

COVID-19 in Alaska Data Update

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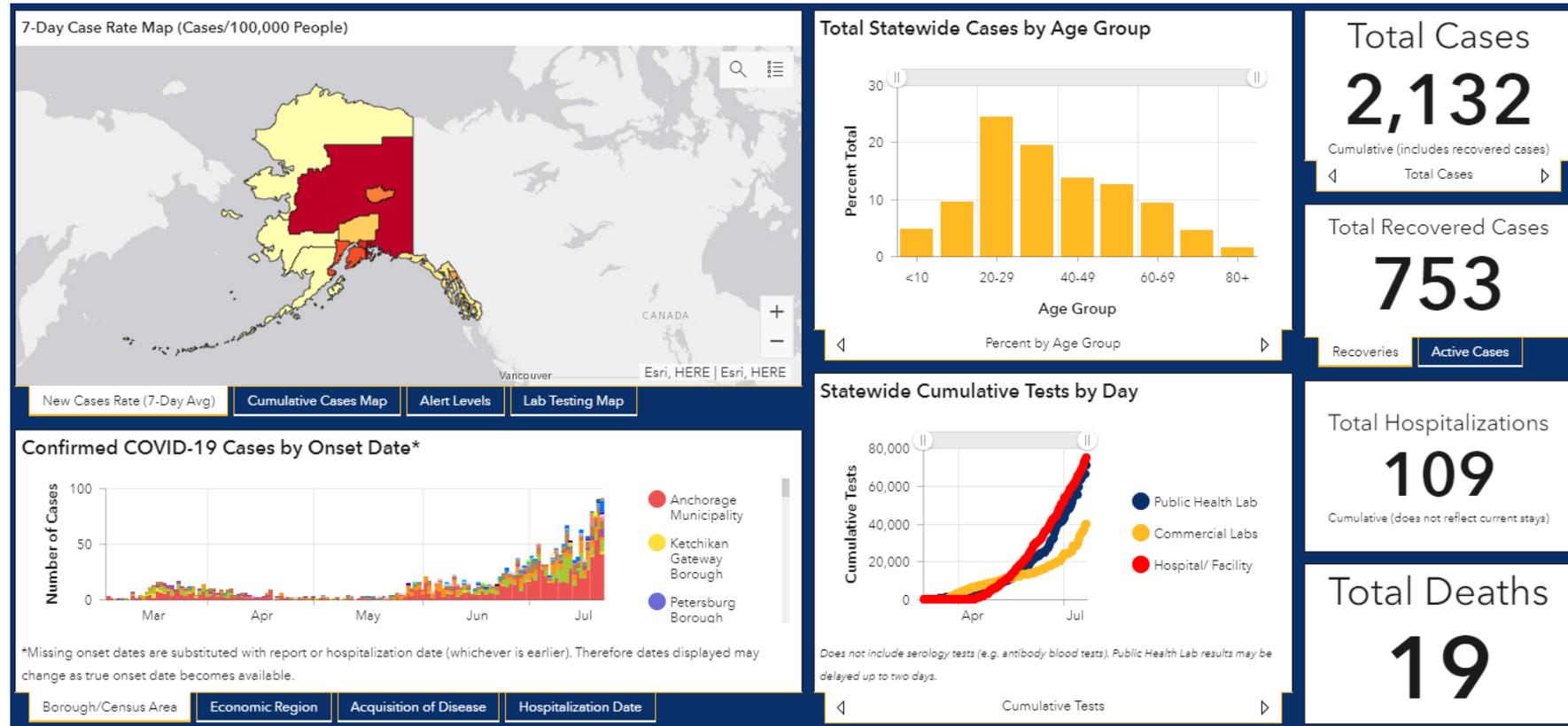
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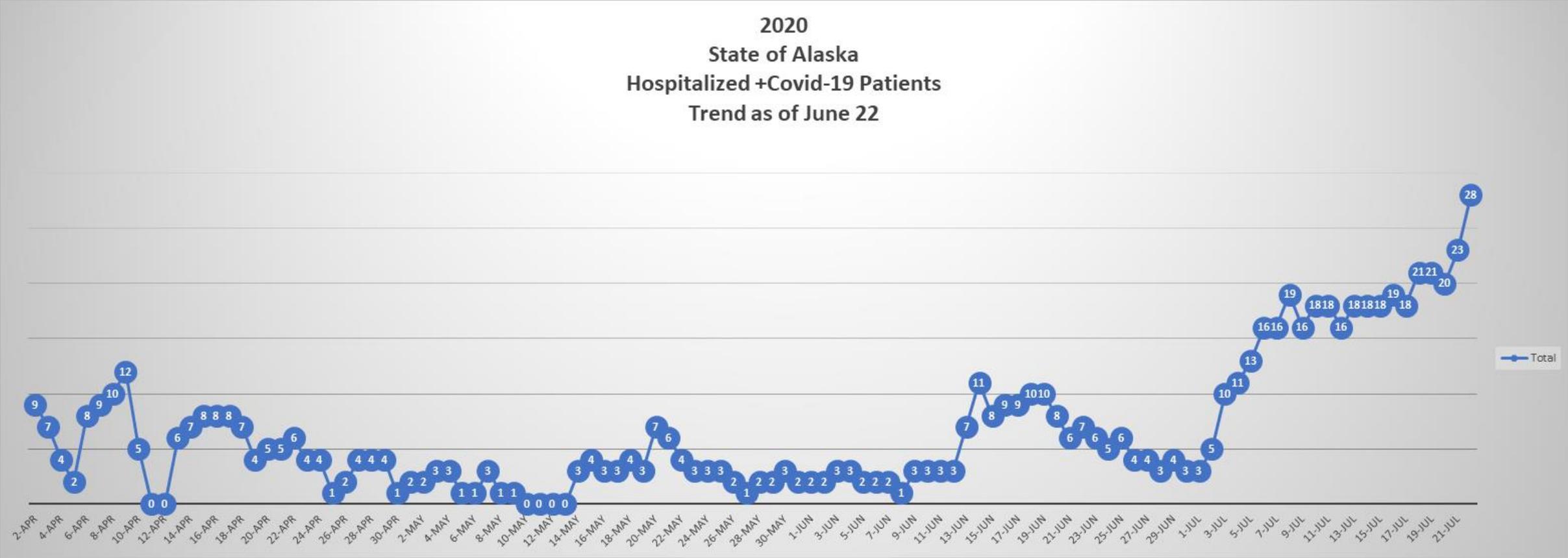
COVID-19 Dashboard: 7/22/20 reporting data from 7/21/20

- 92 new Alaska residents diagnosed with COVID-19 (2,132 total)
- 2 new nonresidents (487 total)
- 16 additional recovered cases (753 total)
- 1 new death (19 total)
- 4 new hospitalizations (109 total)
- 185,333 cumulative tests
- 3.01% of tests were positive



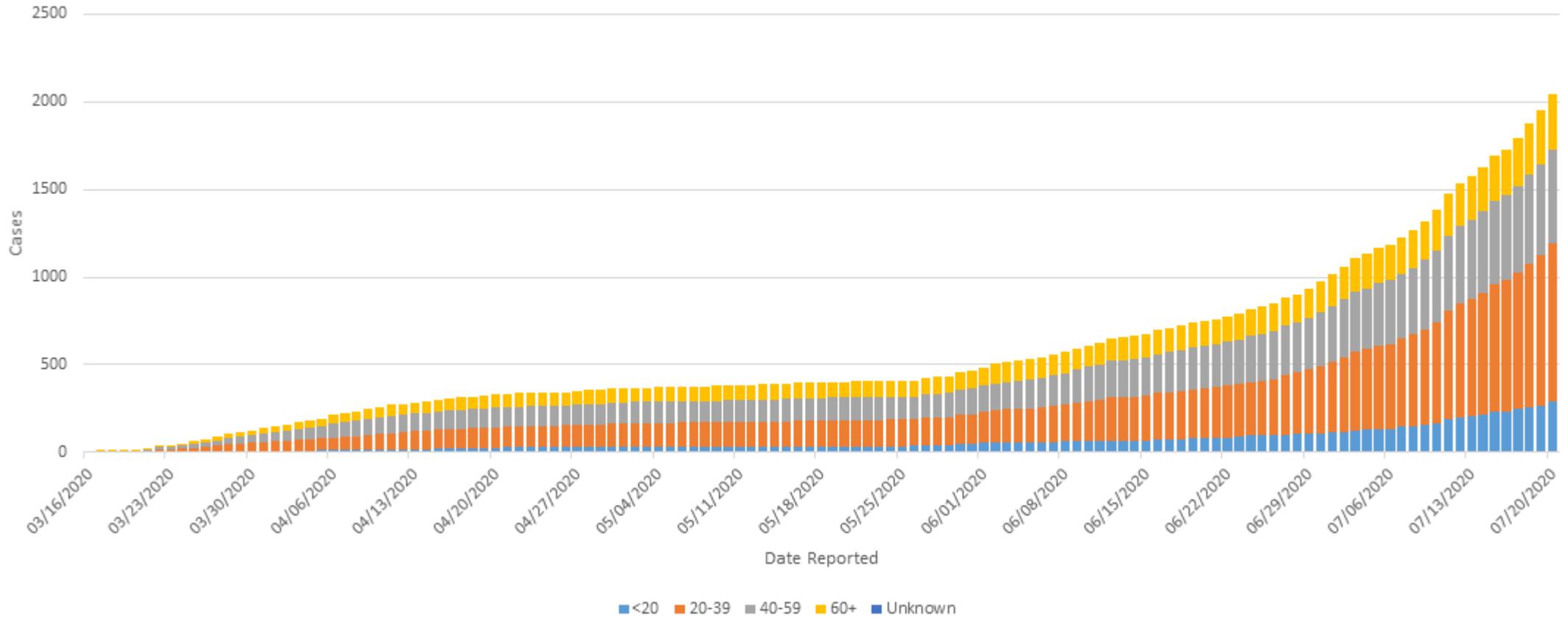
Epidemiology	What is the level of disease burden and how is it changing?	Level of Community Transmission (active cases over 14 days)	Light Green	Dark Orange	Light Pink
		Rt	Light Green	Dark Orange	Light Pink
		Nature of outbreaks	Light Green	Dark Orange	Light Pink
	Are there early signs of a resurgence in cases?	Increasing percent positive rate	Light Green	Dark Orange	Light Pink
		New Case rate over 7 days including non-residents cases	Light Green	Dark Orange	Light Pink
		Syndromic data (CLI)	Dark Green	Light Orange	Light Pink
Healthcare System Capacity	Overall bed capacity	total hospital bed capacity	Dark Green	Light Orange	Light Pink
		total ICU bed capacity	Dark Green	Light Orange	Light Pink
	Hospital Bed Projections	Projection hospital bed or ICU capacity availability	Dark Green	Light Orange	Light Pink
	Anchorage bed capacity	Anchorage hospital bed capacity	Dark Green	Light Orange	Light Pink
		Anchorage ICU bed capacity	Light Green	Dark Orange	Light Pink
Public Health Capacity	Testing	Broad testing	Dark Green	Light Orange	Light Pink
		Testing environment	Light Green	Dark Orange	Light Pink
		Lab turn around	Light Green	Dark Orange	Light Pink
	Contact tracing?	Average close contacts / per case	Light Green	Dark Orange	Light Pink
		Percent of new cases contacted in < 24 hrs	Light Green	Light Orange	Dark Red

Trend Line of Alaska Hospitalizations

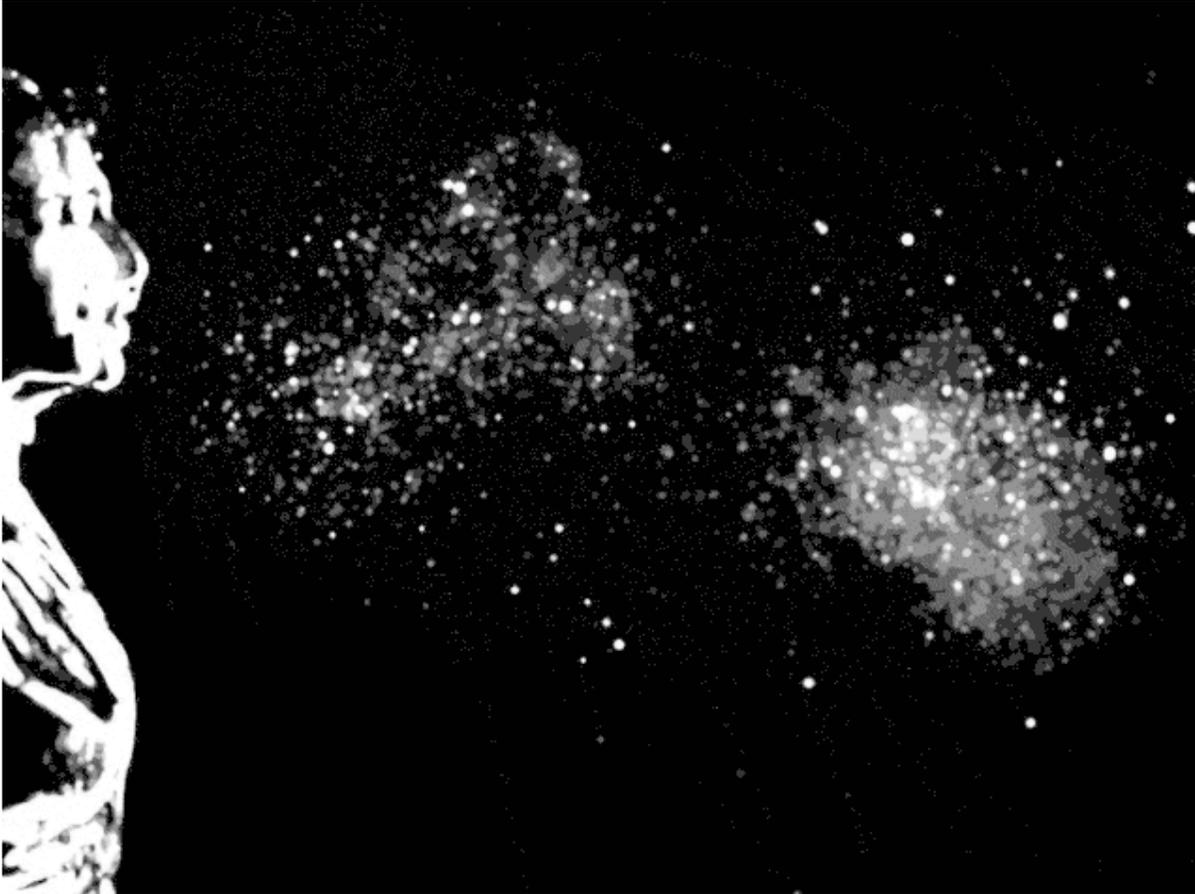


Cumulative Cases by Date Reported and 20-year age groups

Plot 1. Cumulative Cases by Date Reported and 20 Year Age Groups



#MaskUpAlaska!



Mask up, Alaska!

- <http://dhss.alaska.gov/dph/Epi/id/Pages/COVID-19/coveryourface.aspx>
- <http://dhss.alaska.gov/dph/Epi/id/Pages/COVID-19/facecoverings.aspx>

Watch NIST's video: Cover smart. Do your part. Slow the spread.



Seafood Industry Outbreaks

Seward

- 96 employees out of 262 tested positive as of July 22 at fish processing plant; first case on July 19
- 85 nonresident and 11 resident employees
- Positive cases transported to Anchorage; resident cases being provided alternative locations if unable to isolate from family at home
- Negative cases remain in Seward in quarantine
- Very aggressive testing schedule every three days until no more positive cases
- OBI Seafoods providing all housing, medical care, monitoring, security and support to employees

American Triumph <https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/AKDHSS/bulletins/296c60e>

- 79 out of 119 crew members tested positive on the seafood processing vessel; first case on July 17
- Docked in Unalaska where testing of all crew members was conducted; low risk to that community due to effective isolation
- Positive cases transported to Anchorage onboard vessel; docked in Seward due to challenges of docking at the Port of Alaska in Anchorage
- Negative cases flown to Anchorage
- American Seafoods providing all crew members with housing for isolation/quarantine, medical care, monitoring, security and support

Juneau

- Approx. 35 out of 113 employees tested positive at seafood processing plant
- Additional 26 cases among Alaska Glacier Seafoods employees
- All positive cases are isolated and contact tracing is ongoing
- Follow up testing will be conducted

Weekly Case Updates – Highlights

- Of cases reviewed (and responded) 18.8% were asymptomatic, 81.2% were symptomatic.
- Alaskans are acquiring the virus from many types of social gatherings – any time groups gather with others outside their household.
- Community transmission occurring in almost every business type that involves in-person interaction.
- Most nonresident cases have been identified before the person had significant community interaction, so most new cases in Alaskans are acquired from other Alaskans who have not traveled.
- **With current rates of physical distancing, face covering use and other measures to prevent transmission, cases are expected to continue to rise.**



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