

## 3 NATIONS COVID-19 UPDATE – 24 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 23</b>	<b>As of Feb 24</b>	<b>Change</b>
Total confirmed cases in BC	77,822	78,278	<b>456</b>
Total active cases in BC	4,677	4,668	<b>-9</b>
Currently in intensive care	69	64	<b>-5</b>
Currently hospitalized	238	237	<b>-1</b>
Total hospitalized to date	4,253	4,283	<b>30</b>
Total deaths in BC	1,336	1,338	<b>2</b>
Total recovered in BC	71,753	72,219	<b>466</b>

<b>CONFIRMED CASES BY REGION<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>As of Feb 23</b>	<b>As of Feb 24</b>	<b>Change</b>
Total confirmed cases in BC	77,822	78,278	<b>456</b>
Vancouver Coastal Health	17,977	18,085	<b>108</b>
Fraser Health	45,831	46,090	<b>259</b>
Island Health	2,206	2,241	<b>35</b>
Interior Health	7,241	7,271	<b>30</b>
Northern Health	4,417	4,437	<b>20</b>
Out of Canada	150	154	<b>4</b>
Total individuals tested in BC	1,888,784	1,898,021	<b>9,237*</b>

<b>STATUS OF CASES IN YUKON<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>As of Feb 23</b>	<b>As of Feb 24</b>	<b>Change</b>
Total confirmed cases	72	72	<b>0</b>
Total active cases	0	0	<b>0</b>
Total deaths	1	1	<b>0</b>
Total recovered	71	71	<b>0</b>
Total individuals tested	6,607	6,623	<b>16</b>
Negative results	6,503	6,527	<b>24</b>
Pending results	32	24	<b>-8</b>

\*The BCCDC has reported 9,187 new tests but this does not align with the difference in total test numbers between Feb 23<sup>rd</sup> to Feb 24<sup>th</sup>.

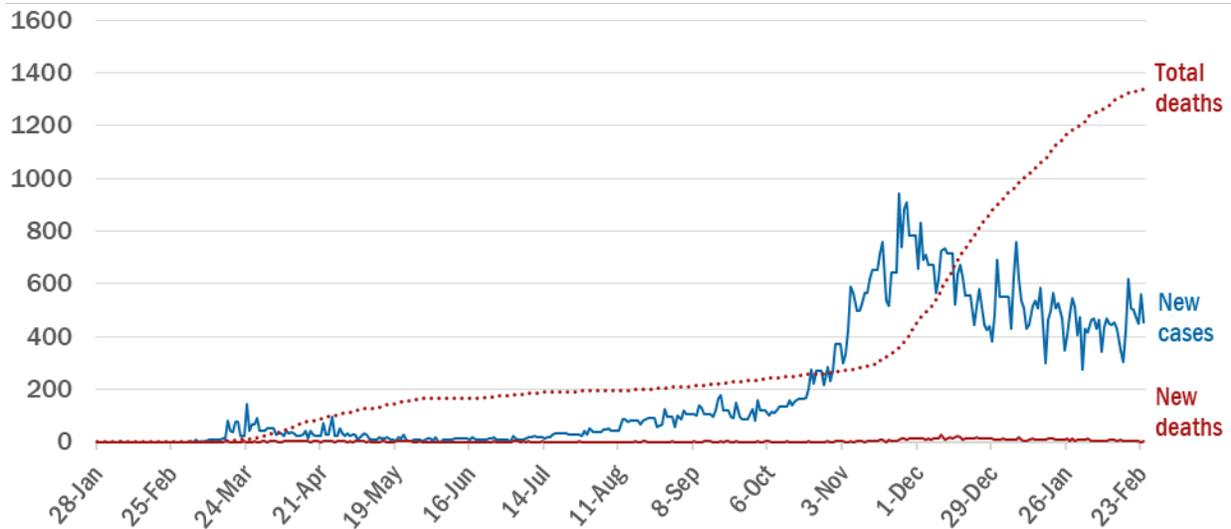
<sup>1</sup> Source: <https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/a6f23959a8b14bfa989e3cda29297ded>

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

**STATUS OF FIRST NATION RESERVE**

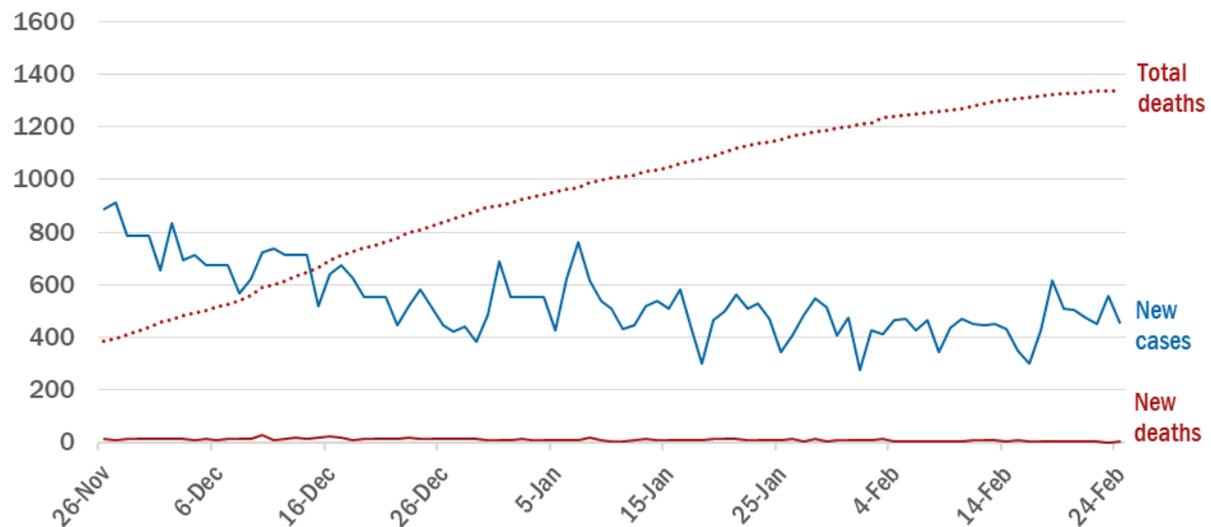
<b>CASES IN CANADA <sup>3</sup></b>	<b>As of Feb 22</b>	<b>As of Feb 23</b>	<b>Change</b>
Total confirmed cases	20,227	20,347	120
Total active cases	1,481	1,443	-38
Currently hospitalized	925	931	6
Total deaths	218	220	2
Total recovered	18,528	18,684	156
Total confirmed cases in BC	2,184	2,193	9

**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**



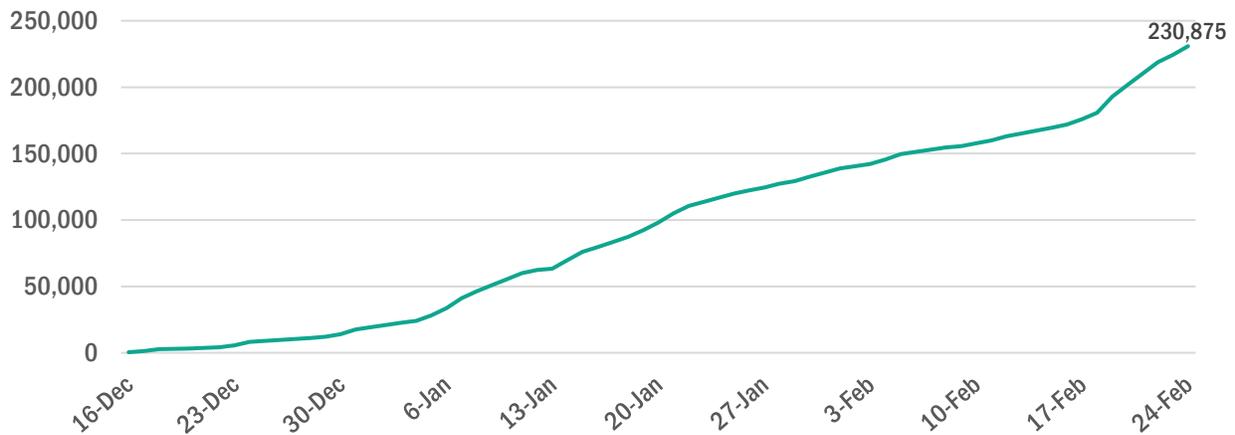
<sup>3</sup> Source: <https://www.sac-isc.gc.ca/eng/1598625105013/1598625167707>

## COVID-19 VACCINATION INFORMATION

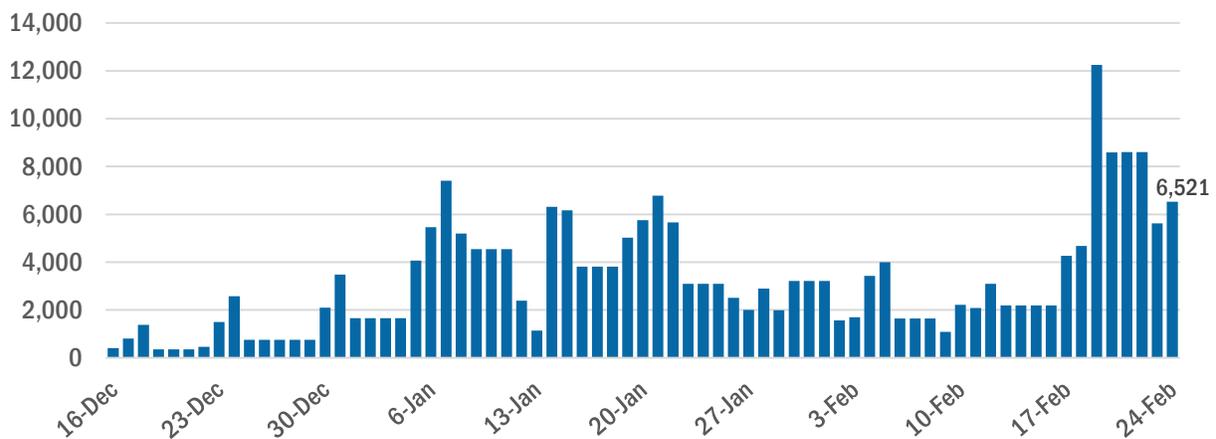
### STATUS OF VACCINE ADMINISTRATION<sup>4</sup>

	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>	6,521	230,875	287,950	80.17%	4,486.62	62,608	1.22%
<b>Yukon</b>	941	14,364	18,900	76.00%	34,057.28	3,583	8.43%
<b>Canada</b>	46,090	1,648,455	2,033,060	81.10%	4,337.12	480,074	1.26%

### 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, Premier John Horgan, Jennifer Whiteside, Minister of Education, and Carol Todd, parent and founder of the *Amanda Todd Legacy Society*, have released a statement to mark Pink Shirt Day 2021:<sup>8</sup>
  - “Today, we stand together against bullying and with millions of people in nearly 180 countries throughout the world on the 14th annual Pink Shirt Day.”
  - “This past year has been particularly hard for kids, with so many young people experiencing increased stress and mental health challenges as a result of the pandemic. That’s why this Pink Shirt Day is so important.”
  - “This year’s theme is ‘lift each other up.’ Lifting each other up means accepting and respecting each other, regardless of race, culture, religion, sexual orientation, or gender identity. It means seeing others for their strengths, abilities, and things we have in common.”
  - “We need to let young people know they are not alone, and they can reach out to others for help. We must continue to make a difference for those who may not be able to stand up for themselves. Today, we challenge you to take the lessons of Pink Shirt Day and make them last all year long. Lift each other up and remember a small act of kindness can be a powerful force.”
- Today, the Ministry of Citizens’ Services provided an update regarding the investments in connectivity projects to improve high-speed internet as part of B.C.’s COVID-19 response through *StrongerBC: BC’s Economic Recovery Plan*:<sup>9</sup>
  - In September 2020, the province made its largest ever contribution to the Connecting British Columbia program, with \$90 million of new funding under StrongerBC. Families and workplaces in as many as 200 rural and Indigenous communities can expect construction to begin this spring and summer, with completion targeted for fall 2021.
  - “For too long, people living in rural and remote parts of B.C. have been struggling with slow, intermittent internet access... Our economic recovery is strengthened when we can all get online to do business, learn and connect with loved ones.”
  - In Keremeos, a fibre-to-the-home project from Telus is complete, connecting more than 900 households and workplaces to higher internet speeds.
  - Since July 2017, projects to improve high-speed internet access are underway or complete in more than 500 communities, including 87 Indigenous communities.
  - Projects receiving grants are also expected to improve cellular service along approximately 140 kilometres of provincial highways, while expanding the availability of roadside call boxes and Wi-Fi enabled highway rest areas.

## SIGNIFICANT UPDATES IN THE YUKON TERRITORY

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

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<sup>8</sup> <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2021PREM0014-000313>

<sup>9</sup> <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2021CITZ0014-000314>

## SIGNIFICANT UPDATES FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

- Today, Indigenous Services Canada provided the following COVID-19 Update for Indigenous peoples and communities:<sup>10</sup>
  - As of February 18, 2021, more than 1.8 million Moderna and Pfizer vaccines have been distributed across the country. As of February 23, 2021, more than 103,000 COVID-19 vaccine doses have been administered in more than 449 First Nations, Inuit, and Territorial communities.
  - Vaccines deliveries have ramped up, with more than 640,000 doses scheduled to arrive in Canada this week. Canada is still on track to receive 6 million doses of the Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna vaccines by the end of March.
- Today, Maryam Monsef, Minister for Women and Gender Equality and Rural Economic Development, announced the Government of Canada will host a two-day summit, on March 8 and 9, 2021, to mark International Women’s Day and discuss how the COVID-19 pandemic has disproportionately affected women. Highlights from the statement include the following:<sup>11</sup>
  - “The COVID-19 pandemic is the most serious public health crisis Canada has ever faced. It has highlighted fundamental gaps in our society and disproportionately impacted those who were already marginalized, vulnerable or struggling.”
  - “Women have faced steep job losses or shouldered the burden of unpaid care work at home, and many have bravely served on the front lines of this crisis in our communities.”
  - The Summit will bring together experts, and community leaders with lived experience to examine how the COVID-19 crisis impacts the lives of women in Canada. Discussions will centre on the key issues facing women of all ages across the country, including women with disabilities and those from Indigenous, Black, racialized, LGBTQ2, and immigrant and newcomer communities.
  - Through presentations and interactive sessions, participants will reflect on the steps that governments, civil society, and all Canadians can take to ensure an inclusive response to and recovery from the pandemic that leaves no one behind.
  - To learn more about the two-day program, register, or contact the organizers, visit <https://gesummitfeministrecovery.ca/splashify-splash>
    - Registration is open until Thursday, March 4, 2021.
    - Registration is free, though limited to 1,000 participants.

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

<sup>10</sup> <https://www.canada.ca/en/indigenous-services-canada/news/2021/02/government-of-canada-covid-19-update-for-indigenous-peoples-and-communities2.html>

<sup>11</sup> <https://www.canada.ca/en/women-gender-equality/news/2021/02/government-of-canada-to-host-canadas-feminist-response-and-recovery-summit-to-mark-international-womens-day.html>