

## 3 NATIONS COVID-19 UPDATE – 07 April 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 Apr 06</b>	<b>As of Apr 07</b>	<b>Change</b>
Total confirmed cases in BC	105,988	106,985	<b>997</b>
Total active cases in BC	8,671	8,728	<b>57</b>
Currently in intensive care	96	105	<b>9</b>
Currently hospitalized	328	330	<b>2</b>
Total hospitalized to date	5,495	5,528	<b>33</b>
Total deaths in BC	1,489	1,491	<b>2</b>
Total recovered in BC	95,691	96,626	<b>935</b>

<b>CONFIRMED CASES BY REGION<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>As of Apr 06</b>	<b>As of Apr 07</b>	<b>Change</b>
Total confirmed cases in BC	105,988	106,985	<b>997</b>
Vancouver Coastal Health	26,141	26,497	<b>356</b>
Fraser Health	60,699	61,164	<b>465</b>
Island Health	3,682	3,749	<b>67</b>
Interior Health	8,992	9,083	<b>91</b>
Northern Health	6,294	6,312	<b>18</b>
Out of Canada	180	180	<b>0</b>
Total individuals tested in BC	2,255,080	2,267,352	<b>11,202</b>

<b>STATUS OF CASES IN YUKON<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>As of Apr 06</b>	<b>As of Apr 07</b>	<b>Change</b>
Total confirmed cases	74	74	<b>0</b>
Total active cases	2	0	<b>-2</b>
Total deaths	1	1	<b>0</b>
Total recovered	71	73	<b>2</b>
Total individuals tested	6,933	6,943	<b>10</b>
Negative results	6,849	6,854	<b>5</b>
Pending results	10	15	<b>5</b>

\*The BCCDC has reported 11,202 new tests, which does not align with the difference in total test numbers (12,272) between April 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>.

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

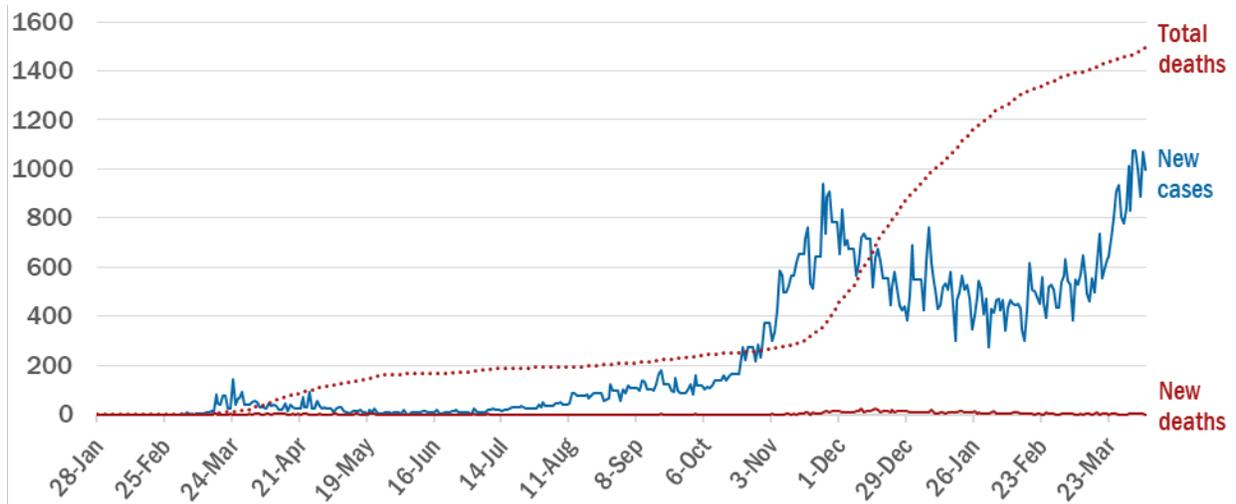
<sup>2</sup> Source: <https://yukon.ca/en/case-counts-covid-19>

**STATUS OF FIRST NATION RESERVE**

**CASES IN CANADA<sup>3</sup>**

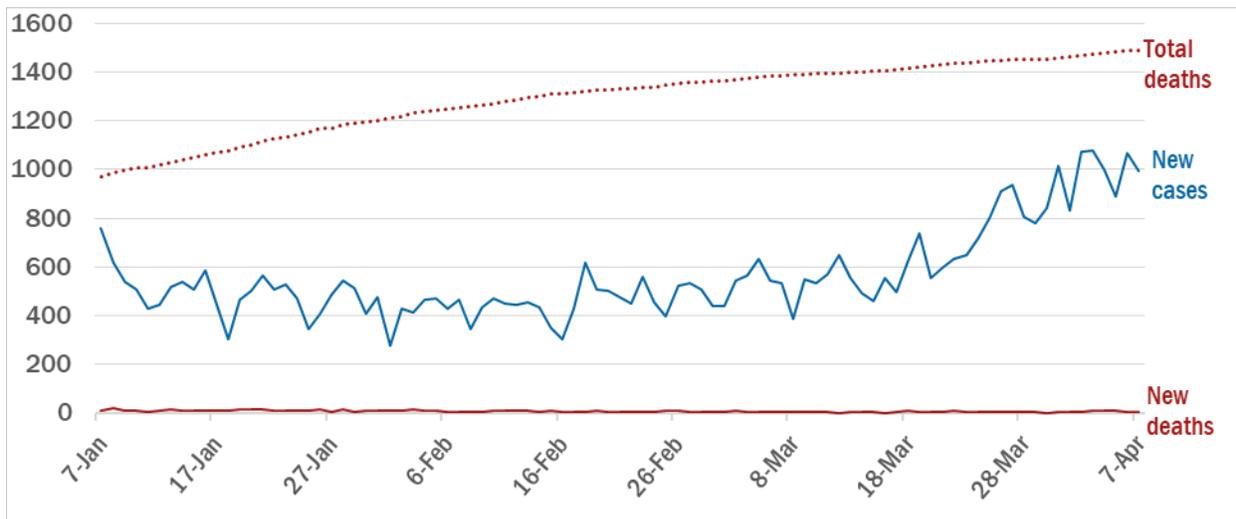
	As of Apr 04	As of Apr 06	Change
Total confirmed cases	25,032	25,174	142
Total active cases	707	635	-72
Currently hospitalized	1,127	1,134	7
Total deaths	285	290	59
Total recovered	24,040	24,249	209
Total confirmed cases in BC	2,802	2,864	62

**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**



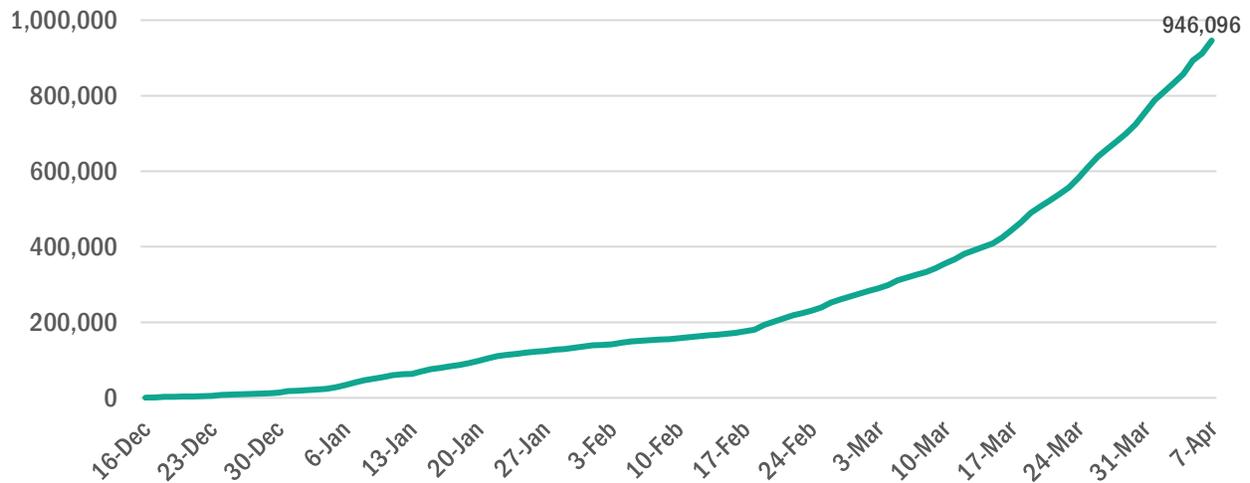
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## COVID-19 VACCINATION INFORMATION

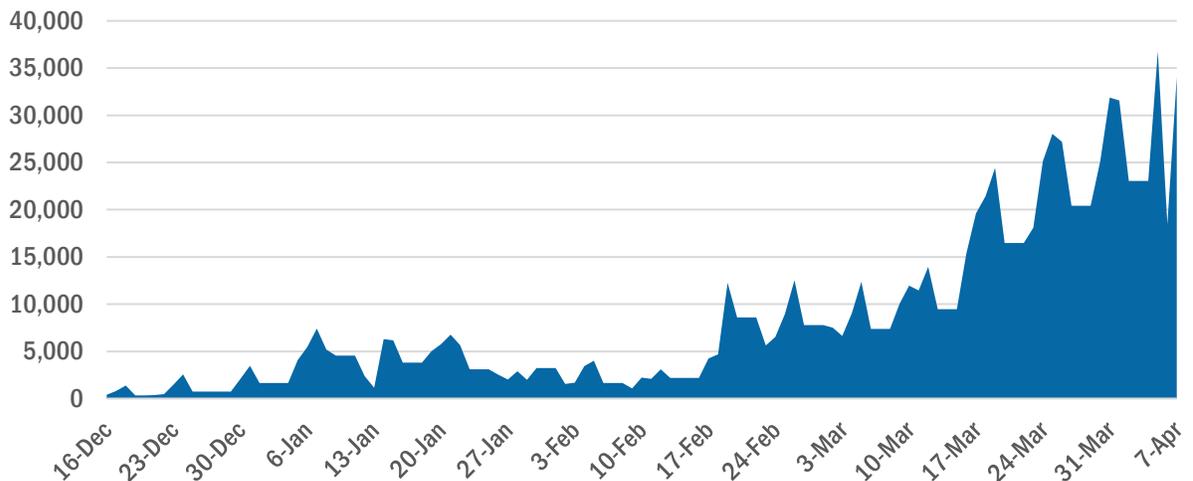
### STATUS OF VACCINE ADMINISTRATION<sup>4</sup>

	Total Doses Administered		Total Doses Supplied	% of Doses Administered	% Pop. with first dose	People Fully Vaccinated	% Pop. Fully Vaccinated <sup>5</sup>
	Today	Total					
<b>BC</b>	34,040	946,096	1,289,060	73.39%	16.69%	87,504	1.70%
<b>Yukon</b>	776	37,969	51,400	73.89%	56.83%	13,812	32.49%
<b>Canada</b>	230,751	6,989,368	10,140,250	68.90%	16.43%	746,094	1.96%

### TOTAL DOSES ADMINISTERED



### DOSES ADMINISTERED IN BC EACH DAY



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

<sup>5</sup> Source: <https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/track-vaccinations-across-canada-1.5870573>

## SIGNIFICANT UPDATES IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

- Today, Dr. Bonnie Henry, B.C.'s Provincial Health Officer, and Adrian Dix, Minister of Health, provided a joint update on the COVID-19 response in the province:<sup>6</sup>
  - “The Get Vaccinated online vaccine registration and booking system for B.C.’s age-based immunization program is open for everyone to register and then later book their vaccine appointment when eligible. More than 305,000 people have registered so far.”
  - Currently, the following groups may book an appointment:
    - Indigenous peoples age 18 and older
    - Age 70 years and older
    - ‘Clinically extremely vulnerable’ individuals with authorization letters
- Today the Minister of Mental Health and Addictions, Sheila Malcolmson, announced new mental health resources for sectors hit hard by the pandemic.<sup>7</sup>
  - A digital resource hub containing mental health resources is now available for employers and employees in B.C. who work in the tourism, hospitality, and community social services sectors.
  - The online hub offers a range of tools to help address common workplace concerns, such as bullying, harassment, COVID-19 exposure, coping with stress, and more.
  - The new hub provides workshops, webinars, and information to help employees manage stress and build resiliency.
  - The hub also provides navigation support to connect to other mental health services, including counselling and peer support.
  - To access the hub, visit: [www.workmentalhealthbc.ca](http://www.workmentalhealthbc.ca)
  - In May 2021, the hub will expand to include a training and coaching platform that will provide managers and leaders in these sectors with help to make workplace changes that support the long-term well-being of their employees.
- Today the Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction, Nicholas Simons, announced that new funding will enable the income tax-filing assistance service for people with disabilities to continue running.<sup>8</sup>
  - \$1.18 million in provincial funding is being invested to keep the Tax Assistance and Information program (Tax AID) running.
  - The program provides free help to people with disabilities and other barriers for filing their income tax and accessing tax credits and benefits.
  - The government anticipates that the program will be especially helpful for those on income or disability assistance who are faced with more complicated taxes this year due to provincial and federal emergency measures supporting them during the pandemic.

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<sup>6</sup> <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2021HLTH0024-000659>

<sup>7</sup> <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2021MMHA0015-000644>

<sup>8</sup> <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2021SDPR0024-000643>

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

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

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

- Today, Canada's vaccine advisory committee confirmed its recommendation to extend the time between the first and second doses of COVID-19 vaccines for up to four months.<sup>9</sup>
  - The National Advisory Committee on Immunization (NACI) released a statement regarding its extended dose interval recommendation with detailed evidence summaries and analyses that support the recommendation.
  - NACI recommends that second doses should be offered as soon as possible after all eligible populations have been offered first doses, with priority given to those at highest risk of severe illness and death from COVID-19.
  - With Canada's expected vaccine supply, NACI anticipates that the interval between the first and second dose will be less than four months.
  - Extending COVID-19 vaccine dose intervals will optimize vaccine rollout and protection of the population by allowing many more people to gain protection against COVID-19 by receiving the first dose of a COVID-19 vaccine earlier.
- Today, Chief Public Health Officer, Dr. Theresa Tam, released a statement regarding the ongoing response to COVID-19 in Canada, which included the following:<sup>10</sup>
  - As vaccine delivery ramps up at an accelerated pace, there is cause for optimism that widespread and lasting immunity can be achieved through COVID-19 vaccination.
  - However, with the ongoing and rapid increase in COVID-19 activity over several weeks and a concerning rise in the proportion of cases that involve more contagious variants of concern, strong public health measures and individual precautions must be sustained.
  - The rise in severe and critical illnesses is placing renewed strain on the health system and healthcare workforce.
  - While COVID-19 continues to impact people of all ages in Canada, infection rates are highest among those aged 20 to 39 years of age.
  - As well, we are seeing an increased number of adults, under the age of 60 years, being treated for COVID-19 in hospital, including in intensive care units.
  - This is a reminder that serious illness can occur at any age and evidence indicates that variants of concern can be associated with more severe illness and increased risk of death.

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

<sup>9</sup> <https://www.canada.ca/content/dam/phac-aspc/documents/services/immunization/national-advisory-committee-on-immunization-naci/naci-summary-extended-dose-interval-statement-en.pdf>

<sup>10</sup> <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/news/2021/04/statement-from-the-chief-public-health-officer-of-canada-on-april-7-2021.html>