

3 NATIONS COVID-19 UPDATE – 08 January 2021

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 Jan 07	As of Jan 08	Change
Total confirmed cases in BC	56,015	56,632	617
Total active cases in BC	6,349	6,118	-231
Currently in intensive care	74	75	1
Currently hospitalized	372	358	-14
Total hospitalized to date	3,139	3,165	26
Total deaths in BC	970	988	18
Total recovered in BC	47,374	48,205	831

CONFIRMED CASES BY REGION²	As of Jan 07	As of Jan 08	Change
Total confirmed cases in BC	56,015	56,632	617
Vancouver Coastal Health	12,886	13,025	139
Fraser Health	35,231	35,551	330
Island Health	1,052	1,079	27
Interior Health	4,406	4,487	81
Northern Health	2,338	2,387	49
Out of Canada	102	103	1
Total individuals tested in BC	1,508,966	1,518,311	9,345

STATUS OF CASES IN YUKON³	As of Jan 07	As of Jan 08	Change
Total confirmed cases	69	70	1
Total active cases	9	10	1
Total deaths	1	1	0
Total recovered	59	59	0
Total individuals tested	6,057	6,079	22
Negative results	5,941	5,980	39
Pending results	47	30	-17

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

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

³ Source: <https://yukon.ca/en/case-counts-covid-19>

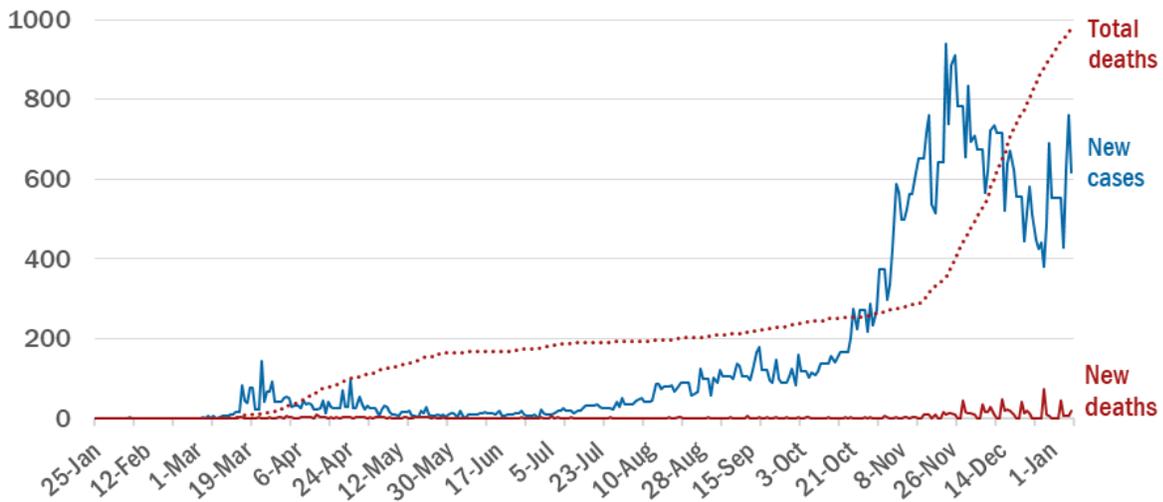
STATUS OF FIRST NATION RESERVE

CASES IN CANADA ⁴

	As of Jan 06	As of Jan 07*	Change
Total confirmed cases	9,716	9,968	252
Total active cases	3,271	3,288	17
Currently hospitalized	443	452	9
Total deaths	92	95	3
Total recovered	6,353	6,585	232
Total confirmed cases in BC	759	785	26

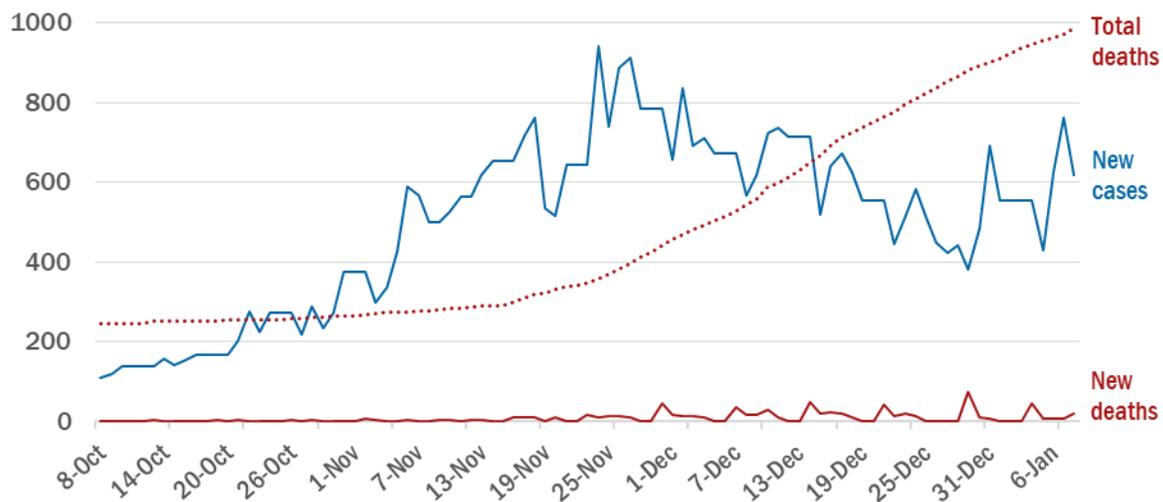
*January 7th, 2021 is the most up-to-date information released on First Nation Reserve Cases by the Government of Canada.

COVID-19 CASES AND DEATHS IN BC



Note: Counts have been averaged where one number was reported for multi-day periods

COVID-19 CASES AND DEATHS IN BC – PAST THREE MONTHS (October – January)



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

COVID-19 VACCINATION INFORMATION

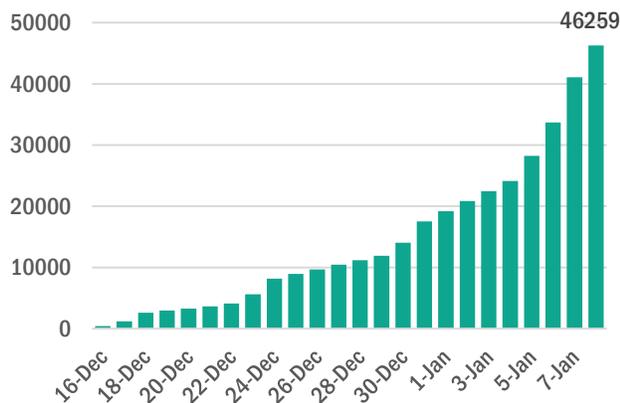
STATUS OF VACCINE ADMINISTRATION⁵

	Total Doses Administered		Total Doses Supplied	% of Doses Administered*	Doses Administered / 100k Population
	Today	Total			
BC	5,195	46,259	71,200	64.97%	912.22
Yukon**	260	310	7,200	4.3%	864.13
Canada	41,788	261,234	545,250	47.9%	693.30

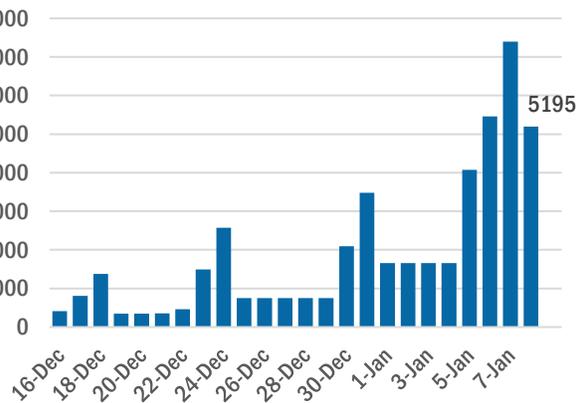
* Percentage of doses supplied to the province/territory that have been reported as administered to individuals

** Data last updated: 07/01/21

TOTAL DOSES ADMINISTERED in BC



DOSES ADMINISTERED in BC each day



SIGNIFICANT UPDATES IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

- Today, Dr. Henry Bonnie, B.C.'s Provincial Health Officer, and Adrian Dix, Minister of Health, provided the following update on the province's response to COVID-19 situation:⁶
 - "As new COVID-19 cases continue to emerge in communities throughout the province, we must all recommit to our efforts to slow down transmission."
 - "We can only do this through our collective commitment to stay local, only spend time with our immediate household outside of work or school, to respect one another by giving others the space to stay safe and ensuring we are wearing our masks in all indoor, public spaces."
 - "We also strongly recommend everyone limit their travel between communities and outside of the province unless it is absolutely essential for work or medical care."
 - "We all want our efforts to count and have an impact that will last. We will get through this and things will get better. Show your friends and neighbours they can count on you to make the right choices, every day, and together we will see brighter days once again."

⁵ Source: N. Little. COVID-19 Tracker Canada (2020), COVID19Tracker.ca

⁶ <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2021HLTH0001-000026>

- Today, The Government of BC announced changes intended to clarify and simplify emergency orders under the Emergency Program Act. These changes include the following:⁷
 - More clarity around the specific prohibitions found in public health orders for gatherings and events and for food and liquor serving premises.
 - An amended face coverings order, with an additional exemption for persons who need to remove a face covering to communicate with a person who is hearing impaired. No other substantive policy changes have been made.
 - Detailed updates to the orders are available at:
<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/health/about-bc-s-health-care-system/office-of-the-provincial-health-officer/covid-19/covid-19-pho-order-gatherings-events.pdf>

SIGNIFICANT UPDATES IN YUKON TERRITORY

- Today, the Government of Yukon confirmed 1 new active case on January 8th:⁸
 - No exposure notices were issued.

SIGNIFICANT UPDATES FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

- Today, Dr. Theresa Tam, Canada's Chief Public Health Officer, provided the following update on the ongoing federal government response to COVID-19:⁹
 - A new COVID-19 vaccine safety report will be released on a weekly basis (on Friday afternoons):
 - The weekly COVID-19 vaccine safety report will include information on any adverse events following immunization (AEFI) that individuals have experienced after receiving the COVID-19 vaccine in Canada. The adverse events are not necessarily related to the vaccine. Adverse events can range from common mild events such as soreness at the site of injection or a slight fever, to more rare serious events, such as a severe allergic reaction.
 - The intent of these weekly reports on COVID-19 vaccine safety is to provide Canadians with regular access to credible information that will assist them in making informed and confident decisions on vaccination for themselves and their families.
 - Canada has a vaccine safety monitoring system in place that investigates all serious events.
 - As of January 1st, there have been over 115,000 doses of COVID-19 vaccines administered across Canada, with 9 adverse events reported. There have been no vaccine safety issues identified to date.
 - The weekly report will be posted on Canada.ca (<https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/immunization/canadian-adverse-events-following-immunization-surveillance-system-caefiss.html>)
- Today, Dr. Theresa Tam, Canada's Chief Public Health Officer, and Dr. Howard Njoo, Deputy Chief Public Health Officer, joined federal ministers to provide an update on the ongoing federal government response to the COVID-19 pandemic.¹⁰ Highlights from the update include:

⁷ <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2021PSSG0001-000021>

⁸ <https://yukon.ca/en/health-and-wellness/covid-19-information/latest-updates-covid-19/current-covid-19-situation>

⁹ <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/news/2021/01/remarks-from-the-chief-public-health-officer-on-covid-19-january-8-2021.html>

¹⁰ <https://www.cpac.ca/en/programs/covid-19-canada-responds/episodes/66317010/>

- Ministers reaffirmed that all Canadians will have the opportunity to be vaccinated by the end of September, 2021.
- The government expects to see a significant increase in vaccine distribution by April, with 6,000,000 vaccines (2,000,000 doses of the Moderna product, and 4,000,000 doses of the Pfizer-Biontech product) to be received by the end of March.
 - Shipments of vaccine doses from Moderna arrive every three weeks, with approximately 170,000 doses in each delivery. These quantities are expected to scale up to 250,000 doses per delivery by the end of February.
 - Pfizer-Biontech deliveries will occur on a weekly basis, with 208,000 doses expected weekly in January and 366,000-367,000 doses expected weekly in February.
- Today, Indigenous Services Canada (ISC) released a COVID-19 update for Indigenous communities in Canada:¹¹
 - ISC is working with all provinces and territories to encourage the full inclusion of Indigenous perspectives during the administration and planning process of the COVID-19 vaccine for Indigenous peoples.
 - In particular, ISC is taking the following steps:
 - Participating in planning tables across the country led by provinces and territories and including Indigenous partners.
 - Hosting a COVID-19 Vaccine Planning Working Group with national and regional First Nations, Inuit and Métis partners, provinces and territories, Indigenous health professionals and other federal departments.
 - In British Columbia, where the First Nations Health Authority is responsible for the delivery of health services to First Nations, the Moderna vaccine is being administered to 19 First Nation communities. The primary focus of these vaccinations remains on rural and remote communities as well as those communities with outbreaks and high case numbers.

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

¹¹ <https://www.canada.ca/en/indigenous-services-canada/news/2021/01/government-of-canada-covid-19-update-for-indigenous-peoples-and-communities.html>