



JACKSON COUNTY

Health & Human Services

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Public Health Division

140 S. Holly St.
Medford, OR 97501

COVID-19 Update October 1, 2020

	CASES	FATALITIES
WORLD (10/1/20, per Johns Hopkins)	34,092,696	1,015,815
USA (10/1/20, per Johns Hopkins)	7,252,701	207,211
OREGON (9/30/20, Per OHA)	33,509	559
JACKSON COUNTY(10/1/20, per JC HHS)	1,217	6
TOTAL ACTIVE/INFECTIOUS CASES – JACKSON COUNTY (10/1/20, per JC HHS) - 193		

(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, please reach out to the contact listed below.

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For media interview requests, please contact Chad Peterson.

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New COVID-19 Cases Reported in Jackson County

[Medford, Oregon] —Jackson County Public Health reports 27 new COVID-19 cases as of 12:01 am on October 1, 2020. This update brings the total reported COVID-19 cases in Jackson County to 1217. To access additional data on the total COVID-19 cases, visit the [Situation in Jackson County, Oregon](#) webpage, or the [Oregon Health Authority's COVID-19 Data Dashboard](#) website.

Know Your Risk and Prevent the Spread of COVID-19

The more people a person interacts with and for extended amounts of time increases a person's risk for contracting and spreading COVID-19. This includes attending and hosting social gatherings with extended family and friends.

Activities that take place outdoors that allow for enough room to maintain physical distancing and involve fewer people are lower risk activities than activities that take place indoors that do not allow for physical distancing and involve more people.

Wearing a mask remains an important strategy to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Studies have shown that mask protects both the people around us and us from spreading and catching COVID-19. Masks are more effective when the nose and mouth are covered.

Staying with Friends and Family:

Many have opened up their homes to people who were evacuated or lost their homes due to the recent fires. Because having more people inside the home can increase the risk of COVID-19 spreading within these settings, it is essential to take extra steps to stay safe.

- Everyone should wear a mask inside the home.
- Follow everyday preventive actions, including covering coughs and sneezes, washing your hands often, and avoiding touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands. Consider taking extra precautions for people living in close quarters.
- Clean and disinfect surfaces and objects that are frequently touched
- If anyone develops COVID-19-like symptoms, even if mild symptoms, they should seek testing.

This fall and winter, we must take extra precautions to prevent the spread of flu and COVID-19.

Flu Vaccination

- Everyone 6 months of age and older should get a flu vaccine every season, especially people at high risk.

Take these everyday preventative actions to stop the spread of germs like the flu and COVID-19:

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick
- Limit your contact with others if you are sick
- **Wear a mask**
- Cover your coughs and sneezes
- **Wash your hands**
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.
- Clean and disinfect surfaces and objects that are frequently touched
- **Watch your distance**

For more information on the [Differences between Flu and COVID-19](#), please visit the CDC website.

For more information:

The public can call 211-information with general questions

OHA Emerging Respiratory Disease page: www.healthoregon.org/coronavirus

CDC COVID-19 page: www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html

CDC Travel within the US: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/travel-in-the-us.html>

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

Oregon COVID-19 Testing Location Finder: <https://govstatus.egov.com/or-oha-covid-19-testing>

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