

3 NATIONS COVID-19 UPDATE – 5 November 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 Nov 4	As of Nov 5	Change
Total confirmed cases in BC	16,135	16,560	425
Total active cases in BC	3,120	3,389	269
Currently in intensive care	25	24	-1
Currently hospitalized	92	97	5
<i>Total hospitalized to date</i>	1,048	1,059	11
Total deaths in BC	273	273	0
Total recovered in BC	12,659	12,806	147

CONFIRMED CASES BY REGION²	As of Nov 4	As of Nov 5	Change
Total confirmed cases in BC	16,135	16,560	425
Vancouver Coastal Health	5,097	5,223	126
Fraser Health	9,439	9,707	268
Island Health	274	281	7
Interior Health	803	821	18
Northern Health	432	438	6
Out of Canada	90	90	0
Total individuals tested in BC	864,963	877,987	13,024

STATUS OF CASES IN YUKON³	As of Nov 4	As of Nov 5	Change
Total individuals tested	4,114	4,155	41
Total confirmed cases	23	23	0
Recovered cases	20	20	0
Deaths	1	1	0
Negative results	4,056	4,063	7
Pending results	35	69	34

*The BCCDC reported 11,020 new tests but this does not align with the difference in total test numbers between Nov. 4th and 5th.

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

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

³ <https://yukon.ca/covid-19>

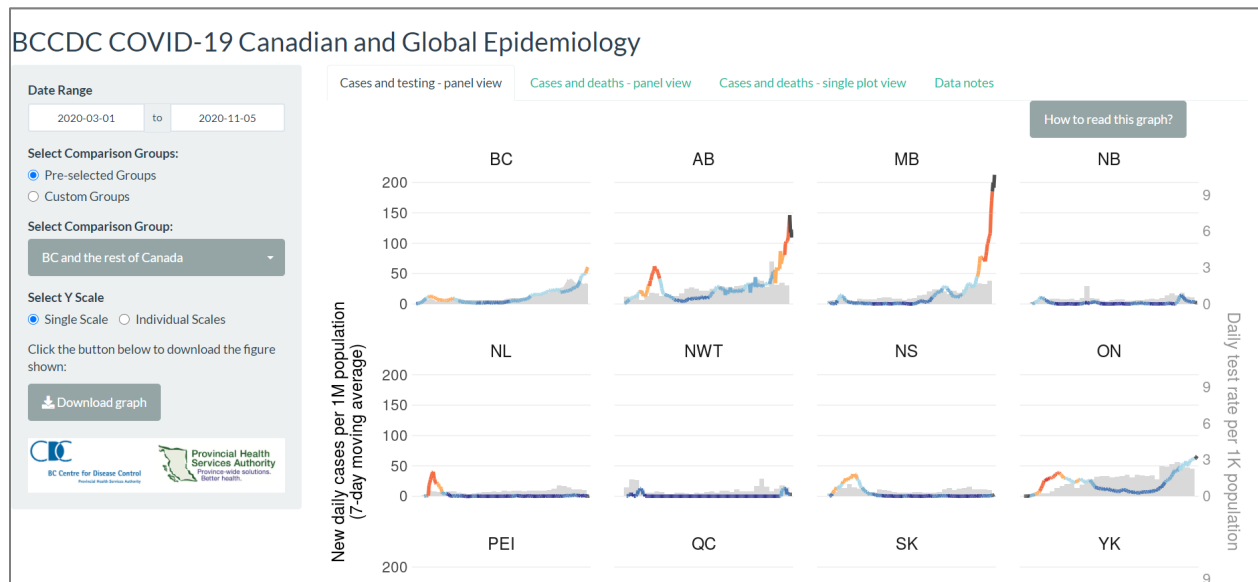
STATUS OF FIRST NATION RESERVE

CASES IN CANADA⁴

	As of Nov 3	As of Nov 4	Change
Total confirmed cases	1,655	1,673	18
Total active cases	535	519	-16
Currently hospitalized	84	84	0
Total deaths	15	15	0
Total recovered	1,105	1,139	34
Total confirmed cases in BC	182	182	0

LATEST ADVICE AND MEASURES IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

- Today, Dr. Bonnie Henry and Adrian Dix, Minister of Health, shared the following information regarding a new interactive BC Centre for Disease Control (BCCDC) dashboard:⁵
 - The new dashboard, *BCCDC COVID-19 Canadian and Global Epidemiology*, provides an overview of daily confirmed cases of COVID-19, and deaths, in B.C. compared to the rest of Canada, Nordic countries, and select countries in Europe and Asia.
 - This dashboard provides context on the level of COVID-19 transmission in B.C. compared to other locations in Canada, and around the world.
 - The dashboard is updated twice weekly, on Tuesdays and Fridays.
 - The dashboard can be accessed via the BCCDC website or via the following link: https://bccdc.shinyapps.io/covid19_global_epi_app/



LATEST ADVICE AND MEASURES IN YUKON TERRITORY

- No significant updates from the Yukon Territory.

⁴ <https://www.sac-isc.gc.ca/eng/1598625105013/1598625167707>

⁵ Dr. Bonnie Henry via live press conference 3:00pm on 05/11/2020

LATEST ADVICE AND MEASURES FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

- Today, the Government of Canada proposed to further extend the Emergency Wage Subsidy program until June 2021 and introduce additional enhancements to the program.⁶
 - The base wage subsidy will be maintained at its current level until December.
 - The top-up wage subsidy will now be calculated using a method to make it more responsive to sudden changes in revenue.
 - Employers will now have greater flexibility to claim the wage subsidy for employees returning from leave.
 - With the extension of the wage subsidy, the deadline to make an application for a qualifying period would be the later of January 31, 2021 or 180 days after the end of the qualifying period.
- Today, the Government of Canada provided proposed details for the first 12 weeks of the new Canada Emergency Rent Subsidy program⁷ and Lockdown Support program⁸ for businesses economically impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.
 - Under the new Canada Emergency Rent Subsidy program:
 - The rent subsidy would be available retroactive to September 27, 2020 until June 2021.
 - The rent subsidy would provide benefits directly to qualifying renters and property owners, without requiring the participation of landlords
 - Qualifying organizations that have suffered a revenue drop would be eligible for a subsidy on eligible expenses.
 - Under the new Lockdown Support program:
 - Support would be available retroactive to September 27, 2020, until June 2021, during periods when businesses are facing eligible public health restrictions.
 - Support would be available for organizations that are subject to a lockdown and must either shut doors or limit activities under a public health order issued under the laws of Canada, or a province or territory.
- Today, the Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA), Health Canada, and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) announced the results of a Government of Canada initiative called *Project Purify*, which was established to combat unauthorized or counterfeit COVID-19 health-related products attempting to enter Canada through British Columbia⁹.
 - Between March 20th and June 30th, 2020, over 380 shipments of unauthorized content or counterfeit COVID-19 related goods were detained at the border, including:
 - 48,000 COVID-19 test kits;
 - 4.5 million units of personal protective equipment;

⁶ <https://www.canada.ca/en/department-finance/news/2020/10/extending-the-canada-emergency-wage-subsidy.html>

⁷ <https://www.canada.ca/en/department-finance/news/2020/11/canada-emergency-rent-subsidy.html>

⁸ <https://www.canada.ca/en/department-finance/news/2020/11/lockdown-support-for-businesses-facing-significant-public-health-restrictions.html>

⁹ <https://www.canada.ca/en/border-services-agency/news/2020/11/combating-unauthorized-and-counterfeit-goods-during-the-covid-19-pandemic-the-cbsa-health-canada-and-rcmp-announce-the-results-of-project-purify.html>

- 33,000 prescription tablets and pills; and
- over 1,500 other intercepts of fraudulent and potentially dangerous products.
- The CBSA seized mislabelled or improperly declared goods, and referred others to Health Canada, who then seized or refused entry.
- Anyone with information about suspicious cross-border activity is encouraged to call the CBSA Border Watch Toll-free Line at 1-888-502-9060.

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