







# **Homer City Council Update**

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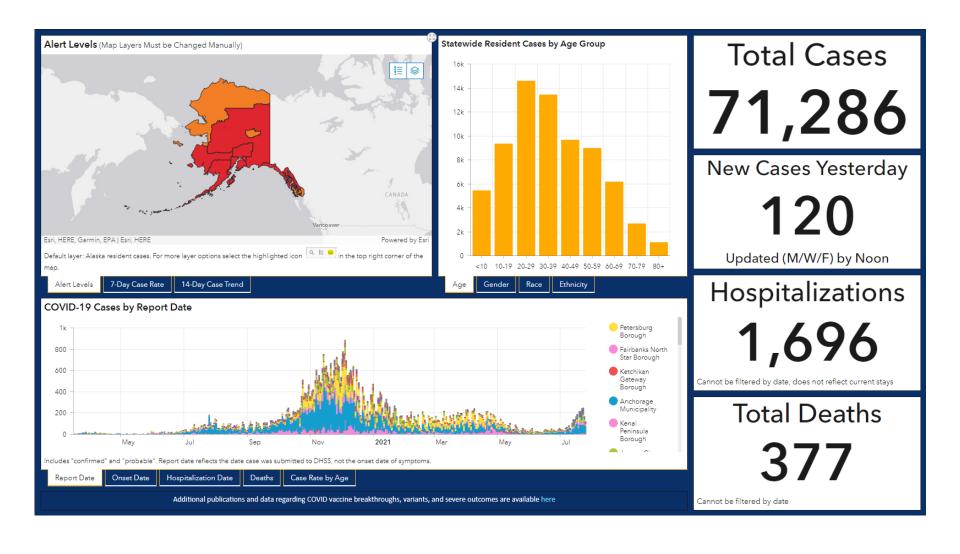






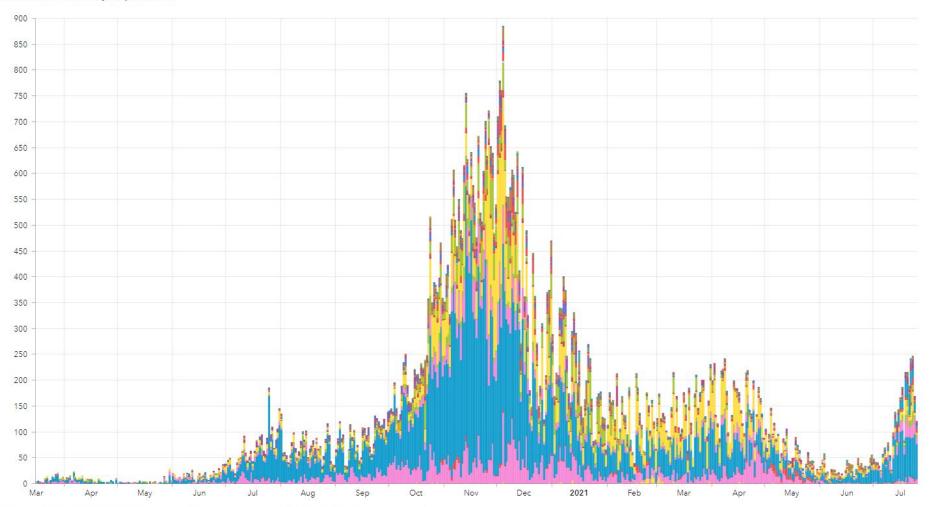


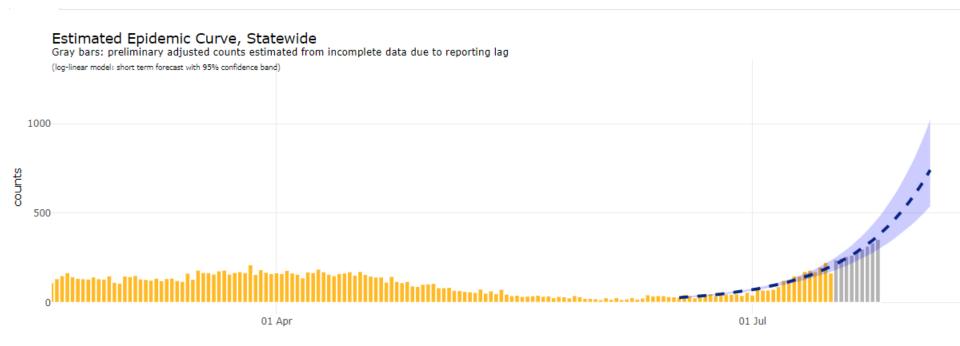




Last Updated July 26, 2021

#### COVID-19 Cases by Report Date



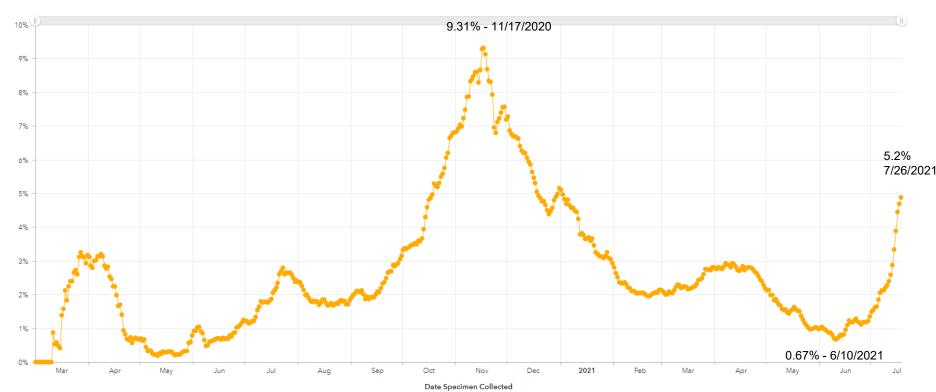


### **COVID-19 Statewide Testing**

July 26, 2021 – 5.2% positivity

#### Statewide Percentage of Daily Tests with Positive Results

(Seven day rolling average)



Includes PCR and antigen tests, does not include antibody tests. Labs collected in the last few days may not be reported yet (see FAQ and turnaround times). All data are preliminary.

#### COVID-19 Variants – July 20, 2021

#### Variants of Concern/Interest

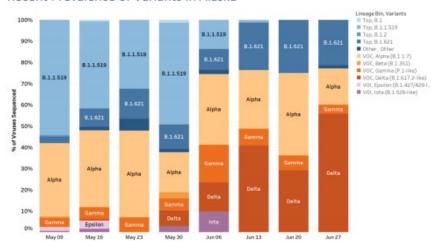
Name	Lineages	Cases Detected	Change from	t*	First Identified in Alaska
VOC Alpha	B.1.1.7	411	+27		20 December 2020
VOC Beta	B.1.351	7	0		20 March 2021
<b>VOC Gamma</b>	P.1/P.1.1/P.1.2	70	+5		8 February 2021
VOC Delta	B.1.617.2-like	114	+56		30 May 2021
VOI Epsilon	B.1.427/429	139	+1		24 December 2020
VOI Eta	B.1.525	1	0		16 March 2021
VOI lota	B.1.526	30	+1		4 February 2021
VOI Zeta	P.2	4	0		27 January 2021

<sup>\*</sup>Detected variants are identified from sequencing a combination of retrospective and contemporary SARS-CoV-2 positive specimens. Therefore, changes to the previous report do not always reflect recent collections but add to the overall understanding of variant proportions

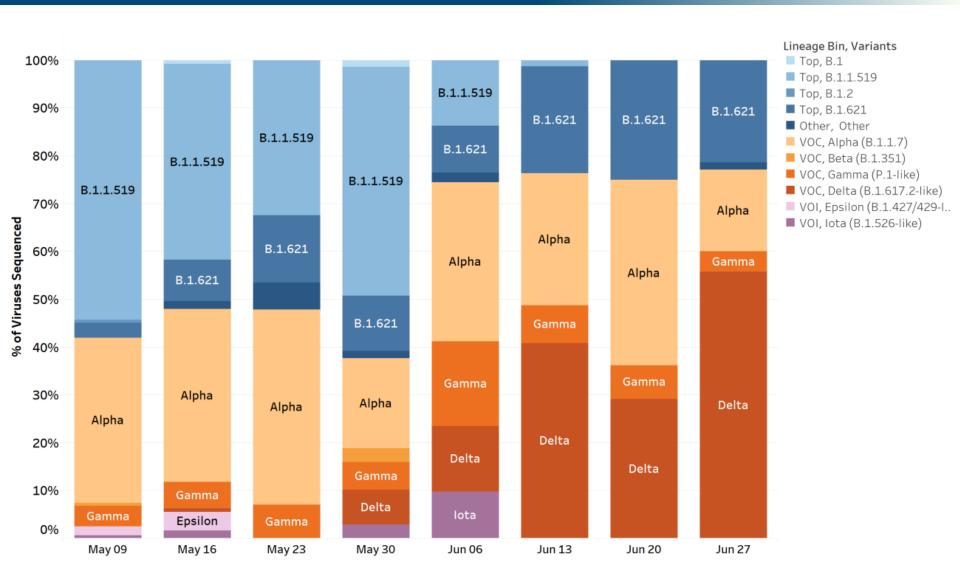
# Alaska COVID Genomic Surveillance Situation Report 20 July 2021:

http://dhss.alaska.gov/dph/epi/id/siteassets/ pages/HumanCoV/AKSeqCon\_GenomicSituati onReport.pdf





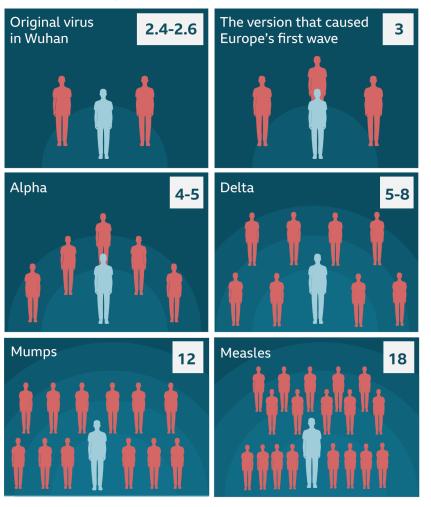
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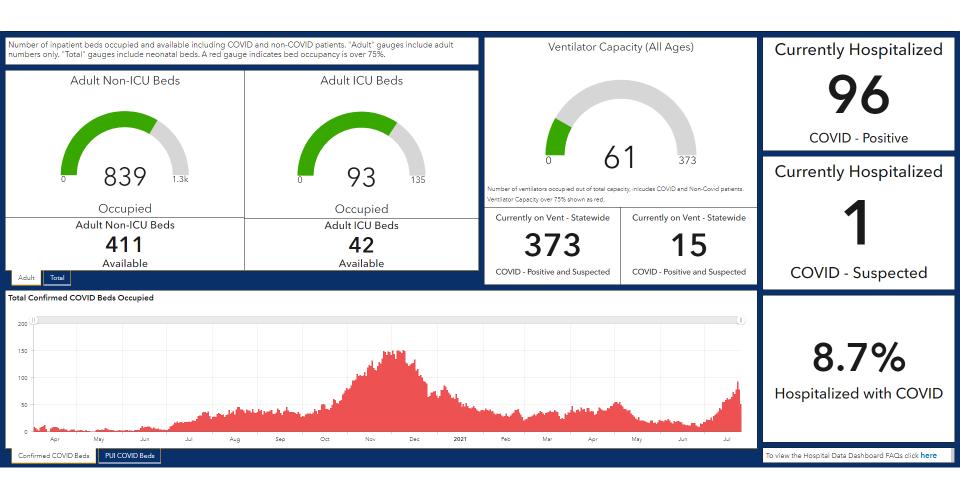
# How the R0 numbers of Covid-19 variants and other diseases compare

The more contagious, the higher the R0 number



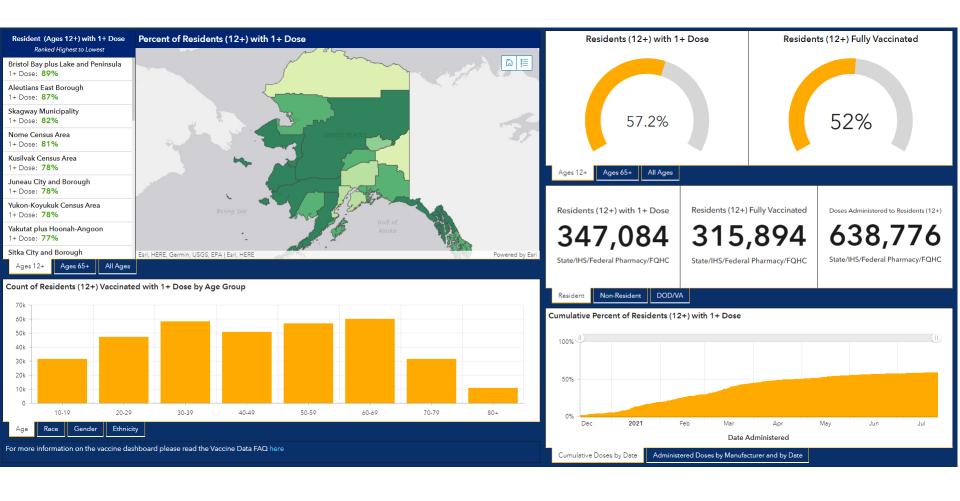
With the original SARS-CoV-2 virus, one infection spread to about 2-3 other unprotected individuals on average. With the delta variant, each infected person typically infects 5-8 unprotected individuals.

RO, pronounced "R naught," is a mathematical term that indicates how contagious an infectious disease is. It's also referred to as the reproduction number.



Hospital Status  Dashboard Southcentral/Interior	Adult ICU	Adult Non-ICU Inpatient	Psych	Emergency Department
Alaska Native Medical Center  Call ANMC to verify bed availability before using an alternative transfer location.  Do not rely on this dashboard alone. Last Update: 7/26/2021, 2:59 PM  Hospital Services Phone Notes	Closed	Near Capacity	Closed ED Psych divert	Closed ED Recovery, Adult Med
Alaska Regional Hospital Last Update: 7/26/2021, 2:59 PM  Hospital Services Phone Notes	Closed	Near Capacity	Closed ED Psych divert	Open
Providence Alaska Medical Center Last Update: 7/26/2021, 3:01 PM  Hospital Services Phone Notes	Near Capacity	Near Capacity	Open	Closed ED Recovery
Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson Hospital Last Update: 7/26/2021, 3:22 PM  Hospital Services Phone Notes	Open	Open	Open	Open
Central Peninsula Hospital Last Update: 7/26/2021, 3:08 PM  Hospital Services Phone Notes	Near Capacity	Near Capacity	N/A	N/A
Fairbanks Memorial Hospital Last Update: 7/26/2021, 3:11 PM  Hospital Services Phone Notes	Open	Open	Open	N/A
Mat-Su Regional Medical Center Last Update: 7/26/2021, 3:13 PM  Hospital Services Phone Notes  SC/Interior CAH Southeast	Open Open		Open	N/A

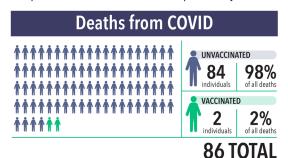
#### **COVID-19 Vaccine Coverage**



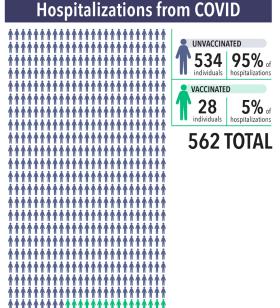
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#### **COVID-19 in Alaska**

Hospitalizations and Deaths from COVID | Jan 1 - July 17, 2021



With high rates of community transmission of COVID-19 and the highly contagious delta variant becoming more prevalent in Alaska and nationwide, infection can spread rapidly to unvaccinated people and will also affect some vaccinated Alaskans.



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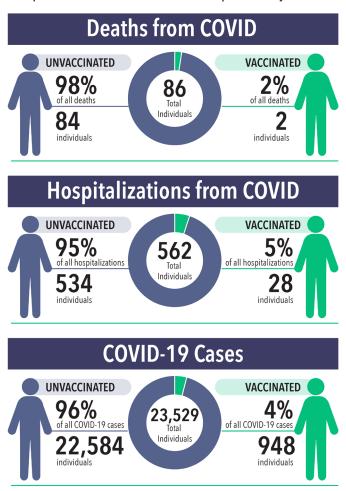
#### **COVID-19 vaccines are key to controlling the virus**

- Highly effective against severe COVID-related illness and death (including the delta variant)
- Infections in vaccinated people tend to milder and do not result in hospitalization or death
- Benefits of vaccination far outweigh risks for most people
- Protect you, your family and community
- Find an appointment near you at covidvax.alaska.gov or vaccines.gov.

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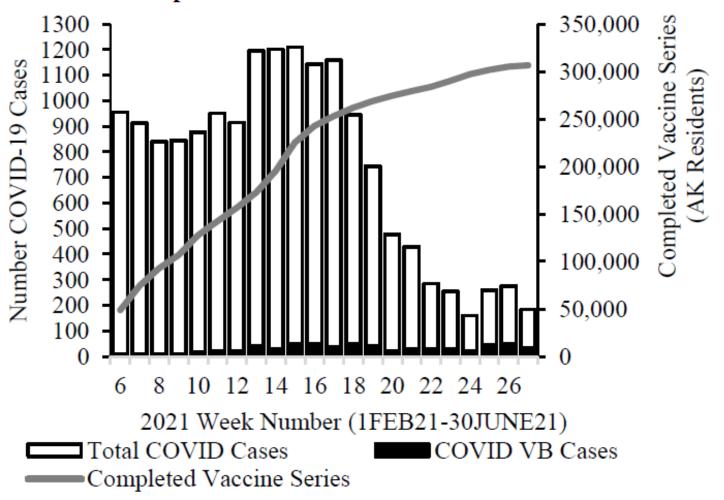


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# Alaska Summary of Vaccine Breakthrough Cases February 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021

Figure. Vaccine Breakthrough COVID-19 Cases, by Week, and Cumulative Completed COVID-19 Vaccine Series



#### **COVID-19 Business Resources**

# Call the Public Health Nurse 235-8857 or lorne.carroll@alaska.gov

- Toolkit for Businesses & Workplaces:
   <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-">https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-</a>
   <a href="ncov/communication/toolkits/business-workplaces.html">ncov/communication/toolkits/business-workplaces.html</a>
- Guidance for Businesses and Employers Responding to COVID-19: <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/guidance-business-response.html">https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/guidance-business-response.html</a>
- Coronavirus Tax Relief for Businesses and Tax-Exempt Entities: <a href="https://www.irs.gov/coronavirus/coronavirus-tax-relief-for-businesses-and-tax-exempt-entities">https://www.irs.gov/coronavirus/coronavirus-tax-relief-for-businesses-and-tax-exempt-entities</a>