



# 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 10 a.m. July 23, YKHC has performed 91,607 tests —86,037 are negative and about 71 are pending. Three specimens were rejected by a private lab.

- COVID-19 testing is available in Bethel on the first floor of the hospital between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m., Monday through Friday. Patients should enter through the main hospital doors (not the emergency room entrance) and indicate they are interested in a COVID test. “Close contacts” and people showing symptoms of COVID-19 can schedule testing by calling 543-6949. In villages, please call your local clinic.

### Positive Case Count

- As of July 22, YKHC confirmed a total of 5,570 positive COVID-19 cases in the YK Delta.
  - 54 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.
  - 56 of these total cases are non-residents, so per State reporting protocols, the official State YK Delta case count will remain at 5,513.
- 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/covid-news/>

### Vaccination & Transmission Level Status Update by Sub-Region

- As of July 23, YKHC has vaccinated 15,064 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/2021/05/051721-community-guidance.pdf>
- For communities that have agreed to publish vaccination data, these are the percentage of vaccinated individuals of the total population 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

**Total Population: 52.3%**

*Eligible Population: 67.6%*

*Status RED/High*

*Positivity Rate 9%*

Akiachak: 45.5%

Akiak: 32.8%

Atmautluak

Bethel: 59.1%

Eek: 52.7%

Kasigluk: 57.9%

Kipnuk: 40.1%

Kongiganak: 42.4%

Kwethluk: 48%

Kwigillingok: 46.1%

Napakiak: 56.3%

Napaskiak: 46%

Nunapitchuk: 53.3%

Oscarville

Quinhagak: 45 %

Tuluksak

Tuntutuliak: 53.2%

Tununak 50.8%

#### Aniak Sub-Region

**Total Population: 57%**

*Eligible Population: 73.4%*

*Status BLUE/Low*

*Positivity Rate 0%*

Aniak: 62.8%

Anvik: 70.5%

Chuathbaluk: 56.9%

Crooked Creek: 39.2%

Grayling

Holy Cross: 59%

Lime Village

Lower Kalskag: 62.5%

Napaimute

Red Devil

Russian Mission

Shageluk

Sleetmute

#### Stony River

Upper Kalskag: 54.4%

#### Emmonak Sub-Region

**Total Population: 51.1%**

*Eligible Population: 70.1%*

*Status RED/High*

*Positivity Rate 6%*

Alakanuk 50.2%

Emmonak: 51%

Kotlik: 47.7%

Nunam Iqua: 66%

#### Hooper Bay Sub-Region

**Total Population: 51%**

*Eligible Population: 70.5%*

*Status RED/High*

*Positivity Rate 7%*

Chevak: 47.6%

Hooper Bay 57.4%

Scammon Bay: 42.8%

#### St Mary’s Sub-Region

**Total Population: 54%**

*Eligible Population: 70.7%*

*Status ORANGE/Substantial*

*Positivity Rate 4%*

Marshall: 60.3%

Mtn. Village: 54.2%

Pilot Station: 37.1%

Pitka’s Point: 44%

St. Mary’s: 65.6%

#### Toksook Bay Sub-Region

**Total Population: 48.5%**

*Eligible Population: 62.3%*

*Status RED/High*

*Positivity Rate 16%*

Chefornak: 36.8%

Mekoryuk: 75.7%

Mertarvik

Newtok: 42%

Nightmute: 36.3%

Toksook Bay: 57.3%

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

### 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 5,570 confirmed positive cases in the YK Delta, 5,479 cases are considered recovered, 66 remain active and 25 are deceased.

### Situation Report

- During the week of July 16 - July 22, YKHC reported:
  - 60 new cases of COVID-19 in the YK Delta
  - 2 hospitalization
- Read the daily case statements on our website:
  - July 16: <https://www.ykhc.org/5-covid19-yk-delta-july-16/>
  - July 17-19: <https://www.ykhc.org/1-hospitalization-7-new-covid19-ykdelta-july-17-19/>
  - July 20: <https://www.ykhc.org/13-covid19-ykdelta-july-20/>
  - July 21: <https://www.ykhc.org/21-covid19-ykdelta-july-21/>
  - July 22: <https://www.ykhc.org/one-hospitalization-14-covid19-cases-ykdelta-july-22/>

- For tests completed and returned between July 16 and July 22, there was a test positivity rate of 9% in the YK Delta.
- YKHC continues to encourage everyone eligible in the YK Delta to get vaccinated. All individuals 12 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/8kb9vth>.
  - 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.
- On July 19, YKHC released updated COVID-19 prevention guidance for schools
  - Read more on the updated guidance [here](#).
- YKHC's next local government call is scheduled Thursday, August 5.
  - If your community would like an individual meeting before the next local government call, please contact YKHC's Public Relations at [publicrelations@ykhc.org](mailto:publicrelations@ykhc.org) to have one scheduled.
  - Did you miss the July 15 Local Government call? Listen to the recording [here](#).

### Resources

- YKHC COVID-19 page: [www.ykhc.org/covid-19](http://www.ykhc.org/covid-19)
- State of Alaska COVID-19 page: [covid19.alaska.gov/](https://covid19.alaska.gov/)
- CDC COVID-19 page: [www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/)

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