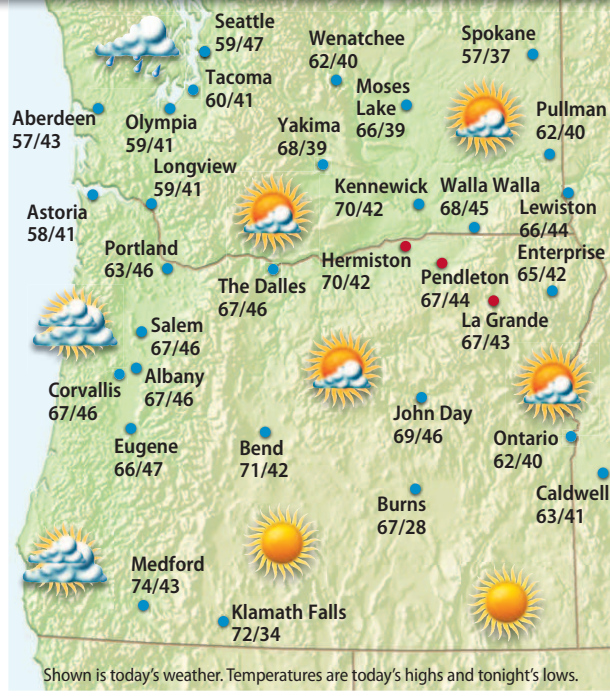
HIGH	LOW
61°	34°
62°	37°
78° (1937)	20° (2002)

**PRECIPITATION**  
24 hours ending 3 p.m. 0.00"  
Month to date 0.79"  
Normal month to date 0.49"  
Year to date 7.80"  
Last year to date 6.65"  
Normal year to date 7.05"

**SUN AND MOON**

Sunrise today 7:25 a.m.  
Sunset tonight 5:52 p.m.  
Moonrise today 12:45 p.m.  
Moonset today 10:10 p.m.

First	Full	Last	New
Oct 27	Nov 3	Nov 10	Nov 18



### REGIONAL FORECAST

**Coastal Oregon:** Times of clouds and sun today; cooler across the north with a shower in spots.

**Eastern and Central Oregon:** Sunshine mixing with some clouds today; sunny and pleasant in the south.

**Western Washington:** A passing shower today; any time at the coast, in the afternoon in central parts.

**Eastern Washington:** Partly sunny today. Clear tonight. Sunny tomorrow. Friday: sunny.

**Cascades:** Partly sunny today. Partly cloudy tonight. Sunshine tomorrow.

**Northern California:** Partly sunny at the coast today; plenty of sunshine elsewhere.

### REGIONAL CITIES

	Today			Thu.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Astoria	58	41	c	66	44	s
Baker City	66	37	s	64	31	s
Bend	71	42	s	62	35	s
Brookings	71	53	pc	69	53	s
Burns	67	28	s	62	26	s
Enterprise	65	42	s	58	35	s
Eugene	66	47	pc	67	42	s
Heppner	66	44	pc	57	36	s
Hermiston	70	42	pc	62	36	s
John Day	69	46	s	62	40	s
Klamath Falls	72	34	s	70	36	s
La Grande	67	43	s	59	34	s
Meacham	66	41	s	57	33	s
Medford	74	43	s	76	45	s
Newport	60	46	c	63	49	s
North Bend	64	48	c	67	49	s
Ontario	62	40	s	66	35	s
Pasco	68	42	pc	64	35	s
Pendleton	67	44	s	60	37	s
Portland	63	46	pc	68	47	s
Redmond	71	42	s	64	35	s
Salem	67	46	pc	69	42	s
Spokane	57	37	pc	55	35	s
Ukiah	67	40	s	57	33	s
Vancouver	61	43	pc	65	44	s
Walla Walla	68	45	s	61	42	s
Yakima	68	39	pc	64	33	s

### WORLD CITIES

	Today			Thu.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Beijing	61	45	c	64	46	pc
Hong Kong	82	74	s	83	72	s
Jerusalem	74	55	s	76	56	s
London	65	53	c	64	51	pc
Mexico City	65	44	pc	73	49	pc
Moscow	33	23	pc	32	28	pc
Paris	69	49	pc	69	48	pc
Rome	73	48	s	72	49	s
Seoul	67	46	s	67	48	c
Sydney	81	64	c	78	63	t
Tokyo	61	55	r	67	55	s

**WINDS**  
(in mph)

	Today	Thursday
Boardman	WSW 7-14	NNE 4-8
Pendleton	WSW 7-14	NNW 4-8

### UV INDEX TODAY

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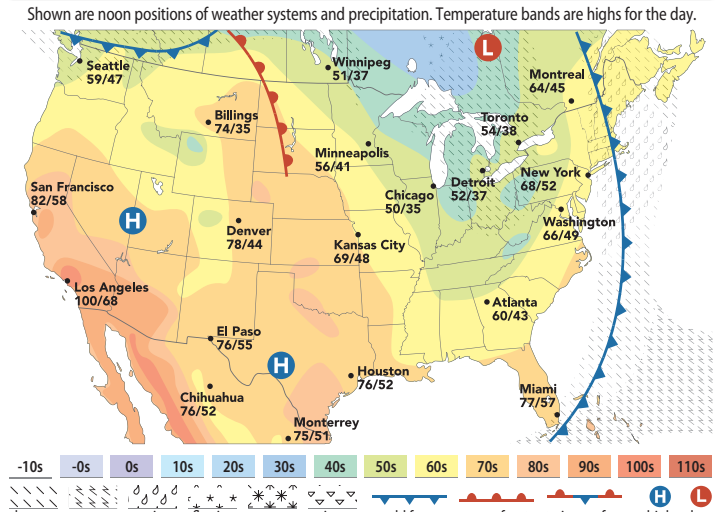
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0-2, Low 3-5, Moderate 6-7, High; 8-10, Very High; 11+, Extreme

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### NATIONAL WEATHER TODAY



**National Summary:** Eastern New England will remain stormy today, while showers and spotty snowflakes occur from the central Appalachians to the Great Lakes. Much of the rest of the nation will be dry. Rain will dot Washington.

**Yesterday's National Extremes:** (for the 48 contiguous states)  
High 107° in Miramar MCAS, Calif. Low 12° in Bodie State Park, Calif.

### NATIONAL CITIES

	Today			Thur.				Today			Thur.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W		Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Albuquerque	70	46	s	74	40	s	Louisville	52	36	c	62	49	s
Atlanta	60	43	s	68	49	s	Memphis	65	47	s	77	58	s
Atlanta City	67	48	pc	62	47	pc	Miami	77	57	sh	78	67	s
Baltimore	64	43	pc	60	36	s	Milwaukee	51	37	pc	55	48	pc
Billings	74	35	s	44	23	c	Minneapolis	56	41	pc	57	36	c
Birmingham	62	44	s	72	52	s	Nashville	57	38	pc	69	51	s
Boise	63	41	s	65	40	pc	New Orleans	70	51	s	79	63	r
Boston	67	55	r	63	48	sh	New York City	68	52	pc	63	47	pc
Charleston, SC	68	46	s	68	48	s	Oklahoma City	76	50	s	78	41	s
Charleston, WV	50	31	c	56	35	s	Omaha	70	46	s	62	33	pc
Chicago	50	35	pc	55	45	pc	Philadelphia	66	47	pc	60	43	pc
Cleveland	52	38	sh	55	39	pc	Phoenix	95	66	s	92	63	s
Dallas	80	55	s	86	49	s	Portland, ME	65	53	r	63	47	r
Denver	78	44	s	46	19	pc	Providence	66	54	r	63	44	sh
Detroit	52	37	sh	53	41	pc	Raleigh	65	42	s	61	40	s
El Paso	76	55	s	86	49	s	Rapid City	77	38	s	44	19	c
Fairbanks	35	29	c	39	29	c	Reno	80	43	s	75	51	s
Fargo	59	43	pc	47	28	r	Sacramento	87	53	s	86	50	s
Honolulu	81	68	pc	82	70	pc	St. Louis	63	43	pc	71	48	s
Houston	76	52	s	83	63	s	Salt Lake City	69	45	s	63	38	pc
Indianapolis	49	33	c	58	46	s	San Diego	92	66	s	81	63	s
Jacksonville	71	46	s	73	48	s	San Francisco	82	58	s	82	56	s
Kansas City	69	48	s	69	36	pc	Seattle	59	47	c	61	45	pc
Las Vegas	86	61	s	87	61	s	Tucson	93	61	s	91	59	s
Little Rock	71	47	s	80	54	s	Washington, DC	66	49	pc	60	42	s
Los Angeles	100	68	s	89	64	s	Wichita	78	48	s	72	36	s

Weather (W): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice.

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# Senator subject of second probe for 'inappropriate touching'

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**SALEM** — Legislative counsel has opened a second informal probe against a state senator for "inappropriate," nonsexual touching of women.

Sen. Jeff Kruse, R-Roseburg, last week was stripped of his committee assignments by Senate President Peter Courtney.

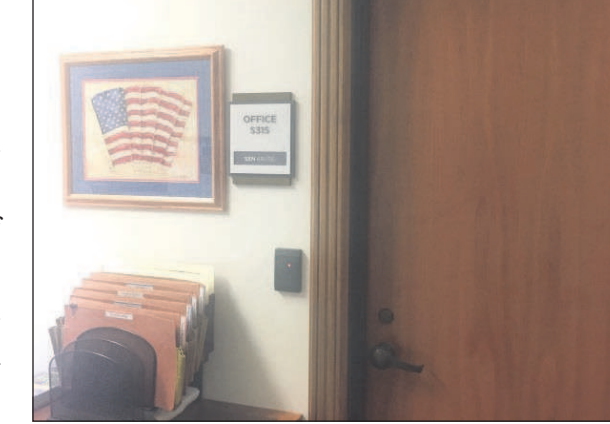
A letter from Senate President Peter Courtney to Kruse released to the media Tuesday confirmed other accounts that Kruse's alleged unwanted touching of women and smoking in his office had become a chronic problem at the Capitol. Courtney ordered the door to Kruse's Capitol office removed.

Kruse was previously reported for similar behavior in early 2016 and was directed to stop, according to legislative counsel Dexter Johnson.

Courtney described his action as an "unprecedented step."

"I have never taken this kind of action before but I am left with no other options at this time to protect our employees, members of the legislature and the public," Courtney wrote in the letter.

Legislative counsel is now performing its second



Senate President Peter Courtney has stripped state Sen. Jeff Kruse, R-Roseburg, of his committee assignments and ordered the door of his office removed. Kruse is under investigation for alleged "inappropriate," nonsexual touching of women and smoking in his office.

informal inquiry into Kruse, who is accused of "inappropriate touching in a non-sexual way," legislative counsel Dexter Johnson said Monday.

In the letter to Kruse Courtney said "two new incidents were brought to my attention," and he reported them to Employee Services and Legislative Counsel.

When a reporter pressed Courtney in a phone interview Tuesday as to why action was not taken until last week, his spokesman, Robin Maxey, intervened.

"We are going to fall back on the statement issued previously," Maxey said. "I know you have a copy of the

letter sent to Sen. Kruse."

Maxey referred to a letter Courtney sent to Kruse Oct. 20 informing him of his removal from four committees and that the door to his office was to be removed.

Asked again whether he had any explanation of why this was happening now, Maxey said, "Again we are going to have to fall back to the letter."

Courtney did report the previous complaint to legislative counsel and Employee Services but did not sanction the senator at that time, Maxey explained later.

According to legislative counsel, in March 2016, Kruse was told to stop

touching women at work. At that time Sen. Sara Gelser, D-Corvallis, had made an informal report about Kruse's conduct.

Gelser confirmed to The Oregonian Monday that Kruse had touched her inappropriately but declined to discuss with the newspaper what specifically Kruse had done.

"I hope that what comes of this discussion is that it's not about a set of experiences that I had, but about a culture that needs to change," Gelser told Oregon Public Broadcasting on Monday.

Courtney said Kruse was already warned about his behavior when it came to treatment of women.

"Continuing to touch women at work is inappropriate workplace conduct of which you have already been warned," Courtney wrote. "Let me be very clear. Women in the Capitol do NOT want you to touch them."

Neither Kruse nor Gelser could be reached for comment Monday or Tuesday.

Senate Majority Leader Ginny Burdick, D-Portland, declined an interview request from the EO / Pamplin Capital Bureau Monday, but confirmed an account she provided to The Oregonian in which she recalled seeing

Kruse wrap his arms around Gelser on the floor of the Senate.

Burdick told The Oregonian she told Kruse to stop.

Lore Christopher, the head of Employee Services, did not return a phone message or email seeking comment Monday.

Johnson said Monday evening that his office was conducting a new fact-finding inquiry to determine whether the more recent alleged conduct toward women occurred.

The news about the alleged harassment and the actions by Courtney did not emerge until this past week, as sexual assault allegations against Hollywood producer Harvey Weinstein prompted women all over the world to come forward with their experiences of sexual assault and harassment.

The issue came to light after Gelser, who has served in the legislature since 2005 and in the Senate since 2015, indicated on Twitter Thursday that she had been subject to harassment in the

Capitol in response to a tweet from a Republican staffer.

On Tuesday, Senate Minority Leader Ted Ferrioli, R-John Day said that his office was aware of the allegations against Kruse.

"Currently, there is an ongoing investigation into these allegations, which we take seriously," Ferrioli said in a prepared statement just before noon on Tuesday. "To our knowledge, there has been no formal complaint filed. Upon the conclusion of the investigation we will work within our process to resolve these issues in cooperation with human resources, legislative counsel, caucus leadership, and the Senate president. To respect the privacy of all parties, we will not comment further on the allegations."

The legislature's policy for lawmakers accused of harassment is intended to provide both informal and formal "options to correct harassing conduct before it rises to the level of severe or pervasive harassment or discrimination."

### Corrections

The Oct. 24 article "City's third marijuana grow applies for permit" misstated an action taken by the Pendleton Planning Commission. The commission denied Burnswell Family Farm's application. The East Oregonian works hard to be accurate and sincerely regrets any errors. If you notice a mistake in the paper, please call 541-966-0818.

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