

Consumer Alert™

Prices of Approved /Accredited /Pre-Accredited Private Laboratories /Medical Facilities Testing for SARS-CoV-2 in Jamaica as at May 20, 2022

NAME OF LABORATORY/ MEDICAL FACILITY	TYPE OF COVID-19 TESTS CONDUCTED		PRICES OF COVID-19 TESTS CONDUCTED				TURN-AROUND TIME FOR TEST RESULTS	
	PCR TEST	ANTIGEN TEST	PCR TEST		ANTIGEN TEST		PCR TEST	ANTIGEN TEST
			(J\$)	(US\$)	(J\$)	(US\$)		
KINGSTON AND ST. ANDREW								
3D Gynaecology ^[2]	✓	✓	\$19,000		\$5,500		24 Hours	15-20 Minutes
AIDS Health Foundation	X	✓			\$5,000			15-20 Minutes
Biomedical Caledonia Laboratory Ltd.	✓	✓	\$15,000		\$5,000		24-48 Hours	Same Day
Central Medical Laboratory	X	✓			\$5,000			15 Minutes
Epione Health Limited	X	✓			\$4,500			20-30 Minutes
Fairco Medical & Dermatology Centre	✓	✓	\$18,500		\$5,000		24 Hours	20 Minutes
Fleet Diagnostic Laboratory	X	✓			\$5,000			15-20 Minutes
Health Plus Associates	X	✓			\$5,000			10-15 Minutes
Health Renew Medical Center	X	✓			\$5,000			15 Minutes
LRI Medical Laboratory Limited ^[3]	✓	✓	\$15,000		\$5,500	\$37	24 Hours	30 Minutes-1 Hour
Medical & Immunodiagnostic Laboratory Limited ^[4]	✓	✓	\$16,800		\$6,000		24 Hours	15 Minutes
Microlabs Limited	✓	✓	\$10,500		\$7,000		36-48 Hours	4 Hours
Oneness Health Centre Drive- Thru ^[5]								
Pure Jamaica Medical Center	X	✓			\$5,000			15 Minutes
R.K Medical Diagnostic Laboratory (NMIA)	✓	✓	\$15,000	\$100	\$7,500	\$50	24 Hours	30 Minutes
Suretime Emergency Medical Services Ltd	X	✓			\$7,500			24 Hours
Technological Solutions Limited ^[6]	✓	✓	\$18,500		\$6,000	\$40	24-36 Hours	2-4 Hours
Vein Centers of Jamaica	X	✓			\$4,000			15 Minutes
Winchester Surgical & Medical Institute ^[7]	X	✓	\$15,000		\$5,000		1 Hour	30 Minutes
Windsor Wellness Centre	✓	✓	\$18,000	\$125	\$4,900	\$35	24-48 Hours	30 Minutes
CARIGEN ^[8]								
MANCHESTER								
Shimac Laboratory Services	X	✓			\$5,000	\$35		25 Minutes
Health Care & Recovery Services	X	✓			\$6,000			15 Minutes
Microlabs Limited	✓	✓	\$10,500		\$7,000		36-48 Hours	4 Hours
ST. JAMES								
Baywest Hospital	✓	✓	\$15,000	\$100	\$5,000	\$35	24 Hours	15 Minutes
Hospiten	✓	✓	\$12,000	\$75	\$4,500	\$30	24 Hours	30 Minutes
I-Doc Concierge Wellness Services Limited ^[9]	✓	✓	\$12,500	\$90	\$4,500	\$30	24-48 Hours	24 Hours
J&J Pharmacy Limited	✓	✓	\$16,000		\$5,000		24-48 Hours	Same Day
Microlabs Limited	✓	✓	\$10,500		\$7,000		36-48 Hours	4 Hours
Oneness Health Centre Limited ^[5]								
Pulseline Family Medical Center	X	✓			\$6,000			15 Minutes
R.K Medical Diagnostic Laboratory (Baywest)	X	✓			\$5,000	\$35		30 Minutes
R.K Medical Diagnostic Laboratory (Fairview)	X	✓			\$5,000	\$35		30 Minutes
Sekhmet Medical Limited	✓	✓	\$15,000	\$130	\$5,000	\$45	48 Hours	15 Minutes
ST. ANN								
Complete Care Medical Centre	X	✓			\$6,000	\$40		15 Minutes
I-Doc Concierge Wellness Services Limited ^[9]	✓	✓	\$17,000	\$120	\$7,000	\$50	24-48 Hours	24 Hours
ST. CATHERINE								
Compassionate Care Medical Centre	X	✓			\$4,000			15 Minutes
Dr. Garg Medical Practice	X	✓			\$5,000			15-20 Minutes
Edgewater Medical Centre	X	✓			\$5,000			15 Minutes
Ria Medical Care	X	✓			\$5,000			15 Minutes
Wellcare Medical Services (Ewarton)	✓	✓	\$19,500		\$5,500	\$40	24-36 Hours	15-20 Minutes
Wellcare Medical Services (Spanish Town)	✓	✓	\$19,500		\$5,500	\$40	24-36 Hours	15-20 Minutes
CLARENDON								
GYNObS Wellness	X	✓			\$6,000			15 Minutes
SB Medical Centre	X	✓			\$7,000			25 Minutes
Shimac Laboratory Services	X	✓			\$5,000	\$35		20-30 Minutes
Sunshine Pharmacy Limited	X	✓			\$7,500			15-30 Minutes
WESTMORELAND								
I-Doc Concierge Wellness Services Limited ^[9]	✓	✓	\$17,000	\$120	\$7,000	\$50	24 Hours	15-30 Minutes
Royale Medical Company Hospital & Clinics	X	✓			\$7,000	\$50		15-20 Minutes
R.K Medical Diagnostic Laboratory (Sav.)	✓	✓	\$15,000	\$100	\$5,000	\$35	24 Hours	30 Minutes

Key:

- Cells highlighted in red signify the highest price for that test amongst the medical facilities surveyed in that parish.
- Cells highlighted in green signify the lowest price for that test amongst the medical facilities surveyed in that parish.
- Blank cells indicate that no price observations were made for that test amongst the medical facilities surveyed in that parish.

Notes:

- Telephone Survey conducted by the Consumer Affairs Commission (CAC) between May 16 - 20, 2022.
- 3D Gynaecology also offers express PCR testing at a cost of \$22,500 for results in 12 hours; and \$25,000 for results in 6 hours.
- LRI Medical Laboratory offers express PCR testing at a cost of \$20,000 for results in 12 hours; \$25,000 for results in 6 hours and \$30,000 for results in 4 hours. The cost of Antibody testing is \$5,000.
- Medical & Immunodiagnosics Laboratory Limited offers express PCR testing at a cost of \$21,800 for results in 12 hours and \$24,800 for results in 6 hours.
- No price data was obtained from this facility.
- Technological Solutions Limited (TSL) offers express PCR testing at a cost of \$33,500 (220 USD) for results in less than 24 hours. Antibody testing is \$9,000. TSL has mobile testing units for various prices at Mega Mart Waterloo, Mandeville and Montego Bay.
- Winchester Surgical and Medical Institute only conducts PCR testing on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays between the hours of 8:00 am and 2:00 pm. Also offering Antigen Testing at a cost of \$6,000 on weekends. Drive-thru testing is also offered at the Ranny Williams Entertainment Centre.
- I-Doc Concierge Wellness Services Limited only conducts PCR testing between the hours of 8:00 am and 12:00 pm on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.
- Telephone verification obtained for all prices.
- List of approved, accredited laboratories and pre-accredited medical entities obtained from the JANAAC website.
- This publication will be updated periodically when verified price data becomes available.

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.