



# JACKSON COUNTY

Health & Human Services

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Public Health Division

140 S. Holly St.  
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## COVID-19 Update May 22, 2020

	CASES	FATALITIES
WORLD (5/22/20, per Johns Hopkins)	5,159,674	335,418
USA (5/22/20, per Johns Hopkins)	1,588,322	95,276
OREGON (5/21/20, per OHA)	3,817	145
JACKSON COUNTY(5/22/20, per JC HHS)	55	0

(Note: The above numbers are current at the time of release, but continue to change constantly.)

### PRESS RELEASE ON BEHALF OF JACKSON COUNTY

If you have any questions, or would like an interview, please reach out to the contact listed below.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: May 22, 2020

For media interviews with Dr. Jim Shames, Jackson County Medical Director, please contact Tanya Phillips by 10:45 am. Dr. Shames will be available between 11:00 am and 12:00 pm.

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### Jackson County Public Health Reports New COVID-19 Cases and Provides Prevention Measures

[Medford, Oregon] — May 22, 2020, Jackson County Public Health has two new confirmed COVID-19 cases and one new presumptive case to announce. This brings the number of total cases in Jackson County to 55. At this time, there are no fatalities from COVID-19 reported in Jackson County. To access additional data on the total COVID-19 cases, visit the [Situation in Jackson County, Oregon](#) webpage.

As people begin staying home less and attend gatherings, it is important to understand that the virus has not been eliminated, and there is no vaccine available to prevent people from getting this infection. Therefore, there is still a risk for people to become ill with COVID-19 and pass the illness on to others. Jackson County Public Health expects to see an increase in COVID-19 cases as people begin to move around more.

Jackson County Public Health recommends that everyone act to prevent the spread of SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19. Everyone taking preventative action will help to protect the health and wellness of the community and it will also help keep Jackson County open.

It is recommended that everyone stay close to home, practice physical distancing (stay 6 feet away from people who are not in your household), and practice good hygiene. In addition, it is **highly recommended that everyone wear a face covering**, made from cloth or paper, while out in public settings, especially in settings that are indoors and where it may be difficult to ensure that you can stay 6 feet away from others at all times. Since people can spread the virus before symptoms start, or even if people never have symptoms,

wearing a face covering can protect others around you. Face coverings worn by others protect you from getting the virus from people carrying the virus.

The availability of testing has increased in Jackson County; therefore, if you develop mild symptoms of COVID-19 (cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fever, chills, muscle pain, sore throat, new loss of taste or smell), you should contact your medical provider. Your medical provider can make a referral for you to get tested at the appropriate location. You can also contact one of the medical clinics or healthcare systems that is providing testing. Testing for COVID-19 is available to all people, regardless of documentation status. Current health centers or health systems providing testing in Jackson County are:

- **Asante:** Services are available to everyone. Call your medical provider first, or call the Asante COVID-19 hotline at 541-789-2813. You can also visit <https://www.treatment.asante.org/>.
- **Providence:** Services are available to everyone. If you are an established Providence patient, contact your medical provider. If you are a new patient, you can call 541-732-7700. If you are not an established patient, call Stewart Meadows Urgent Care 541-732-9362. You can also visit the Providence website <https://coronavirus.providence.org/>.
- **La Clinica:** Testing is available for current La Clinica patients, anyone in the community who is uninsured, has no other doctor, or anyone who speaks Spanish only. Call 541-535-6239 to speak with a nurse.

For more information:

The public can call 211-information with general questions

OHA Emerging Respiratory Disease page: [www.healthoregon.org/coronavirus](http://www.healthoregon.org/coronavirus)

CDC COVID-19 page: [www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html](http://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html)

Jackson County Health and Human Services: <http://jacksoncountyor.org/hhs/COVID-19>

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