

3 NATIONS COVID-19 UPDATE – 22 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 21 | As of Oct 22 | Change |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|---------------|
| Total confirmed cases in BC | 12,057 | 12,331 | 274 |
| Total active cases in BC | 1,766 | 1,920 | 154 |
| Currently in intensive care | 21 | 24 | 3 |
| Currently hospitalized | 70 | 71 | 1 |
| Total deaths in BC | 256 | 256 | 0 |
| Total recovered in BC | 9,993 | 10,114 | 121 |
| CONFIRMED CASES BY REGION² | As of Oct 21 | As of Oct 22 | Change |
| Total confirmed cases in BC | 12,057 | 12,331 | 274 |
| Vancouver Coastal Health | 4,215 | 4,260 | 45 |
| Fraser Health | 6,517 | 6,725 | 208 |
| Island Health | 244 | 249 | 5 |
| Interior Health | 632 | 644 | 12 |
| Northern Health | 361 | 365 | 4 |
| Out of Canada | 88 | 88 | 0 |
| Total individuals tested in BC | 747,119 | 757,517 | 10,398 |
| STATUS OF CASES IN YUKON³ | As of Oct 21 | As of Oct 22 | Change |
| Total individuals tested | 3,814 | 3,845 | 31 |
| Total confirmed cases | 17 | 17 | 0 |
| Recovered cases | 15 | 15 | 0 |
| Negative results | 3,735 | 3,790 | 55 |
| Pending results | 62 | 38 | -24 |

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

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

³ <https://yukon.ca/covid-19>

STATUS OF FIRST NATION

RESERVE CASES IN CANADA⁴

| | As of Oct 20 | As of Oct 21 | Change |
|-----------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------|
| Total confirmed cases | 1,068 | 1,100 | 32 |
| Total active cases | 315 | 322 | 7 |
| Currently hospitalized | 72 | 72 | 0 |
| Total deaths | 14 | 15 | 1 |
| Total recovered | 739 | 763 | 24 |
| Total confirmed cases in BC | 176 | 176 | 0 |

LATEST ADVICE AND MEASURES IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

- Today, Dr. Bonnie Henry released the following update regarding COVID-19 transmission in B.C..⁵
 - Social gatherings continue to see significant COVID-19 transmission and many of the new cases are linked to weddings, funerals, and other important life occasions.
 - The new cases of COVID-19 stemming from social gatherings are now spilling over and causing clusters and outbreaks in long-term care facilities, workplaces, and schools across BC.
 - Every time we get together with family and friends, we bring our risks with us, which in turn, they take back home with them.
 - Every gathering, event, or occasion needs to be small and should be limited to immediate households and the safe six only.

LATEST ADVICE AND MEASURES IN YUKON TERRITORY

- No significant update from the Yukon Territory.

LATEST ADVICE AND MEASURES FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

- Today, the Government of Canada provided the following COVID-19 update for Indigenous Peoples and communities:⁶
 - The number of positive cases of COVID-19 in Indigenous communities continues to grow.
 - The continuous increase in COVID-19 case reports has been linked to large private and public gatherings held in settings where physical distancing and wearing of masks was not observed.
 - The COVID-19 pandemic has had an effect on the mental wellness of everyone. The Hope for Wellness Help Line provides immediate, culturally safe, telephone crisis intervention 24 hours a day at 1-855-242-3310. On-line chat: www.hopeforwellness.ca

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

⁵ <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2020HLTH0054-001888>

⁶ <https://www.canada.ca/en/indigenous-services-canada/news/2020/10/government-of-canada-covid-19-update-for-indigenous-peoples-and-communities2.html>

- Today, Minister of Families, Children and Social Development, Ahmed Hussen, and the Yukon Minister of Health and Social Services, Pauline Frost, announced additional COVID-19 support for early learning and childcare through a one-year Canada and Yukon Learning and Child Care Agreement.⁷
 - The agreement allocates over \$2.4 million in 2020-2021 to invest in early learning and childcare investments in Yukon, including:
 - Professional development training for early childhood educators
 - Bursaries for students studying early childhood education
 - Piloting a rural childcare strategy
 - Addressing health and safety needs in licensed childcare centres
 - Expanding the Grandparents Grant and Teen Parent Grant programs
 - Creating spaces for children with disabilities
- Today, the Government of Canada announced the launch of a joint pilot program between the Government of Canada and the Government of Alberta that will explore the possibility of using COVID-19 testing and monitoring international travellers coming into Canada as a way to reduce the mandatory 14-day quarantine.⁸ Details of the new pilot program are as follows:
 - Beginning on November 2, 2020, COVID-19 testing will be offered at two ports of entry into Canada, the Coutts land border crossing, and the Calgary International Airport in Alberta.
 - Travellers who participate will receive a COVID-19 test upon entry into Canada before proceeding into the required quarantine.
 - If the test comes back negative, the individual will be permitted to leave quarantine if they commit to getting a second COVID-19 test at a participating pharmacy six or seven days after arrival.
 - Participants will be monitored through daily symptom checks. They will also be required to follow enhanced preventive health measures, such as wearing masks in public places and avoiding visiting high-risk groups.

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

⁷ <https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/news/2020/10/the-government-of-canada-and-the-government-of-yukon-announce-additional-support-for-quality-early-learning-and-child-care-across-the-territory.html>

⁸ <https://www.canada.ca/en/intergovernmental-affairs/news/2020/10/new-covid-19-pilot-planned-for-international-travellers.html>