

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

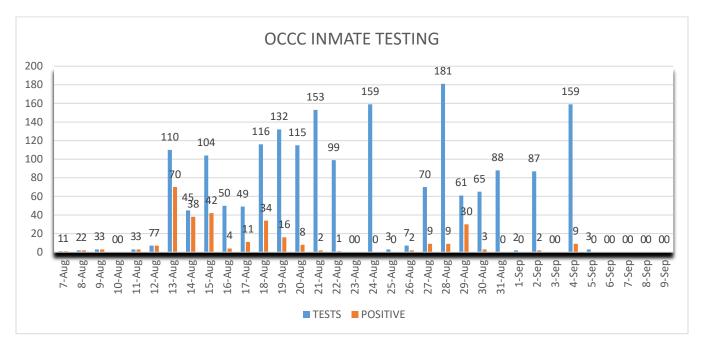
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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY COVID-19 UPDATE FOR 9/9/20

HONOLULU – The Oahu Community Correctional Center (OCCC) has seen a substantial decrease in the number of active infected inmates since the beginning of August. The Department of Health (DOH) began the fourth round of follow-up testing at OCCC today, to make sure the virus remains under control in the incarcerated population. There were no new COVID-19 test results received for OCCC staff or inmates today. There are currently no inmates hospitalized.



A deputy sheriff assigned to the Sheriff Division Kapolei Court Section reported a positive COVID-19 test result today. The deputy last worked on 9/4/20. PSD notified the Judiciary and the Department of Health (DOH) of the positive result. DOH is conducting contact tracing and PSD is awaiting further DOH guidance. PSD staff in those sections have been notified and encouraged to contact their health care providers if they have questions about possible exposure.

Several more staff have recovered from the virus. PSD staff with active COVID cases dropped from 47 to 43 and recovered staff increased from 45 to 50.

Total PSD COVID-19 active and recovered cases as of 9/9/20:

	STAFF		INMATES	
	ACTIVE	RECOVERED	ACTIVE	RECOVERED
CORRECTIONS DIVISION				
HCCC	0	0	0	0
KCCC	0	0	0	0
MCCC	0	0	0	0
OCCC	36	44	18	273
HCF	2	1	0	1
KCF	0	0	0	0
WCCC	0	2	0	0
WCF	0	2	0	0
LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION				
SHERIFF DIVISION	4	1		
NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT DIV.	0	0		
ADMINISTRATION DIVISION*	1	0		
TOTAL**	43	50	18	274

^{*}Administration Division includes administrative services, fiscal, personnel, training and staff development and the offices under the Director.

- The inmate releases directed through the Hawaii Supreme Court (HSC) orders are ongoing. There were no new release reports for 9/8/20.
- All transports to court from all Oahu facilities are suspended through Friday, September 18. Video hearings will still be accommodated to the extent possible and as legally permissible. PSD is in constant contact with the Judiciary to assure the safety of all staff and inmates involved.

Staff continue to practice recommended precautions for the health and safety of the public, our staff and the inmates under our supervision including the use of proper Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). All facilities have been issued PPE and routinely keep an inventory of PPE for continuous distribution to staff as recommended in the Pandemic Plan. Each employee has been issued several face masks and at OCCC, employees have been issued a face shield for added protection. Face shields will be issued to all staff at other facilities. Staff have access to gloves and other protective supplies, available all over the facility.

For more information on PSD's planning and response to COVID-19, inmate testing data, and information detailing the efforts made to safeguard the inmates, staff and public, visit our webpage at: http://dps.hawaii.gov/blog/2020/03/17/coronavirus-covid-19-information-and-resources/

^{**}Numbers are subject to change as pending results are received. The total number of positive and negative tests to date can be found on PSD's COVID-19 information website.