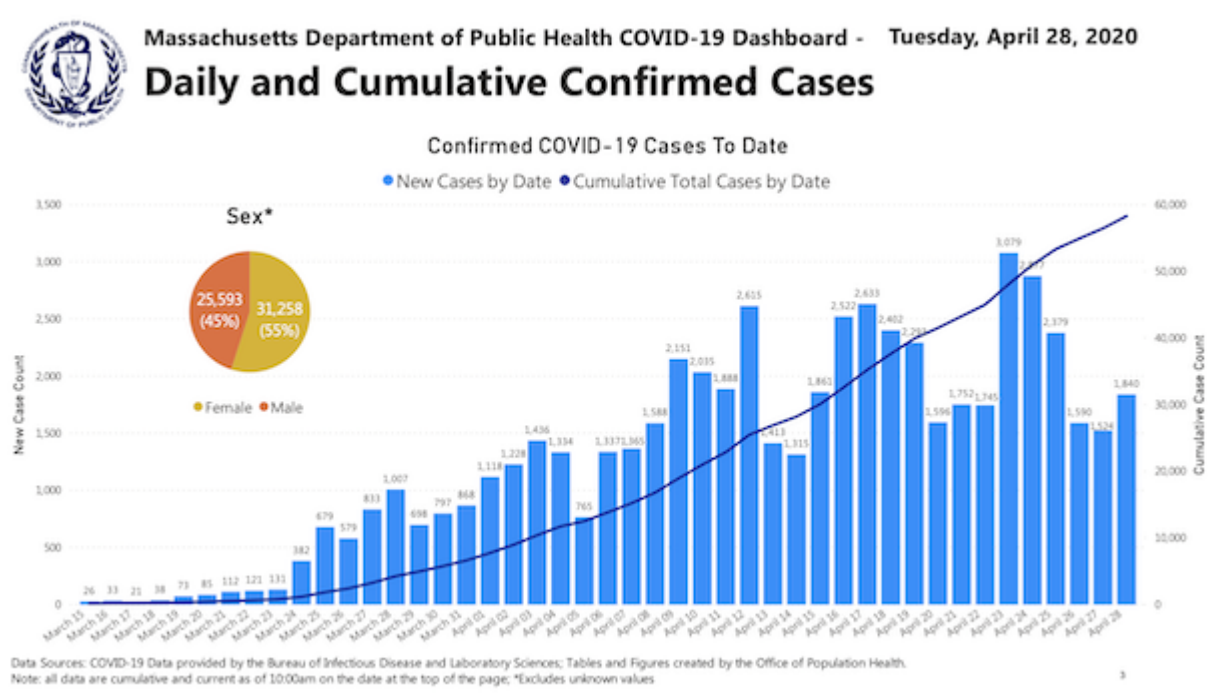


COVID-19 cases rise in Massachusetts for the first time in five days

Massachusetts Coronavirus Update

On April 28, the Massachusetts Public Health Department reported that the state added 1,840 more positive cases of COVID-19 bringing to total to 58,302. This is an increase from Monday's 1,524 reported cases.



150 new COVID-19 related deaths were reported on Tuesday bringing the total deaths in Massachusetts to 3,153. As of 4 pm today, 254,500 people in Massachusetts have been tested for COVID-19 – 9,613 new tests since yesterday.

Governor Baker extended the essential services emergency order to May 18th and launched a Reopening Advisory Board that will produce a plan to the Governor by May 18th. Full details [here](#).

New Bedford Coronavirus Update

Mayor Jon Mitchell's office Tuesday reported 32 additional confirmed COVID-19 cases in New Bedford, bringing the total positive cases in the city to 535, **up from 503 on Monday**. Two more COVID-19 related deaths were also reported bringing the total to 25 in the city.

The City of New Bedford will distribute more than 50,000 masks manufactured at Joseph Abboud Manufacturing Corporation in the City's North End to New Bedford's vulnerable populations and frontline workers to protect against the spread of COVID-19. Full details **here**.

New Bedford Public Schools' free Grab n' Go student meal distribution program continues at Grab n' Go locations throughout the city with one temporary change of location in the South End: on Friday, May 1, 2020, Grab n' Go at Roosevelt Middle School will move to Jacobs Elementary School, which is two city blocks north of Roosevelt. Full details **here**.

Fall River Coronavirus Update

Fall River today reported 37 more confirmed positive cases of COVID-19. The City of Fall River has confirmed 448 positive cases of the coronavirus. Full details **here**.