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Weekly Workplace Outbreak Report

OHA is publishing data on cases in workplace outbreaks. Given a cluster of cases in space and time, within plausible incubation periods for the pathogen, OHA epidemiologists will consider cases to be related—i.e., part of a workplace outbreak—unless a more likely alternative source for acquisition is identified. Any suspected workplace outbreak is required to be reported to the local public health authority (see OAR 333-018-015). Local health department and tribal partners conduct ongoing public health investigations to identify workplace outbreaks. This list of outbreaks will be updated as investigations continue, and we learn about epidemiologic links between cases. This list may not reflect all the workplace outbreaks in Oregon.

In order to protect privacy, OHA is only reporting workplace outbreaks with five or more cases and only for workplaces where there are at least 30 employees. If more than 50% of the employees are COVID-19 cases, then we will not report specific case numbers. Case counts include all persons linked to the outbreak, which may include household members and other close contacts. The list below includes active workplace outbreaks (Table 7), meaning that there has been a case within the past 28 days. Outbreaks that are resolved will be moved to a separate table of resolved outbreaks (Table 8).

The presence of correctional facilities and food packing and agricultural worksites on this list highlights the challenges of controlling COVID-19 in settings where people must work or live in close proximity. In addition, people of color are overrepresented in agricultural and correctional settings, perhaps contributing to higher rates of COVID-19 observed in these groups. OHA publishes these data in response to public request, but with some concern that workers or staff members at these workplaces might be subject to discrimination.

State and local public health officials work intensively with staff at workplaces where outbreaks are identified to isolate sick workers, test and quarantine those who have been exposed and implement workplace changes to reduce risk of transmission. Unless otherwise noted, public health officials have determined that these workplaces, their employees and their products do not pose significant risk to the public. Employees of a business with a workplace outbreak should never be subjected to discrimination or excluded from patronizing other businesses. In fact, discriminating against employees or avoiding products might jeopardize the economic viability of essential local businesses.

Employers can support their employees with policies that make sure that ill workers are not in the workplace and are not penalized for taking sick leave. Employers should ensure that workers are aware of and understand these policies.

There have been eight COVID-19 deaths associated with the workplace outbreaks below. To protect patient privacy, OHA does not report employee deaths by workplace.

Table 7. Active Workplace outbreaks with five or more confirmed COVID-19 cases (n=48)

Workplace	Address	County ^a	Investigation start date	Most recent onset	Total cases
Oregon State Penitentiary	2605 State St, Salem, OR 97310	Marion	4/2/2020	6/22/2020	183
Pacific Seafood	213 SW Bay Blvd, Newport, OR 97365	Lincoln	6/2/2020	6/30/2020	181
Lamb Weston	78153 Westland Road, Hermiston, OR 97838	Umatilla	6/16/2020	6/27/2020	115
Duckwall Fruit	3430 Davis Dr. Hood River, OR 97031	Hood River	5/28/2020	6/11/2020	64
Bob's Red Mill	5000 SE International Way, Milwaukie, OR 97222	Clackamas	5/27/2020	6/24/2020	61

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Teeny Foods	3434 NE 170th way, Gresham OR 97230	Multnomah	6/8/2020	6/20/2020	26
Columbia River Processing (TCCA)	79588 Rippe Rd, Boardman, OR 97013	Morrow	06/16/2020	07/01/2020	22
Townsend Farms	33865 NW Vadis Rd, Cornelius OR 97113	Washington	5/25/2020	6/13/2020	18
Salem Hospital	890 Oak Street SE, Salem, OR 97301	Marion	5/27/2020	6/22/2020	17
Norpac	2498 Madrona Ave SE, Salem, OR 97301	Marion	6/5/2020	6/18/2020	15
Amazon Troutdale	1250 NW Swigert Rd, Troutdale, OR 97060	Multnomah	5/21/2020	7/1/2020	15
Atkinson Staffing	80796 N Highway 395, Hermiston, OR 97838	Umatilla	6/18/2020	6/25/2020	13
Local Ocean	213 SE Bay Blvd, Newport, OR 97365	Lincoln	6/10/2020	6/19/2020	12
Grand Ronde Hospital	900 Sunset Dr, La Grande, OR 97850	Union	06/24/2020	06/23/2020	12
Oregon Harvesting Inc.	11335 SW Hillsboro Hwy, Hillsboro, OR 97123	Washington	06/25/2020	06/27/2020	12
Harry and David's	2800 S. Pacific Hwy, Medford, OR 97501	Jackson	6/9/2020	6/13/2020	11
Amazon Aumsville	4775 Depot Ct SE, Salem, OR 97317	Marion	5/21/2020	6/24/2020	11
Oregon Potato Company	650 Columbia Ave NE, Boardman, OR 97818	Morrow	06/26/2020	06/29/2020	11
Shearer's Foods	78035 Highway 207, Hermiston, OR 97838	Umatilla	6/26/2020	6/28/2020	11
Morasch Meats	4050 NE 158th Ave, Portland, OR 97230	Multnomah	06/19/2020	06/20/2020	10
National Performance Warehouse	5640 NE Wagon Dr, Hillsboro, OR 97124	Washington	6/18/2020	6/20/2020	10
Chaucer Foods	2238 Yew St, Forest Grove, OR 97116	Washington	5/31/2020	6/22/2020	10
BrucePac	811 N First St, Silverton, OR 97381	Marion	5/11/2020	6/22/2020	10
Fremont Millwork	2949 Onyx Ave, Klamath Falls, OR 97603	Klamath	6/29/2020	6/30/2020	10
Precision Lumber	11550 SE Jennifer St, Clackamas, OR 97015	Clackamas	6/17/2020	7/1/2020	9
Imperfect Foods	16800 SE Evelyn St Ste 104, Clackamas, OR 97015	Clackamas	6/30/2020	7/1/2020	9
Tenneson Orchards	5299 Millcreek Rd, Dallas, OR 97058	Wasco	06/19/2020	06/20/2020	8
Outdoors RV Manufacturing	62582 Pierce Rd, La Grande, OR 97850	Union	06/28/2020	06/22/2020	8
Clearwater	325 SW Bay Blvd, Newport, OR 97365	Lincoln	6/5/2020	6/14/2020	7
McDonald's	1300 N Coast Hwy, Newport, OR 97365	Lincoln	6/16/2020	6/14/2020	7
Georgie's Beachside Grill	744 SW Elizabeth St, Newport, OR 97365	Lincoln	06/12/2020	06/18/2020	7
Hill Meat Company	1503 NW 50th Street, Pendleton, OR 97801	Umatilla	06/26/2020	06/30/2020	7
Gutterman's Supply	1620 NE Argyle Dr. Portland, OR 97211	Multnomah	6/23/2020	6/22/2020	7

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Hoffman Construction	5 NE MLK Blvd, Portland, OR 97232	Multnomah	6/13/2020	6/12/2020	6
Pacific Pine and Products	17634 US 395, Lakeview, OR 97630	Lake	06/26/2020	06/29/2020	6
Orchard View Farms	4055 Skyline Rd, The Dalles, OR 97058	Wasco	6/15/2020	6/28/2020	6
Margarita Factory Beaverton	17005 NW Cornell Rd, Beaverton, OR 97006	Washington	6/25/2020	6/28/2020	6
Mary's Harvest Fresh Foods	2705 NE Argyle St, Portland, OR 97211	Multnomah	6/17/2020	6/30/2020	6
Snake River Correctional Institution	777 Stanton Blvd, Ontario, OR 97914	Malheur	6/24/2020	6/30/2020	6
McGee Air Services	7000 NE Airport Way, Portland, OR 97218	Multnomah	6/30/2020	6/22/2020	5
Safeway	2111 Adams Ave, La Grande, OR 97850	Union	6/28/2020	6/24/2020	5
Azure Standard	500 Azure Ln, Moro, OR 97039	Sherman	5/31/2020	6/24/2020	5
Truitt Bros Inc.	556 Murlark Ave. NW, Salem, OR 97304	Marion	6/26/2020	6/27/2020	5
Two Rivers Correctional Institution	82911 Beach Access Rd, Umatilla, OR 97882	Umatilla	6/24/2020	6/27/2020	5
MacLaren Youth Correctional Facility	2630 N Pacific Hwy, Woodburn, OR 97071	Marion	6/26/2020	6/29/2020	5
Polehn Farms	2121 Dry Hollow Rd, The Dalles, OR 97058	Wasco	7/2/2020	6/29/2020	5
Popeye's	5949 NE Martin Luther King Jr Blvd, Portland, OR 97211	Multnomah	7/1/2020	6/29/2020	5
Portland Spirit	110 SE Caruthers St, Portland, OR 97214	Multnomah	6/22/2020	6/18/2020	5

^aCounty of workplace. COVID-19 cases may reside in multiple counties

Table 8. Resolved Workplace outbreaks with five or more confirmed COVID-19 cases (n=31)

Workplace	Address	County ^a	Investigation start date	Most recent onset	Total cases
Townsend Farms	23303 NE Sandy Blvd, Fairview, OR 97024	Multnomah	5/25/2020	5/31/2020	56
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National Frozen Foods	745 30th Ave SW, Albany, OR 97322	Linn	4/15/2020	5/10/2020	41
VA Medical Center	3710 SW US Veterans Hospital Rd, Portland, OR 97239	Multnomah	5/7/2020	5/13/2020	34
Bornsteins Seafood	9 Portway St, Astoria, OR 97103	Clatsop	5/2/2020	5/13/2020	33
Medelez Trucking	30522 Old Field Street, Hermiston OR 97838	Umatilla	4/29/2020	6/9/2020	31
Shutter Creek Correctional Institute	95200 Shutters Landing Ln, North Bend, OR 97459	Coos	4/7/2020	5/5/2020	28
Old Trapper	4071 24th Ave, Forest Grove, OR 97116	Washington	4/13/2020	6/8/2020	16

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Pacific Seafood	450 NE Skipanon Dr, Warrenton, OR 97146	Clatsop	5/8/2020	5/14/2020	15
Santiam Correctional Institute	4005 Aumsville Hwy SE, Salem, OR 97317	Marion	4/3/2020	6/7/2020	15
Reser's Food	6999 NE Century Blvd, Hillsboro, OR 97124	Washington	4/16/2020	6/6/2020	15
Adventist Hospital	10123 SE Market St, Portland, OR 97216	Multnomah	5/7/2020	5/9/2020	10
Oregon Health and Sciences University	3181 S.W. Sam Jackson Park Rd, Portland, OR 97239	Multnomah	4/8/2020	4/11/2020	10
Amstad Produce, Inc.	16300 SW 192nd Ave, Sherwood, OR 97410	Washington	4/26/2020	5/1/2020	9
MacLaren Youth Correctional Facility	2630 N Pacific Hwy, Woodburn, OR 97071	Marion	5/5/2020	5/11/2020	8
Fred Meyer	14700 SE McLoughlin Blvd, Milwaukie, OR 97267	Clackamas	6/3/2020	6/5/2020	8
Physicians Building Group	1234 Commercial St SE, Salem, OR 97302	Marion	3/24/2020	3/24/2020	7
Pacific Motion Furniture	21249 SW 115th Ave, Tualatin, OR 97062	Washington	4/29/2020	4/20/2020	7
Meduri Farms	12375 Smithfield Road, Dallas, OR 97338	Polk	5/25/2020	5/19/2020	7
Purdy Professional Painting	13201 N Lombard St, Portland, OR	Multnomah	6/21/2020	5/29/2020	7
Electronic Assemblers	616 Industrial St # 30, Hood River, OR 97031	Hood River	6/1/2020	6/1/2020	7
Dave's Killer Bread	5209 SE International Way, Milwaukie, OR 97222	Clackamas	5/2/2020	6/2/2020	7
Cherriots Bus Service	555 Court St NE #5230, Salem, OR 97301	Marion	3/30/2020	3/27/2020	6
Hospital Service Corporation	18440 NE Portal Way, Portland, OR, 97230	Multnomah	4/3/2020	4/4/2020	6
Timber Products Company	25 E McAndrews Rd, Medford, OR 97501	Jackson	4/11/2020	4/3/2020	6
Fresh Del Monte	9243 N Rivergate Blvd, Portland, OR 97203	Multnomah	5/22/2020	5/21/2020	6
Northwest Hazelnut Company	19748 OR-99E, Hubbard, OR 97032	Marion	5/12/2020	5/18/2020	6
Good Shepherd Hospital	610 NW 11th St, Hermiston, OR 97838	Umatilla	5/21/2020	5/19/2020	6
First American Title Company	2892 Crescent Ave, Eugene, OR 97408	Lane	4/19/2020	4/10/2020	5
Wong's Potatoes	17600 Highway 39 Klamath Falls, Klamath Falls, OR 97603	Klamath	4/20/2020	4/20/2020	5
Fjord Limited	3099 N Pacific Highway, Woodburn, OR 97071	Marion	5/5/2020	4/28/2020	5

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