



Community Situation Report

2021 COVID-19 Pandemic

March 15, 2021

County update on COVID Vaccinations

At today's County Commissioner meeting, Dr. Locke said that Jefferson County is doing quite well when it comes to new COVID-19 cases. There was one probable case test done on a person without symptoms recently. Locke also spoke briefly about Road to Recovery changes that will be coming from the state when all counties move to Phase 3 on March 22. He also mentioned that while there will be no more J&J vaccine available in March, it will become available again in April and in May and June there will be ample vaccine available from Johnson & Johnson. Referring to the J&J vaccine, Locke said, "people like the one and done" vaccine.

Emergency Management Director Willie Bence talked about the preparations being made for the vaccination clinic scheduled for Sunday, March 21 at Chimacum School District Multi-Purpose Room. The clinic will be open from 9AM to 3:00PM. Information about how to check your eligibility and where to schedule an appointment can be found on <https://jeffersoncountypublichealth.org/>.

All counties to move to Phase 3 effective March 22

Last week, Gov. Inslee announced the Roadmap to Recovery plan will change from a regional approach to a county-by-county process. Additionally, a new third phase of the Roadmap will be initiated allowing in-person spectators for professional and high school sporting events. Spectators will be allowed to attend outdoor venues with permanent seating and capacity capped at 25 percent and will start for high school and youth sports on March 18. Social distancing and face masks are still required.

Inslee also said that all individuals referred to in the COVID-19 Vaccine Phase 1B/Tier2 will now be eligible to get vaccinated starting on March 17.

- **March 17:** Critical workers in some congregate settings; agriculture, food processing, grocery stores, public transit, corrections, fire, law enforcement, staff and volunteers in congregate living settings. People ages 16+ that are pregnant or have a disability that puts them at higher risk.
- **April 12:** People ages 50+ with two or more comorbidities (medical conditions).
- **April 26:** People ages 16+ with two or more comorbidities.

People living in congregate settings, people experiencing homelessness that live in or access services in congregate settings. To read the full press release from the Governor's office go to

<https://medium.com/wagovernor/inslee-announces-statewide-move-to-phase-3-of-recovery-plan-return-to-spectator-events-and-tier-2-4a53000f2724>.

State Dept. of Health to adopt CDC post-vaccine guidance

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) issued guidance for post-vaccine behavior last week that the State of Washington has adopted. According to the guidance, if a person has been fully vaccinated they can gather indoors with fully vaccinated people in private residences without wearing a mask and gather indoors with unvaccinated people from one other household in private residences (for example, visiting with relatives who all live together) without masks, unless any of those people or anyone they live with has an increased risk for severe illness from COVID-19.

People should continue to wear masks when they are in public and need to avoid crowds and take other precautions when gathering with unvaccinated people who are high risk of serious illness from COVID-19. To read more, go to

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/fully-vaccinated.html>.

Volunteers still needed for vaccination clinics

The Department of Emergency Management is seeking volunteers to fill a number of positions associated with vaccination clinics to include individuals with licenses to practice medicine to help with vaccine injections; individuals to assist with traffic control, paperwork, and help in the vaccination appointment call center.

"To volunteer, please send an email to JCDEM@co.jefferson.wa.us with your phone number and email address and the area you would like to volunteer in," said Director Willie Bence.

Cases by Age

0-19	65
20-29	36
30-39	45
40-49	37
50-59	38
60-69	60
70-79	37
80+	19

Cases by Sex

Cases by Sex	N (%)
Female	164 (48.7%)
Male	173 (51.3%)

Cases by Location

Port Townsend	155
Mid-County	150
South County (Quilcene, Brinnon, West Jefferson)	32

2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) in Jefferson County, WA

Total Positives (confirmed cases reported since 3/2/2020)	337
Active Cases in Isolation	1
Negative	19,707
Percent Positive	1.68%
Test Results Pending	62
Total Tests Administered	20,085
Total Patients Recovered*	328
Cases Ever Hospitalized	24
Deaths	2
Two Week COVID-19 Case Rate per 100,000 (Feb 28-Mar 13)**	3.13

Last results received 3/15/2021. We are working with Jefferson Healthcare and other labs to provide the test result data. *WA State DOH: people are considered recovered at 28 days from the onset of symptoms if they are alive and not hospitalized. This table will be updated Monday through Friday. **This rate will be updated every Monday. Last Updated: 3/15/2021 at 4:34 P.M.

Case Rate in Last 4 weeks

Week of:	Case Rate
02/07/21-02/20/21	28.21
02/14/21-02/27/21	21.94
02/21/21-03/06/21	15.67
02/28/21-03/13/21	3.13

% Positive in Past 4 Weeks

Week of:	Tests Completed	Cases	% Positive
02/15/21-02/21/21	392	2	0.51%
02/22/21-02/28/21	388	5	1.29%
03/01/21-03/07/21	379	0	0.00%
03/08/21-03/14/20	370	1	0.30%

For details on the timeline for reported cases see the Epidemiologic Curves tab for Jefferson County on the [WA DOH COVID-19 Data Dashboard](#).