



Community Situation Report

2021 COVID-19 Pandemic

April 19, 2021

All 16+ now eligible for vaccine

As of April 15, Washingtonians age 16 and older are eligible to receive a COVID-19 vaccination. Currently, Pfizer is the only COVID-19 vaccine authorized for people 16 years of age and older. Moderna is authorized for people 18 and older. Those 16 or 17 may need consent from a parent or guardian to get the vaccine, unless they are legally emancipated.

Over six hundred vaccinated last Saturday in Chimacum

Jefferson County Public Health together with Jefferson County Emergency Management held another mass vaccination clinic last Saturday at the Chimacum High School Multi-Purpose Room where a total of 622 people were vaccinated. In the morning, 327 received their second dose of Moderna and in the afternoon, 295 received their first dose of the vaccine.

Another vaccination clinic is planned for Saturday, April 24 at the Chimacum High School Multi-Purpose room from 1-4PM for a first dose inoculation of Moderna. Anyone 18 years of age and older can receive the Moderna vaccine. To schedule an appointment, go to www.bit.ly/jeffcovax or call 360-344-9791.

Update from Dr. Locke

Dr. Locke reported that 54.5% of the residents in Jefferson County have received their first dose of vaccine and almost 40% are now fully vaccinated. COVID activity is increasing in 26 different states and Washington is one of those states. Hospitalizations and deaths are also increasing. The slowly increasing trend in Jefferson County and Clallam and Kitsap counties are being dominated by the variants particularly the B.1.4.2.9 that arose in California and is more infectious than the previous strains. The UK variant, which is more transmissible, has been found in Clallam and Kitsap counties and, according to Locke, there are probably some here in Jefferson County. This past week there was one hospitalization and the first COVID death at Jefferson Healthcare—a man in his 60s with multiple comorbidities.

Indoor dining, indoor sports events and other large gathering places indoors are still concerning, Locke said.

Fitness centers and gyms are increasingly high-risk places to be even if you are fully vaccinated.

J&J vaccine is still on hold. “We are expecting to hear more at the end of the week,” said Dr. Locke. That vaccine is likely to be un-paused and become available again with some restrictions, he said.

Dr. Locke stated that Pfizer is on the verge of submitting a request to the FDA to allow 12-16-year-old students get vaccinated with Pfizer starting in the summer. Moderna is planning to make the same request. The intention is to get students vaccinated before returning to school. A vaccine for younger children is not expected to become available until the fourth quarter of 2021 or the first quarter of 2022.

The CDC has a program called V-safe that Dr. Locke recommends people sign up for after getting vaccinated. This is for smart phone users and is a place to report any side effects after being vaccinated. Go to <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/safety/vsafe.html> for information about the program.

Breakthrough cases in Washington State

Last week, the Washington State Department of Health (DOH) reported a total of 217 COVID-19 breakthrough cases among vaccinated people as of April 3. According to a press release, that number has risen from 102 since breakthrough cases were first reported on March 30. Breakthrough cases—occurring when a person tests positive for COVID-19 two weeks or more after receiving the full course of an approved vaccine—have been identified in 24 of Washington state’s 39 counties. Scientists note that breakthroughs are expected with any vaccine.



Case Information

The state data system is having trouble getting accurate testing numbers from the UW testing lab. Therefore, the majority of tests being done in Jefferson County are not being counted by the state website. The information on our website is accurate and fully accounts for all testing done. Until this problem is resolved, the numbers of negative tests results reported by the state are inaccurate.

Cases by Age

0-19	75
20-29	39
30-39	54
40-49	39
50-59	48
60-69	63
70-79	37
80+	19

Cases by Sex

Cases by Sex	N (%)
Female	182 (48.7%)
Male	192 (51.3%)

Cases by Location

Port Townsend	163
Mid-County	172
South County (Quilcene, Brinnon, West Jefferson)	39

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

Total Positives (confirmed cases reported since 3/2/2020)	374
Active Cases in Isolation	10
Negative	21,615
Percent Positive	1.70%
Test Results Pending	47
Total Tests Administered	22,036
Total Patients Recovered*	344
Cases Ever Hospitalized	26
Deaths	3
Two Week COVID-19 Case Rate per 100,000 (Mar 28-Apr 10)**	72.10

Last results received 4/19/2021. 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: 4/19/2021 at 3:01 P.M.

Case Rate in Last 4 weeks

Week of:	Case Rate
03/07/21-03/20/21	25.08
03/21/21-04/03/21	21.94
03/28/21-04/10/21	21.94
04/4/21-04/17/21	72.10

% Positive in Past 4 Weeks

Week of:	Tests Completed	Cases	% Positive
03/22/21-03/28/21	372	0	0.00%
03/29/21-04/4/21	392	7	1.79%
04/05/21-04/11/21	394	11	2.79%
04/12/21-04/18/21	417	13	3.12%

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

Due to our growing workload, moving forward, we are no longer able to provide individual information about each case.