



## COVID-19 Update April 27, 2020

	CASES	FATALITIES
WORLD (4/27/20, per Johns Hopkins)	3,002,303	208,131
USA (4/27/20, per Johns Hopkins)	972,969	55,118
OREGON (4/26/20, per OHA)	2,311	91
JACKSON COUNTY(4/27/20, per JC HHS)	49	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.

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For media interviews with Dr. Jim Shames, Jackson County Medical Director, please contact Tanya Phillips by 12:00 Noon Dr. Shames will be available between 1:45 pm and 2:45 pm.

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### Jackson County Public Health Reports No New COVID-19 Cases and COVID-19 Symptoms

**[Medford, Oregon]** — April 27, 2020, Jackson County Public Health has no new COVID-19 cases to report. The total number of cases reported remains at 49, this is a rate of 22 cases per 100,000 population. Jackson County has one of the lowest COVID-19 rates in Oregon, Marion County has the highest with 125 cases per 100,000 population (as of 4/26/20).

At this time, there are no fatalities from COVID-19 reported in Jackson County. For demographic data on the total cases and information on recovered cases, please access the Jackson County HHS COVID-19 webpage. This data is located under the [Jackson County Daily Situational Update](#) tab.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention added additional symptoms for COVID-19, as people have reported a wide range of symptoms, ranging from mild symptoms to severe illness. These symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus:

- Fever of 100° or higher
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Chills
- Repeated shaking with chills

- Muscle pain
- Headache
- Sore throat
- New loss of taste or smell

If you develop these symptoms, and do not start to feel better within 3-4 days, please contact your medical provider to assess if you need to be tested for COVID-19 and what supportive care is available for you. If you have these symptoms, it will be important that you isolate yourself from others in your household to prevent the infection from spreading, and stay home. If you access medical care while ill, please wear a mask. If you have trouble breathing, persistent pain or pressure in the chest, new confusion or inability to arouse, and bluish lips or face, you should seek medical care immediately.

If you need medical care, even for health reasons not related to COVID-19, it is important that you **do not hesitate** to access medical care, especially if it is an emergency. Call your doctor ahead of time to schedule an appointment; they may schedule a phone consultation or even use telemedicine in replace of a face-to-face appointment. It is important to call the doctor's office, urgent care before showing up to seek medical care. Ask your provider if filling your prescriptions for 60-days, thus minimizing the need to see the provider for prescription refills, is an option. **If you have a life-threatening emergency, please call 9-1-1 and seek medical attention immediately.**

COVID-19 spreads between people who are in close contact (within 6ft) of one another, through droplets from coughing, sneezing, and even talking. In order to stop the spread of COVID-19 in our communities, staying home as much as possible and practicing physical distancing remain important strategies. It is also important to continue washing your hands frequently, use hand sanitizer if you do not have access to soap and water, stay home if you are sick, and wear an alternative mask when in public and accessing essential services.

We can all continue to work together to keep our community healthy. Jackson County Public Health wants to thank the community for acting during this time, your efforts have helped to keep the community safe and healthy.

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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