



COVID-19

Situational Report

Customers, partners, and employees: YKHC is here for you and your family. YKHC is making decisions related to COVID-19 based on guidance from the CDC, the State of Alaska and other experts. We are erring on the side of caution and in the best interests of our employees, customers and communities. YKHC is publishing a situational report to provide an update on our COVID-19 response and planning. [Here is this week's report.](#)

Testing Update

As of 3 p.m. April 30, YKHC has performed 85,923 tests — 80,364 are negative and about 305 are pending. Three specimens were rejected by a private lab.

- YKHC offers free COVID-19 testing without an appointment at the Bethel drive-thru testing site at the Community Health Services Building on Fridays only from 4 to 5:30 p.m. and at all Alaska Airlines arriving flights (noon and 7 p.m.) at the Alaska Airlines terminal. “Close contacts” and persons showing symptoms of COVID-19 may be tested by appointment by calling the COVID-19 hotline at-543-6949, or visit one of the testing facilities at CHSB or the airport. Binex testing is available daily at the hospital for patients with appointments. In the village, please call your local clinic.

Positive Case Count

- As of April 29, YKHC confirmed a total of 5,239 positive COVID-19 cases in the YK Delta.
 - 48 of these total cases were residents tested out-of-region or were not infectious while here, but per State reporting protocols, will be counted as YK Delta cases.
 - 54 of these total cases are non-residents, so per State reporting protocols, the official State YK Delta case count will remain at 5,156.
- All new positive COVID-19 cases identified and known in the YK Delta are reported on YKHC’s website at: <https://www.ykhc.org/covid-19/news/>

Vaccination & Transmission Level Status Update by Sub-Region

- As of April 30, YKHC has vaccinated 12,564 unique individuals throughout the YK Delta.
- For information on how Transmission Level Status affects community gatherings and activities download the Community Lockdown Advisory Update here: <https://www.ykhc.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/04/041221-lockdown-guidance.pdf>
- For communities who have agreed to publish vaccination data, here are the percentages of eligible individuals who have received their vaccine. Villages showing no percentage have not given permission to report that information, but are included as being within their sub-region.

Bethel Sub-Region:

Percentage Vaccinated 65.7%
Status Orange/Substantial Transmission

Positivity Rate x%

Akiachak 63.8%
Akiak: 38.9%
Atmautluak
Bethel 71.9%
Eek: 61.4%
Kasigluk 74.8%
Kipnuk: 43.8%
Kongiganak: 56.7%
Kwethluk: 67.3%
Kwigillingok: 54.9%
Napakiak: 73.2%
Napaskiak: 64.7%
Nunapitchuk: 74.3%
Oscarville
Quinhagak: 57.4%
Tuluksak
Tuntutuliak: 63.1%

Aniak Sub-Region:

Percentage Vaccinated 68.2%
Status BLUE/Low

Positivity Rate x%

Aniak: 69.7%
Anvik: 81%
Chuathbaluk: 73%
Crooked Creek: 52.8%
Grayling
Holy Cross: 64.2%
Lime Village
Lower Kalskag: 74.7%
Napaimute
Red Devil
Russian Mission
Shageluk

Sleetmute

Stony River

Upper Kalskag: 72.5%

Emmonak Sub-Region:

Percentage Vaccinated 63.7%

Status Red/High

Positivity Rate x%

Alakanuk 59.8%

Emmonak: 61.5%

Kotlik: 66.3%

Nunam Iqua 81.6%

Hooper Bay Sub-Region:

Percentage Vaccinated 60.8%

Status RED/High

Positivity Rate 6%

Chevak: 57.1%

Hooper Bay 65.8%

Scammon Bay: 56.0%

St Mary’s Sub-Region:

Percentage Vaccinated 68.1%

Status RED/High

Positivity Rate x%

Marshall: 77.1%

Mtn. Village: 65.0%

Pilot Station 47.2%

Pitka’s Point 61.1%

St. Mary’s: 83.7%

Toksook Bay Sub-Region:

Percentage Vaccinated 62.8%

Status RED/High

Positivity Rate x%

Chefornak 57.1%

Mekoryuk: 99%

Mertarvik

Newtok: 45%

Nightmute: 53.6%

Toksook Bay 71.7%

For more information regarding COVID-19 vaccinations, visit our website: <https://www.ykhc.org/covid-19/vaccine/>

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Recoveries

- An individual who has been *symptomatic* is considered recovered when 10 days have elapsed from when symptoms began, symptoms show improvement, and an additional 3 days have elapsed since their last fever.
- An individual who has been *asymptomatic* is considered recovered 10 days from their last test.
- Of the total 5,239 confirmed positive cases in the YK Delta, 5,176 cases are considered recovered, 38 remain active and 25 are deceased.

Situation Report

- During the week of April 23 - April 29, YKHC reported:
 - 28 new cases of COVID-19 in the YK Delta
- Read the daily case statements on our website:
 - Apr. 23: <https://www.ykhc.org/6-cases-covid19-ykdelta-apr-23/>
 - Apr. 24 - 26: <https://www.ykhc.org/covid19-cases-ykdelta-apr-24-26/>
 - Apr. 27: <https://www.ykhc.org/7-cases-covid19-ykdelta-apr-27/>
 - Apr. 28: <https://www.ykhc.org/1-covid19-ykdelta-apr-28/>
 - Apr. 29: <https://www.ykhc.org/2-covid-19-ykdelta-apr-29/>
- For tests completed and returned between April 23 and April 29, there was a test positivity rate of x% in the YK Delta.
- On April 23, YKHC announced it would be lifting its temporary safety pause for the Johnson & Johnson Vaccine.
 - More on the pause being lifted here: <https://www.ykhc.org/>

Resources

- YKHC COVID-19 page: www.ykhc.org/covid-19
- State of Alaska COVID-19 page: covid19.alaska.gov/
- CDC COVID-19 page: www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/

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- YKHC does not publish COVID-19 case statements on weekends or holidays. YKHC will publish case statements for weekends and holidays on the next business day. YKHC providers call and notify individuals of positive test results on weekends and holidays.
 - More here: <https://www.ykhc.org/ykhc-revises-covid19-holiday-weekend-reporting-jan15/>
- YKHC continues to encourage everyone eligible in the YK Delta to get vaccinated. All individuals 16 and older are eligible to receive their COVID-19 vaccination.
 - To request a vaccination appointment, regardless of whether you live in Bethel or a village, please submit a vaccine application at: <https://tinyurl.com/y7reeyst>.
 - If you know someone who does not have access to the internet, they may call 1-800-478-6599 for assistance in submitting a vaccine application.
- A friendly reminder that YKHC will not longer be hosting its local government calls each week, but now on a tri-weekly basis. Therefore, YKHC's next local government call will be Thursday, May 13.
 - If your community would like an individual meeting before the next local government call, please contact YKHC's Public Relations to have one scheduled.

Contact

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YKHC Incident Command, 907-543-6275. Currently staffed Mon.-Fri., 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.