



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

**EOC COVID-19 CASE COUNT UPDATE: NINE NEW CASES**

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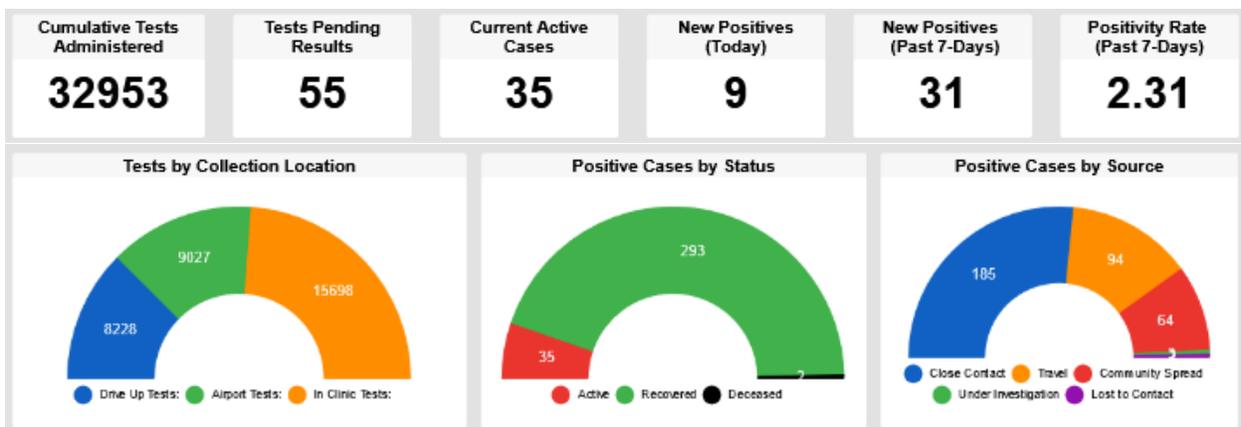
There were nine new cases of COVID-19 reported in Ketchikan today.

- Seven of the individuals were determined to be close contacts to known positive cases. Of these, two were symptomatic, and five were asymptomatic. These contact investigations are complete.
- One of the cases was determined to be community spread. The individual is currently asymptomatic, and the contact investigation is ongoing.
- One of the cases remains under investigation as to the source and the close contacts.

Of the cases pending from February 4-6, one was determined to be close contact to a known positive case, and two remain under investigation.

During the contact investigation, Public Health will coordinate with the positive person to reach out to anyone who may be a close contact and direct them to quarantine.

Today's cases bring the total cumulative Covid-19 case count, including travelers, to 348. The number of positive cases of individuals residing or staying in Ketchikan is **330**. Of the 330 cases, there are **35** active, **2** deceased<sup>1</sup>, and **291** recovered.



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

## The Community Risk Level is at Level 3 - High

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| <b>Level 3 - High</b> | Significant:<br>Limit non-essential travel outside home<br>Schools: Open 50% with annex sites and safety measures***<br>Indoor: Limited small <20 mass gatherings with safety precautions (funeral, wedding, etc.)<br>Outdoor: Limited small <30 gatherings with safety precautions<br>Businesses limited openings with safety measures**<br>Modified healthcare services (e.g. telemedicine, essential care, chronic care)<br>No non-essential visits to congregate facilities (e.g. nursing homes)<br>Recreation with expanded safety measures (e.g. low risk) ** |
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**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 **February 5<sup>th</sup>**. If you tested on or before February 5<sup>th</sup> and have not been contacted, your result was **NEGATIVE**.

**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.

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

The Alaska Health Orders are available through the Alaska Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS) at [www.covid19.alaska.gov](http://www.covid19.alaska.gov).

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](http://www.kgbak.us/covid19).

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