



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

EOC COVID-19 CASE COUNT UPDATE: FOUR NEW CASES

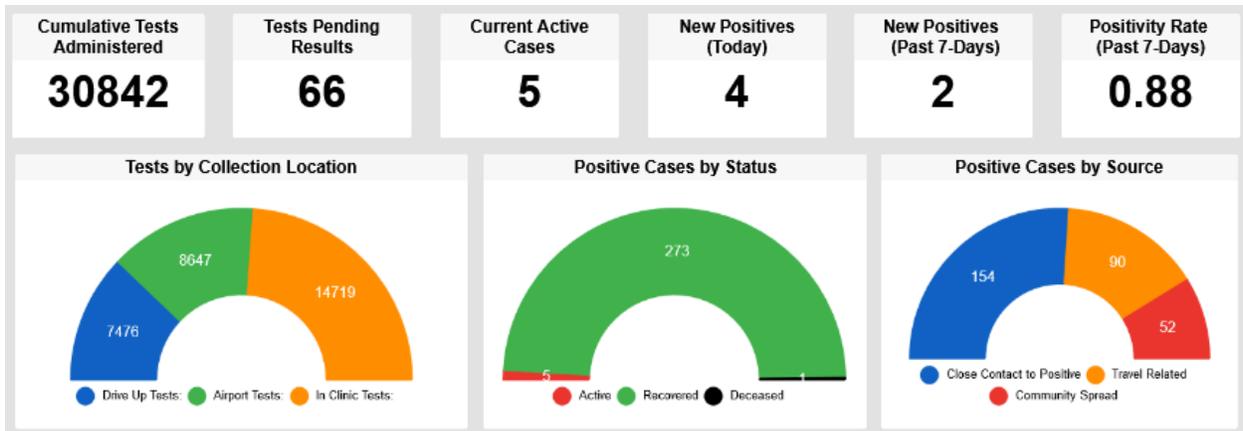
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For Immediate Release

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

- One individual sought testing due to being a close contact to a known positive, and is currently asymptomatic.
- One individual, a traveler who tested negative to the original test, sought testing five days after arrival and tested positive. This person is currently asymptomatic.
- Two individuals sought testing due to symptoms of COVID-19. One of these individuals has been determined to be a close contact to a known positive case. The other case has been determined to be related to recent travel.

These cases bring the total cumulative Covid-19 case count, including travelers, to 296. The number of positive cases of individuals residing or staying in Ketchikan is **279**. Of the 279 cases, there are **5** active, **1** deceased¹, and **273** recovered.



The Community Risk Level is at Level 1 – Low.

Community Risk	Recommended General Mitigation Measures*
Level 1 - Low	<p>Minimum:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can travel outside home with safety measures** Schools: Staff 100%, Students 100% with safety measures*** Indoor and Outdoor mass gatherings with safety measures** gatherings >500 people requires coordination with and plan submitted to EOC in advance Businesses open with safety measures** Healthcare services with safety measures** Minimal safe visits to congregate facilities (e.g. nursing homes) Recreation with safety measures**

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

Changes to Borough Gateway Recreation Center, Animal Shelter, and Transit Services at Low Risk Level:

- The Gateway Recreation Center will no longer limit capacity in the cardio and weight rooms to ten people. The sauna remains limited at three per customer and staff will continue to ask health screening questions upon entry.
- The Pat Wise Animal Shelter will no longer limit capacity in the animal shelter. Members of the public will continue to be required to wear masks and maintain social distancing.
- Borough Transit will increase capacity on buses as a result of the lower risk level. Face coverings will continue to be required and three-foot social distancing will be maintained with the exception of members of the same household.

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 **January 16th**. If you tested on or before January 16th and have not been contacted, your result was **NEGATIVE**.

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).

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

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

Current information on the response to COVID-19 in Ketchikan, including Community Risk Data, Airport Traveler Testing and Berth 3 Drive-Up Testing, is provided at www.kgbak.us/covid19.

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