



# JACKSON COUNTY

Health & Human Services

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Public Health Division

140 S. Holly St.  
Medford, OR 97501

## COVID-19 Update February 19, 2021

	CASES	FATALITIES
WORLD (2/19/21, per Johns Hopkins)	110,430,962	2,444,074
USA (2/19/21, per Johns Hopkins)	27,897,356	493,138
OREGON (2/18/21, Per OHA)	151,713	2,149
JACKSON COUNTY (2/19/21, per JCHHS)	8,078	107

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

### PRESS RELEASE ON BEHALF OF JACKSON COUNTY

If you have any questions, please reach out to the contact listed below

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE February 19, 2021

For media interview requests, please contact Tanya Phillips. Interviews will be scheduled with Dr. Jim Shames, Jackson County Medical Director.

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## Jackson County COVID-19 Daily Press Release

**[Medford, Oregon]** —Jackson County Public Health reports 52 new COVID-19 cases as of 12:01 am on February 19, 2021. Additionally, 1 previously reported case were removed from the total COVID-19 cases. These updates bring the total COVID-19 cases to 8,078.

### COVID-19 Hospitalizations

The number of hospitalized patients with COVID-19 in Region 5 (Jackson and Josephine Counties) is 22, increasing by 1 from the previous day. There are 4 patients in the intensive care unit (ICU), decreasing by 2 from the previous day.

The total number of patients in hospital beds may fluctuate between report times. The numbers do not reflect admissions per day nor the length of hospital stay. Staffing limitations are not captured in this data and may further limit bed capacity.

For additional local COVID-19 data, visit the COVID-19 Data Dashboard at [Situation in Jackson County, Oregon](#) webpage. More information on hospitalizations and other COVID-19 can be found on the [OHA COVID-19 Data Dashboard](#).

### COVID-19 Vaccine Updates

Due to the winter weather in Oregon and across the nation, Jackson County Public Health will not receive its vaccine allotment of 1,800 prime doses of Moderna, with 1,300 dedicated for individuals over 75 this week. The Oregon Health Authority continues to monitoring the situation. Some pharmacies and other COVID-19 vaccine providers may have to delay or cancel appointments.

Currently, the federal COVID-19 vaccine supply chain is scarce, impacting the vaccine supply in Jackson County. With the short supply and high demand, we know more seniors will want to get vaccinated than there will be vaccines available to them in the coming weeks. This means that every older adult will not be able to get an appointment as soon as they want one, even if they are currently eligible per the state's prioritization.

Jackson County Public Health and our healthcare partners are encouraged by the number of people wanting to be vaccinated, and we are all eager to provide the vaccine. We appreciate the community's patience; we are all doing the best we can – as fast as we can – with the available resources we have.

Resources on vaccine eligibility and where to access the vaccine:

- Jackson County Health and Human Services COVID-19 Vaccine website: <https://jacksoncountyor.org/hhs/General/News-Information/covid-19-vaccine-1>
- Oregon Health Authority's COVID-19 Vaccine: <https://covidvaccine.oregon.gov/>
- Register on the [Get Vaccinated Oregon](#) tool and check for country-specific information.
- 211 Information is also available to answer questions about vaccine eligibility and access.
  - Text ORCOVID to 898211 to get text/SMS updates (English and Spanish only)
  - Email ORCOVID@211info.org (All languages)
  - Call 211 or 1-866-698-6155 from 6 am – 7 pm daily, including holidays

**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)
- OHA COVID-19 Vaccine: <https://govstatus.egov.com/or-oha-covid-vaccine>
- CDC COVID-19 Vaccine: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/index.html>
- Jackson County HHS Vaccine: <https://jacksoncountyor.org/hhs/COVID-19/COVID-19-News/covid-19-vaccine>
- CDC Travel within the U.S.: <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>
- Review the [Statewide Mask, Face Covering, Face Shield Guidance](#) for detailed information

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