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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 investigate 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.

To protect privacy, OHA is only reporting workplace outbreaks with five or more cases and only for workplaces with at least 30 employees. If more than 50% of the employees are COVID-19 cases, specific case numbers will not be reported. 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 proximity. People of color are overrepresented in agricultural and correctional settings, contributing to the 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 ensure 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.

Eight COVID-19 deaths have been 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=46)

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	6/30/2020	184
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	7/6/2020	142
Snake River Correctional					
Institution	777 Stanton Blvd, Ontario, OR 97914	Malheur	6/24/2020	7/8/2020	117
Bob's Red Mill	5000 SE International Way, Milwaukie, OR 97222	Clackamas	5/27/2020	6/24/2020	61

Data are provisional and subject to change.

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Columbia River Processing (TCCA)	79588 Rippe Rd, Boardman, OR 97013	Morrow	06/16/2020	07/03/2020	30
Teeny Foods	3434 NE 170th way, Gresham OR 97230	Multnomah	6/8/2020	6/20/2020	27
Amazon Troutdale	1250 NW Swigert Rd, Troutdale, OR 97060	Multnomah	5/21/2020	7/8/2020	24
Shearer's Foods	78035 Highway 207, Hermiston, OR 97838	Umatilla	6/26/2020	6/29/2020	21
Old Trapper	4071 24th Ave, Forest Grove, OR 97116	Washington	4/13/2020	6/24/2020	19
Salem Hospital	890 Oak Street SE, Salem, OR 97301	Marion	5/27/2020	7/6/2020	18
Atkinson Staffing	80796 N Highway 395, Hermiston, OR 97838	Umatilla	6/18/2020	7/2/2020	17
Norpac	2498 Madrona Ave SE, Salem, OR 97301	Marion	6/5/2020	6/18/2020	15
Mary's Harvest Fresh Foods	2705 NE Argyle St, Portland, OR 97211	Multnomah	6/17/2020	7/5/2020	15
Walmart Distribution Center	2650 US-395, Hermiston, OR 97838	Umatilla	6/30/2020	6/27/2020	15
Eastern Oregon Correctional Institution	2500 Westgate, Pendleton, OR 97801	Umatilla	7/8/2020	7/7/2020	14
Oregon Harvesting Inc.	11335 SW Hillsboro Hwy, Hillsboro, OR 97123	Washington	06/25/2020	07/05/2020	13
Imperfect Foods	16800 SE Evelyn St Ste 104, Clackamas, OR 97015	Clackamas	6/30/2020	7/4/2020	13
JE Dunn Construction	3200 NW Yeon Ave, Portland, OR 97210	Multnomah	7/8/2020	7/8/2020	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
Morasch Meats	4050 NE 158th Ave, Portland, OR 97230	Multnomah	06/19/2020	07/04/2020	12
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
Orchard View Farms	4055 Skyline Rd, The Dalles, OR 97058	Wasco	6/15/2020	7/4/2020	11
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	7/8/2020	10
Hill Meat Company	1503 NW 50th Street, Pendleton, OR 97801	Umatilla	06/26/2020	06/30/2020	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

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Two Rivers Correctional Institution	82911 Beach Access Rd, Umatilla, OR 97882	Umatilla	6/24/2020	7/5/2020	8
Dave's Killer Bread	5209 SE International Way, Milwaukie, OR 97222	Clackamas	5/2/2020	6/26/2020	8
A&K Design	8564 NE Alderwood Rd, Portland, OR 97220	Multnomah	7/8/2020	7/4/2020	8
Columbia Gorge Organic	3610 Central Vale Drive, Hood River, OR 97031	Hood River	7/4/2020	7/6/2020	8
Georgie's Beachside Grill	744 SW Elizabeth St, Newport, OR 97365	Lincoln	06/12/2020	06/18/2020	7
Gutterman's Supply	1620 NE Argyle Dr. Portland, OR 97211	Multnomah	6/23/2020	6/22/2020	7
Truitt Bros Inc.	556 Murlark Ave. NW, Salem, OR 97304	Polk	6/26/2020	6/27/2020	7
Pacific Pine and Products	17634 US 395, Lakeview, OR 97630	Lake	06/26/2020	06/29/2020	6
Margarita Factory Beaverton	17005 NW Cornell Rd, Beaverton, OR 97006	Washington	6/25/2020	6/28/2020	6
Azure Standard	500 Azure Ln, Moro, OR 97039	Sherman	5/31/2020	7/6/2020	6
MacLaren Youth Correctional Facility	2630 N Pacific Hwy, Woodburn, OR 97071	Marion	6/26/2020	6/30/2020	6
Pella Windows and Doors	18600 NE Wilkes Rd, Portland, OR 97230	Multnomah	7/7/2020	7/3/2020	6
McClaskey Orchards	3551 Old Dufur Rd, The Dalles, OR 97058	Wasco	6/30/2020	7/6/2020	6
Interfor	15555 S Hwy 211, Molalla, OR 97038 18240 N Bank Rd, Roseburg, OR	Clackamas	7/10/2020	7/6/2020	6
Romtec	97470	Douglas	7/1/2020	7/8/2020	6
The Kraft Heinz Company	175 NE 6th Ave, Ontario, OR 97914	Malheur	6/15/2020	7/9/2020	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
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	6/30/2020	5
Portland Spirit	110 SE Caruthers St, Portland, OR 97214	Multnomah	6/22/2020	6/18/2020	5
ANM Hush Canna	130 W Clark St, Medford, OR 97501	Jackson	7/3/2020	6/27/2020	5
United States Postal Service	7007 NE Cornfoot Rd Dept 800, Portland, OR 97208	Multnomah	7/8/2020	7/2/2020	5
Marlette Homes	400 W Elm Ave, Hermiston, OR 97838	Umatilla	7/8/2020	7/4/2020	5
The Tofurky Company	602 Anchor Way, Hood River, OR 97031	Hood River	7/4/2020	7/5/2020	5
Anderson Hay & Grain Co Inc	23261 Hubbard Cutoff Rd NE, Aurora, OR 97002	Marion	7/6/2020	7/7/2020	5
Townsend Farms	22815 NE Sandy Blvd, Fairview, OR 97024	Multnomah	7/10/2020	7/7/2020	5