

## 3 NATIONS COVID-19 UPDATE – 28 August 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

<b>STATUS OF CASES IN BC<sup>1</sup></b>	As of August 27	As of August 28	Change
Total confirmed cases in BC	5,372	5,496	<b>124</b>
Currently in intensive care	7	7	0
Total deaths in BC	204	204	0
Total recovered in BC	4,253	4,310	57
Currently hospitalized in BC	22	23	1
<b>CONFIRMED CASES BY REGION<sup>2</sup></b>	As of August 27	As of August 28	Change
Vancouver Coastal Health	1,737	1,791	54
Fraser Health	2,818	2,878	60
Island Health	173	174	1
Interior Health	429	433	4
Northern Health	137	142	5
Out of Canada	78	78	0
Total confirmed cases in BC	5,372	5,496	<b>124</b>
Total individuals tested in BC	347,757	353,174	<b>5,417</b>
<b>STATUS OF CASES IN YUKON<sup>3</sup></b>	As of August 27	As of August 28	Change
Total individuals tested	2,459	2,518	59
Total confirmed cases	15	15	0
Recovered cases	15	15	0
Negative results	2,403	2,451	48
Pending results	77	52	25

\*The BCCDC has reported 5,416 new tests but this does not align with the difference in total test numbers between August 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<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/en/case-counts-covid-19>

## STATUS OF FIRST NATION

### RESERVE CASES IN CANADA<sup>4</sup>

	As of August 26	As of August 27	Change
Total confirmed cases	438	438	0
Currently hospitalized	35	35	0
Total deaths	6	6	0
Total recovered	411	411	0
Total confirmed cases in BC	71	72	1

## LATEST ADVICE AND MEASURES IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

- Today, Dr. Bonnie Henry, BC’s provincial health officer, and Adrian Dix, BC’s Minister of Health, released the following statement regarding a new WestJet policy to collect passenger information to be shared with public health in case of a COVID-19 case identified on a flight:<sup>5</sup>
  - “One of the most effective ways public health officials can help slow COVID-19 transmission in our communities is contact tracing. That means contacting people who may have been exposed to a confirmed case, to provide them the supports they need to self-monitor and, if necessary, get tested and self-isolate.”
  - “Throughout this pandemic, our contact tracers have had challenges reaching people who were exposed to the virus while flying – because of the limited information available on traditional flight manifests.”
  - “While the federal government regulates the airline industry, WestJet representatives met with us earlier this month to hear from us directly on how they could help.”
  - “The decision (WestJet) announced today – to collect names and contact information for each of their passengers at check-in and share it with public health if a COVID-19 case is identified on a flight – is something we discussed at that meeting and will help us immensely.”
  - “It’s a policy that will keep our communities, and all passengers travelling on WestJet, WestJet Encore, WestJet Link and Swoop, safer during this pandemic.”

## LATEST ADVICE AND MEASURES IN YUKON TERRITORY

- No significant updates from the Yukon Territory.

<sup>4</sup> <https://www.sac-isc.gc.ca/eng/1581964230816/1581964277298>

<sup>5</sup> <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2020HLTH0267-001604>

## LATEST ADVICE AND MEASURES FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

- Today, Minister Joyce Murray, highlighted funding up to \$242.36 million to support British Columbia through the Safe Return to Class Fund.<sup>6</sup>
  - This follows the Prime Minister’s announcement earlier this week that the fund would provide support of up to \$2 billion to support provinces and territories.
  - This funding will:
    - Help with the new school year in British Columbia by supporting:
      - Adaptive learning spaces.
      - Improved air ventilation.
      - Increased hand sanitation and hygiene.
      - Purchase of personal protective equipment and cleaning supplies.
    - Be provided to British Columbia in two instalments to ensure that British Columbia has financial support for the whole school year.
      - A first disbursement in Fall 2020
      - Additional funding available for early 2021

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<sup>6</sup> <https://www.canada.ca/en/treasury-board-secretariat/news/2020/08/support-for-a-safe-return-to-school.html>