

## 3 NATIONS COVID-19 UPDATE – 23 February 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

<b>STATUS OF CASES IN BC<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>As of Feb 22</b>	<b>As of Feb 23</b>	<b>Change</b>
Total confirmed cases in BC	77,263	77,822	559
Total active cases in BC	4,560	4,677	117
Currently in intensive care	66	69	3
Currently hospitalized	223	238	15
Total hospitalized to date	4,237	4,253	16
Total deaths in BC	1,335	1,336	1
Total recovered in BC	71,313	71,753	440

<b>CONFIRMED CASES BY REGION<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>As of Feb 22</b>	<b>As of Feb 23</b>	<b>Change</b>
Total confirmed cases in BC	77,263	77,822	559
Vancouver Coastal Health	17,845	17,977	132
Fraser Health	45,553	45,831	278
Island Health	2,167	2,206	39
Interior Health	7,198	7,241	43
Northern Health	4,351	4,417	66
Out of Canada	149	150	1
Total individuals tested in BC	1,881,992	1,888,784	*6,792

<b>STATUS OF CASES IN YUKON<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>As of Feb 22</b>	<b>As of Feb 23</b>	<b>Change</b>
Total confirmed cases	72	72	0
Total active cases	2	0	-2
Total deaths	1	1	0
Total recovered	69	71	2
Total individuals tested	6,595	6,607	12
Negative results	6,513	6,503	-10
Pending results	10	32	22

\*The BCCDC has reported 6,758 individuals tested but this does not align with the difference in total test numbers between Feb 22<sup>nd</sup> to Feb 23<sup>rd</sup>.

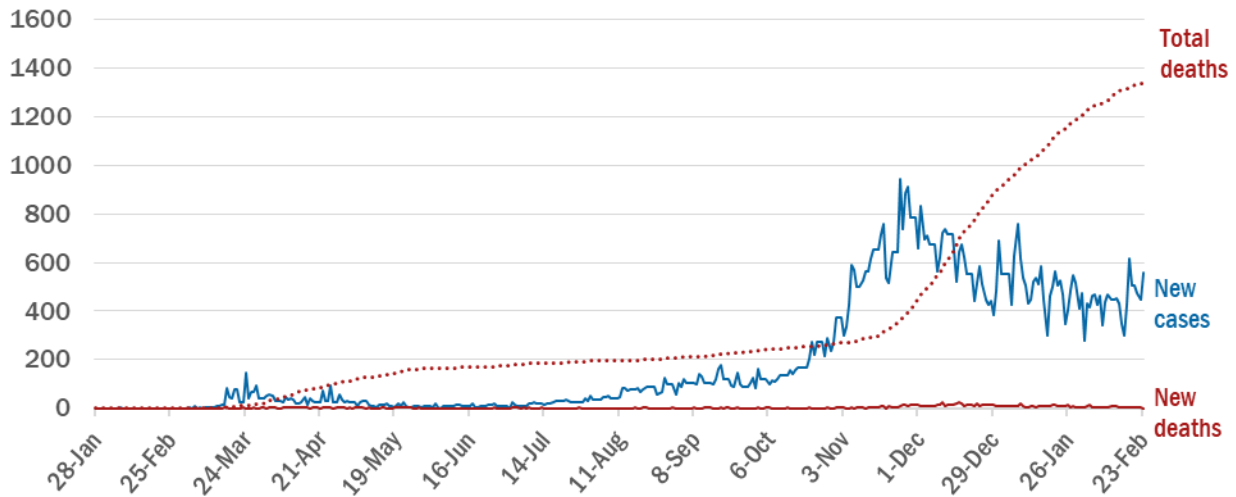
<sup>1</sup> Source: <https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/a6f23959a8b14bfa989e3cda29297ded>

<sup>2</sup> Source: <https://yukon.ca/en/case-counts-covid-19>

**STATUS OF FIRST NATION RESERVE**

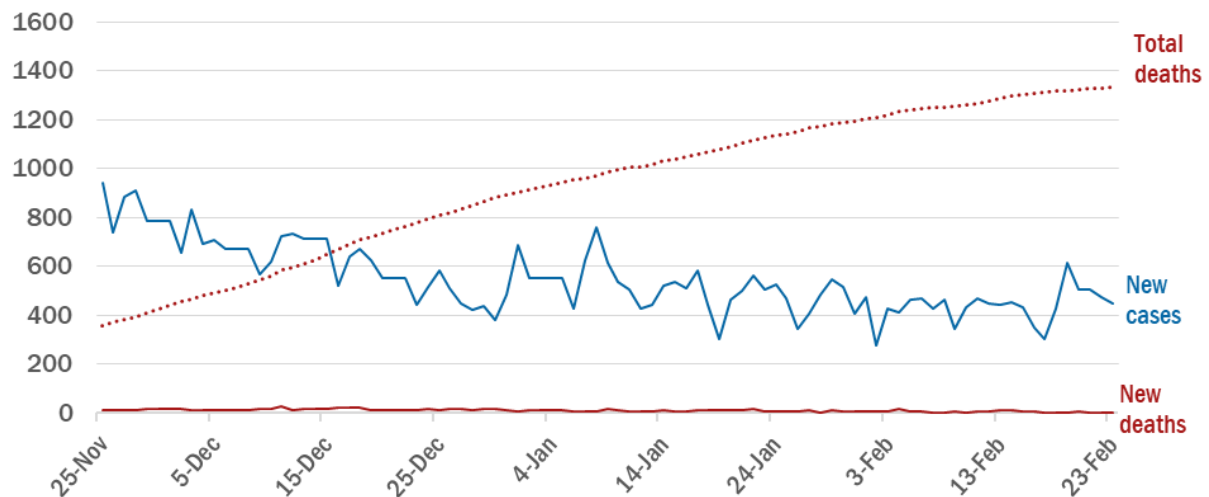
<b>CASES IN CANADA<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>As of Feb 19</b>	<b>As of Feb 22</b>	<b>Change</b>
Total confirmed cases	19,633	20,227	594
Total active cases	1,254	1,481	227
Currently hospitalized	908	925	17
Total deaths	215	218	3
Total recovered	18,164	18,528	364
Total confirmed cases in BC	2,122	2,184	62

**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**



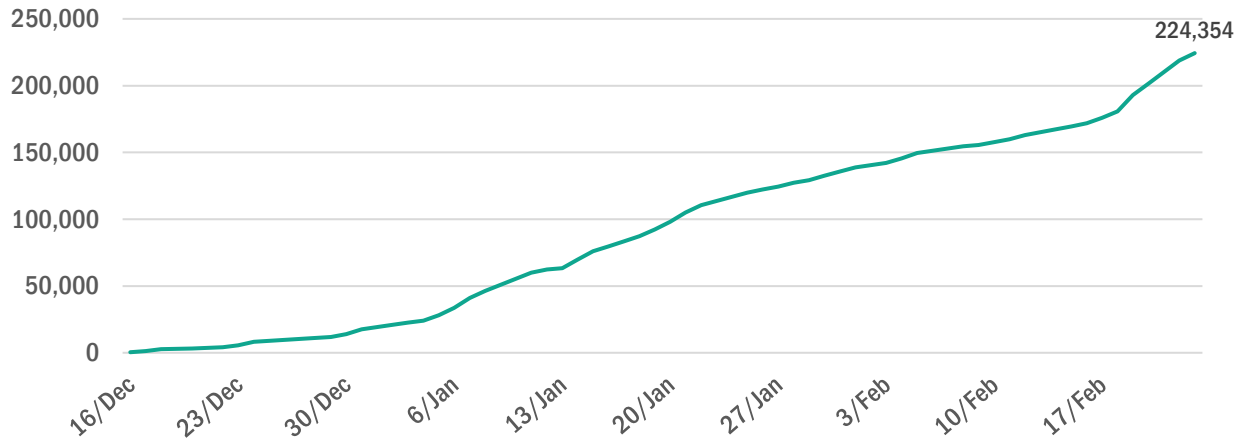
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## COVID-19 VACCINATION INFORMATION

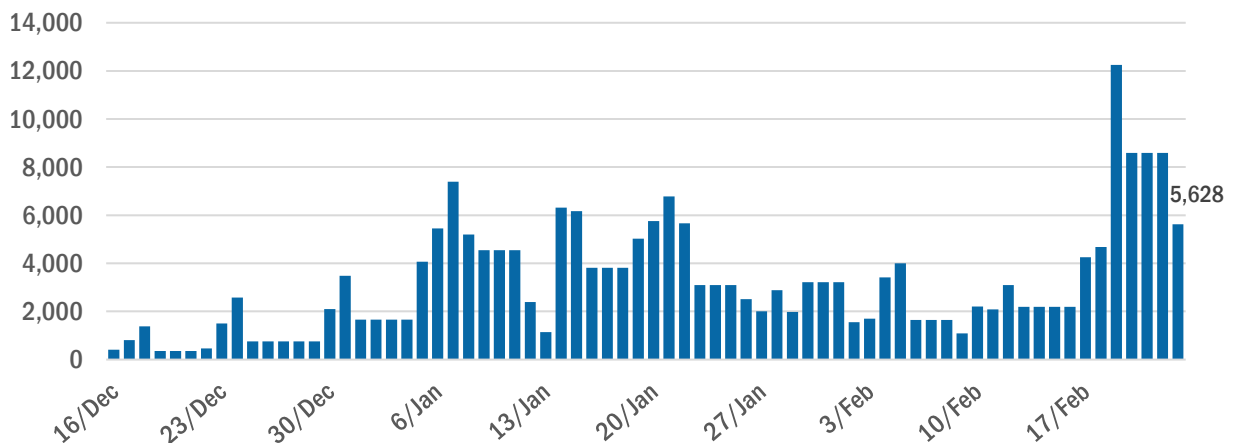
### STATUS OF VACCINE ADMINISTRATION<sup>4</sup>

	Total Doses Administered		Total Doses Supplied	% of Doses Administered <sup>5</sup>	Doses Administered / 100k Population	People Fully Vaccinated <sup>6</sup>	% Pop. Fully Vaccinated <sup>7</sup>
	Today	Total					
<b>BC</b>	5,628	224,354	287,950	77.91%	4,359.90	58,896	1.14%
<b>Yukon</b>	1,250	13,423	18,900	71.02%	31,826.15	2,738	6.44%
<b>Canada</b>	48,362	1,602,365	2,003,810	80.00%	4,215.86	465,799	1.23%

### TOTAL DOSES ADMINISTERED IN BC



### DOSES ADMINISTERED IN BC EACH DAY



<sup>4</sup> Source: N. Little. COVID-19 Tracker Canada (2020), COVID19Tracker.ca

<sup>5</sup> % of Doses Administered: Percentage of doses supplied to the provinces that have been reported as administered.

<sup>6</sup> People Fully Vaccinated: The number of people reported as having received both required doses.

<sup>7</sup> Source: <https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/track-vaccinations-across-canada-1.5870573>

## **SIGNIFICANT UPDATES IN BRITISH COLUMBIA**

- Today, Dr. Bonnie Henry, provincial health officer, and Adrian Dix, Minister of Health, provided an update on the COVID-19 situation in B.C.:<sup>8</sup>
  - There is a new Public Health Order authorizing dentists, midwives, pharmacy technicians, paramedics, retired nurses and a number of health care professionals to administer vaccines with the proper training.
  - With more vaccines increasingly available, the focus will now be on vaccinating seniors over the age of 80 in B.C.
    - Further details will be announced in the next 2 weeks.
  - Today, there are no new cases in long-term care or assisted living in the province.
    - This indicates that the vaccines deployed in these settings are working.
  - To date, there have been 292 adverse effect after immunization events.
    - 19 of these were anaphylaxis (allergic) reactions that have been treated.
- Today, the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development announced new recovery grant funding totalling \$20 million for 38 rural projects:<sup>9</sup>
  - This funding is a portion of the provincial government’s \$10-billion COVID-19 response program to support the economy in rural communities.
  - The \$20 million Rural Economic Recovery (RER) program grants will support communities recovering from the economic impacts of COVID-19 and help build their economies for the future.
  - This initiative is part of the \$100 million Community Economic Recovery Infrastructure Program (CERIP).
    - CERIP provides fully funded provincial grants to support economic resilience, tourism, heritage and urban and rural economic development projects in communities impacted by COVID-19.

## **SIGNIFICANT UPDATES IN THE YUKON TERRITORY**

- There are no significant updates in the Yukon Territory today.

## **SIGNIFICANT UPDATES FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA**

- Today, Dr. Theresa Tam, Canada’s chief public health officer, Dr. Howard Njoo, deputy chief public health officer, Dominic LeBlanc, Minister for Intergovernmental Affairs, and Anita Anand, Minister for Public Services and Procurement provided a joint update on Canada’s ongoing response to the COVID-19 pandemic:<sup>10,11</sup>
  - This week, Canada will receive 643,000 doses of Pfizer and Moderna vaccines. This is the largest shipment of vaccines to date and a majority have been delivered to provinces and territories.
  - 3.5 million vaccine doses are expected to arrive in the March for a total of 6 million doses in the first quarter of 2021.

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<sup>8</sup> Dr. Henry and Minister Dix via press conference at 3:00 pm on Feb 23, 2021.

<sup>9</sup> <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2021FLNRO0010-000310>

<sup>10</sup> Dr. Tam, Dr. Njoo, Ministers LeBlanc and Anand via press conference at 10:00 am on Feb 23, 2021.

<sup>11</sup> <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/news/2021/02/remarks-from-the-chief-public-health-officer-on-covid-19-february-23-2021.html>

- There are now just over 31,000 active cases of COVID-19 across the country, with over 849 cases involving Variants of Concern:
  - B.1.1.7 (UK) – 780
  - B.1.351 (South Africa) – 39
  - P.1 (Brazil) – 1
- “As we head into spring, vaccination efforts will continue to ramp up, bringing us closer to widespread and lasting control (of the pandemic). Recently, we have seen some very encouraging early reports of high vaccine effectiveness among long-term care home residents and health care workers in Canada. This gives us hope that those at highest risk of severe outcomes or exposure are benefiting from priority vaccination.”
- “Until vaccine access expands to protect all Canadians, our best means of control continues to be our collective effort to slow the spread through enhanced public health measures combined with individual prevention practices. Controlling COVID-19 may not be easy, but WE are stronger.”