

Consumer Alert™

Prices at Approved /Accredited /Pre-Accredited Private Laboratories /Medical Facilities Testing for SARS-CoV-2 in Jamaica as at July 20, 2021

NAME OF LABORATORY	TYPE OF COVID- 19 TESTS CONDUCTED		PRICES OF COVID-19 TESTS CONDUCTED				TURN-AROUND TIME FOR TEST RESULTS	
	PCR TEST	ANTIGEN TEST	PCR		ANTIGEN		PCR TEST	ANTIGEN TEST
			(J\$)	(US\$)	(J\$)	(US\$)		
KINGSTON AND ST. ANDREW								
3D Gynaecology Limited	✓	✓	\$21,500		\$8,000		72 Hours	30 Minutes
AIDS Health Foundation	X	✓			\$8,000			15-20 Minutes
Andrew's Memorial Hospital	X	✓			\$7,000			24 Hours
BioMedical Caledonia Laboratory Ltd. ^[2]	✓	✓	\$25,000		\$7,000	\$50	48-72 Hours	Same Day
Central Medical Laboratory	X	✓			\$8,000			Same Day
Dunrobin Medical and Wellness Centre ^[3]	✓	✓	\$23,000		\$8,000 (Doctor's Office)		24 Hours	20-30 Minutes
					\$9,000 (Drive-Through)			
Epione Health Limited	X	✓			\$8,500			30 Minutes
Fairco Medical and Dermatology Centre	✓	✓	\$22,000		\$7,500		24 Hours	15-30 Minutes
Fleet Diagnostic Laboratory	X	✓			\$8,000			24 Hours
Health Plus Associates	X	✓			\$8,000			15-20 Minutes
Health Plus Pharmacy	X	✓			\$7,000			20 Minutes
Health Renew Medical Center	X	✓			\$7,500			15 Minutes
Josk Medical Laboratory Services	X	✓			\$7,000			20 Minutes
LRI Medical Laboratory Limited	✓	✓	\$25,000		\$7,500		24 Hours	30 Minutes
MD Link ^[4]	✓	✓	\$22,000	\$145	\$7,500	\$50	24-48 Hours	30 Minutes
Microlabs Limited	✓	✓	\$20,000		\$7,000		48 Hours	Same Day
Pure Jamaica Medical Center ^[5]	✓	✓	\$22,500		\$8,500		24 Hours	15-30 Minutes
R.K Medical Diagnostic Laboratory (NMIA)	✓	✓	\$22,500	\$150	\$7,500	\$50	48-72 Hours	15-45 Minutes
Suretime Emergency Medical Services Ltd ^[6]	X	✓			\$7,500			
Technological Solutions Limited ^[7]	✓	✓	\$22,500	\$150	\$7,500	\$50	22-36 Hours	Same Day
Vein Centers of Jamaica	✓	✓	\$27,000		\$7,000		24-72 Hours	15 Minutes
Winchester Medical and Surgical Institute	✓	✓	\$20,000		\$7000 (Weekdays)		24-48 Hours	1 Hour
					\$8500 (Weekends)			
Windsor Wellness Centre	✓	✓	\$21,000		\$7,500		48 Hours	30 Minutes
CARIGEN ^[8]								
MANDEVILLE								
Microlabs Limited	✓	✓	\$20,000		\$7,000		48 Hours	Same Day
MONTEGO BAY								
Baywest Hospital	✓	✓	\$15,000	\$150	\$7,500	\$50	48-72 Hours	24 Hours
BioMedical Caledonia Laboratory Ltd. ^[2]	✓	✓	\$25,000		\$7,000	\$50	48-72 Hours	3 Hours
Fairview Medical ^[9]								
Hospiten	✓	✓	\$15,000	\$150	\$5,000	\$45	24 Hours	24 Hours
I-Doc Concierge Wellness Services Limited	X	✓			\$7,000	\$50		Same Day
J&J Pharmacy Limited	✓	✓	\$21,500		\$7,500		24 Hours	15 Minutes
MD Link ^[4]	✓	✓	\$22,000	\$145	\$7,500	\$50	24-48 Hours	30 Minutes
Microlabs Limited	✓	✓	\$20,000		\$7,000		48 Hours	Same Day
Oneness Health Centre Limited ^[8]								
Pulseline Family Medical Center	X	✓			\$8,000			15 Minutes
R.K Medical Diagnostic Laboratory (Baywest)	✓	✓	\$22,500	\$150	\$7,500	\$50	24-48 Hours	30 Minutes
R.K Medical Diagnostic Laboratory (Fairview) ^[8]								
Sekhmet Medical Limited	✓	✓	\$20,000		\$7,000		24 Hours	15 Minutes
ST. ANN								
Complete Care Medical Centre	X	✓			\$7,000			10-15 Minutes
I Doc Concierge Wellness Services Limited	X	✓			\$7,000	\$50		Same Day
Island Doctors Elite Medical Centre Limited ^[6]	✓	✓	\$28,000		\$10,000			
MD Link ^[4]	✓	✓	\$22,000	\$145	\$7,500	\$50	24-48 Hours	30 Minutes
ST. CATHERINE								
Compassionate Care Medical Centre	X	✓			\$7,000			15-20 Minutes
Dr. Garg Medical Practice	X	✓			\$8,500			30 Minutes
Wellcare Medical Services (Ewarton)	✓	✓	\$23,500		\$8,000		24 Hours	15 Minutes
Wellcare Medical Services (Spanish Town)	✓	✓	\$23,500		\$8,000		24 Hours	15 Minutes
CLARENDON								
SB Medical Centre	X	✓			\$8,500			Same Day
Shimac Laboratory Services ^[9]	X	✓			\$6,500			30 Minutes
Sunshine Pharmacy Limited	X	✓			\$7,500			30 Minutes - 1 Hour
WESTMORELAND								
Bio-Tech Medical Laboratory	✓	✓	\$20,000		\$7,500		24 Hours	15-30 Minutes
I-Doc Concierge Wellness Services Limited	X	✓			\$7,000	\$50		Same Day
R.K Medical Diagnostic Laboratory (Sav.)	✓	✓	\$15,000	\$100	\$7,500		12-24 Hours	30 Minutes

Key:

- Cells highlighted in red signify the highest price for that particular item, amongst the outlets surveyed in that parish.
- Cells highlighted in green signify the lowest price for that particular item, amongst the outlets surveyed in that parish.
- Blank cells indicate that no price observations were made for that particular item, amongst the outlets surveyed in that parish.

Notes:

1. Telephone Survey conducted by the Consumer Affairs Commission (CAC) between July 19 and 20, 2021.
2. PCR Testing for travelling purposes is not conducted.
3. In-Office testing is done only if you are travelling and asymptomatic. Testing is done only between the hours of 11:00 am and 2:00 pm. Dunrobin Medical and Wellness Centre offers express PCR testing at a cost of \$26,000 (results in 12-hours).
4. MDLink offers concierge antigen testing at your home, office and hotel at a cost of \$10,000 (70 USD). MD Link also offers Express Drive-Through testing at 168 Old Hope Road, Kingston 6.
5. Pure Jamaica offers express PCR testing (12-Hours) at a cost of \$27,000. They also offer home visit PCR testing at a cost of \$30,000 (results in 24-Hours); the cost of express PCR Results for home visits (12-hours) is \$33,000.
6. Information on turn-around time for results was not obtained from this facility.
7. Technological Solutions offers express PCR results (under 24-hours) at a cost of \$37,500 (250 USD). A Covid-19 Antibody Test is also offered at a cost of \$8,500; with a 24-hour turn-around time for results.
8. No price data was obtained from this facility.
9. Discounted cost for summer is \$6500. Promotion ends in September.
10. This publication will be updated periodically when verified price data becomes available.
11. List of approved laboratories obtained from MoHW website; accredited lab and pre-accredited medical entities obtained from the JANAAC website.
12. Telephone verification obtained for all prices.

CONSUMER AFFAIRS COMMISSION COVID-19 SURVEILLANCE

Since March 2020, the Consumer Affairs Commission (CAC) has increased its surveillance of consumer products whose demand and supply have been impacted by the global pandemic. The products include basic food items, sanitation & hygiene products, computer equipment, banking fees and petrol products. The passage of the Trade (Sale of Goods During Period of Declaration of Disaster Area) Order 2020, in March 2020 has empowered the CAC to conduct investigations into cases of price gouging as defined by the legislation. The current investigation focuses on the difference in the prices of SARS-CoV-2 testing in Jamaica. While the Commission is aware that various providers conduct PCR and antigen testing at various prices, we have provided the prices of these tests at Approved / Accredited / Pre-accredited laboratories and other medical facilities . Consumers are advised to report to the CAC, any excessive pricing observed in the marketplace.