



# 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 11 a.m. August 12, YKHC has performed 93,548 tests — 87,760 are negative and about 112 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 August 12, YKHC confirmed a total of 5,788 positive COVID-19 cases in the YK Delta.
  - 66 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 5,733.
- 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 August 13, 13,336 people in the YK Delta have completed a COVID-19 vaccine series (two doses of Pfizer or Moderna or one dose of the Janssen/Johnson & Johnson vaccine).
  - YKHC publishes recommendations to help communities and individuals continue to take the necessary steps to reduce the spread of COVID-19 in the YK Delta. Updated guidance, published on August 10, can be found on YKHC’s website at <https://www.ykhc.org/covid-19/resources/>.
  - For communities that have agreed to publish data, these are the percentage of vaccinated individuals of the total population who have received their vaccine. *Effective this week, YKHC will report the percentage of the total population in a community that has completed a COVID-19 vaccine series.* Villages showing no percentage have not given permission to report that information, but are included within their sub-region.

#### Bethel Sub-Region

**Total Population: 48.7%**

*Eligible Population: 62.9%*

*Status RED/High*

*Positivity Rate 5%*

Akiachak: 39.1%

Akiak: 30.7%

Atmautluak 41.5%

Bethel: 56%

Eek: 51.6%

Kasigluk: 56.3%

Kipnuk: 28%

Kongiganak: 40.9%

Kwethluk: 45.9%

Kwigillingok: 44.3%

Napakiak: 51.5%

Napaskiak: 41.8%

Nunapitchuk: 52%

Oscarville

Quinhagak: 42.9%

Tuluksak

Tuntuliak: 46.8%

Tununak 49%

#### Aniak Sub-Region

**Total Population: 52.8%**

*Eligible Population: 68%*

*Status ORANGE/Substantial*

*Positivity Rate 4%*

Aniak: 61.9%

Anvik: 67.9%

Chuathbaluk: 55.9%

Crooked Creek: 35.3%

Grayling

Holy Cross: 56.4%

Lime Village

Lower Kalskag: 55.7%

Napaimute

Red Devil

Russian Mission

Shageluk

Sleetmute

#### Stony River

Upper Kalskag: 50.8%

#### Emmonak Sub-Region

**Total Population: 47.1%**

*Eligible Population: 64.6%*

*Status RED/High*

*Positivity Rate 9%*

Alakanuk 43.2%

Emmonak: 48.4%

Kotlik: 45.5%

Nunam Iqua: 62.1%

#### Hooper Bay Sub-Region

**Total Population: 47%**

*Eligible Population: 65%*

*Status ORANGE/Substantial*

*Positivity Rate 2%*

Chevak: 42%

Hooper Bay 54.7%

Scammon Bay: 38.8%

#### St Mary’s Sub-Region

**Total Population: 50.9%**

*Eligible Population: 66.7%*

*Status YELLOW/Moderate*

*Positivity Rate 1%*

Marshall: 51.9%

Mtn. Village: 51.8%

Pilot Station: 35.1%

Pitka’s Point: 40%

St. Mary’s: 64.4%

#### Toksook Bay Sub-Region

**Total Population: 46.1%**

*Eligible Population: 59.2%*

*Status RED/High*

*Positivity Rate 3%*

Chefornak: 33.8%

Mekoryuk: 74%

Mertarvik

Newtok: 40.5%

Nightmute: 32.9%

Toksook Bay: 55.1%

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 5,788 confirmed positive cases in the YK Delta, 5,667 cases are considered recovered, 95 remain active and 26 are deceased.

## Situation Report

- During the week of August 6- August 12, YKHC reported:
  - 85 new cases of COVID-19 in the YK Delta
- Read the daily case statements on our website:
  - August 6: <https://www.ykhc.org/18-covid-19-cases-yk-delta-aug-6/>
  - August 7-August 9: <https://www.ykhc.org/nineteen-new-covid-19-cases-in-the-yk-delta-august-7-9/>
  - August 10: <https://www.ykhc.org/16-covid-19-yk-delta-aug-10/>
  - August 11: <https://www.ykhc.org/13-covid-19-yk-delta-aug-11/>
  - August 12: <https://www.ykhc.org/19-covid-19-yk-delta-aug-12/>
- For tests completed and returned between August 6 and August 12,

there was a test positivity rate of 5% 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.
- YKHC's next local government call is scheduled Thursday, August 26.
  - 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 August 5 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/](http://covid19.alaska.gov/)
- CDC COVID-19 page: [www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/](http://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/)

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