



KETCHIKAN GATEWAY BOROUGH, CITY OF KETCHIKAN, AND CITY OF SAXMAN

EOC COVID-19 CASE UPDATE: THREE NEW CASES

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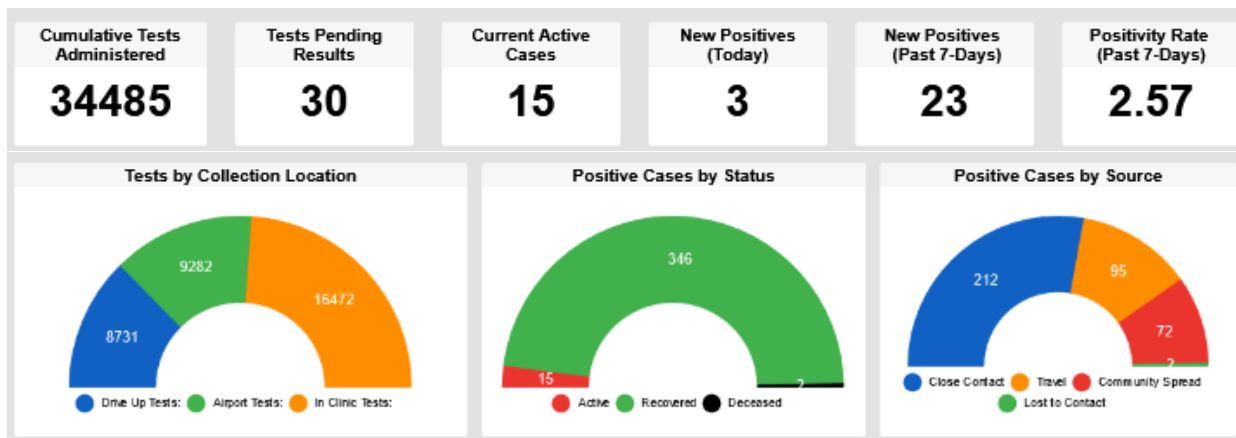
There were three cases of COVID-19 reported in Ketchikan today. All contact investigations are complete.

- Two individuals are symptomatic and were determined to be close contacts to known positive cases.
- One individual was tested as part of an employer testing program. This person is currently asymptomatic and the source of the virus was determined to be community spread.

The two pending cases from February 20th were determined to be close contacts to known positive cases.

Hospitalization Update: There are currently no individuals admitted to the COVID-19 unit at PeaceHealth Medical Center.

Today's cases bring the total cumulative Covid-19 case count, including travelers, to 381. The number of positive cases of individuals residing or staying in Ketchikan is **363**. Of the 363 cases, there are **15** active, **2** deceased¹, and **346** recovered.



Drive-Up Test Result Update: Please refer to the dashboard at www.kgbak.us/covid19 for the most current information on Drive-Up Testing results. Only positive results will receive a phone call. The Berth 3 Drive-Up results are complete through **February 20th**. If you tested on or before February 20th and have not been contacted, your result was **NEGATIVE**.

¹ The number of deaths reported by the Ketchikan EOC is based on official notification from the Alaska Department of Health and Social Services.

Airport Traveler Test Results will be posted on the Covid Secure App through the Alaska Traveler Portal at <https://www.alaska.covidsecureapp.com>, with an email to the traveler. Public Health will follow up with a call to the positive person and will proceed with contact tracing. For questions regarding airport test results, call the Capstone Triage Line at 907-864-4642.

The Community Risk Level is at Level 3 – High

Level 3 - High	Significant: Limit non-essential travel outside home Schools: Open 50% with annex sites and safety measures*** Indoor: Limited small <20 mass gatherings with safety precautions (funeral, wedding, etc.) Outdoor: Limited small <30 gatherings with safety precautions Businesses limited openings with safety measures** Modified healthcare services (e.g. telemedicine, essential care, chronic care) No non-essential visits to congregate facilities (e.g. nursing homes) Recreation with expanded safety measures (e.g. low risk) **
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Current information on the response to COVID-19 in Ketchikan, including additional data regarding Ketchikan’s community risk, is provided at www.kgbak.us/covid19.

General Information on the COVID-19 vaccine in Alaska: <http://covidvax.alaska.gov>.

The Alaska Health Advisories are available through the Alaska Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS) at www.covid19.alaska.gov.

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ⁱ *See Detailed Mitigation Measures table for more information. At all levels, individuals should wash hands, cover coughs, wear a mask in public as indicated, stay home if sick, maintain physical distancing, keep surfaces clean. Vulnerable people 60 and older or those with underlying conditions or immunocompromised should minimize travel outside the home.

** Safety measures include appropriate measures to reduce transmission such as reducing occupancy, staggering shifts, working remotely, physical distancing, separating customers from employees, reducing public transportation use, screening employees, working in lower transmission geographic areas, reducing risk to vulnerable groups, keeping places clean with routine cleaning and disinfection, providing necessary supplies and equipment (e.g. sanitizer).

*** See [KGBSD Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) Page](#) for additional information.