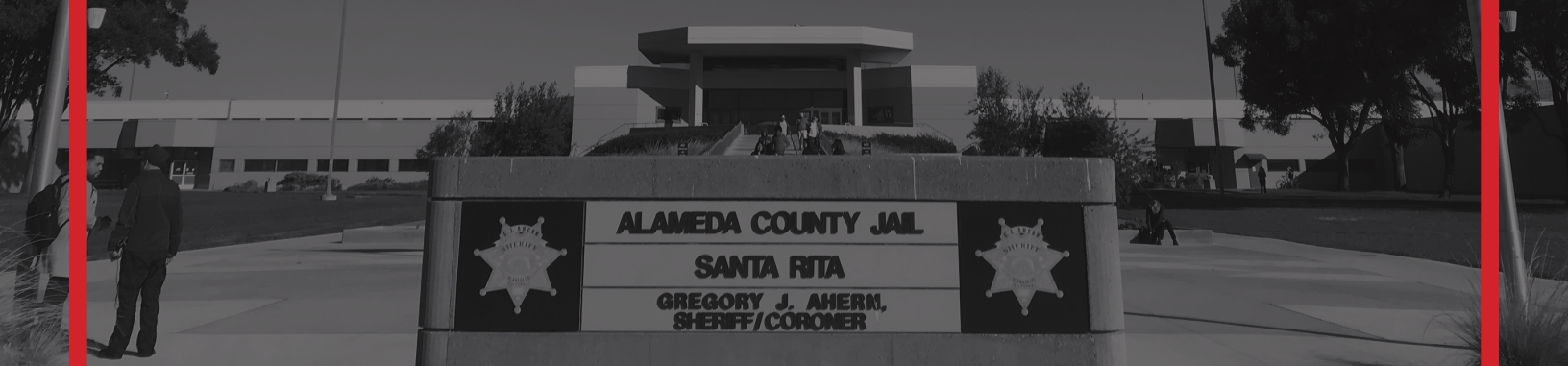


SANTA RITA JAIL WEEKLY UPDATE

JULY 19–JULY 25 2021



STATISTICS AS OF JULY 25, 2021.

NOTE: GIVEN THE LOW TESTING RATE, ALL COVID-19 CASE NUMBERS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED UNDERESTIMATIONS

2069

JAIL POPULATION

605

**TOTAL POSITIVE COVID-19
TESTS SINCE APRIL**

7

**TOTAL NEW POSITIVE
COVID-19 TESTS IN PAST WEEK**

14%

**OF JAIL POPULATION
TESTED IN PAST WEEK**

24.7%

**PERCENTAGE OF INCARCERATED
POPULATION FULLY VACCINATED***

**918 OUT
OF 1000+**

**NUMBER OF ACSO STAFF
TESTED SINCE 7/11/21****

NOTES ON STATISTICS

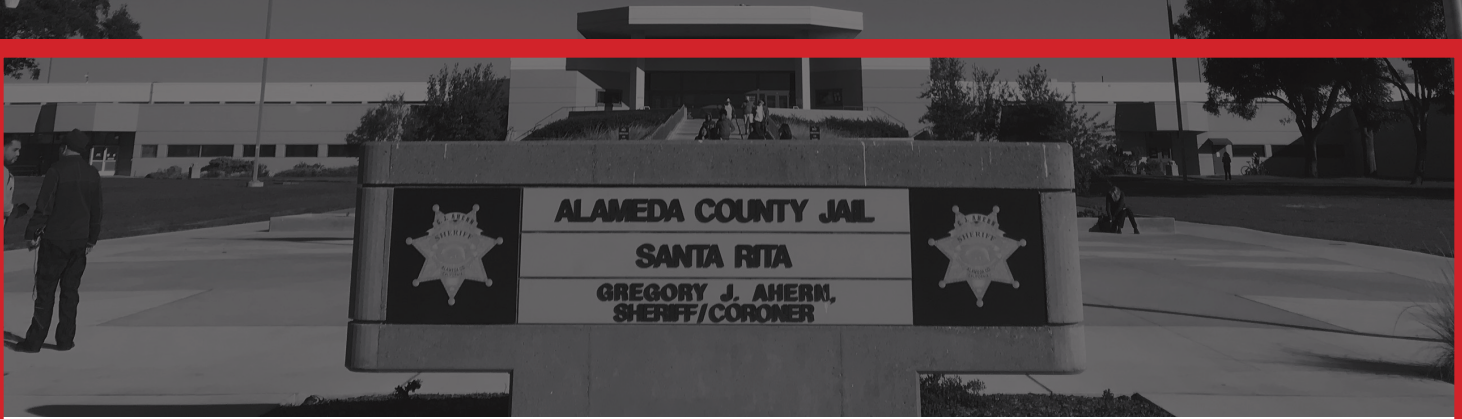
* Vaccination statistics are reported once per week on Fridays.

** On March 1, 2021, the Alameda County Department of Public Health issued [Health Officer Order 21-02](#), which made COVID-19 testing mandatory for ACSO's 1000+ custody staff every 14 days. Testing compliance peaked in May and 1 positive COVID-19 case was discovered. Since then, staff compliance has decreased. The current testing period ends on Saturday, 7/24.

For more complete statistics and COVID-19 quarantines, please visit bit.ly/SRJCOVID-19.

For information about the Santa Rita Jail Hotline, please contact srjhotline@nlgf.org.

For more information about the SRJ Solidarity Weekly Updates and testimony-gathering project, please contact info@srjsolidarity.org.



Summary of Hotline Calls, July 19-July 25

- **Two callers in HU8 and HU32 who suffer from hernias requested pillows and an extra mattress and were denied by ACSO.** One caller is also housed in an upstairs unit despite his advanced age and request to be moved.
- **Three callers in HU24, HU4, and HU33 reported that ACSO deputies refused to provide them with important documents** such as grievance, property release, or IRS forms.
- **Two callers reported that they were deprived of their recreation (“pod”) time,** including one caller in HU6 who was locked in his cell by Taser-wielding deputies for being “too loud.”
- **One caller in HU33 reported that when he was entered the jail in May, he was deprived of his psychiatric medication for nearly a week** even though he was transferred with the medication to SRJ from another facility.
- **Two callers reported that they were not able to clean as needed or as desired in their Housing Unit.** When one prisoner pointed out

that the septic in HU33 was causing a drain to clog and attracting flies, a Deputy said to him, “well, maybe it’s just Pruno.”

More COVID-19 Cases in the Past Week Alone Than In Month of June

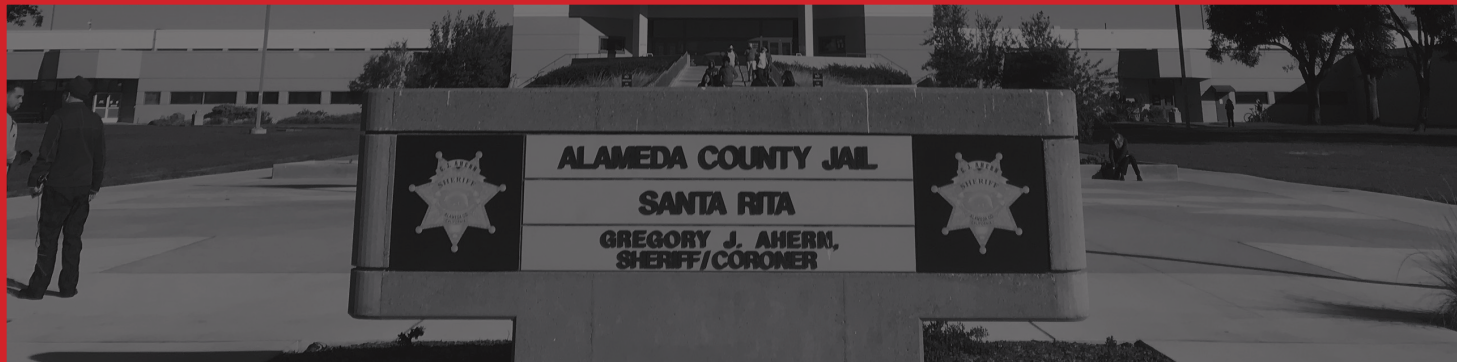
On Friday, July 23, ACSO reported two new staff cases – the first new infections among ACSO Deputies since May. The incarcerated population experienced seven new infections, a significant increase in the rate and number of infections compared to June which saw only 6 infections total.

To view more testimonies from prisoners, please visit www.srjsolidarity.org.

The Santa Rita Jail Hotline works directly with prisoners who have concerns about COVID-19, medical care, and jail conditions. The content of hotline calls suggests a very different reality than what is being presented to the public by the Alameda County Sheriff’s Office. If you are interested to become a hotline worker, please fill out this form: https://nlgsf.ourpowerbase.net/SRJ_Hotline_Volunteer_Form

“ACSO DEPUTIES ARE PUTTING US AT RISK OF CATCHING THE DELTA VARIANT. WHEN SOMEONE IS BROUGHT INTO CUSTODY, THEY HAVE TO GO THROUGH A TWO-WEEK QUARANTINE. BUT WHEN STAFF COME IN, THEY JUST HAVE TO DO A TEMPERATURE CHECK. DEPUTY CARON AND DEPUTY CELISTIN HAVE BOTH SAID THEY REFUSE TO GET THE VACCINE. DEPUTY CARON ALSO FAILS TO WEAR HIS MASK FREQUENTLY. WHEN IT COMES TO COMPLIANCE, THE CAPTAIN AND THE WATCH COMMANDER CAN ONLY DO SO MUCH. ONCE THEY ARE OUT OF SIGHT, DEPUTIES DO WHAT THEY WANT. THIS IS PUTTING PEOPLE AT RISK – EVEN INMATES WHO CHOOSE NOT TO GET THE VACCINE SHOULD STILL BE PROTECTED.”

– A PRISONER IN HOUSING UNIT 6



SEVERAL FACTORS COULD SET THE JAIL UP FOR AN OUTBREAK THE LIKES OF WHICH HAVE NOT BEEN SEEN SINCE LATE 2020: ...THE JAIL'S POPULATION HAS REMAINED WELL ABOVE 2,000 SINCE OCTOBER OF 2020; AND, MEASURES SUCH AS THE EMERGENCY BAIL SCHEDULE ARE INCREASINGLY CIRCUMVENTED BY LAW ENFORCEMENT AND THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY RESULTING IN FEWER RELEASES.