



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

EOC COVID-19 UPDATE: EIGHT NEW CASES

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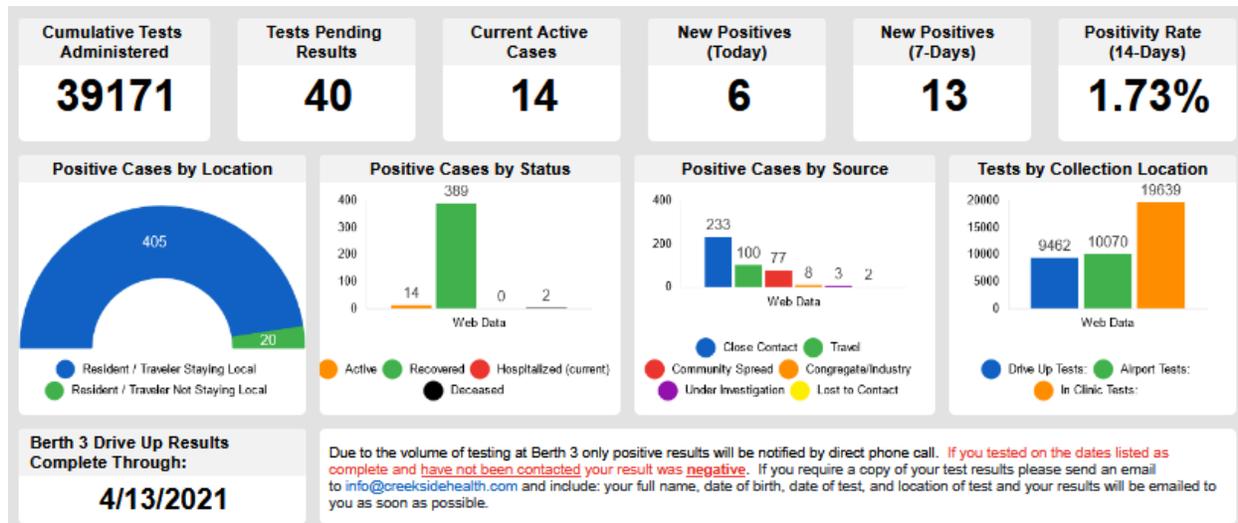
There are eight new cases of COVID-19 to report. Two of the cases were reported on April 18th and are referenced in the attached Alaska DOTPF press release1. Of the two, one individual is staying in Ketchikan, and one individual is not staying local.

Six of the cases were reported today. Of the six, three are symptomatic, and three are currently asymptomatic.

- One of the cases is a traveler not staying local.
• Two of the cases were determined to be close contacts to a known positive case.
• Three of the cases remain under investigation as to the source, and the contact investigations are ongoing.

During the contact investigations, Public Health will coordinate with the positive person to reach out to anyone who may be a close contact and instruct them to quarantine. In the event of a positive case associated with the School District, Public Health will coordinate with the School District nursing staff to reach out to anyone who may be identified as a potential close contact.

The total cumulative case count, including travelers, is 423. The number of positive cases of individuals residing or staying in Ketchikan is 405. Of the 405 cases, there are 14 active, 2 deceased, and 389 recovered.



1 See attached Alaska DOTPF Press Release 21-0007 dated April 19, 2021.

## The Community Risk Level is at Level 1 – Low

Community Risk	Recommended General Mitigation Measures*
<b>Level 1 - Low</b>	<b>Minimum:</b> 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**

Current information on the response to COVID-19 in Ketchikan, including additional data regarding Ketchikan’s community risk, mitigation measures, Berth 3 drive-up testing, airport traveler testing, and local vaccination data, is provided at [www.kgbak.us/covid19](http://www.kgbak.us/covid19). The Alaska Health Advisories are available at [www.covid19.alaska.gov](http://www.covid19.alaska.gov).

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