

3 NATIONS COVID-19 UPDATE – 22 January 2021

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COVID-19 CASE COUNTS

STATUS OF CASES IN BC¹	As of Jan 21	As of Jan 22	Change
Total confirmed cases in BC	62,976	63,484	508
Total active cases in BC	4,450	4,479	29
Currently in intensive care	68	74	6
Currently hospitalized	309	315	6
Total hospitalized to date	3,555	3,604	49
Total deaths in BC	1,119	1,128	9
Total recovered in BC	56,010	56,455	445

CONFIRMED CASES BY REGION²	As of Jan 21	As of Jan 22	Change
Total confirmed cases in BC	62,976	63,484	508
Vancouver Coastal Health	14,328	14,460	132
Fraser Health	38,518	38,746	228
Island Health	1,385	1,398	13
Interior Health	5,560	5,639	79
Northern Health	3,054	3,109	55
Out of Canada	131	132	1
Total individuals tested in BC	1,627,001	1,636,665	9,664*

STATUS OF CASES IN YUKON³	As of Jan 21	As of Jan 22	Change
Total confirmed cases	70	70	0
Total active cases	0	0	0
Total deaths	1	1	0
Total recovered	69	69	0
Total individuals tested	6,210	6,216	6
Negative results	6,128	6,122	-6
Pending results	12	24	-12

*The BCCDC has reported 9,546 new tests but this does not align with the difference in total test numbers (9,664) between Jan 21st and 22nd

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>

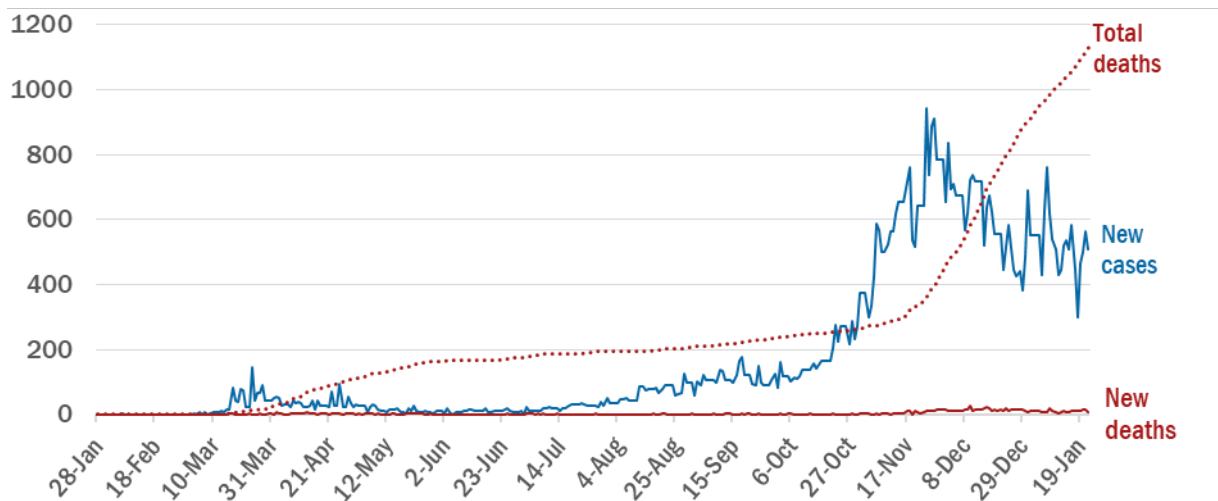
STATUS OF FIRST NATION RESERVE

CASES IN CANADA ⁴

	As of Jan 20	As of Jan 21*	Change
Total confirmed cases	14,200	14,488	288
Total active cases	5,409	5,368	-41
Currently hospitalized	597	618	21
Total deaths	124	129	5
Total recovered	8,667	8,991	324
Total confirmed cases in BC	1,377	1,427	50

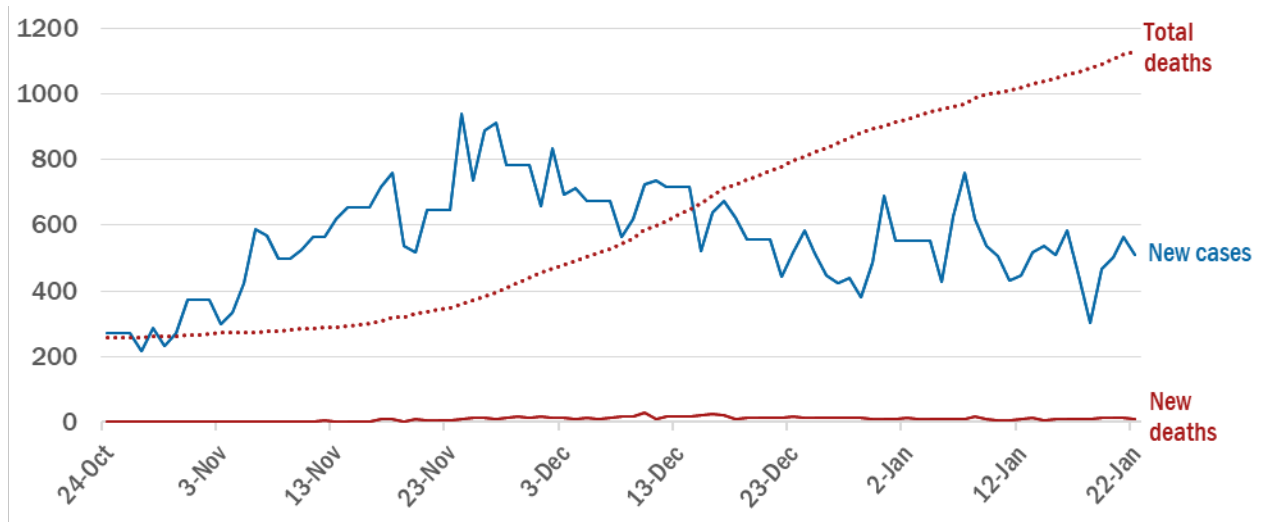
*Jan 21st, 2021 is the most up-to-date information released on First Nation Reserve Cases by the Government of Canada.

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)



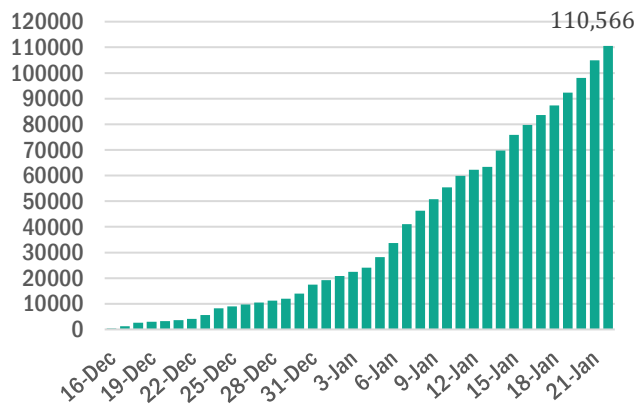
⁴ Source: <https://www.sac-isc.gc.ca/eng/1598625105013/1598625167707>

COVID-19 VACCINATION INFORMATION

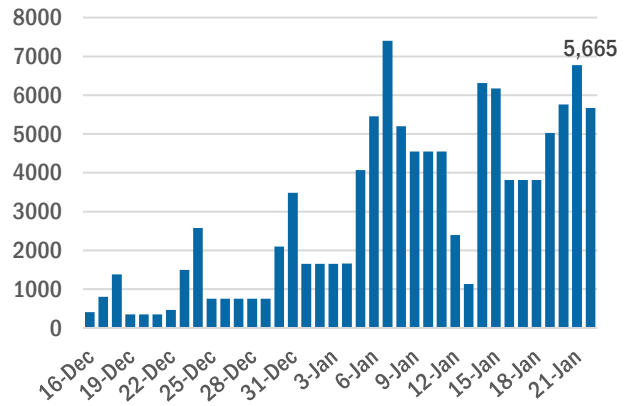
STATUS OF VACCINE ADMINISTRATION⁵

	Total Doses Administered		Total Doses Supplied	% of Doses Administered*	Doses Administered / 100k Population
	Today	Total			
BC	5,665	110,566	144,550	76.48%	2,148.64
Yukon	570	3,730	14,400	25.90%	8,843.89
Canada	37,742	776,606	1,122,450	69.20%	2043.26

TOTAL DOSES ADMINISTERED in BC



DOSES ADMINISTERED in BC each day



SIGNIFICANT UPDATES IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

- Today, Premier John Horgan, Dr. Bonnie Henry, Adrian Dix, and executive lead of the B.C. immunization rollout, Dr. Penny Ballem, provided an update on the Mass Immunization Program of B.C.'s COVID-19 Immunization Plan. Highlights include the following:⁶
 - **Regarding the number of B.C residents eligible for the COVID-19 vaccine**
 - There are 4.3 million residents of B.C. who are eligible for the COVID-19 vaccine (8.6 million doses).
 - **Regarding B.C.'s COVID-19 Immunization Plan phased approach**
 - Phase 1 (December 2020 – February 2021):
 - B.C. is currently in Phase 1 of its COVID-19 Immunization Plan.
 - This phase is focused on seniors, at-risk individuals, essential workers, and remote and isolated Indigenous communities.

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

⁶ Premier John Horgan, Dr. Bonnie Henry, Adrian Dix, and Dr. Penny Ballem via live press conference 15:00 22/01/21

- Phase 2 (February 2021 – March 2021):
 - Phase 2 will focus on vaccinating seniors aged 80+ who are not yet immunized, hospital staff, vulnerable individuals, and Indigenous populations age 65+.
- Phase 3 (April 2021 – June 2021):
 - B.C. expects to receive approximately 2,640,000 doses of vaccine.
 - Phase 3 will focus on vaccinating the public, beginning with people aged 79 to 60, decreasing in five-year increments and includes clinically extremely vulnerable individuals aged 16-69.
 - To prepare, beginning in February and March:
 - 172 clinics will be established across the province by health authorities, in partnership with local communities, municipalities, businesses, and volunteers.
 - Mobile sites will also be established to support home visits.
 - A province-wide communication effort will commence to provide further information about clinics.
 - Pre-registration will commence based on age.
- Phase 4 (July 2021 – September 2021)
 - Phase 4 will focus on vaccinating people aged 59 to 18, decreasing in five-year increments.
- **Regarding Proof of Vaccination**
 - All individuals that receive the COVID-19 vaccine in B.C. will receive a proof of vaccine card, either hardcopy or digital.
 - All records will be stored in the Provincial data-base, which is accessible by public health and physicians.
- Today, Northern Health, the First Nations Health Authority, and the Government of Yukon announced the first COVID-19 immunization clinics in Atlin, B.C.⁷
 - This partnership will see 200 doses of Moderna vaccine shipped from Whitehorse to Atlin this week, so that elders, seniors, health care workers and the medically vulnerable, can receive the first doses beginning Wednesday, January 27th, 2021.
 - Eligible Atlin residents in this priority group will be contacted directly and offered an appointment.
 - Beginning January 25th, eligible residents without a phone can contact the Atlin Health Centre or the Taku River Tlingit First Nation health team directly.

Today, the B.C. Government announced an investment of \$1.26 million to support early childhood educators (ECEs) education and training to support individuals impacted by COVID-19.⁸

- This funding will expand ECE training opportunities by adding 108 ECE seats at public post-secondary institutions throughout the province.

⁷ <https://stories.northernhealth.ca/news/atlin-bc-covid-19-vaccine-yukon-partnership>

⁸ <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2021AEST0004-000111>

- Today, the B.C. Government announced funding of \$5 million towards infrastructure projects in 24 provincial parks to improve accessibility and support businesses during the COVID-19 pandemic.⁹
 - Provincial park infrastructure projects include:
 - Upgrades to water systems, parking lots, multi-use trails, campground facilities, backcountry facilities, and accessibility improvements.
 - The addition of electric vehicle charging stations to some day-use areas in northwest B.C.
 - Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy, George Heyman stated:
 - “We have heard the call for greater access to the outdoors to promote health and well-being during COVID-19. These projects create jobs to address those needs as part of our support of B.C. communities.”

SIGNIFICANT UPDATES IN THE YUKON TERRITORY

- Today, the Government of Yukon announced the hiring of additional educators, and funding of \$150,000 towards tutoring programs to support students for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year.¹⁰
 - These additional resources will help support student learning for the remainder of the school year.
- Today, the Government of Yukon announced the closure of the Whitehorse COVID-19 drive-thru testing centre at Centennial Motors.¹¹
 - The COVID-19 Testing and Assessment Centre in Whitehorse at 49 Waterfront place remains open, but due to low COVID-19 testing rates, this additional location is no longer needed.

SIGNIFICANT UPDATES FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

- Today, Minister of Employment, Workforce Development and Disability Inclusion, Carla Qualtrough, announced an investment of \$72 million over three years, as part of the Sectoral Initiatives Program existing funding, to support economic recovery from COVID-19.¹²
 - This investment will:
 - Help employers, Canadians looking for work, students, and educators make informed decisions about hiring, skills training, and career choices.
 - Support the development of projects that offer training to workers looking to upgrade skills or start a new career.
 - Support small and medium-sized businesses meet hiring needs through the development of new strategies or improve existing strategies.

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

⁹ <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2021ENV0008-000101>

¹⁰ <https://yukon.ca/en/news/government-yukon-provides-additional-staffing-and-tutoring-supports-2020-21-school-year>

¹¹ <https://yukon.ca/en/news/whitehorse-covid-19-screening-drive-thru-closes>

¹² <https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/news/2021/01/government-of-canada-invests-in-key-sectors-to-help-boost-economic-recovery-and-create-jobs.html>