

3 NATIONS COVID-19 UPDATE – 18 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 15	As of Jan 18	Change
Total confirmed cases in BC	60,117	61,447	1,330*
Total active cases in BC	4,604	4,326	-278
Currently in intensive care	68	68	0
Currently hospitalized	349	343	-6
Total hospitalized to date	3,408	3,478	70
Total deaths in BC	1,047	1,078	31
Total recovered in BC	53,115	54,656	1,541

CONFIRMED CASES BY REGION²	As of Jan 15	As of Jan 18	Change
Total confirmed cases in BC	60,117	61,447	1,330*
Vancouver Coastal Health	13,728	14,009	281
Fraser Health	37,258	37,806	548
Island Health	1,220	1,285	65
Interior Health	5,056	5,313	257
Northern Health	2,745	2,911	166
Out of Canada	110	123	13
Total individuals tested in BC	1,576,743	1,601,791	25,048

STATUS OF CASES IN YUKON³	As of Jan 15	As of Jan 18	Change
Total confirmed cases	70	70	0
Total active cases	2	0	-2
Total deaths	1	1	0
Total recovered	67	69	2
Total individuals tested	6,156	6,175	19
Negative results	6,063	6,087	24
Pending results	23	18	-5

*The B.C. Government reported 584 COVID-19 cases Jan. 16th 445 Jan.17th, and 301 Jan.18th (1,330 total).

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>

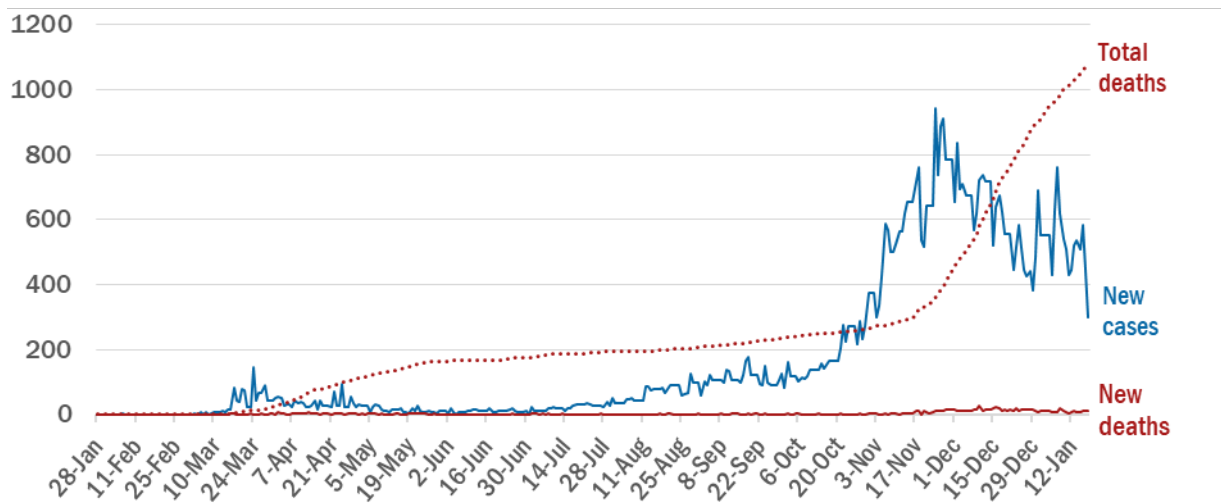
STATUS OF FIRST NATION RESERVE

CASES IN CANADA ⁴

	As of Jan 14	As of Jan 15*	Change
Total confirmed cases	12,071	12,580	509
Total active cases	4,581	4,827	246
Currently hospitalized	520	535	15
Total deaths	113	113	0
Total recovered	7,377	7,640	263
Total confirmed cases in BC	1,081	1,138	57

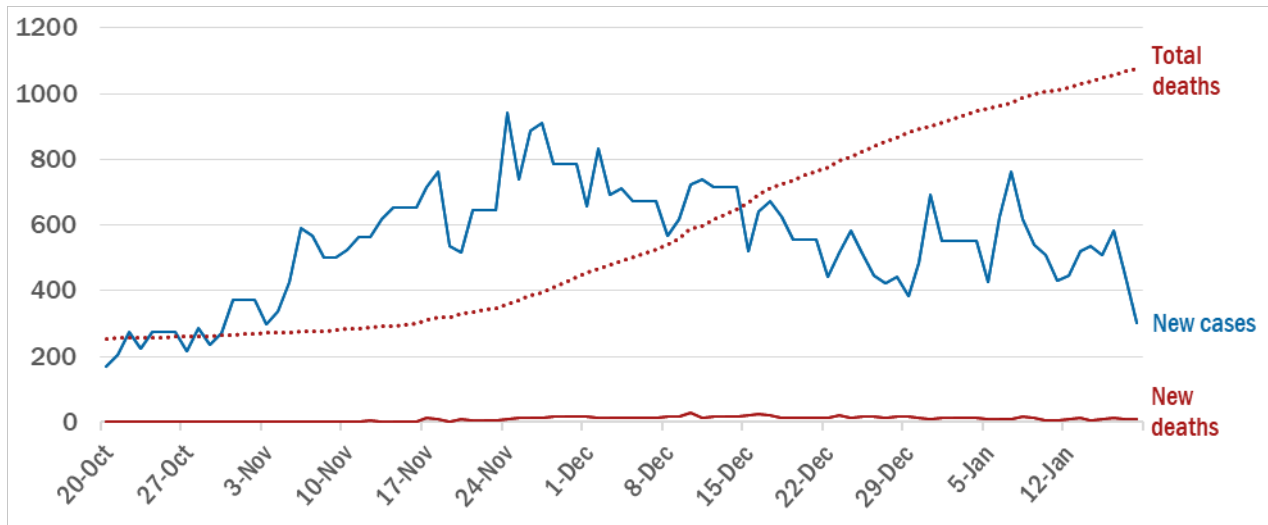
*Jan 15th, 2021 is the most up-to-date information released on First Nation Reserve Cases by the Government of Canada.

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)



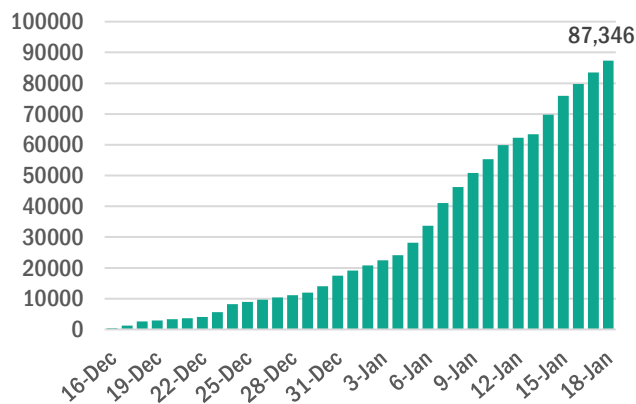
⁴ Source: <https://www.sac-isc.gc.ca/eng/1598625105013/1598625167707>

COVID-19 VACCINATION INFORMATION

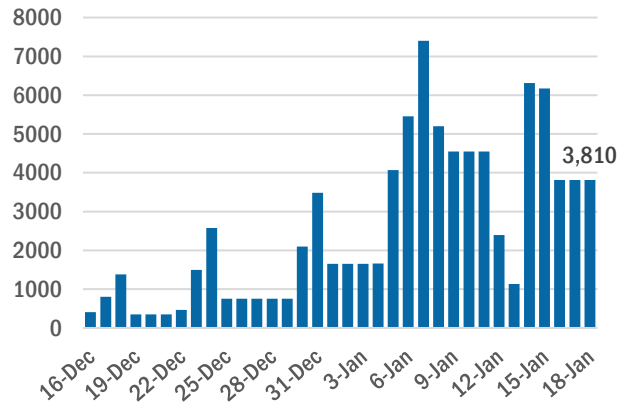
STATUS OF VACCINE ADMINISTRATION⁵

	Total Doses Administered		Total Doses Supplied	% of Doses Administered*	Doses Administered / 100k Population
	Today	Total			
BC	11,432	87,346	117,875	74.10%	1,697.40
Yukon	163	1,347	14,400	9.35%	3,193.75
Canada	42,543	613,285	855,765	71.70%	1,613.56

TOTAL DOSES ADMINISTERED in BC



DOSES ADMINISTERED in BC each day



SIGNIFICANT UPDATES IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

- Today, Dr. Bonnie Henry provided the following update on B.C.'s COVID-19 immunization program.⁶
 - Since the start of the B.C.'s COVID-19 immunization program in December 2020, 87,346 people have been administered the COVID-19 vaccine in B.C.
 - Over the past week, B.C. has received 46,675 doses of the COVID-19 vaccine, including 28,275 doses of the Pfizer vaccine and 18,400 of Moderna.
 - This week, B.C. is expecting to receive 26,775 additional doses, including 24,375 of Pfizer and 2,400 of Moderna.
 - Last week, Canada received notice that there will be delays in the Pfizer vaccine for this week, and the subsequent two weeks.
 - This delay will temporarily slow the distribution process however, B.C.'s COVID-19 immunization program is constantly changing, and arrangements have been made to ensure the first dose is provided to those at most at risk, and to ensure individuals receive the second dose within 35 days.

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

⁶ Dr. Bonnie Henry via live press conference 18/01/21 15:00

- Today, Acting Chief Medical Officer for the First Nations Health Authority (FNHA), Dr. Shannon McDonald, released the following information regarding COVID-19 and the vaccine in Indigenous communities.⁷
 - FNHA noted a rise in COVID-19 infections over the holidays, particularly in Indigenous communities, likely due to COVID-19 fatigue.
 - There have been more than 2,000 positive cases of COVID-19 among First Nations people in B.C., with more than 600 active cases. Roughly 35 percent of those are individuals living on reserve.
 - Medical experts still do not know yet whether those that have been vaccinated can still be carriers of COVID-19 and pass it along to people not yet immunized, so it is important to follow public health measures, including avoiding gatherings, washing hands, and wearing a mask.
- Today, the B.C. Government announced that applications for non-profit organizations are now open for the second round of B.C.'s Work Experience Opportunity Grant.⁸
 - This Grant will assist non-profit organizations and federally registered charities provide 12-week work experience opportunities for people with disabilities and people facing multiple barriers to employment.
 - Applications will be accepted until February 16, 2021; to apply, please visit: <https://www.workexperiencegrants.gov.bc.ca/>
- Today, to support individuals with developmental disabilities who have been without work during the pandemic, the B.C. Government announced funding of \$10 million to Community Living BC (CLBC) services to expand contracted employment services during the COVID-19 pandemic.⁹
 - Of the new funding:
 - \$9.7 million will be used to supplement CLBC-funded employment support services.
 - \$300,00 will be used to improve digital literacy for all individuals CLBC serves.
 - This funding will be used by CLBC to:
 - Hire additional employment support staff to support individuals with finding employment opportunities.
 - Assist individuals to understand and adhere to COVID-19 workplace requirements.
 - Assist individuals reconnect with former employers to discuss rehire.
 - Approximately 100 agencies that deliver services to people CLBC services are eligible to apply. For more information, please visit: <https://inclusionbc.org/supported-employment-recovery-fund/>
- Today, the B.C. Government announced funding of \$800,000 to four public post-secondary institutions to deliver mental health worker education and training programs.¹⁰
 - B.C.'s need for mental health support has been critical during the COVID-19 pandemic and this funding will expand learning opportunities for individuals in the program.

⁷ <https://www.fnha.ca/about/news-and-events/news/caution-over-covid-19-urged-during-vaccine-rollout>

⁸ <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2021SDPR0001-000065>

⁹ <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2021SDPR0002-000066>

¹⁰ <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2021AEST0002-000060>

SIGNIFICANT UPDATES IN THE YUKON TERRITORY

- No significant updates from the Government of Yukon.

SIGNIFICANT UPDATES FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

- No significant updates from the Government of Canada.

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