

3 NATIONS COVID-19 UPDATE – 1 September 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

| STATUS OF CASES IN BC¹ | As of August 31 | As of September 1 | Change |
|--|--------------------|----------------------|--------------|
| Total confirmed cases in BC | 5,790 | 5,848 | 58 |
| Currently in intensive care | 10 | 10 | 0 |
| Total deaths in BC | 208 | 209 | 1 |
| Total recovered in BC | 4,406 | 4,505 | 99 |
| Currently hospitalized in BC | 28 | 31 | 3 |
| CONFIRMED CASES BY REGION² | As of August 31 | As of September 1 | Change |
| Vancouver Coastal Health | 1,900 | 1,922 | 22 |
| Fraser Health | 3,042 | 3,072 | 30 |
| Island Health | 175 | 175 | 0 |
| Interior Health | 440 | 440 | 0 |
| Northern Health | 154 | 160 | 6 |
| Out of Canada | 79 | 79 | 0 |
| Total confirmed cases in BC | 5,790 | 5,848 | 58 |
| Total individuals tested in BC | 366,635 | 369,162 | 2,527 |
| STATUS OF CASES IN YUKON³ | As of August 31 | As of September 1 | Change |
| Total individuals tested | 2,562 | 2,603 | 41 |
| Total confirmed cases | 15 | 15 | 0 |
| Recovered cases | 15 | 15 | 0 |
| Negative results | 2,534 | 2,538 | 4 |
| Pending results | 13 | 50 | 37 |

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

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

³ <https://yukon.ca/en/case-counts-covid-19>

| STATUS OF FIRST NATION RESERVE CASES IN CANADA⁴ | As of August 28 | As of August 31 | Change |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|--------|
| Total confirmed cases | 438 | 445 | 7 |
| Currently hospitalized | 37 | 37 | 0 |
| Total deaths | 6 | 6 | 0 |
| Total recovered | 418 | 418 | 0 |
| Total confirmed cases in BC | 72 | 75 | 3 |

LATEST ADVICE AND MEASURES IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

- Today, Dr. Bonnie Henry, BC’s Provincial Health Officer, and Adrian Dix, Minister of Health, released the following joint statement regarding the COVID-19 response in British Columbia:⁵
 - “The Northern Health region, the First Nations Health Authority and the Nisga’a Valley Health Authority (NVHA) have issued a joint alert for anyone in the Nass Valley who may have attended recent gatherings between Aug. 21 and 25. Any gathering attendees are asked to contact the NVHA clinic and if symptoms develop, to immediately self-isolate.”
 - “Alerts are posted on the BC Centre for Disease Control's (BCCDC) website, as well as on health authorities' websites, providing details on where the potential exposure occurred and what actions to take, whether you need to self-isolate or monitor for symptoms.”
 - “As we transition to the next phase of our COVID-19 pandemic in B.C. and prepare for the respiratory season ahead, it is time for all of us to regroup and refocus our efforts to keep the number of new cases low and slow.”
 - “Keeping our groups small, using a mask when we are inside and in close contact with people we don’t know, giving others the space to stay safe in uncontrolled environments, washing our hands regularly and always staying home when ill – these important actions will help to protect our communities and keep our loved ones safe.”
 - “The BC COVID-19 Research and Collaboration Symposium, a virtual collaboration of B.C.’s academic health sciences network, involving public health, epidemiology, social science and education researchers from all around B.C., began today. The symposium is focused on furthering our understanding of the impacts of COVID-19 and the related public health measures.”
- Today, The B.C. government announced the formal extension of the provincial state of emergency, allowing Mike Farnworth, Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General, to continue to use extraordinary powers under the Emergency Program Act to support the Province's COVID-19 pandemic response.⁶

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

⁵ <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2020HLTH0049-001630>

⁶ <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2020PSSG0049-001631>

- In the first week of the new enforcement measures (Aug. 21-28), 10 violation tickets were issued, including:
 - Six \$2,000 violation tickets for contraventions of the PHO's order on gatherings and events
 - Four \$200 violation tickets issued to individuals
- Mike Farnworth issued the following statement: "Since we announced the new enforcement measures, we've seen several examples of violation tickets being issued to people breaking the law. It's disappointing to see behaviour that shows a blatant disregard for the safety of citizens. It's time to stop breaking the rules. It's time to do better. It's my hope that these enforcement measures will result in a change in behaviour and fewer violation tickets will be needed in the future."
- The state of emergency is extended through the end of the day on Sept. 15, 2020, to allow government to continue to take the necessary actions to keep British Columbians safe and manage immediate concerns, such as recent outbreaks in some areas of the province.
- Today, the Honourable Jonathan Wilkinson, Minister of Environment and Climate Change and Member of Parliament for North Vancouver, announced funding for 11 projects to help B.C. communities save energy, reduce pollution, address the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, and help communities restart their economies.⁷
 - More than 80 new electric vehicle (EV) charging stations will be installed in communities across mid-Vancouver Island, as well as northern and central B.C., making clean transportation options more viable for more people.
 - The Government of Canada is investing more than \$28.5 million in these projects through the Green Infrastructure Stream (GIS) of the Investing in Canada plan, and local and Indigenous communities are contributing more than \$13 million.
 - The Government of British Columbia is contributing nearly \$18 million through the CleanBC Communities Fund, part of the federal Investing in Canada plan's Green Infrastructure Stream.

LATEST ADVICE AND MEASURES IN YUKON TERRITORY

- No significant updates from the Government of Yukon.

LATEST ADVICE AND MEASURES FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

- No significant updates from the Government of Canada.

This summary was compiled by [CCEM Strategies Ltd.](#) at the request of the 3 Nations Society.

⁷ <https://news.gov.bc.ca/stories/canada-and-british-columbia-invest-in-green-energy-solutions>