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**MEDIA RELEASE: TWO NEW COVID-19 CASES**

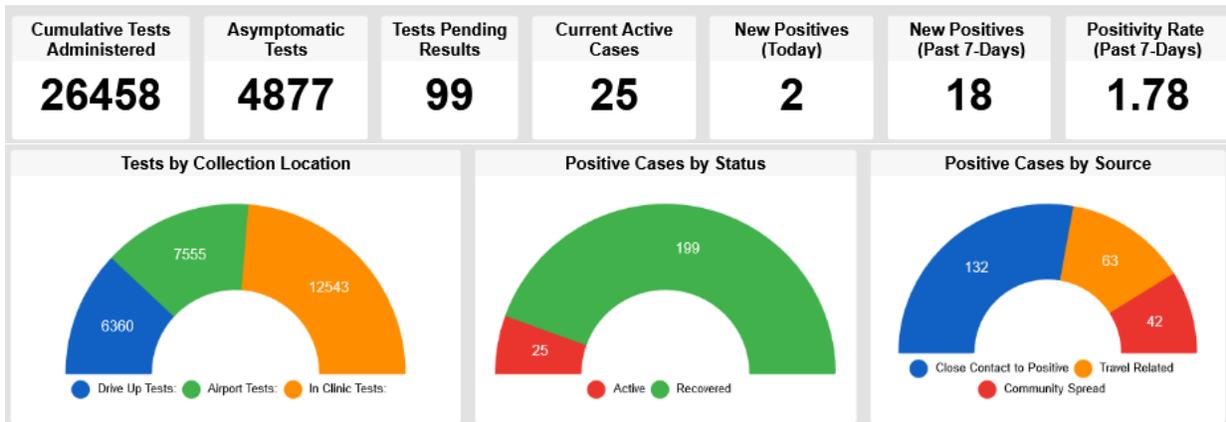
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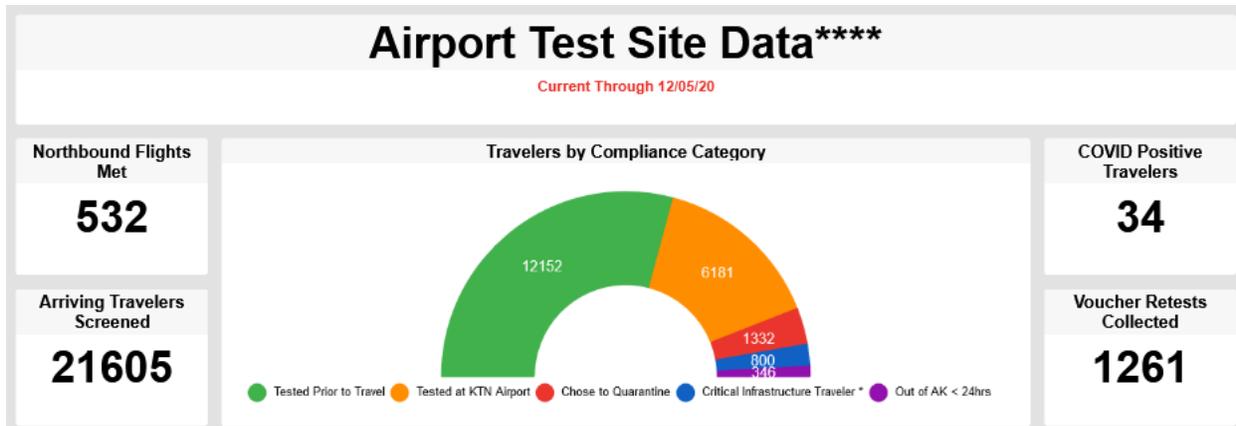
Two new cases of COVID-19 were reported today through a local health care provider. Both individuals sought testing due to experiencing symptoms of COVID-19. One of the individuals was determined to be a close contact to a known positive case. The source of the second case was determined to be community spread. Both individuals have been notified of the positive result and the contact investigations have been completed.

**Update on Cases Pending Source Data:** All three positive cases announced on December 9<sup>th</sup> were determined to be close contacts to known positive cases.

Today's cases brings the total cumulative Covid-19 case count, including travelers, to 237. The number of positive cases of individuals residing or staying in Ketchikan is **224**. Of the 224 cases, **25** are still active, and **199** have recovered.



**Drive-Up Test Result Update:** Please refer to the dashboard at [www.kgbak.us/covid19](http://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 **December 8th**. If you tested on or before December 8th and have not been contacted, your result was **NEGATIVE**.



**Airport Traveler Test Result Update:** As of November 27, **NEGATIVE** results are uploaded into the Alaska Traveler Portal with an automated email to the traveler (not a phone call). Travelers with **POSITIVE** results will receive a phone call notifying them of the results.

**The Community Risk Level is at Level 2 – Moderate.**

<b>Level 2 - Moderate</b>	<p style="margin: 0; font-size: 10pt;"> <b>Moderate:</b>            Can travel outside home with safety measures            Schools: Staff 100%, Students 100% with safety measures***            Indoor mid-size gatherings &lt;50 with safety measures**            Outdoor mid-size gatherings &lt;100 with safety measures**            Businesses limited openings with safety measures**            Healthcare services with safety measures (e.g. elective procedures)**            No non-essential visits to congregate facilities (e.g. nursing homes)            Recreation with safety measures**         </p>
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**Under Level 2: Moderate, the following health and safety precautions are recommended:**

- Public Health Social Measures: Strongly recommend masks and six (6) feet social distancing in communal settings and public locations with 20 or more people;
- Businesses and Offices: Strongly recommend reduced capacity to ensure physical distancing including staggered schedules or teleworking, etc.
- Bars, Restaurants, Personal Services, Gyms: Strongly recommend reduced capacity to ensure physical distancing; recommend reservations; encourage delivery or curbside pickup; personal services by appointment; no waiting areas; limit inside capacity to 50%.
- Travelers: Follow Alaska Health Orders 6 and 8; quarantine until receive results of negative test; follow strict social distancing for minimum of five days after arrival.

Current information on the response to COVID-19 in Ketchikan is provided at [www.kgbak.us/covid19](http://www.kgbak.us/covid19). The Alaska Health Orders are available at [www.covid19.alaska.gov](http://www.covid19.alaska.gov).