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## Four New Cases Reported Today

Four new cases of COVID-19 were reported today, bringing to 489 the total number of county residents who have tested positive for the virus.

Humboldt County Health Officer Dr. Teresa Frankovich said that more than 30 positive COVID-19 cases have now been tied to a large gathering in late August. There were initially 22 cases directly connected to this event that was characterized as a party of approximately 50 individuals from different households and outside the area.

Dr. Frankovich emphasized that while socializing within your household is safest, if people choose to gather, smaller groups and outdoor settings with physical distancing measures make gathering safer. If food is part of the gathering, it is safest for people to bring their own rather than sharing.

“Gatherings are a driver of infections across the state,” Dr. Frankovich said. “You can’t predict in advance which gatherings are going to be super spreader events, and so the safest thing is to not hold them at all.”

Today’s alert level stands at two or level yellow. Visit [humboldt.gov/dashboard](https://humboldt.gov/dashboard) to view the county’s Alert Level Assessment tool.

For the most recent COVID-19 information, visit [cdc.gov](https://cdc.gov) or [cdph.ca.gov](https://cdph.ca.gov). Local information is available at [humboldt.gov](https://humboldt.gov) or during business hours by contacting [covidinfo@co.humboldt.ca.us](mailto:covidinfo@co.humboldt.ca.us) or calling 707-441-5000.

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