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University of Maine System COVID Data by Campus

57 — Known Case of UMS students or employees in public health agency isolation among the more than 30,000 students, faculty, and staff in the University of Maine System community.

The University of Maine System has started the spring semester. These data would also include university students or employees known to have an active case of COVID-19 but not necessarily living in the campus region or state.

- 32 UMaine:
- 3 UMA:
- 6 UMF:
- 5 UMFK:
- 3 UMM:
- 0 UMPI:
- 7 USM:
- 1 Maine Law

The above Data reflects ACTIVE known cases identified through the UMS asymptomatic screening and verified self-reports of University students, faculty, and staff from independent testing. When an individual completes their isolation period, the active case number shared in the Together for Maine daily update is reduced to reflect that change.

UMS is reporting 57 known cases today, five fewer cases than was reported in the [2/2/21 update](#). Today's data reflects 5 new cases and 10 completions of isolation since the last update.

28 of the current active cases are residential students

- 93% of university-administered quarantine space currently available
- 81% of university-administered isolation spaces available

Asymptomatic Screening Update for 20-21 Academic Year

- 50,557 Test Results to Date
- 217 positive results representing new diagnoses of COVID-19

The Asymptomatic Screening Dashboard at [Together.Maine.edu](#) represents known results on all asymptomatic tests going back to July 22, 2020. About 48 hours passes from the time a test sample is collected and when the results are known. Limited testing is continuing with the University's in-person population greatly reduced with the transition to distance instruction.

UMS News

Wastewater Testing Results Posted at [together.maine.edu](#): Wastewater testing is a valuable part of the University of Maine System's multilayered test-trace-isolate strategy for monitoring COVID-19. We use wastewater testing to track trends in the overall prevalence of COVID-19 on four of our campuses and in two surrounding communities. Wastewater monitoring works because infected people may start shedding virus in their stool a few days before they show any symptoms of disease, or even if they never show symptoms. While wastewater testing cannot identify infected individuals, it provides data that we can measure against current known cases on campuses and allows us to identify emerging infection trends. We are testing wastewater at two central collection points on four UMS campuses and at municipal treatment facilities in Orono and Farmington. As we refine our methods, we plan to deploy more targeted wastewater testing that could help identify cases in a specific building or buildings, for example, and help focus amplified individual asymptomatic testing.

Campus-Specific Return Information



[UMS COVID-19 Risk Statement](#)