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## 27 new cases of COVID-19 in Alaska; 19 resident, 8 nonresident

June 27, 2020 ANCHORAGE — The Alaska Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS) today announced 27 new cases of COVID-19. Nineteen are residents of nine communities: Anchorage (10), Wasilla (2), Bethel (1), Fairbanks (1), Juneau (1), Kenai (1), Seward (1), Willow (1) and Yukon-Koyukuk Census Area (1). This would bring the total number of Alaska cases to 855.

Please note that a single case from Eagle River was counted on both June 24 and 25. The report from June 25 has been removed; therefore the total count of Alaska cases is 854.

Eight new nonresident cases were also identified in:

- Anchorage Municipality (2): unknown
- Dillingham Census Area (2): seafood industry
- Bristol Bay plus Lake and Peninsula boroughs (1): seafood industry
- Fairbanks North Star Borough (1): mining
- Valdez-Cordova Census Area (1): tourism
- Juneau City and Borough (1): mining

This brings the total number of nonresident cases to 175.

Of the new Alaska cases, 13 are male and six are female. Three are under 10 years old; four are aged 20-29; three are aged 30-39; five are aged 40-49; three are aged 50-59; and one is aged 70-79. There have been a total of 67 hospitalizations and 14 deaths with no new hospitalizations or deaths reported yesterday. Recovered cases now total 521, with two new recovered cases recorded yesterday. A total of 105,581 tests have been conducted. The average percentage of daily positive tests for the previous three days is 0.98%.

This report reflects data from 12:00 a.m. until 11:59 p.m. on June 26 that posted at noon today on the <u>Alaska Coronavirus Response Hub</u>. Alaska Coronavirus Response Hub. Also note that upon further investigation and interviews, data points for cases – such as the date and residence – may on occasion change on the data dashboard after they are announced.

<u>Starting next week, this press release will no longer be issued daily.</u> DHSS will release COVID-19 press releases three times weekly (Monday, Wednesday and Friday) and will also issue the *COVID-19 Weekly Case Update*. Case count summaries, similar to the information provided in this press release, will continue to be posted daily on DHSS <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Twitter</u>. This change is intended to continue to provide the public with similar information, but in a manner that is more sustainable over the long term as the pandemic continues.

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- For the general public, questions regarding DHSS COVID response, including mandates and alerts, can be sent to <u>covidquestions@alaska.gov</u>.
- For data questions, contact <u>data.coronavirus@alaska.gov</u>.
- For DHSS media inquiries, please contact <u>clinton.bennett@alaska.gov</u>.

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