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Governor's Office:

Government, Private-Sector Partnership Double Food Bucks to Help Hawai'i Families, Local Agriculture

The State of Hawai'i is matching a donation of half a million dollars from a hui of private-sector organizations towards the [DA BUX Double Up Food Bucks](#) program. DA BUX doubles the value of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits spent on locally grown food at participating grocery stores. Several private-sector organizations secured \$500,000 for DA BUX to increase SNAP buying power for recipients at participating grocery stores, such as KTA Super Stores and Times Supermarket. The state match increases that amount to \$1 million that will be available for SNAP recipients to purchase locally produced, fresh and nutritious fruits, vegetables and proteins at participating locations statewide. Gov. Ige said, "DA BUX Double Up Food Bucks" is a triple-win solution because it supports local farmers with an increased customer base, low-income families who receive double the purchasing power for healthy, Hawai'i-grown produce, and our entire community by keeping dollars in the local economy."

Formerly known as the Food Stamp Program, SNAP is a federal program that provides food-purchasing assistance for low and no-income individuals. Administrators are seeing a higher number of recipients as families continue to struggle during the COVID-19 pandemic. DA BUX is a statewide program administered by The Food Basket in partnership with the Hawai'i Good Food Alliance. To view more:

<https://governor.hawaii.gov/newsroom/latest-news/office-of-the-governor-news-release-government-private-sector-partnership-double-food-bucks-to-help-hawaii-families-and-local-agriculture/>

Inter-County Pre-Travel Trusted Testing Partners Announced

Over the weekend, Gov. Ige announced eight 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 no earlier than 72 hours prior to departure and receive a negative result. Travelers register on 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.

Those who do not choose to take a pre-travel test or who do not arrive with a negative test from a trusted testing or travel partner will continue to be subject to the existing 14-day inter-county quarantine or may seek an exemption from the county they are traveling to. Gov Ige said, “Travel between our islands is essential to our residents staying connected with family and friends and conducting business. And many of our visitors want to experience all our island state has to offer. We are grateful to our trusted partners who are helping to make inter-county travel safer.”

The eight trusted testing partners for inter-county travel are:

- Clinical Laboratories of Hawaii
- CVS Health (Longs Drugs)
- Hawaii Pacific Health
- Kaiser Permanente (members only)
- Minit Medical
- Urgent Care Hawaii
- Vault Health
- Walgreens

To view more: <https://governor.hawaii.gov/newsroom/latest-news/governors-office-news-release-gov-ige-announces-inter-county-pre-travel-trusted-testing-partners/>

Department of Health:

39 COVID-19 Cases Reported Today

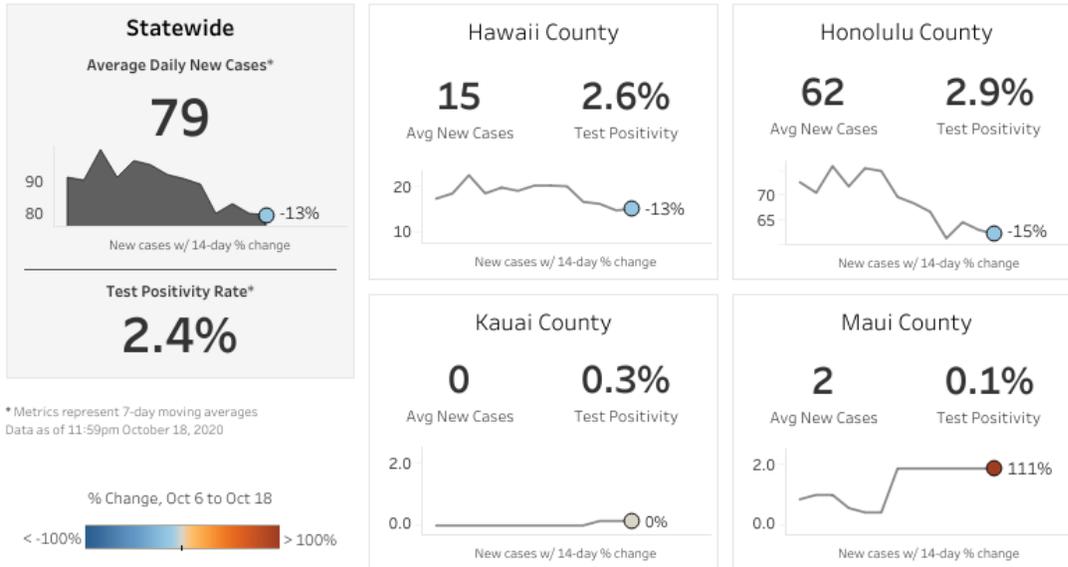
Thirty-nine (39) new COVID-19 cases were reported today. Thirty-one (31) of those cases were from O’ahu, seven (7) on Hawai’i Island, two residents were diagnosed outside of the state, and a case previously reported on Kaua’i was recategorized (see foot note below the next chart).

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

Island of Diagnosis	New Cases	Reported since 2/28/2020 (including new cases)
O’ahu	31	12,494
Hawai’i	7	1,059
Maui	0	392
Kaua’i	-1	60
Moloka’i	0	19
Lāna’i	0	0
HI residents diagnosed outside of HI	2	44
Total Cases	39	14,068++
Deaths	0	187

Hospitalization count as of 10/16/20 at 12:51 pm: 10-Hawai’i, 2-Maui, 84-O’ahu, 0-Kaua’i

++As a result of updated information, two cases from O’ahu were removed from the counts and one case from Kaua’i was re-categorized to “HI residents diagnosed outside of HI.”



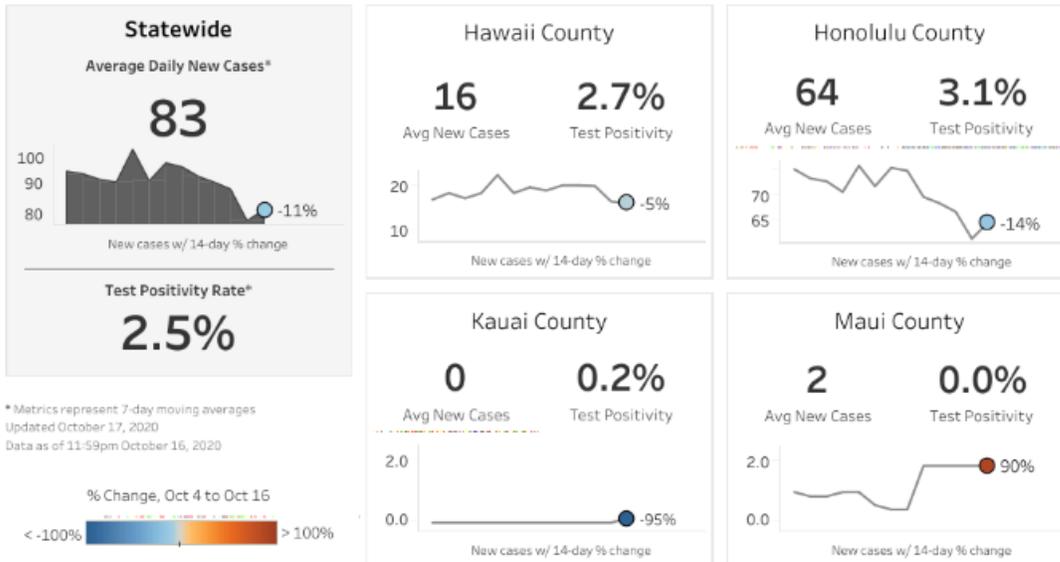
This new graphic replaced the table previously posted. The data is available on the DOH/DOCD website: <https://health.hawaii.gov/coronavirusdisease2019/what-you-should-know/current-situation-in-hawaii/>

Hawai'i COVID-19 Counts as of 12:00 noon, Oct. 18, 2020

On Sunday, one (1) additional COVID-19 death was reported by DOH. It involved a man between 60-69 years old, who had an underlying condition and was hospitalized at the time of his death.

Island of Diagnosis	New Cases	Reported since 2/28/2020 (including new cases)
O'ahu	68	12,465
Hawai'i	14	1,052
Maui	0	392
Kaua'i	1	61
Moloka'i	0	19
Lāna'i	0	0
HI residents diagnosed outside of HI	0	42
Total Cases	83	14,031++
Deaths	1	187

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



Hawai'i COVID-19 Counts as of 12:00 noon, Oct. 17, 2020

On Saturday, one (1) additional COVID-19 death was reported by DOH. It involved a woman over the age of 80, who had an underlying condition and was hospitalized at the time of her death.

Island of Diagnosis	New Cases	Reported since 2/28/2020 (including new cases)
O'ahu	81	12,398
Hawai'i	12	1,038
Maui	0	392
Kaua'i	1	60
Moloka'i	0	19
Lāna'i	0	0
HI residents diagnosed outside of HI	2	42
Total Cases	96	13,949
Deaths	1	186

DOH Releases Updated COVID-19 Guidance for Schools

DOH has released updated guidance to elementary, middle, and high schools today to help school administrators make decisions to safely transition between different models of learning — virtual classes, traditional classroom learning, or a combination of at-home learning and in-person learning. The guidance is available on DOH's website

at: <https://health.hawaii.gov/coronavirusdisease2019/school-guidance/>

The updated reopening thresholds for schools now align with reopening plans for Honolulu and Kaua'i counties that were approved by Gov. David Ige and continue to be consistent with recommendations of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

The new reopening thresholds are based on two consecutive seven-day averages of daily new case rates and testing percent positivity by island. The seven-day daily average per 100,000 population applies to all islands, and the percent of tests that are positive by county is a secondary measure. Data from the preceding two 7-day cycles are posted on DOH's website at <https://health.hawaii.gov/coronavirusdisease2019/school-guidance/> each Wednesday at noon.

How Do the Last Two 7-day Averages Affect the School Learning Models?					
Island	9/30-10/6		10/7-10/13		Learning Model Based on Last 2 Weeks
	7-day Average Daily Cases	% Positive	7-day Average Daily Cases	% Positive	
Hawaii	8.6	2.7	9.9	3.0	Blended
Oahu	7.5	3.2	7.0	3.4	Blended
Maui	0.6	0.3	1.3	0.1	In-Person
Molokai	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.1	In-Person
Lanai	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.1	In-Person
Kauai	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	In-Person

Consider a learning model based on the color of your area					
	In-person Learning	Blended Learning	Blended Learning	Learning from home	Learning from home
7-day Daily Average Per 100,000 population	0-2.0	2.1-5.0	5.1-10.3	10.4-15.4	15.5+
Percent Positivity	0-0.99%	1.0%-2.49%	2.5%-5.0%	5.1%-7.5%	>7.5%

To view more:

<https://hawaiicovid19.com/hawaii-department-of-health-releases-updated-covid-19-guidance-for-schools/>

COVID-19 Epi Curve*, Hawaii 2020

Updated October 19, 2020



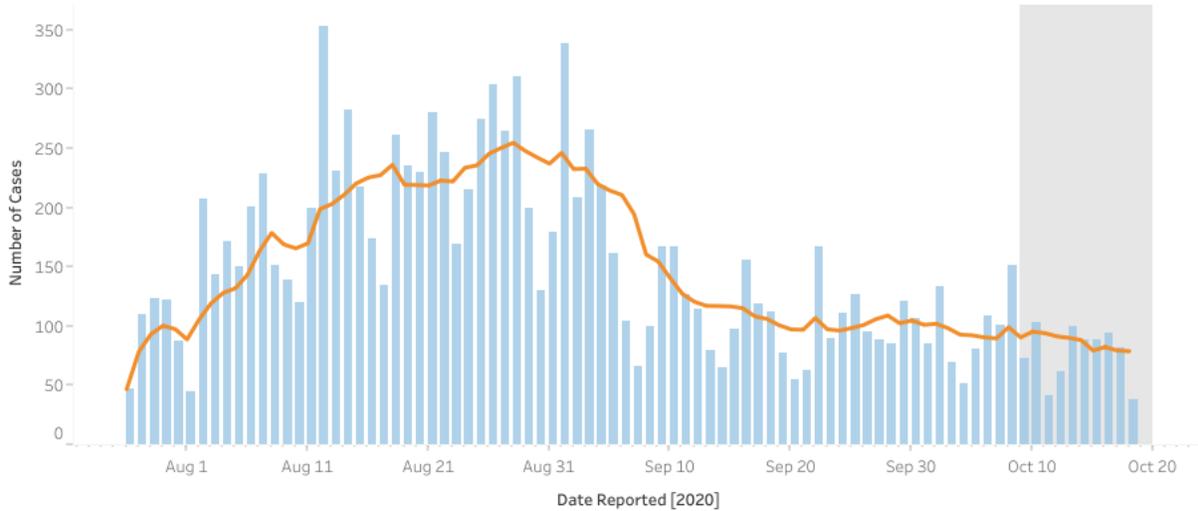
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Average cases/day
(past 7 days)

14,024

Total Cases

Select County
Statewide



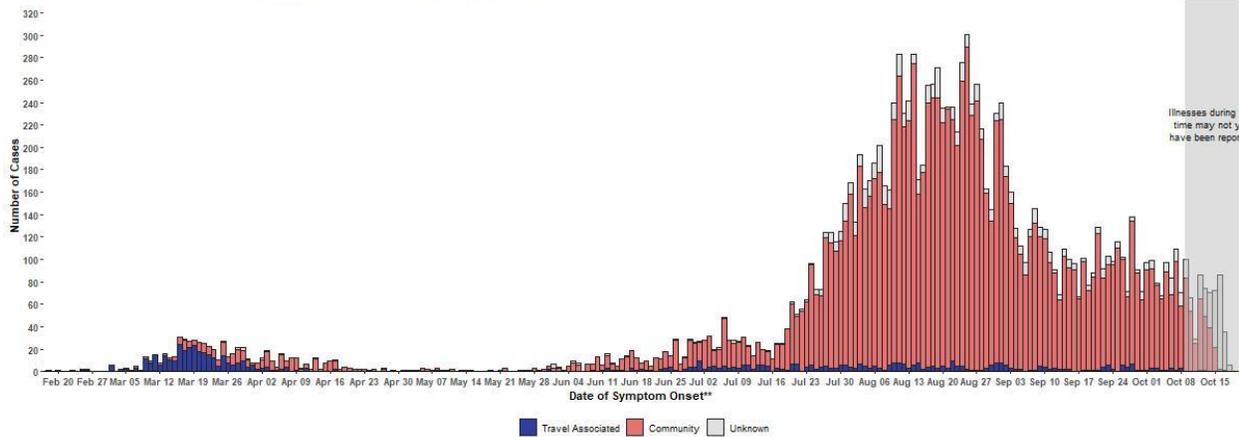
Date Filter

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=13992)

Data as of October 18, 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

Department of Public Safety: 15 More Saguaro Inmates Test Positive

PSD has been notified that 15 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 25. Seven (7) inmates with pending test results are also in medical isolation and 789 inmates are 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, the Hawai’i National Guard (HING) and community partners, to conduct mass testing for COVID-19 at all correctional facilities statewide. Inmate testing is underway at the Maui Community Correctional Center and the Kaua’i Community Correctional Center. DOH testing of O’ahu Community Correctional Center (OCCC) inmates is ongoing. Over the weekend 52 inmate test results were received. Of the 52, only one (1) was positive and 51 were negative. There were no staff or inmate results received today. Additionally, 97% percent 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:
6,641 Passengers Arrive on Sunday

Yesterday, a total of 6,641 people arrived in Hawai’i from out of state. This comes a few days after the Safe Travels Hawai’i program launched, which gives travelers an option of taking a COVID-19 test to bypass the state’s mandatory 14-day quarantine if their results are negative. The bulk of the passengers, or 2,623 people, indicated they came to Hawai’i for vacation. There were also 1,274 returning residents. The trans-Pacific passenger arrival data is derived from data provided by Safe Travels.

Reason for Trip by Arrival Airport – Transpacific Screened Passengers

Oct 18	Honolulu (HNL)	Kahului (OGG)	Kona (KOA)	Līhu’e (LIH)	Grand Total
Airline Crew	287	64	47	34	432
Corporate Meeting	4	1	0	1	6
Essential Worker	157	24	22	23	226
Honeymoon	12	18	1	9	40
Incentive Trip	1	0	0	1	2
Intended Resident	125	40	24	21	210
Military or Federal Government	223	0	0	4	227
Other	51	17	6	26	100
Other Business	164	61	39	17	281
Pleasure/Vacation	966	866	316	475	2,623
Returning Resident	932	133	156	53	1,274
Sports Event	1	0	0	0	1
To Attend School	9	0	0	0	9
To Get Married	2	2	0	0	4
Transit	225	0	2	1	228
Visiting Friends or Relatives	655	127	115	81	978
Grand Total	3,814	1,353	728	746	6,641

To view more:

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

Hawai'i House of Representatives:

Committee to Discuss Status of COVID-19 Funding, Distance Learning in Public Schools

Another informational briefing will be held tomorrow by the Education Committee, who will discuss the status of COVID-19 related funding, as well as distance learning in public schools. Committee members will look at how distance learning went during the first quarter of school, how many electronic devices were distributed to help students, and address internet connectivity issues. Several guest speakers will participate in the 11 a.m. briefing, including Dept. of Education Superintendent Dr. Christina Kishimoto. Due to COVID-19 distancing rules, all hearings are being streamed online, which you can watch here:

<https://www.facebook.com/hawaiihouseofreps/>

Helpful Resources

SAFE TRAVELS HAWAI'I QUICK FACTS

Beginning October 15, 2020

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**
Not participating; must quarantine
- **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



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Safe Travels Hawai'i Program

Program overview: <https://hawaiiicovid19.com/travel/>

FAQs: <https://hawaiiicovid19.com/travel/faqs/>

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

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

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

To report violators: 808-723-3900 or HPDcovidenforce@honolulu.gov

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