

# COVID-19 cases in New Bedford jump by 87, total rises to 712

Mayor Jon Mitchell's office Saturday reported 87 additional confirmed COVID-19 cases in New Bedford, bringing the total positive cases in the city to 712, **up from 625 on Thursday**. COVID-19 related deaths remained at 19 in the city.

The Greater New Bedford Community Health Center will expand its COVID-19 testing capability by establishing an outdoor testing location at its downtown health center. Full details **here**.

The Port of New Bedford has partnered with Southcoast Health to pilot targeted COVID-19 testing for workers in the commercial fishing industry and others, beginning with commercial fishermen on the New Bedford waterfront Friday. Full details **here**.

ICE detainees at the C. Carlos Carreiro Immigration Detention Center at the Bristol County Sheriff's Office caused more than \$25,000 worth of damage in a disturbance Friday evening. Full details **here**.

On April 30, the Massachusetts Public Health Department reported that the state added 2,106 more positive cases of COVID-19 bringing to total to 64,311. This is an increase from Thursday's 1,940 reported cases. Full details **here**.

Governor Baker issued an order requiring the use of masks or face coverings in public places where they cannot socially distance from others. The Administration also announced expanded community health center COVID-19 testing capacity at centers throughout the Commonwealth. Full details **here**.

Gaming regulators voted Friday to prolong their mandated shutdown of the state's slots parlor and casinos until at least May 18 in line with Gov. Charlie Baker's latest order, and announced plans for an internal group to focus in-depth on issues around re-opening casinos. Full details [here](#).

24 additional cases of COVID-19 have been identified in Fall River. This brings the total in Fall River to 533. The City has been notified of its seventh fatality due to COVID-19. Full details [here](#).