

3 NATIONS COVID-19 UPDATE – 20 October 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 Oct 19	As of Oct 20	Change
Total confirmed cases in BC	11,687	11,854	167
Total active cases in BC	1,639	1,688	49
Currently in intensive care	19	18	-1
Currently hospitalized	67	69	2
Total deaths in BC	253	254	1
Total recovered in BC	9,753	9,871	118
CONFIRMED CASES BY REGION²	As of Oct 19	As of Oct 20	Change
Total confirmed cases in BC	11,687	11,854	167
Vancouver Coastal Health	4,146	4,175	29
Fraser Health	6,244	6,366	122
Island Health	243	244	1
Interior Health	611	624	13
Northern Health	355	357	2
Out of Canada	88	88	0
Total individuals tested in BC	731,319	736,637	5,314*
STATUS OF CASES IN YUKON³	As of Oct 19	As of Oct 20	Change
Total individuals tested	3,751	3,785	34
Total confirmed cases	17	17	0
Recovered cases	15	15	0
Negative results	3,719	3,722	3
Pending results	15	46	31

*The difference in reported COVID-19 tests in BC between October 19th and October 20th does not align with the reported number of new tests on October 20th.

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

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

³ <https://yukon.ca/covid-19>

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RESERVE CASES IN CANADA⁴	As of Oct 16	As of Oct 19	Change
Total confirmed cases	968	1,040	72
Total active cases	242	300	58
Currently hospitalized	68	72	4
Total deaths	13	14	1
Total recovered	713	726	13
Total confirmed cases in BC	173	176	3

LATEST ADVICE AND MEASURES IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

- No significant updates from the Government of British Columbia.

LATEST ADVICE AND MEASURES IN YUKON TERRITORY

- No significant updates from the Government of Yukon.

LATEST ADVICE AND MEASURES FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

- Today, Dr. Theresa Tam released the following information regarding the rise in COVID-19 cases across Canada:⁵
 - The latest national-level data indicates that over the past week:
 - The average daily case count for COVID-19 is over 2,370 cases.
 - Labs across Canada have tested an average of over 75,000 people daily, with 3.1% testing positive.
 - There was an average of over 950 individuals with COVID-19 being treated in Canadian hospitals, including close to 200 in critical care and an average of 22 deaths reported daily.
 - Dr. Tam also issued the following statement:
 - “I recognise that keeping apart is difficult and presents different challenges for different people. We all have unique circumstances and responsibilities. But, when it comes to being in close contact with others, we need to remember that every person that we encounter brings with them a whole network of contacts. So, as much as you can, I urge everyone to stick to your consistent, trusted close contacts and avoid encounters in crowded and closed settings with limited ventilation.”
 - “Canadians can also go the extra mile by sharing credible information on COVID-19 risks and prevention practices and measures to reduce COVID-19 in communities or by downloading the COVID Alert app to help limit the spread of COVID-19.”

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

⁵ <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/news/2020/10/tuesday-cpho-remarks-october-20-2020.html>

- “For those who are active on social media platforms like Twitter, TikTok, Instagram, YouTube or within the gaming community, I urge you to spread the message to your broader social networks on how we can all work together to keep us on the slow burn in Canada. You can find links to credible information, information resources and infographics in my Twitter feed.”
- Today, during Small Business Week, Mary Ng, Minister of Small Business, Export Promotion and International Trade, announced an investment of \$12 million in the Canada United Small Business Relief Fund.⁶
 - The Canada United Small Business Relief Fund, which is managed by the Ontario Chamber of Commerce (OCC), is supporting Canadian businesses across different sectors and industries with grants of up to \$5,000.
 - These grants will help thousands of small business owners cover the costs of:
 - Personal protective equipment (PPE)
 - Making physical modifications to their businesses to meet local health and safety requirements
 - Enhancing their digital or e-commerce capabilities.
 - Starting on October 26, small businesses can apply online through the OCC for the next wave of Canada United Small Business Relief Fund grants:
<https://occ.ca/canada-united-small-business-relief-fund/>
 - Today, Statistics Canada released a data portrait of the social and economic impacts in Canada at the pandemic’s sixth-month mark.⁷
 - The Chief Statistician of Canada introduced the new online datasets and analyses, stating:
 - “Responding effectively to a crisis requires timely, credible information. COVID-19 has substantially increased the demand for data and analyses that illuminate the challenges facing Canadians as households, businesses, and governments gravitate toward a new normal.”
 - "This compendium provides an overview of the initial health, economic and social impacts of COVID-19, based on information collected during the lockdown period of late March and April, and as social and economic restrictions were eased in the late spring and summer months. The compendium will be updated periodically as new information becomes available.
 - To learn more visit: ow.ly/GPhD50BXrff

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

⁶ <https://www.canada.ca/en/innovation-science-economic-development/news/2020/10/minister-ng-announces-support-for-small-businesses-through-the-canada-united-small-business-relief-fund.html>

⁷ <https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/n1/pub/11-631-x/2020004/conclusions-eng.htm>