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**Governor's Office:**

**State Adds Partner to Trusted Testing Partners List for Inter-County Travel**

The State of Hawai'i has added Diagnostic Laboratory Services (DLS) to the list of eight other trusted testing partners for inter-county travel. Inter-county passengers arriving in Kaua'i and Maui counties may bypass the mandatory 14-day quarantine if they take an FDA-authorized Nucleic Acid Amplification Test (NAAT) from the certified CLIA lab of a trusted testing and travel partner. The test must be taken no earlier than 72 hours prior to departure, and the traveler must receive a negative result to bypass the quarantine requirement.

Beginning today, inter-county travelers to Hawai'i County who follow these protocols will have two options to opt out of the 14-day mandatory quarantine. They can either take the test no earlier than 72 hours prior to departure, or they can elect to get a post-arrival test from a trusted partner. This would require the traveler to remain in quarantine until the negative test is reported and verified. Travelers must register and upload their test results to their Safe Travels Hawai'i account and inter-county travelers must have the test result with them upon arrival so airport screeners can review the result. The full list of inter-county partners is available in the "Helpful Resources" section at the bottom of this Daily News Digest.

Additional transpacific and inter-county trusted testing partners will not be added for a period of time to give the new Safe Travels Hawai'i program a stable platform to operate and time for the state to monitor performance and adjust the system, as needed. Future partners will be uploaded to <https://hawaiiicovid19.com/>. To view more on this latest announcement:

<https://governor.hawaii.gov/newsroom/state-adds-diagnostic-laboratory-services-to-list-of-trusted-testing-partners-for-inter-county-travel/>

**Department of Health:**

**Fourteen (14) COVID-19 Deaths Reported**

Fourteen (14) COVID-19 deaths were reported today by DOH. Ten (10) of those deaths have been reported as the result of updated information received on nursing homes in Hawai'i County. The dates of death range from mid-September to early October, and three (3) of those individuals had been hospitalized at the time of their death. Four (4) more recent deaths were also reported involving O'ahu residents.

#### Hawai'i

- 8 men, 70-80+ yrs, nursing home residents
- 2 women, 70-80+ yrs, nursing home residents

#### O'ahu

- 1 man, 80+ yrs, underlying condition, community care home resident
- 3 women, 80+ yrs, underlying condition, hospitalized

#### DOH Confirms Four COVID-19 Cases on Lāna'i

DOH's Maui District Health Office (MDHO) confirmed yesterday four cases of COVID-19 in residents on the island of Lāna'i. MDHO was notified about the positive test results yesterday and is actively performing contact tracing and investigation of the cases.

Initial findings determined that one of the four cases may be associated with recent travel. Three of the cases work at the same location and have symptoms. The fourth case is a healthcare worker who does not provide direct patient care. All four cases are in isolation. Residents and visitors are urged to prevent the spread of COVID-19 by wearing a mask, social distancing, avoiding gatherings, and staying home when sick. To view more information:

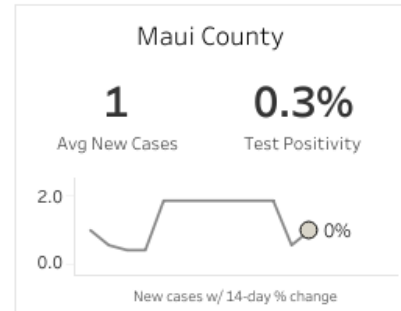
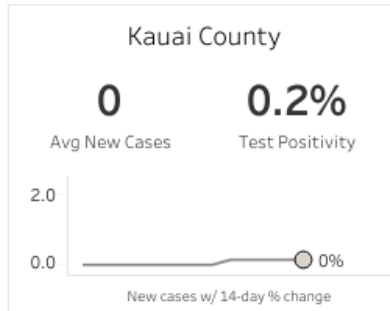
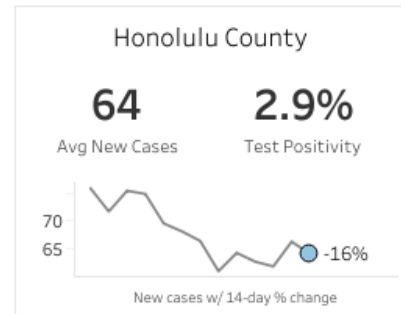
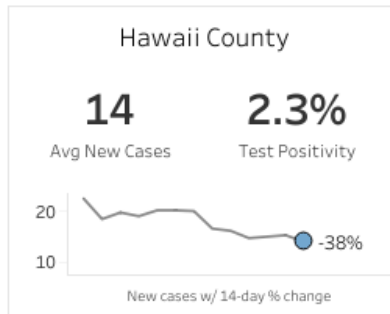
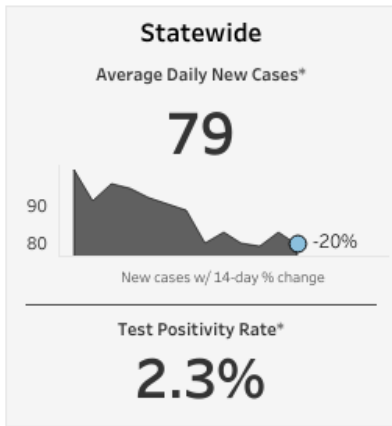
<https://hawaii-covid19.com/hawaii-department-of-health-confirms-four-covid-19-cases-on-lanai/>

#### Hawai'i COVID-19 Counts as of 12:00 noon, Oct. 21, 2020

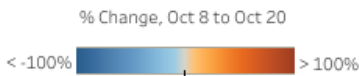
Island of Diagnosis	New Cases	Reported since 2/28/2020 (including new cases)
O'ahu	65	12,617
Hawai'i	9	1,091
Maui	0	394
Kaua'i	0	60
Moloka'i	0	19
Lāna'i	4	4
HI residents diagnosed outside of HI	0	48
<b>Total Cases</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>14,233++</b>
<b>Deaths</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>20</b>

Hospitalization count as of 10/20/20 at 3:16 pm: 12-Hawai'i, 4-Maui, 59-O'ahu, 0-Kaua'i

++As a result of updated information, one case from Hawai'i was removed from the counts.



\* Metrics represent 7-day moving averages  
 Data as of 11:59pm October 20, 2020



## COVID-19 Epi Curve\*, Hawaii 2020

Updated October 21, 2020

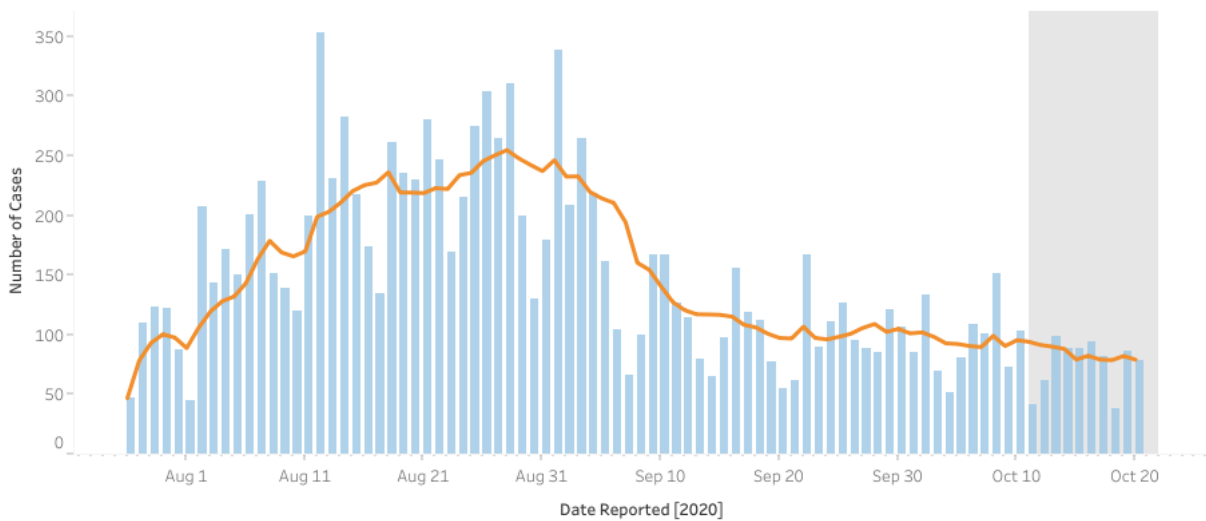
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 Statewide

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Average cases/day  
 (past 7 days)

# 14,185

Total Cases



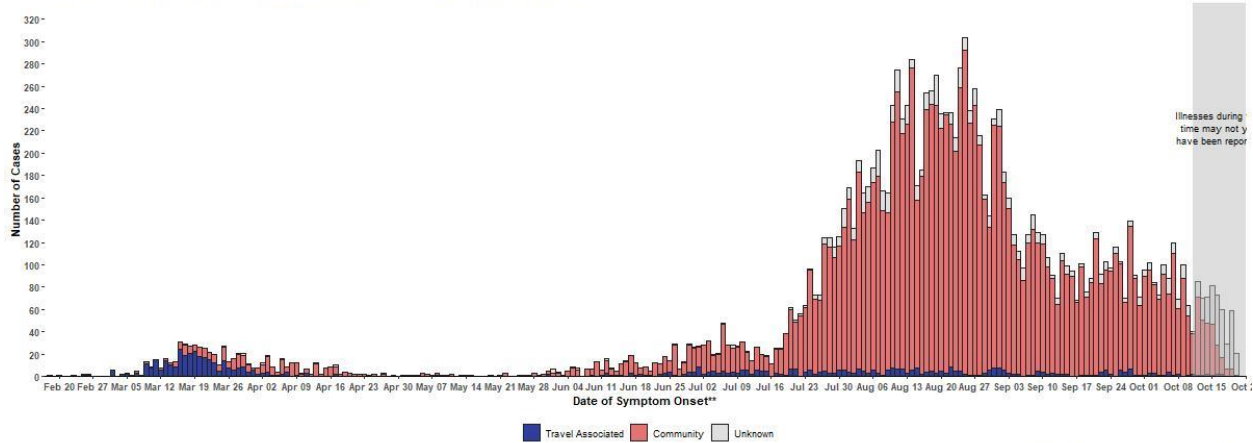
Date Filter

From July 27, 2020  
 and Null values

\*Illnesses that began in the past 10 days may not yet have been reported;  
 Includes all cases diagnosed in the state (non-residents and residents)

### COVID-19 Cases\* by Exposure-Hawaii, 2020 (N=14157)

Data as of October 20, 2020. All cases to date may not be included because of missing or pending data.



\*HI residents diagnosed outside of HI are not included.  
\*\*If onset date was not available, specimen collection date was used.

[HawaiiCOVID19.com](http://HawaiiCOVID19.com)

### **Department of Labor and Industrial Relations:** **Adjudication Unit for Unemployment Insurance Claims Launched**

DLIR has added significant capacity to reduce the backlog of unemployment insurance claims. Over 100 trained staff will be assisting in the adjudication unit, which requires a higher level of expertise and knowledge to process claims. DLIR contracted services with Maximus Inc., which is already operating a virtual call center for the department. DLIR Director Anne Eustaquio said, "Even during this COVID-19 pandemic most applicants received benefits or a monetary determination explaining why they were not eligible within three weeks of filing. The backlog in eligibility decisions are largely related to whether the claimant quit or was fired or whether the claimant is immediately available for work."

Adjudication is the investigation and resolution of eligibility issues raised and is a manual process that requires interested parties be provided due process to respond to the eligibility issue. Eligibility issues arise from several places including the initial claim, weekly claim, and employer contact, among others. For more information:

<https://labor.hawaii.gov/blog/news/adjudication-unit-for-unemployment-insurance-claims-launched/>

### **Department of Defense:** **National Guardsmen Assist City with COVID-19 Surge Testing**

The Hawai'i National Guard (HING) is assisting the City and County of Honolulu with a second wave of COVID-19 testing at multiple locations. Designed to look like the recent 'surge testing' that took place, the county's objective is to provide free COVID-19 tests for residents working within the tourism industry. Testing is available at the Waikiki Shell and other various locations on O'ahu through November. To view more:

<https://www.honolulu.gov/community-events/free-covid-19-testing-at-the-waikiki-shell/2020-10-19/>



**Department of Public Safety:**

**Six Saguaro Inmates Test Positive, Negative Broad-Based Inmate Testing Results at KCCC, MCCC**

PSD has been notified that six (6) more Hawai'i inmates at the Saguaro Correctional Center (Saguaro) in Eloy, Arizona tested positive for COVID-19. The total number of inmates in medical isolation at Saguaro with confirmed positive COVID cases is 31. There are 13 inmates with pending test results also in medical isolation and 769 inmates in a precautionary 14-day quarantine. Saguaro nursing staff are doing daily temperature checks and monitoring the inmates for symptoms.

PSD's Health Care Division is working with DOH, HING, and community partners, to conduct mass testing for COVID-19 at all correctional facilities statewide. So far, the first batch of test results for 93 Maui Community Correctional Center (MCCC) inmates and 20 Kaua'i Community Correctional Center (KCCC) inmates all came back negative. Testing at both facilities continues this week. The DOH testing of O'ahu Community Correctional Center (OCCC) inmates is continuous. There were no new test results received today for OCCC staff or inmates. Additionally, 97% of inmates and 86% of staff who tested positive for COVID-19 have recovered. To view more on PSD's planning and response to COVID-19:

<http://dps.hawaii.gov/blog/2020/03/17/coronavirus-covid-19-information-and-resources/>.

**Hawai'i Tourism Authority:**

**5,105 Passengers Arrive on Tuesday**

Yesterday, a total of 5,105 people arrived in Hawai'i from out of state. The bulk of the passengers, or 1,650 people, indicated they came to Hawai'i for vacation. There were also 1,071 returning residents. The trans-Pacific passenger arrival data is derived from data provided by the Safe Travels digital system.

**Reason for Trip by Arrival Airport – Transpacific Screened Passengers**

Oct 20	Honolulu (HNL)	Kahului (OGG)	Kona (KOA)	Līhu‘e (LIH)	Grand Total
Airline Crew	277	62	42	33	414
Corporate Meeting	3	0	0	0	3
Essential Worker	90	27	5	0	122
Honeymoon	20	10	2	6	38
Incentive Trip	5	2	0	0	7
Intended Resident	98	27	26	13	164
Military or Federal Government	162	0	1	1	164
Other	48	13	4	11	76
Other Business	106	48	18	14	186
Pleasure/Vacation	642	583	150	275	1,650
Returning Resident	740	163	119	49	1,071
To Attend School	11	0	0	0	11
To Get Married	4	3	0	0	7
Transit	202	2	1	0	205
Visiting Friends or Relatives	670	148	101	68	987
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>3,078</b>	<b>1,088</b>	<b>469</b>	<b>470</b>	<b>5,105</b>

To view more:

<https://www.hawaiitourismauthority.org/covid-19-updates/trans-pacific-passenger-arrivals/>

**Department of Transportation:**

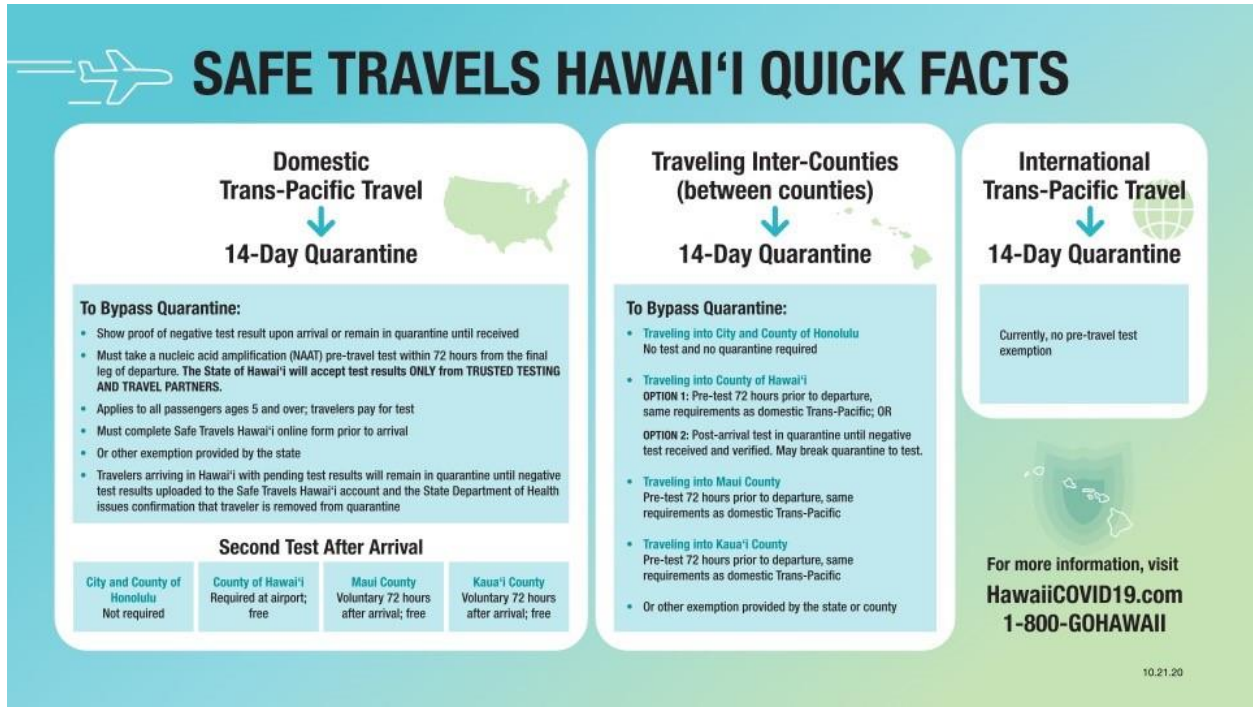
**Harbors Division Announces Award for Critical Improvement Projects**

At a time when our economy needs it the most, Hawai‘i DOT’s Harbors Division is proud to announce the Kapālama Container Terminal Phase 2 project has been awarded to Kiewit Infrastructure West which will complete the cornerstone project for the Harbors Modernization Plan. The project is the largest capital improvement project in Hawai‘i harbors history. It will increase operational efficiency, provide better resiliency of critical maritime infrastructure and significantly reduce traffic on surrounding roadways.

Gov. David Ige said, “This project is proceeding at a critical time when our state needs it most as we continue fighting COVID-19 and its impacts. The work will be performed by local talent and infuse hundreds of millions of dollars into the local economy, in addition to improving our harbor system that will benefit the state for decades to come.” For more details on the announcement:

<https://hidot.hawaii.gov/blog/2020/10/21/hdot-harbors-division-announces-award-for-critical-improvements-project/>

## Helpful Resources



**SAFE TRAVELS HAWAI'I QUICK FACTS**

### Domestic Trans-Pacific Travel

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### 14-Day Quarantine

**To Bypass Quarantine:**

- Show proof of negative test result upon arrival or remain in quarantine until received
- Must take a nucleic acid amplification (NAAT) pre-travel test within 72 hours from the final leg of departure. The State of Hawai'i will accept test results **ONLY** from **TRUSTED TESTING AND TRAVEL PARTNERS**.
- Applies to all passengers ages 5 and over; travelers pay for test
- Must complete Safe Travels Hawai'i online form prior to arrival
- Or other exemption provided by the state
- Travelers arriving in Hawai'i with pending test results will remain in quarantine until negative test results uploaded to the Safe Travels Hawai'i account and the State Department of Health issues confirmation that traveler is removed from quarantine

**Second Test After Arrival**

City and County of Honolulu Not required	County of Hawai'i Required at airport; free	Maui County Voluntary 72 hours after arrival; free	Kaua'i County Voluntary 72 hours after arrival; free
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### Traveling Inter-Counties (between counties)

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### 14-Day Quarantine

**To Bypass Quarantine:**

- Traveling into City and County of Honolulu  
No test and no quarantine required
- Traveling into County of Hawai'i  
**OPTION 1:** Pre-test 72 hours prior to departure, same requirements as domestic Trans-Pacific; **OR**  
**OPTION 2:** Post-arrival test in quarantine until negative test received and verified. May break quarantine to test.
- Traveling into Maui County  
Pre-test 72 hours prior to departure, same requirements as domestic Trans-Pacific
- Traveling into Kaua'i County  
Pre-test 72 hours prior to departure, same requirements as domestic Trans-Pacific
- Or other exemption provided by the state or county

### International Trans-Pacific Travel

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### 14-Day Quarantine

Currently, no pre-travel test exemption

For more information, visit  
**HawaiiCOVID19.com**  
**1-800-GOHAWAII**

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## Trusted Testing and Travel Partners

























# State of Hawai'i: Inter-County Trusted Testing Partners

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## **Safe Travels Hawai'i Program**

Program overview: <https://hawaiicovid19.com/travel/>

FAQs: <https://hawaiicovid19.com/travel/faqs/>

Email: [info@gohawaii.gov](mailto:info@gohawaii.gov)

Call Center Number: 1-800-GO-HAWAII

## **COVID-19 Tables, Charts, and Visualizations**

<https://health.hawaii.gov/coronavirusdisease2019/what-you-should-know/current-situation-in-hawaii>

## **Trans-Pacific Passenger Arrivals Statistics**

<https://www.hawaiitourismauthority.org/covid-19-updates/trans-pacific-passenger-arrivals/>

## **Kaua'i County**

Kaua'i COVID-19 webpage: <https://www.kauai.gov/COVID-19>

To report violators: <https://www.kauai.gov/KPD-Online-Reporting>

Rest, Test, Enjoy! Voluntary post-arrival test: <https://www.kauai.gov/visitorposttest>

## **Maui County**

Maui County travel and COVID-19 information:

<https://www.mauicounty.gov>

To report violators: (808) 244-6400 or [mpdquarantine@mpd.net](mailto:mpdquarantine@mpd.net)

## **Hawai'i County**

Hawai'i County COVID-19 webpage:

<https://coronavirus-response-county-of-hawaii-hawaii-county-gis.hub.arcgis.com/pages/travel>

Critical infrastructure and medical travel

request: <https://survey123.arcgis.com/share/e2f4ce19aa854964a8fd60bec7fbe78c>



To report violators: 808-935-3311

**City & County of Honolulu**

Honolulu COVID-19 webpage: [oneoahu.org](https://oneoahu.org)

Interisland passengers arriving on O'ahu are not subject to the mandatory quarantine.

To report violators: 808-723-3900 or [HPDcovidenforce@honolulu.gov](mailto:HPDcovidenforce@honolulu.gov)

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