

## 3 NATIONS COVID-19 DAILY UPDATE – 13 May 2020

*The information contained in this report is based on recent updates and current information available at the time the report was finalized. It is not inclusive of all actions or measures taken to date by health officials federally, provincially or locally.*

### COVID-19 CASE COUNTS FOR BRITISH COLUMBIA AND THE YUKON

<b>STATUS OF CASES IN BC<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>As of May 12</b>	<b>As of May 13</b>	<b>Change</b>
Currently hospitalized in BC	63	59	-4
Currently in intensive care	16	14	-2
Total deaths in BC	131	132	1
Total recovered in BC	1,832	1,859	27
<b>Total confirmed cases in BC</b>	<b>2,360</b>	<b>2,376</b>	<b>16</b>

<b>CONFIRMED CASES BY REGION<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>As of May 12</b>	<b>As of May 13</b>	<b>Change</b>
Vancouver Coastal Health	874	877	3
Fraser Health	1,124	1,137	13
Island Health	125	125	0
Interior Health	180	180	0
Northern Health	57	57	0
<b>Total confirmed cases in BC</b>	<b>2,353</b>	<b>2,376</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>Total individuals tested in BC</b>	<b>112,994</b>	<b>114,761</b>	<b>*1,767</b>

<b>STATUS OF CASES IN YUKON<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>As of May 12</b>	<b>As of May 13</b>	<b>Change</b>
<b>Total individuals tested</b>	<b>1,106</b>	<b>1,112</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Total confirmed cases</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>0</b>
Recovered cases	11	11	0
Negative results	1,077	1,076	-1
Pending results	18	25	7

\*The BCCDC has reported 1,689 new tests but this does not align with the difference in total test numbers between May 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>.

<sup>1</sup> <https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/a6f23959a8b14bfa989e3cda29297ded>

<sup>2</sup> <https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/a6f23959a8b14bfa989e3cda29297ded>

<sup>3</sup> <https://yukon.ca/covid-19>

## LATEST ADVICE AND MEASURES IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

- Today the Premier of BC, John Horgan, announced that the Provincial State of Emergency has been extended through May 26<sup>th</sup>.<sup>4</sup>
  - The extension of the provincial state of emergency is based on recommendations from B.C.'s health and emergency management officials.
  - The provincial government can extend the period of a declaration made by the minister responsible for further periods of time for 14 days at a time.
- On April 17, 2020, the Government of Canada announced \$120 million for B.C. to support cleaning up oil and gas sites.<sup>5</sup> Subject to reaching final agreement with Canada, the Province intends to invest this funding in three new programs:
  - The Dormant Sites Reclamation Program will provide \$100 million to reclaim dormant oil and gas sites, which are wells that have been inactive for five consecutive years and are unlikely to be returned to service.
  - The Orphan Sites Supplemental Reclamation Program will provide \$15 million to reclaim orphan oil and gas sites where the operator is insolvent, no longer exists or cannot be located.
  - The Legacy Sites Reclamation Program will provide \$5 million to address the legacy impacts of historical oil and gas activities that continue to have environmental impacts, such as on wildlife habitat or on the traditional use by Indigenous peoples.
  - Indigenous communities, local governments and landowners will be able to nominate dormant, orphan and legacy sites for priority consideration for decommissioning, reclamation or restoration.
- A province-wide survey – called Your story, our future – has been launched to hear about personal experiences and actions in the COVID-19 pandemic so far.<sup>6</sup>
  - The survey can be accessed over the phone at 1-833-707-1900 (toll-free) or through the BC Centre for Disease Control website: <http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/covid-19/covid-19-survey>
  - The information gathered will help inform the decisions the Province makes in the weeks ahead.

### Terrace

- No significant updates from the City of Terrace

### Smithers

- No significant updates from the Town of Smithers.

<sup>4</sup> <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2020PSSG0029-000872>

<sup>5</sup> <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2020PREM0026-000871>

<sup>6</sup> <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2020HLTH0026-000866>

## LATEST ADVICE AND MEASURES IN YUKON TERRITORY

- No significant updates from Yukon Territory.

### Whitehorse

- No significant updates from the City of Whitehorse

### Watson Lake

- No COVID-19 information for this community is currently available.

## LATEST ADVICE AND MEASURES FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

- Today, the Minister of Economic Development and Official Languages, announced that businesses across Canada that are unable to access other existing measures can now apply for the new Regional Relief and Recovery Fund (RRRF) through various regional development agencies.<sup>7</sup>
  - Western Economic Diversification Canada is the regional development agency for Western Canada.
  - A total of \$304 million will be available for western Canadian businesses economically impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.
  - Canadian Northern Economic Development Agency (CanNor) is the regional development agency for Northern Canada, including the Territories.<sup>8</sup>
  - Through the RRRF, a total of \$34.3 million will be available for territorial businesses.
  - CanNor will work with key partners such as the territorial governments, Indigenous organizations, Community Futures Networks in Nunavut and Northwest Territories, and relevant stakeholders in Yukon to help businesses.
- Today, the Minister of Employment, Workforce Development and Disability Inclusion, along with the Minister of National Revenue, announced that the application period for the Canada Emergency Student Benefit (CESB) will begin on Friday, May 15, 2020.<sup>9</sup>
  - The CESB, which will be delivered by the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA), will provide temporary income support to eligible post-secondary students and new graduates who are unable to work or find work this summer due to COVID-19, or are working and are not making over \$1000.
  - The CESB will be available from May to August 2020 to students who are Canadian citizens or permanent residents, and who are enrolled in a post-secondary education program leading to a degree, diploma, or certificate; or who ended their studies no earlier than December 2019.

<sup>7</sup> <https://www.canada.ca/en/western-economic-diversification/news/2020/05/covid-19-western-economic-diversification-canada-launches-regional-relief-and-recovery-fund-to-support-local-economy.html>

<sup>8</sup> <https://www.canada.ca/en/northern-economic-development/news/2020/05/covid-19-canadian-northern-economic-development-agency-launches-regional-relief-and-recovery-fund-to-support-local-economies.html>

<sup>9</sup> <https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/news/2020/05/canada-emergency-student-benefit-application-period-to-launch-on-may-15-2020.html>

- It will also be available to Canadian students studying abroad, as well as high school graduates who will be starting a post-secondary program in the coming months.
- The CESB will provide \$1,250 every four weeks to eligible students, or \$2,000 every four weeks to eligible students with disabilities, or those with children or other dependants.

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