

New Bedford reports 136 total positive COVID-19 cases Saturday, up 17 since Friday

New Bedford Mayor Jon Mitchell's office reported 136 positive cases of COVID-19 Saturday morning, up from the **119 cases they reported on Friday** and up from 102 on Thursday. Mayor Mitchell reported **New Bedford's third COVID-19 related death on Friday**.

Dartmouth town officials this week reported their first two COVID-19 related deaths. Full details **here**.

Mayor Jon Mitchell, Southcoast Health President and CEO Keith Hovan, and representatives of Essex Group Management Corporation today announced two Southeastern Massachusetts Regional Care Centers in New Bedford for those recovering from COVID-19. Full details with photos and video **here**.

After Fall River set a high in COVID-19 cases in one day, the city saw 6 more cases. According to Mayor Coogan, there are 97 confirmed cases in Fall River on Friday and of those, 26 have recovered and 71 remain active. Full details **here**.

On April 10, the Massachusetts Public Health Department reported that the state added 2,033 more positive cases of COVID-19 bringing to total to 15,202. This is a decrease from Thursday's 2,151 reported cases. 96 new COVID-19 related deaths were reported since yesterday (4 in Bristol County) bringing the total deaths in Massachusetts to 599. Full details **here**.

Yesterday, the Baker-Polito Administration issued further public health guidance, expanded resources for critical workers and increased Massachusetts National Guard activation to support its ongoing response to mitigate the spread of

COVID-19. Full details **here**.

MCAS testing requirements for the school year are suspended, the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education will modify or waive graduation requirements for students set to complete high school this summer, and due dates for district improvement plans will be pushed back under a bill Gov. Charlie Baker signed into law Friday. Full details **here**.