

# Virus: State's single-day death count reaches highest ever

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tied to its plants in Newport.

Later in the summer, Pacific Seafood had outbreaks at plants in Clackamas and Coos counties.

Clatsop County Public Health officials and the company had conflicts over whether workers should quarantine or continue working and the Oregon Health Authority stepped in.

The memorandum of understanding signed by both parties Monday clarifies the roles and responsibilities of each party as well as how future responses will be handled.

The complete memorandum can be seen on the Clat-

sop County website, [co.clatsop.or.us](http://co.clatsop.or.us).

## COUNTY STATISTICS

Since the pandemic began, Clatsop County has had 352 cases of coronavirus as of Tuesday. There has been one death and five hospitalizations. There were 68 active cases Tuesday and 266 people had recovered.

During the past six days, the county recorded 38 cases.

## STATE STATISTICS

Oregon set a somber record Tuesday with the highest ever death count in a single day.

Twenty-one people died, bringing the total number of state deaths to 847 and a total coronavirus case count of 67,333.

"We feel pain and sorrow for our neighbors who've lost their lives to COVID-19 and the families they leave behind," said Patrick Allen, Oregon Health Authority director. "And each death we record is a reminder that COVID-19 is a life-threatening virus that's easy to catch, a warning that more Oregonians will die if we don't contain it and a call to action to stop its spread."

About one in four Oregonians have been tested for COVID-19, ranking the state 30th in testing nationwide, according to Dr. Melissa Sutton, the state's lead medical expert for testing strategy.

## EMPLOYMENT HELP

Those who have lost wages during the two-week freeze can find help from the state.

Gov. Kate Brown imposed the freeze, which ends Dec. 2, in an effort to curb the spiraling numbers of people catching the virus and dying. Residents whose employment is impacted by the freeze can begin or restart claims with the Oregon Employment Department by going to the agency's website and finding the "Online Claim System." Those having problems restarting a claim

should use the "Contact Us" form and select the "Restarting my claim" option.

Employers who lay employees off because of the freeze should use the state's layoff reporting form, which will allow the Oregon Employment Department to process employees' claims more quickly.

The Employment Department is prepared for an in-

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novel education platform, which I intend to use as the basis for a remote general chemistry-type laboratory sequence," he said.

The UO's contributions include a collaboration with the Oregon Center for Electrochemistry. And students will have roles in the research. Experiments will occur in Oregon, England and Italy.

Members of the scientific team are trained in sensory science, food science, chemistry and mathematics.

"The University of Oregon is a first-class public research university, and professor Hendon is a well-known, pioneering coffee scientist," said Peter Giuliano, executive director of the Coffee Science

Foundation. "For this project, they will lead an international research collaboration that is likely to produce exciting innovations in espresso science."

Earlier this year, Hendon and an international team of coffee-interested colleagues published a paper in the journal *Matter*, showing that grinding beans for espresso more coarsely and extracting a shot of the brew more quickly than current practices dictate could lead to a savings of \$1.1 billion a year for U.S. coffee shops.

In the new project, the team will develop new tools that promise to transform the way espresso is measured, including the creation of a device that will allow for the rapid assessment of coffee chemistry and flavor.

What they develop will transform an existing espresso brewing control chart into a new version that includes the latest research on sensory, chemical and physical sciences.

The Coffee Science Foundation is a nonprofit organization dedicated to advancing the understanding of coffee and securing its future through research, knowledge building, and outreach. Partial funding will come from the Simonelli Group of Italy, a leader in the coffee machine industry.

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