



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

EOC UPDATE: TWO NEW COVID-19 CASES

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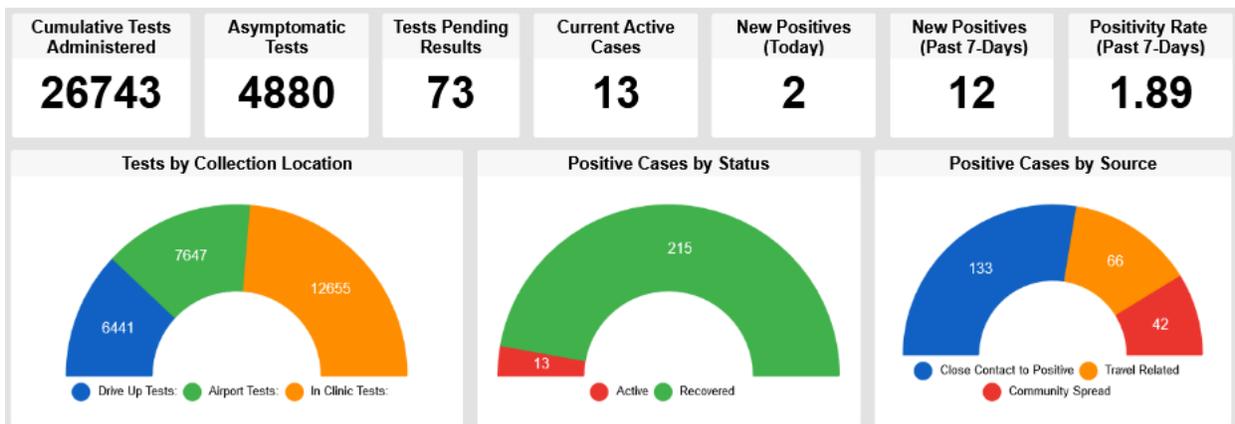
For Immediate Release

There were two new cases of COVID-19 reported in Ketchikan today through local clinics. Both individuals have a recent history of travel. One person is symptomatic and the other person is currently asymptomatic. The contact investigation has been completed for one individual and is ongoing for the other individual.

During the contact investigation, Public Health will work with the individual who tested positive to notify anyone identified as close contacts and to advise those close contacts to quarantine. Close contacts should receive a phone call either from Public Health or from the individual who tested positive. Anyone with questions whether you are a close contact to a known positive case is welcome to call Public Health at 225-4350.

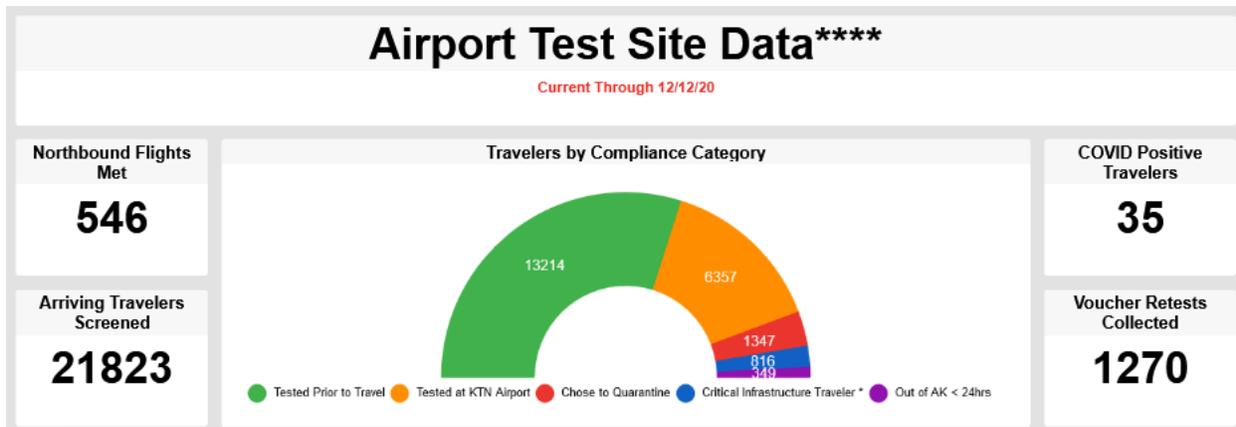
There were no cases pending investigation.

Today's case brings the total cumulative Covid-19 case count, including travelers, to 241. The number of positive cases of individuals residing or staying in Ketchikan is **228**. Of the 228 cases, **13** are still active, and **215** have recovered.



The Community Risk Level is at Level 2 – Moderate.

Level 2 - Moderate	<p>Moderate: Can travel outside home with safety measures Schools: Staff 100%, Students 100% with safety measures*** Indoor mid-size gatherings <50 with safety measures** Outdoor mid-size gatherings <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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Airport Traveler Test Result Update: Travelers with **POSITIVE** results will receive a phone call notifying them of the results. **NEGATIVE** results are uploaded into the Alaska Traveler Portal with an automated email to the traveler (not a phone call).

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 **December 12th**. If you tested on or before December 12th and have not been contacted, your result was **NEGATIVE**.

COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution Update

The State of Alaska DHSS has been providing updates regarding the distribution of the COVID-19 vaccine to Alaskans.

DHSS can help answer questions about COVID-19 vaccine planning, distribution, or availability status. The call center does not answer individual health-related questions. For emergencies, see your healthcare provider or go to an emergency room.

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

General public questions may be directed to covid19vaccine@alaska.gov or 1-907-646-3322.

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Current information on the response to COVID-19 in Ketchikan, including Community Risk Level indicator data, is provided at www.kgbak.us/covid19.

The Alaska Health Orders are available at www.covid19.alaska.gov.

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