

The economic impact that these severe restrictions have made on small businesses and individuals will be felt for years to come. While health safety is certainly important, so is the health of the economy in Oregon and other states. Several small restaurants here in Cottage Grove have not been able to survive and others have had to rely on take-out orders. This is at best a stop-gap for them and a real inconvenience for we, their patrons. I believe that my family is responsible enough to make wise decisions about our health as well as the possibility of spreading disease. The data I review concerning Covid-19 is that the incidence of the virus is declining and interestingly enough, it seems that the "normal" flu has just about totally disappeared. What an interesting observation.