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The Alabama Department of Corrections [reported](#) Tuesday night that more than 200 people incarcerated in the states prisons tested positive for Covid-19 last week. The numbers represent the largest spike in Covid cases to date in Alabama prisons, al.com [reports](#).

ADOC [said](#) it tested everyone incarcerated at Elmore Correctional Facility who was not showing symptoms on August 11 after a recent increase in cases there. Out of 960 people tested, 191 new cases 20% were identified at Elmore alone.

Eleven incarcerated people [tested positive](#) at Draper Quarantine Intake Facility and there was one new positive case at Easterling Correctional Facility in Clio, Alabama, bringing the statewide total to 203 new positive cases as of August 13.

ADOC also reported it has 224 active Covid-19 cases as of last Friday, which represents a [dramatic increase](#) from 22 active cases on August 6.

Sixty-six incarcerated people and three employees have died after testing positive for Covid-19 so far, according to ADOCs [public dashboard](#).

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