

3 NATIONS COVID-19 UPDATE – 9 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 6	As of Nov 9	Change
Total confirmed cases in BC	17,149	18,714	1,565*
Total active cases in BC	3,741	4,891	1,150
Currently in intensive care	28	43	15
Currently hospitalized	104	133	29
<i>Total hospitalized to date</i>	1,083	1,144	61
Total deaths in BC	275	281	6
Total recovered in BC	13,035	13,425	390

CONFIRMED CASES BY REGION²	As of Nov 6	As of Nov 9	Change
Total confirmed cases in BC	17,149	18,714	1,565*
Vancouver Coastal Health	5,369	5,699	330
Fraser Health	10,109	11,257	1,148
Island Health	286	301	15
Interior Health	845	898	53
Northern Health	450	469	19
Out of Canada	90	90	0
Total individuals tested in BC	888,593	916,803	28,210

STATUS OF CASES IN YUKON³	As of Nov 6	As of Nov 9	Change
Total individuals tested	4,164	4,197	33
Total confirmed cases	23	23	0
Recovered cases	20	21	1
Deaths	1	1	0
Negative results	4,092	4,155	63
Pending results	49	19	-30

*The BC Government reported 567 new COVID-19 cases Nov. 7th, 536 cases Nov. 8th, and 462 cases November 9th (1,565 total).

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 5	As of Nov 6	Change
Total confirmed cases	1,728	1,802	74
Total active cases	542	586	44
Currently hospitalized	94	96	2
Total deaths	15	17	2
Total recovered	1,171	1,199	28
Total confirmed cases in BC	182	184	2

LATEST ADVICE AND MEASURES IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

- On November 7th, Dr. Bonnie Henry and Adrian Dix, the BC Minister of Health, held a press conference to announce a new COVID-19 provincial health order for the Vancouver Coastal Health and Fraser Health regions.⁵ Details from the new order include the following:
 - The order is in effect from November 7th to November 23rd at 12:00 pm.
 - Travel into and out of the Lower Mainland and the Fraser Valley should be limited to essential travel only.
 - Social interactions are to be limited to immediate household members only.
 - No social gatherings outside of immediate household members.
 - Funerals and weddings may proceed only with immediate household members.
 - Indoor group physical activities or indoor sports where physical distancing cannot be maintained are suspended.
 - All businesses and worksites must conduct active daily in-person screening of all onsite workers using the COVID-19 symptom checklist.
 - Workplaces must ensure that all workers and customers maintain appropriate physical distances and wear masks when appropriate.
- Today, Dr. Bonnie Henry and Adrian Dix announced the following information regarding the new COVID-19 provincial health order and the increase in COVID-19 transmission:⁶
 - On Saturday, the new regional provincial health officer orders were put in place in response to a sharp increase in COVID-19 cases, hospitalizations, and health-care outbreaks in the Vancouver Coastal and Fraser Health regions.
 - The purpose of the new orders is to break the chains of transmission connected to social gatherings occurring at a rapid rate in this part of the province.
 - This increase in COVID-19 transmission is a result of transmission in people's homes and in many workplaces, including retail locations and with indoor group physical activities.
 - The goal of our COVID-19 response is to maintain capacity within our health-care system, to protect those who are most vulnerable and to keep as much as possible going in our communities.

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

⁵ <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/emergency-preparedness-response-recovery/covid-19-provincial-support/lower-mainland>

⁶ Dr. Bonnie Henry via live press conference 1:00pm 09/11/2022

- This latest action in our COVID-19 response is about putting a short-term pause on non-essential activities and travel to ensure our essential activities – like school and work – can safely continue.
- We ask every business in the province to revisit its COVID-19 safety plans to ensure you are doing all you can to protect your employees and customers.
- Today, Premier John Horgan made the following statement regarding the new Provincial Health Officer order:⁷
 - “I do not want people to think that because the orders are focused on the areas where we’ve seen the largest number of cases – Fraser Health and (Vancouver) Coastal Health – that the island, interior and northern health do not have to be vigilant when it comes to physical distancing, and ensuring people do not come to the workplace when they are not feeling well.”
 - “All of these issues remain in place for all British Columbians.”
- Today, the Government of BC, announced the extension of the BC rent increase freeze until July 10, 2021.⁸
 - Increases set to happen on December 1, 2020 are cancelled, along with all pending increases through to July.

LATEST ADVICE AND MEASURES IN YUKON TERRITORY

- Today, the Government of Yukon announced more than \$7 million in funding from the Government of Canada for the aviation sector in Yukon which will support the provision of essential services during the COVID-19 pandemic.⁹
 - Air North will receive up to \$5.7 million to continue operating its scheduled service connecting Whitehorse to Vancouver, and connecting Whitehorse to Old Crow and Dawson City.
 - Alkan Air will receive up to \$300,000 to continue to provide medevac services across the territory.
 - A further \$1.1 million is available to support charter and rotary carriers to support essential service operations.

LATEST ADVICE AND MEASURES FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

- Today, Prime Minister, Justin Trudeau, announced an investment of \$1.75 billion to the Universal Broadband Fund (UBF) to help connect Canadians living in rural, remote, and northern communities to high-speed Internet.¹⁰
 - The UBF will allocate \$50 million of its total budget for mobile Internet projects that benefit Indigenous communities.

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

⁷ Premier Horgan via live press conference 1:00 09/11/2020

⁸ <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2020MAH0113-001923>

⁹ <https://yukon.ca/en/news/new-support-yukons-aviation-industry>

¹⁰ <https://pm.gc.ca/en/news/news-releases/2020/11/09/connecting-all-canadians-high-speed-internet>