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COVID-19 DATA SUMMARY – August 31, 2022

Reporting data for August 24-30, 2022

OVERVIEW – [1,988 new cases](#) | [0 newly reported deaths](#) | [80 hospitalizations](#) | [28.3% of Alaskans boosted](#)

WEEKLY UPDATE - DOH updates all COVID-19 dashboards weekly on Wednesdays. For the latest on COVID-19 in Alaska, read the DOH weekly update and DOH data summaries: health.alaska.gov/dph/Epi/id/Pages/COVID-19/communications.aspx

Notes:

- Layering protective measures, including vaccination, masking, ventilation, handwashing, physical distancing, tests and timely treatment help reduce the impact of COVID-19.
- Medications that fight COVID-19 are widely available, and most Alaskans are eligible. If you get COVID, don't wait until you get worse: call a health care provider as soon as possible about treatment. Learn more at covidrx.alaska.gov.
- The Alaska Department of Health encourages Alaskans of all ages to stay up to date on COVID-19 vaccination. Learn more at covidvax.alaska.gov. For questions, call the Alaska COVID-19 Helpline at 907-646-3322.

CASES – DOH this week announced 1,988 new people identified with COVID-19 in Alaska.

1,208 were residents of:

- 1 - Aleutians East Borough
- 1 - Anchor Point
- 342 - Anchorage
- 22 - Bethel
- 88 - Bethel Census Area (13 communities)
- 2 - Bristol Bay and Lake and Peninsula combined
- 7 - Chugiak
- 11 - Copper River Census Area (3 communities)
- 1 - Cordova
- 2 - Craig
- 5 - Delta Junction

- 1 - Denali Borough
- 2 - Dillingham
- 9 - Dillingham Census Area (2 communities)
- 35 - Eagle River
- 1 - Ester
- 141 - Fairbanks
- 1 - Fairbanks North Star Borough
- 1 - Fritz Creek
- 37 - Greater Palmer area
- 92 - Greater Wasilla area
- 9 - Haines
- 14 - Homer
- 11 - Hoonah-Angoon and Yakutat combined (4 communities)
- 5 - Hooper Bay
- 7 - Houston/Big Lake area
- 66 - Juneau
- 27 - Kenai
- 6 - Kenai Peninsula Borough-North (2 communities)
- 2 - Kenai Peninsula Borough-South
- 9 - Ketchikan
- 3 - Ketchikan Gateway Borough
- 16 - Kodiak
- 4 - Kotzebue
- 13 - Kusilvak Census Area (4 communities)
- 7 - Matanuska-Susitna Borough
- 2 - Metlakatla
- 3 - Nikiski
- 11 - Nome
- 34 - Nome Census Area (8 communities)
- 18 - North Pole
- 6 - North Slope Borough
- 4 - Northwest Arctic Borough (2 communities)
- 2 - Petersburg
- 2 - Prince of Wales-Hyder Census Area
- 5 - Seward
- 11 - Sitka
- 2 - Skagway
- 31 - Soldotna
- 1 - Southeast Fairbanks Census Area
- 8 - Sterling
- 2 - Sutton-Alpine
- 7 - Tok
- 7 - Utqiagvik
- 5 - Valdez
- 4 - Willow
- 11 - Wrangell
- 9 - Yukon-Koyukuk Census Area (6 communities)
- 22 - Residence under investigation

780 nonresident cases were identified in:

- 49 - Anchorage: purpose under investigation
- 57 - Denali Borough: 48 purpose tourism, 9 purpose under investigation
- 44 - Fairbanks: purpose under investigation

- 2 - Greater Palmer area: purpose under investigation
- 2 - Greater Wasilla area: purpose under investigation
- 4 - Haines: 2 purpose tourism, 2 purpose under investigation
- 3 - Homer: purpose under investigation
- 2 - Hoonah-Angoon and Yakutat combined: purpose under investigation
- 15 - Juneau: purpose under investigation
- 16 - Kenai: purpose tourism
- 7 - Kenai Peninsula Borough-North: purpose under investigation
- 1 - Kenai Peninsula Borough-South: purpose under investigation
- 14 - Kenai Peninsula Borough (unspecified): purpose under investigation
- 2 - Kodiak: purpose under investigation
- 3 - Matanuska-Susitna Borough: purpose under investigation
- 1 - Nome: purpose under investigation
- 1 - Prudhoe Bay: purpose under investigation
- 2 - Prince of Wales-Hyder Census Area: purpose under investigation
- 1 - Seward: purpose under investigation
- 2 - Sitka: purpose under investigation
- 7 - Skagway: purpose tourism
- 2 - Soldotna: purpose under investigation
- 2 - Unalaska: purpose under investigation
- 2 - Valdez: purpose under investigation
- 484 - At sea: 2 purpose seafood, 25 purpose under investigation, 458 purpose tourism
- 55 - Location under investigation

82 nonresident cases were subtracted from the state's overall totals due to data verification procedures, bringing the total number of Alaska resident cases to 279,888 and the total number of nonresident cases to 21,342.

VACCINATIONS – *These rates cover all Alaskan residents including those reported by the Department of Defense and Veterans Administration (DoD/VA). COVID-19 vaccines are now available for all Alaskans at least 6 months old. Learn more at covidvax.alaska.gov.*

68% of Alaskans age 6 months and older have received at least their first vaccine dose. 28.3% of all Alaskans 6 months and older have received a first booster dose. (Note: Only those who are age 5 years or older are eligible for a booster at this time.) The higher the vaccination rate, the more protected community members are from COVID-19.

See below for region-level percentages of Alaskans who have received a first booster dose.

- Juneau City and Borough: 44%
- Other Southeast Region - Northern: 41.9%
- Y-K Delta Region: 33.2%
- Other Southeast Region - Southern: 31.5%
- Anchorage Municipality: 31.6%
- Southwest Region: 30.1%
- Northwest Region: 29.4%
- Other Interior Region: 27.8%
- Kenai Peninsula Borough: 23.4%
- Fairbanks North Star Borough: 23.3%
- Matanuska-Susitna Borough: 16.7%

HOSPITALIZATIONS & DEATHS – A total of 1,304 COVID-19 deaths have been documented among Alaska residents since the beginning of the pandemic.

No new Alaska resident deaths were reported in this week's update. COVID-19 deaths are commonly reported in batches after death certificates are reviewed. Learn more about the process used to report COVID-19 deaths at health.alaska.gov/dph/epi/id/pages/covid-19/deathcounts.aspx.

There are currently 80 patients diagnosed with COVID-19 who are hospitalized. 5 of these patients are on a ventilator. The percentage of patients currently hospitalized with COVID-19 is 6.1%.

COMMUNITY CASE RATES – We encourage the public and community leaders to continue to be aware of case rates in their area. Learn more at health.alaska.gov/dph/epi/id/pages/COVID-19/alertlevels.aspx.

The current statewide Community Case Rate — based on the reported number of cases per 100,000 people over the past 7 days — is 165.73. For boroughs and census areas: 5 areas are at >400 cases, 4 areas are at 200-399 cases, 11 areas are at 100-199 cases, 6 areas are at 50-99 cases and 2 areas are at 0-49 cases per 100,000.

Find case rates for individual boroughs and census areas by clicking on the Community Case Rates Map tab on the case dashboard at experience.arcgis.com/experience/af2efc8bffb4cdc83c2d1a134354074/.

Note: All data reported should be considered preliminary and subject to change. To view more data, visit data.coronavirus.alaska.gov.

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