



GOVERNMENT OF THE BAHAMAS  
MINISTRY OF HEALTH

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COVID-19 REPORT  
Update #365

**CONFIRMED CASES OF COVID-19**

Island	Total Confirmed Cases	Breakdown of Newly Confirmed Cases <sup>1</sup>
New Providence	6351	9
Grand Bahama	1419	15
Abaco	307	4
Bimini & Cat Cay	116	0
Eleuthera	181	2
Berry Islands	57	0
Exuma	123	0
Inagua	19	0
Andros	48	2
Long Island	11	0
Cat Island	9	0
Acklins	7	0
Crooked Island	6	0
Mayaguana	3	0
San Salvador	10	0
Locations Pending	367	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9034</b>	<b>34</b>

<sup>1</sup> Results of newly confirmed cases were reported within twenty-four (24) to forty-eight (48) hours after the swabbing date.

**TRAVEL WATCH: CONFIRMED IMPORTED COVID-19 CASES**

<b>Island</b>	<b>Newly Confirmed Cases with History of Travel Within 14 Days<sup>2</sup></b>
<b>New Providence</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Grand Bahama</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Abaco</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Bimini &amp; Cat Cay</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Eleuthera</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Berry Islands</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Exuma</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Inagua</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Andros</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Long Island</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Cat Island</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Acklins</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Crooked Island</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Mayaguana</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>San Salvador</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Locations Pending</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5</b>

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## GENDER OF NEWLY CONFIRMED CASES

Gender of Newly Confirmed Cases	# Cases
Males	18
Females	16
Unknown	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>34</b>

## HOSPITALIZATIONS

Healthcare Institution	# of Cases Hospitalized	# of Cases Moderately Ill	# of Cases in the Intensive Care Unit (ICU)
<u>New Providence</u>			
Doctor's Hospital	9	7	2
South Beach Acute Care and Referral Centre	2	2	0
Princess Margaret Hospital	5	5	0
Sandilands Rehabilitation Centre	0	0	0
<u>Grand Bahama</u>			
Grand Bahama Health Services	13	13	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>2</b>

## ACTIVE CASES & RECOVERIES

<b>Active Cases</b>	<b>229</b>
<b>Total # of Recovered Cases</b>	<b># of Cases Recovered Today</b>
<b>8563</b>	<b>722**</b>

## DEATHS

<b>Total COVID-19 Deaths</b>	<b>Total Non-COVID-19 Deaths</b>	<b>Total Deaths Under Investigation</b>
<b>188</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>15</b>

## TESTS COMPLETED

<b>Total # of Tests Completed</b>	<b># of Tests Completed Today</b>	<b># of Positive Results</b>	<b># of Negative Results</b>	<b># of Repeated Tests<sup>3</sup></b>	<b># of Inconclusive Results</b>
<b>75,104</b>	<b>396</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>357</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>

## OPENING HOURS OF COMMUNITY CLINICS

Community clinics remain open for primary care services at the following Poly-clinics:

<b>Clinic</b>	<b>Days</b>	<b>Hours of Operation</b>
<b>Fleming Street</b>	Monday – Friday	9:00a.m. – 8:00p.m.
<b>Elizabeth Estates</b>	Monday – Friday	9:00a.m. – 9:00p.m.
<b>Flamingo Gardens</b>	Monday – Friday	9:00a.m. – 9:00p.m.
<b>Flamingo Gardens (Only)</b>	Saturday	9:00a.m. – 5:00p.m.

<sup>3</sup> Tests performed to confirm if patients have recovered from COVID-19.

## **\*\* IMPORTANT NOTES**

The Ministry of Health advises the general public of a recently completed COVID-19 data cleaning exercise. The exercise used prevailing scientific data that applies to active and recovered cases.

The term **active case** refers to an individual with COVID-19 infection who is capable of transmitting the infection to others.

The term **recovered case** refers to an individual who was previously diagnosed as a COVID-19 positive patient, but is no longer capable of transmitting the infection to others.

Current scientific data reveals that when a person contracts COVID-19 the virus quickly replicates. After 3 – 4 days, there is a decreasing amount of virus present.

People with mild or moderate COVID-19 infection lose their ability to transmit the virus 10-14 days after the onset of symptoms. Persons experiencing severe illness or have immune-compromised systems lose their ability to transmit the virus after 20 days.

Persons currently on the active list are considered recovered using –

- (1) the date of the onset of their symptoms; or
- (2) by using the date of their positive RT-PCR test.

It is noteworthy to mention that at the end of the data cleaning exercise, 722 active cases were considered “recovered,” and have been duly reported in today’s COVID-19 report.

## **REMINDERS**

To contain the spread of COVID-19 residents are reminded of the following:

- if you have symptoms of COVID-19, do not wait, first contact your health provider.
- while home remedies may work for a period it is important to get tested and receive proper care before symptoms become too difficult to manage.
- if you have been asked by the Surveillance Unit to get tested for COVID-19, please follow the advice and take the gold standard RT-PCR test.
- employees are encouraged to work from home.



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## Take Precautionary Measures



**WASH YOUR  
HANDS**



**COVER YOUR  
COUGH OR SNEEZE**



**WEAR YOUR  
MASK**



**KEEP YOUR  
DISTANCE**

## PREVENT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19



**CLEAN AND  
DISINFECT**



**STAY HOME  
IF SICK**



**ISOLATE  
IF SICK AT WORK**



**CALL FIRST  
511**  
or your healthcare provider  
for advice before going to a  
facility

Protect Yourself & Others

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