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## **Governor Cuomo Announces Two Additional States Added to Travel Advisory**

Eleventh Straight Day with Infection Rate Below 1 Percent

Alaska and Delaware Meet Metrics to Qualify for Travel Advisory

0.98 Percent of Yesterday's COVID-19 Tests were Positive

8 COVID-19 Deaths in New York State Yesterday

SLA and State Police Task Force Visits 976 Establishments and Does Not Observe Any Violations of State Requirements

Confirms 655 Additional Coronavirus Cases in New York State - Bringing Statewide Total to 426,571; New Cases in 40 Counties

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo today announced that two additional states meet the metrics to qualify for the travel advisory requiring individuals who have traveled to New York from those states, all of which have significant community spread, to

quarantine for 14 days. The newly-added states are Alaska and Delaware. No areas have been removed.

The governor also announced that for the 11th straight day, New York State's rate of positive tests was below 1 percent. Governor Cuomo also updated New Yorkers on the state's progress during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. The number of new cases, percentage of tests that were positive and many other helpful data points are always available at [forward.ny.gov](https://forward.ny.gov).

"New York State is moving forward in the face of a continuing crisis throughout the nation and around the world—we've gone from one of the nation's worst infection rates to one of its best and have an infection rate below 1 percent for the 11th straight day—but that's no excuse for getting complacent as we add two more states to our travel advisory," **Governor Cuomo said.**

"Our success in this fight is determined, more than anything, by the actions each of us takes in daily life—washing our hands, properly social distancing and wearing masks—and by the willingness of local governments to be competent partners and to enforce state guidance. We continue to move in the right direction, but it's up to all of us to slow the spread and stay safe."

The full, updated list of states on the travel advisory is below:

- Alaska
- Alabama
- Arkansas
- Arizona
- California
- Delaware
- Florida
- Georgia
- Hawaii
- Iowa
- Idaho
- Illinois

- Indiana
- Kansas
- Kentucky
- Louisiana
- Maryland
- Minnesota
- Missouri
- Mississippi
- Montana
- North Carolina
- North Dakota
- Nebraska
- Nevada
- Oklahoma
- Puerto Rico
- South Carolina
- South Dakota
- Tennessee
- Texas
- Utah
- Virginia
- Virgin Islands
- Wisconsin

Yesterday, the State Liquor Authority and State Police Task Force visited 976 establishments in New York City and Long Island and did not observe any establishments that were not in compliance with state requirements.

Today's data is summarized briefly below:

- **Patient Hospitalization** - 537 (+3)
- **Patients Newly Admitted** - 52
- **Hospital Counties** - 31
- **Number ICU** - 126 (-7)
- **Number ICU with Intubation** - 60 (-4)
- **Total Discharges** - 74,258 (+51)
- **Deaths** - 8
- **Total Deaths** - 25,264

Of the 66,891 test results reported to New York State yesterday, 655, or 0.98 percent, were positive. Each region's percentage of positive test results reported over the last three days is as follows:

REGION	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
Capital Region	1.2%	0.3%	0.8%
Central New York	0.7%	0.2%	0.6%
Finger Lakes	0.5%	0.5%	0.7%

Long Island	0.8%	0.6%	1.1%
Mid-Hudson	0.8%	0.8%	1.3%
Mohawk Valley	0.3%	0.5%	1.1%
New York City	0.9%	0.9%	1.1%
North Country	0.3%	0.1%	0.5%
Southern Tier	0.1%	0.5%	0.3%
Western New York	0.9%	0.5%	0.8%

The Governor also confirmed 655 additional cases of novel coronavirus, bringing the statewide total to 426,571 confirmed cases in New York State. Of the 426,571 total individuals who tested positive for the virus, the geographic breakdown is as follows:

County	Total Positive	New Positive
Albany	2,661	4
Allegany	80	0
Broome	1,177	5
Cattaraugus	172	1
Cayuga	164	0
Chautauqua	271	6
Chemung	190	0
Chenango	218	0

Clinton	134	1
Columbia	558	6
Cortland	97	0
Delaware	107	0
Dutchess	4,704	4
Erie	9,187	30
Essex	63	4
Franklin	55	1

Fulton	305	2
Genesee	288	3
Greene	300	2
Hamilton	11	0
Herkimer	284	0
Jefferson	143	0
Lewis	47	0
Livingston	178	0
Madison	423	2



Monroe	5,213	30
Montgomery	188	0
Nassau	44,001	46
Niagara	1,535	3
NYC	230,742	284
Oneida	2,213	12
Onondaga	3,696	16
Ontario	371	2

Orange	11,269	13
Orleans	302	0
Oswego	272	0
Otsego	120	2
Putnam	1,463	0
Rensselaer	801	6
Rockland	14,053	42
Saratoga	800	5
Schenectady	1,130	9

Schoharie	69	0
Schuyler	23	0
Seneca	95	1
St. Lawrence	263	0
Steuben	307	0
Suffolk	44,235	50
Sullivan	1,493	0
Tioga	198	2

Tompkins	238	0
Ulster	2,100	2
Warren	313	1
Washington	262	1
Wayne	270	1
Westchester	36,540	54
Wyoming	120	2
Yates	59	0

Yesterday, there were 8 deaths due to COVID-19 in New York State, bringing the total to 25,264. A geographic breakdown is as follows, by county of residence:

Deaths by County of Residence	
County	New Deaths
Bronx	1
Broome	1
Montgomery	1
Queens	3
Suffolk	1

Non-NYS

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