

## 3 NATIONS COVID-19 UPDATE – 14 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 13</b>	<b>As of Apr 14</b>	<b>Change</b>
Total confirmed cases in BC	113,702	114,870	<b>1,168</b>
Total active cases in BC	9,756	9,821	<b>65</b>
Currently in intensive care	116	120	<b>4</b>
Currently hospitalized	377	397	<b>20</b>
Total hospitalized to date	5,702	5,755	<b>53</b>
Total deaths in BC	1,515	1,521	<b>6</b>
Total recovered in BC	102,268	103,360	<b>1,092</b>

<b>CONFIRMED CASES BY REGION<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>As of Apr 13</b>	<b>As of Apr 14</b>	<b>Change</b>
Total confirmed cases in BC	113,702	114,870	<b>1,168</b>
Vancouver Coastal Health	28,262	28,603	<b>341</b>
Fraser Health	64,916	65,548	<b>632</b>
Island Health	4,082	4,146	<b>64</b>
Interior Health	9,666	9,771	<b>105</b>
Northern Health	6,595	6,621	<b>26</b>
Out of Canada	181	181	<b>0</b>
Total individuals tested in BC	2,336,090	2,348,414	<b>12,324*</b>

<b>STATUS OF CASES IN YUKON<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>As of Apr 13</b>	<b>As of Apr 14</b>	<b>Change</b>
Total confirmed cases	75	76	<b>1</b>
Total active cases	1	2	<b>1</b>
Total deaths	1	1	<b>0</b>
Total recovered	73	73	<b>0</b>
Total individuals tested	6,985	7,000	<b>15</b>
Negative results	6,895	6,889	<b>-6</b>
Pending results	15	35	<b>20</b>

\*The BCCDC has reported 12,221 new tests but this does not align with the difference in total test numbers between April 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>.

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

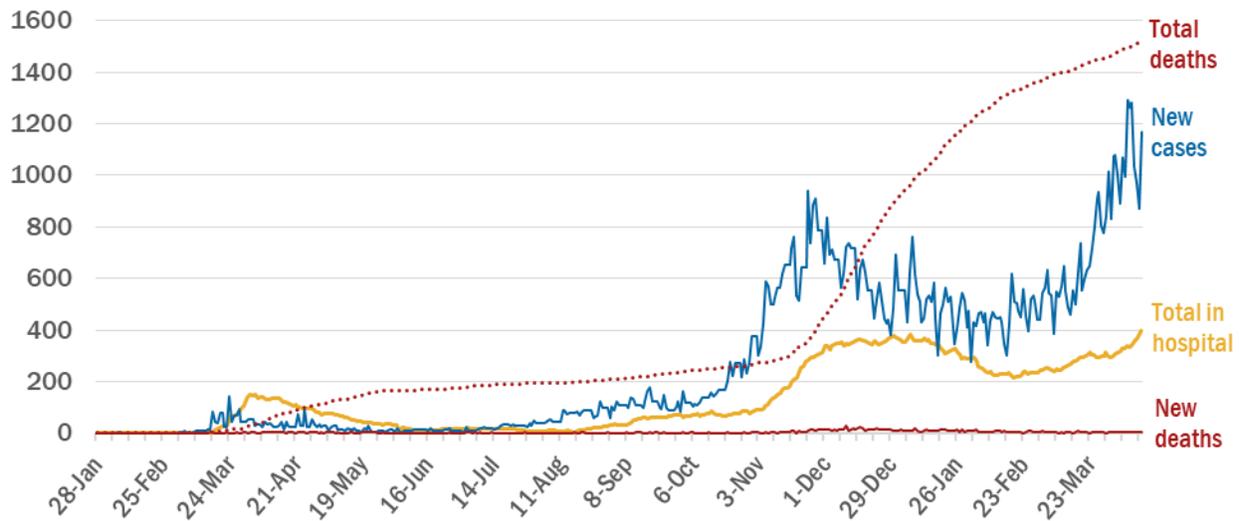
<sup>2</sup> Source: <https://yukon.ca/en/case-counts-covid-19>

**STATUS OF FIRST NATION RESERVE**

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

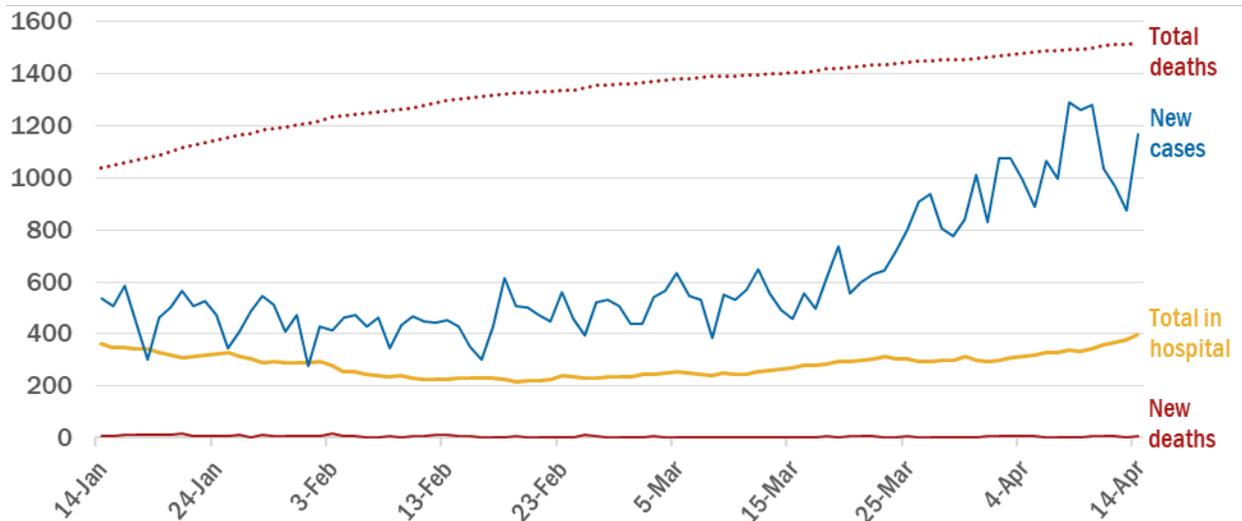
	As of Apr 12	As of Apr 13	Change
Total confirmed cases	25,688	25,789	101
Total active cases	666	704	38
Currently hospitalized	1,151	1,153	2
Total deaths	298	299	1
Total recovered	24,724	24,786	62
Total confirmed cases in BC	2,897	2,900	3

**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**



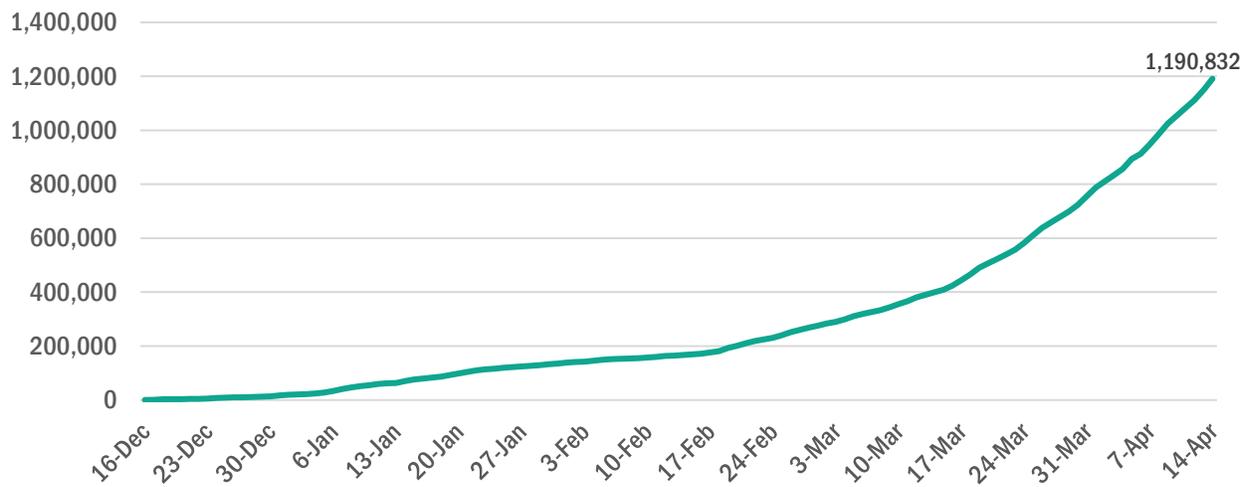
<sup>3</sup> Source: <https://www.sac-isc.gc.ca/eng/1598625105013/1598625167707>

## COVID-19 VACCINATION INFORMATION

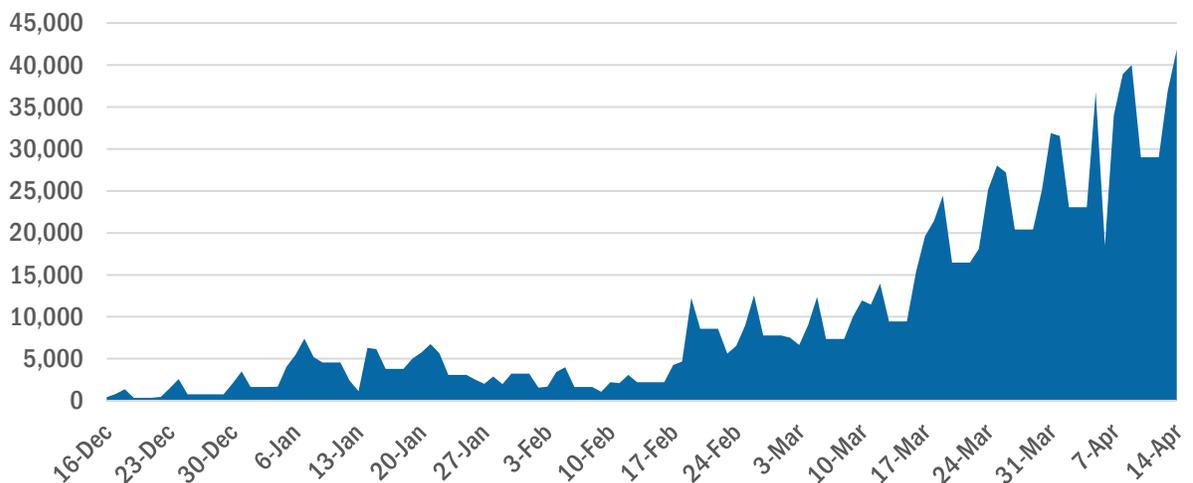
### STATUS OF VACCINE ADMINISTRATION<sup>4</sup>

	Total Doses Administered		Total Doses Supplied	% of Doses Administered	% Pop. with first dose	People Fully Vaccinated	% Pop. Fully Vaccinated <sup>5</sup>
	Today	Total					
<b>BC</b>	41,839	1,190,832	1,498,430	79.47%	21.44%	87,820	1.71%
<b>Yukon</b>	503	42,857	51,400	83.37%	58.71%	18,095	42.57%
<b>Canada</b>	297,534	8,898,865	11,470,260	77.60%	21.20%	840,431	2.21%

### 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, issued a joint statement on the ongoing COVID-19 response in B.C. Highlights include the following:<sup>6</sup>
  - Everyone 55 and older is eligible to receive a vaccine, and the AstraZeneca vaccine is available for anyone 55 and over through their local pharmacy.
  - “We are pleased to see today’s Health Canada assessment and decision on the AstraZeneca vaccine. We’ve been following this closely, and we await the recommendations from the National Advisory Council on Immunization to determine how to best use this vaccine going forward to further enhance our protection.”

## SIGNIFICANT UPDATES IN THE YUKON TERRITORY

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

## SIGNIFICANT UPDATES FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

- Today, Health Canada provided an update on its safety review of very rare events of blood clots associated with low levels of blood platelets following immunization with the AstraZeneca and COVISHIELD COVID-19 vaccines:<sup>7</sup>
  - After a thorough, independent assessment of the currently available scientific data, Health Canada has concluded that these events may be linked to use of the vaccine. This is in line with the findings of other regulators.
    - As a result, the warnings in the product information have been updated to inform Canadians of the possible side effects, and to provide information about the signs and symptoms and when to seek prompt medical attention following vaccination.
  - Based on Health Canada’s review of available data from Europe, the United Kingdom, and AstraZeneca, no specific risk factors have been identified. Therefore, Health Canada is not restricting the use of the vaccine in any specific populations at this time.
  - Health Canada is reassuring Canadians that the AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccine continues to be safe and effective at protecting against COVID-19 and encourages people to get immunized with any of the COVID-19 vaccines that are authorized in Canada.
  - The National Advisory Committee on Immunization is also reviewing available information to determine whether to maintain or modify its current recommendation not to use the vaccine in people under 55.
- Today, Dr. Theresa Tam, Chief Public Health Officer, released a statement regarding COVID-19 in Canada. Highlights include the following:<sup>8</sup>
  - “With the current acceleration of COVID-19 activity 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 where COVID-19 is circulating.”

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<sup>6</sup> <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2021HLTH0025-000712>

<sup>7</sup> <https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/news/2021/04/health-canada-provides-update-on-safety-review-of-astrazeneca-and-covishield-covid-19-vaccines.html>

<sup>8</sup> <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/news/2021/04/statement-from-the-chief-public-health-officer-of-canada-on-april-14-2021.html>

- “Sustained high infection rates are also impacting COVID-19 severity indicators, particularly in areas with elevated disease activity. The rise in severe and critical illnesses is placing renewed strain on the health system and healthcare workforce.”
  - Over the past week, there has been a 33% increase in people being treated in hospitals each day and a 17% increase in mortality rates.
- Today, Patty Hajdu, Minister of Health, announced the establishment of a Critical Drug Reserve, an additional safety net of key drugs used in the treatment of COVID-19 symptoms.<sup>9</sup>
  - Canada is procuring an initial 3-month supply of 12 drugs. The reserve targets the drugs that hospitals rely on most to treat patients who are critically ill with COVID-19, and are at risk of shortage.
  - In selecting which drugs to procure, the Department looked at Canada’s experience with COVID-19 to date, as well as advice from the provinces and territories and critical care health experts.
  - The reserve will not affect Canada’s regular drug supply, as it uses extra supply that has not already been earmarked for the Canadian market.
  - Participation in the Critical Drug Reserve is voluntary. British Columbia, Saskatchewan, Ontario, Nunavut, and the Northwest Territories have signed a Memorandum of Understanding to participate in the reserve, and more are expected to sign on in the coming weeks.
- Today, Catherine McKenna, Minister of Infrastructure and Communities, announced \$150 million for better ventilation in schools, hospitals, and other public buildings to help reduce the risk of aerosol transmission of COVID-19.<sup>10,11</sup>
  - These investments will help reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission by funding projects to assess, monitor, and improve indoor air quality and ventilation, including upgrades or conversions of heating, ventilation, and air conditioning systems, as well as community-based solutions in Indigenous communities.
  - This funding will be delivered through a new category of investments under the COVID-19 Resilience Infrastructure stream of the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program.
    - \$30 million of the funds will be delivered by Indigenous Services Canada and Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada to projects that directly benefit First Nations, Inuit, and Métis communities to help address the unique challenges they face.
    - \$120 million will be available to provincial, territorial, municipal, and local governments (and Indigenous communities via respective provincial and territorial governments) as a top-up to the Government of Canada’s COVID-19 Resilience stream of the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program.

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

<sup>9</sup> <https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/news/2021/04/government-of-canada-establishes-critical-drug-reserve-to-bolster-canadas-supply-of-drugs-used-to-treat-covid-19.html>

<sup>10</sup> <https://www.canada.ca/en/office-infrastructure/news/2021/04/government-of-canada-investing-an-additional-150-million-in-better-ventilation-for-schools-hospitals-and-other-public-buildings.html>

<sup>11</sup> <https://www.canada.ca/en/office-infrastructure/news/2021/04/backgrounder-government-of-canada-investing-an-additional-150-million-in-better-ventilation-for-schools-hospitals-and-other-public-buildings.html>