

3 NATIONS COVID-19 UPDATE – 10 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 Sept 9	As of Sept 10	Change
Total confirmed cases in BC	6,691	6,830	139
Currently in intensive care	15	14	-1
Total deaths in BC	213	213	0
Total recovered in BC	5,086	5,190	104
Currently hospitalized in BC	37	42	5
CONFIRMED CASES BY REGION²	As of Sept 9	As of Sept 10	Change
Vancouver Coastal Health	2,285	2,343	58
Fraser Health	3,482	3,551	69
Island Health	185	187	2
Interior Health	462	462	0
Northern Health	193	203	10
Out of Canada	84	84	0
Total confirmed cases in BC	6,691	6,830	139
Total individuals tested in BC	408,306	414,020	5,714*
STATUS OF CASES IN YUKON³	As of Sept 8	As of Sept 10	Change
Total individuals tested	2,785	2,855	70
Total confirmed cases	15	15	0
Recovered cases	15	15	0
Negative results	2,756	2,796	40
Pending results	14	44	30

*The BCCDC reported 5,712 new tests today but this does not align with the difference in total test numbers between Sept 9th and 10th.

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 September 4	As of September 8	Change
Total confirmed cases	461	485	24
Currently hospitalized	39	42	3
Total deaths	6	9	3
Total recovered	418	425	7
Total confirmed cases in BC	75	83	8

LATEST ADVICE AND MEASURES IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

- Today, Dr. Bonnie Henry and Adrian Dix released the following joint statement regarding the start of schools across B.C. and COVID-19 resources:⁵
 - “Today is the start of school for children right across B.C. This can be an exciting and anxious time for many as everyone sets new routines for the school year.”
 - “Over the past few weeks, education leaders, teachers and public health experts have created new rules for schools to reduce the risk for transmission of COVID-19 and importantly, allow everyone to get back to in-class learning.”
 - “Every day we learn more about COVID-19 – the sources of transmission and the actions to take to protect ourselves. While there are many resources available to guide your actions and decision-making, your first stop should be the BCCDC website, where the latest information is available.”
- Today, B.C. Finance Minister, Carole James, delivered the first quarterly financial report⁶ for 2020-21. According to the report, the COVID-19 pandemic has pushed B.C.’s projected budget deficit to \$12.8 billion.⁷
 - “Since the Province’s July fiscal and economic scenario, we have seen stronger than expected consumer spending, housing activity and employment gains but these gains have been offset by increased prudence to help BC weather the long road ahead,” said Carole James, Minister of Finance.
 - The Province’s first quarterly report confirms revenue declines in taxation, natural resources and other sources that were anticipated in July. However, the overall impacts on revenues and expenses are lower, with a \$5.7-billion decline from Budget 2020, compared to a \$6.3-billion decline shown in the July scenario. Improvements from July’s update include better than expected employment gains, retail sales and housing activity, resulting in revenue gains in provincial sales tax, personal income tax and property transfer tax.
 - To date the B.C. government has spent \$7.6 billion on COVID-19 response measures supporting people and businesses since the beginning of the fiscal year.

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

⁵ <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2020HLTH0051-001706>

⁶ <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/british-columbians-our-governments/government-finances/quarterly-reports/2020-21-q1-report.pdf>

⁷ <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2020FIN0051-001698>

- The updated deficit forecast includes a \$1-billion forecast allowance for responding to increased uncertainty brought by COVID-19.
- As part of the COVID-19 Action Plan, \$1.5 billion has been earmarked for economic recovery measures to be announced this month.

LATEST ADVICE AND MEASURES IN YUKON TERRITORY

- No significant updates from the Yukon Territory.

LATEST ADVICE AND MEASURES FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

- Today, Dr. Theresa Tam, Canada’s Chief Public Health Officer, issued the following statement regarding World Suicide Prevention Day:⁸
 - “Today is World Suicide Prevention Day and the need to be together, while apart, has never been stronger. COVID-19 has significantly changed our daily lives, and Canadians are reporting increased mental health needs.”
 - “It’s common to feel worried, stressed or anxious at times during the pandemic. If you, or someone you know is feeling hopeless, trapped or alone, it may be a sign of a mental health crisis. It’s important to know that you are not alone and there are resources available that can help.”
 - “If you or someone you know is in immediate danger, please call 9-1-1. You can also get support from:
 - A local crisis centre. For more information, please visit: <https://www.crisisservicescanada.ca/en/looking-for-local-resources-support/>
 - The Canada Suicide Prevention Service. Please call 1-833-456-4566 or visit: www.crisisservicescanada.ca
 - Kids Help Phone: www.kidshelpphone.ca
 - The Hope for Wellness Helpline: www.hopeforwellness.ca
 - “The Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC) has resources that can help individuals who are concerned about themselves or someone they know. For access to the resources, please visit: <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/2019-novel-coronavirus-infection/mental-health.html>”
- Today, Filomena Tassi, Minister of Labour, announced funding of \$2.5 million over two years to support the Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety (CCOHS) in providing guidance to workers and businesses during the COVID-19 Pandemic.⁹
 - This funding will enable CCOHS to continue to create sector-specific guidance and new e-learning tools that will help Canadian workplaces operate safely.

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

⁸ <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/news/2020/09/cpho-statement-world-suicide-prevention-day.html>

⁹ <https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/news/2020/09/minister-tassi-announces-new-funding-for-the-canadian-centre-for-occupational-health-and-safety.html>