

# 77 more COVID-19 related deaths reported in Massachusetts, single day high

On April 8, the Massachusetts Public Health Department reported that the state added 1,588 more positive cases of COVID-19 bringing to total to 15,202. This is an increase over Tuesday's 1,365 reported cases. 77 new COVID-19 related deaths were reported since yesterday bringing the total deaths in Massachusetts to 433.

As of 4 pm today, 87511 people in Massachusetts have been tested for COVID-19 – 6,167 in the past 24 hours, a sharp rise over the previous day's total of 4,915.



New Bedford Mayor Jon Mitchell's office reported Wednesday morning that New Bedford had its first two deaths related to COVID-19 and now has 81 positive cases of COVID-19, up from the **71 cases they reported on Tuesday** and up from 65 on Monday. The New Bedford residents that passed away were in their 80s and 90s.

Mayor Mitchell broke the news this morning on Twitter:

"I am saddened to announce the Covid-related deaths of two #Newbedford residents. Our city's prayers are with their families."

Fall River has 74 total COVID-19 cases, but daily cases stay low for a fifth straight day. Full details **here**.

A correctional officer and a K9 officer from the Bristol County Sheriff's Office have tested positive for COVID-19. Full details **here**.

The town of Dartmouth reversed its recently stated policy of not sharing updates on the specifics on COVID-19 cases. Only a few short weeks ago some Massachusetts towns had instituted the policy, but residents quickly condemned it and preferred being informed. Full details **here**.

Brockton has seven times the amount of positive COVID-19 cases as comparably sized cities in Massachusetts like New Bedford and Fall River and 147 more cases than Worcester, which has almost 100,000 more people. Full details **here**.

The Boston Police Department and FBI are warning people of fraudulent emails/phone calls from scammers looking to hijack COVID-19 stimulus checks. Full details **here**.

As of April 6, the total amount of cases in The United States is 399,929 with 12,912 total deaths.