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## 30 New Coronavirus Cases Reported Friday, Leading to 52 in Two Days in USVI

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The V.I. Department of Health on Friday reported 30 new cases of the novel coronavirus, leading to a total of 52 new cases in two days, as the contagion continues its spread in the territory with St. Croix registering 7 of the new cases, St. Thomas 22 and St. John 1.

On Thursday, D.O.H. reported 22 new Covid-19 cases, with St. Thomas seeing a majority of the infections with 17, while St. Croix saw 5.

The health department said it was tracking 206 active cases as of Friday: 167 on St. Thomas, 34 on St. Croix, and 5 on St. John.

So far, out of the 704 people who have tested positive for the virus, D.O.H. said 519 have recovered. A total of 12,133 tests have been performed, 11,383 of which have returned negative.

Nine Virgin Islanders have died from Covid-19, including a 23-year-old pregnant woman.

Means of transmission in St. Thomas saw 14 community spread cases, 7 close contact, and 1 travel-related. On St. Croix, 6 of the 7 cases were related to close contact while another case remained under investigation as of Friday evening. The sole case on St. John confirmed Friday was under investigation as well.

Governor Albert Bryan on Thursday took bold steps to beat back the virulent disease in the U.S. Virgin Islands, which has been spreading briskly through the community. Details [here](#).