

3 NATIONS COVID-19 UPDATE – 12 May 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

STATUS OF CASES IN BC¹	As of May 11	As of May 12	Change*
Total confirmed cases in BC	136,623	137,223	600
Total active cases in BC	6,020	5,887	-133
Currently in intensive care	141	141	0
Currently hospitalized	426	423	-3
Total hospitalized to date	7,180	7,217	37
Total deaths in BC	1,624	1,627	3
Total recovered in BC	128,782	129,524	742
CONFIRMED CASES BY REGION¹	As of May 11	As of May 12	Change*
Total confirmed cases in BC	136,623	137,223	600
Vancouver Coastal Health	33,259	33,409	150
Fraser Health	79,441	79,835	394
Island Health	4,868	4,876	8
Interior Health	11,490	11,529	39
Northern Health	7,369	7,378	9
Out of Canada	196	196	0
Total individuals tested in BC	2,624,219	2,633,369	9,150*
STATUS OF CASES IN YUKON²	As of May 11	As of May 12	Change
Total confirmed cases	84	84	0
Total active cases	1	1	0
Total deaths	2	2	0
Total recovered	80	80	0
Total individuals tested	7,291	7,317	26
Negative results	7,200	7,206	6
Pending results	9	27	18

*The BCCDC reported 9,109 new tests between May 11th and 12th.

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

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

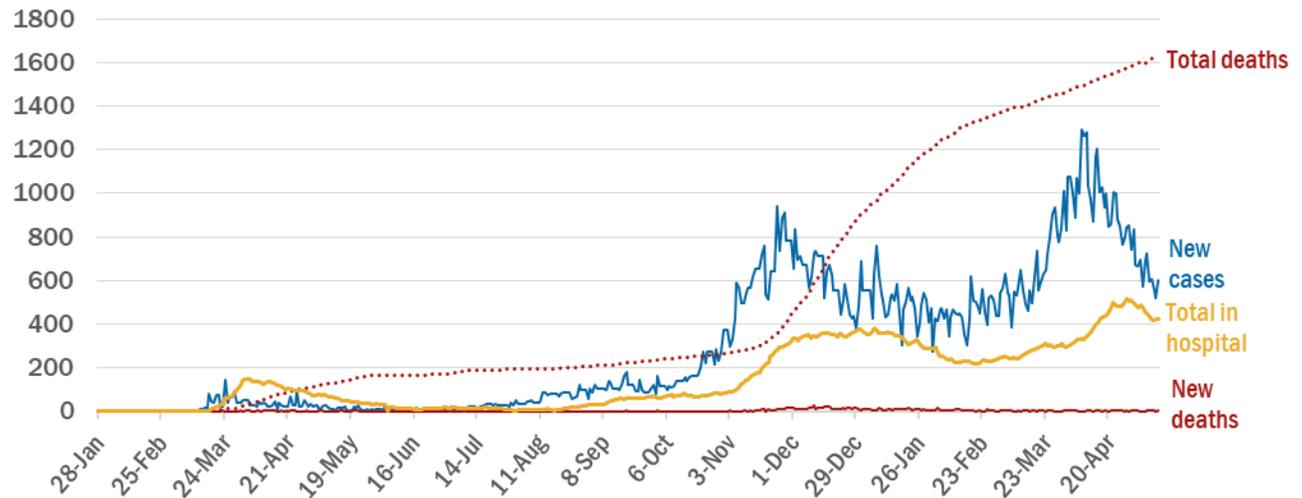
STATUS OF FIRST NATION RESERVE

CASES IN CANADA³

	As of May 07	As of May 11*	Change
Total confirmed cases	27,864	28,118	254
Total active cases	841	820	-21
Currently hospitalized	1,251	1,255	4
Total deaths	320	326	6
Total recovered	26,703	26,972	269
Total confirmed cases in BC	2,998	3,007	9

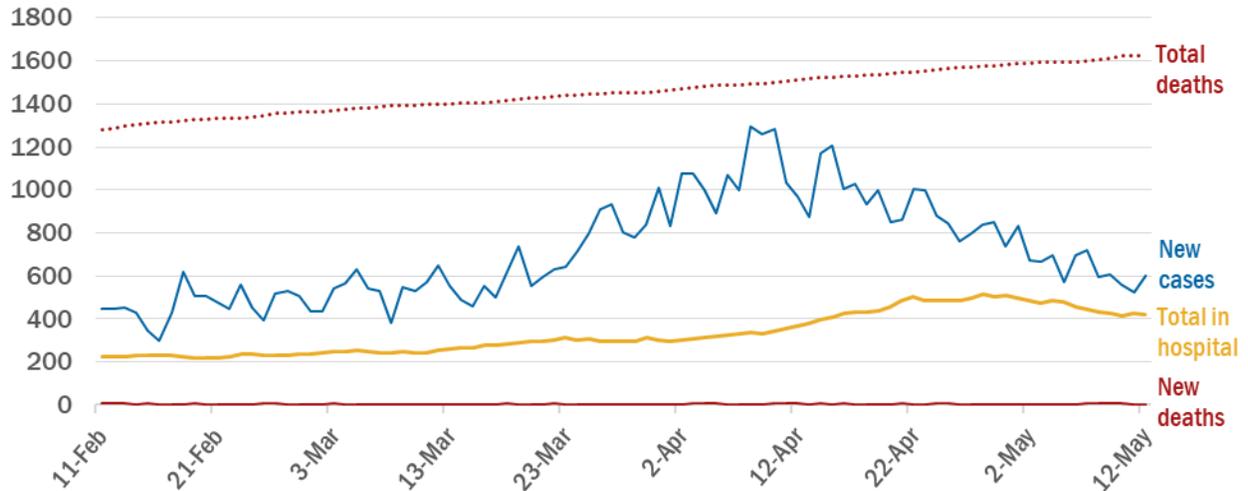
*Data for May 12th was not available at time of reporting.

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



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

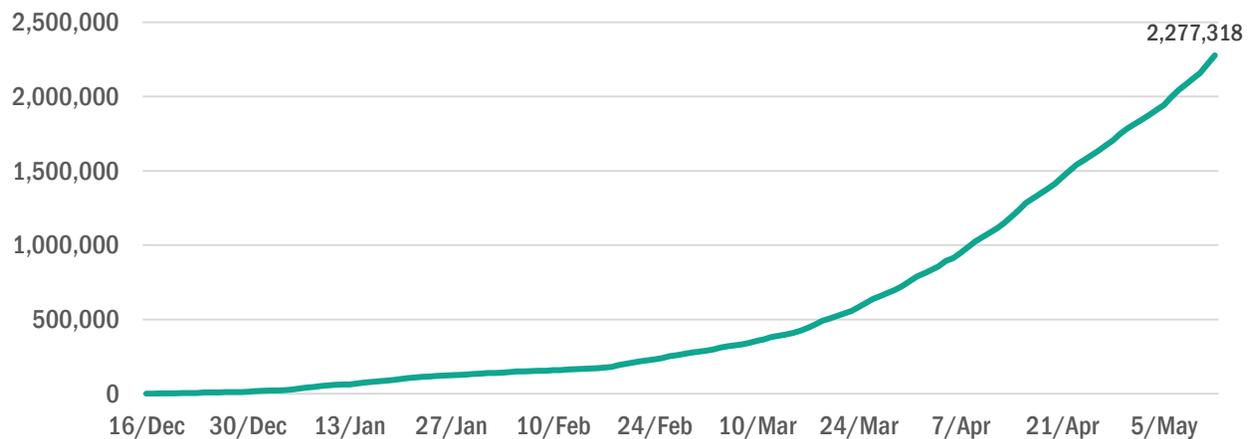
COVID-19 VACCINATION INFORMATION

STATUS OF VACCINE ADMINISTRATION⁴

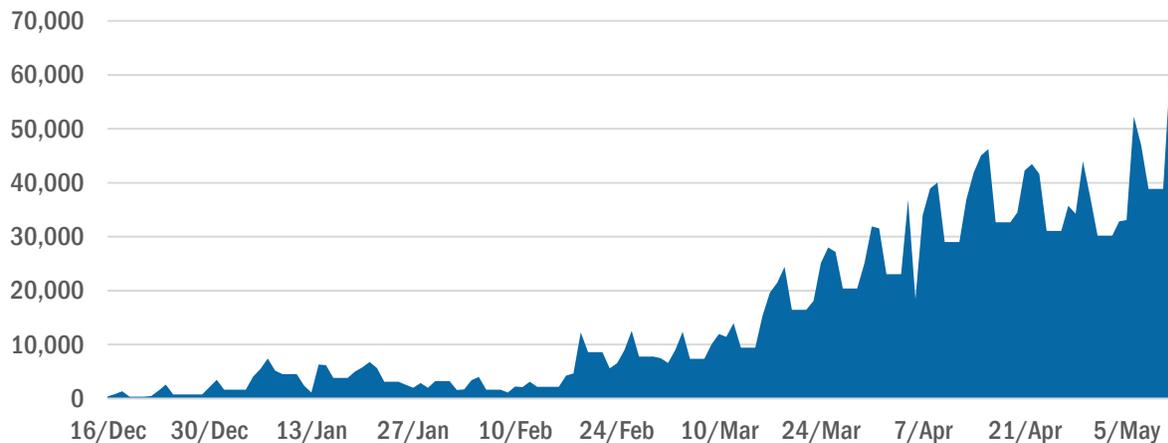
	Total Doses Administered		Total Doses Supplied	% of Doses Administered	% Pop. with first dose	People Fully Vaccinated	% Pop. Fully Vaccinated ⁵
	Today	Total					
BC	57,462	2,277,318	2,657,520	85.69%	42.02%*	115,295	2.24%
Yukon	434	50,270	57,020	88.16%	63.49%*	23,492	55.27%
Canada	346,777	16,904,709	20,137,194	83.90%	41.04%	1,308,290	3.44%

*There is a discrepancy between the Canada COVID-19 Vaccination Tracker data source and information being released by the province of BC and Yukon territory.

TOTAL DOSES ADMINISTERED



DOSES ADMINISTERED IN BC EACH DAY



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

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

SIGNIFICANT UPDATES IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

- Today, B.C.'s provincial health officer, Dr. Bonnie Henry, and Minister of Health, Adrian Dix, issued the following statement regarding updates on COVID-19 in B.C.⁶
 - "Later today, people 30 and older across the province will be able to book their vaccine. Text and email invitations will be going out shortly, so take two minutes to get yourself registered."
 - "Given the limited availability of the AstraZeneca vaccine supply, we are holding all remaining AstraZeneca vaccine for dose-two booster immunizations. Existing pharmacy bookings will proceed, but no additional appointments will be accepted at this time."
 - "We are also awaiting the findings of studies currently underway on interchangeability of COVID-19 vaccines, as well as guidance from the National Advisory Committee on Immunization. This will help determine our approach and options for second doses."
 - "No matter what your vaccine or when you may receive it, everyone will receive their second dose within 16 weeks of their first vaccine to maximize the protection for ourselves and those around us."
 - "Our province has ample vaccine supply with more arriving each week. Now, it is your turn to step forward and get protected with your COVID-19 vaccine. Small efforts make a big difference and that includes registering, getting vaccinated, staying small and staying local."
- Today, Premier John Horgan Government announced that more than 50%* of eligible British Columbians have received the first dose of the COVID-19 vaccine.⁷
 - "We've made extraordinary progress together over the past few weeks toward everyone getting their first dose of COVID-19 vaccine."
 - "COVID-19 has turned our lives upside down, but this milestone gives us hope of better days ahead. We have to keep going. We need all British Columbians to help make sure as many people as possible get their shots. Register today and talk to your friends, family and neighbours and make sure they're registered, too."
- Today, Minister of Citizens' Services, Lisa Beare, announced the extension of the Order under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIPPA) that permits the use of virtual communication software by health-care workers, educators, and other public-sector staff during COVID-19.⁸
 - This Order was put in place on March 26, 2020 and is set to expire on December 31, 2021.
- Today, the B.C. Government announced proposed amendments to the Motor Vehicle Act that will leave individuals with unpaid COVID-19 fines unable to obtain or renew a B.C. driver's license or vehicle license.⁹
 - If the proposed amendment is passed, it will come into force on July 21st.

⁶ <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2021HLTH0034-000902>

⁷ <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2021PREM0034-000900>

⁸ <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2021CITZ0034-000901>

⁹ <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2021PSSG0039-000885>

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- Today, the First Nations Health Authority (FNHA) announced the launch of a four-month overdose prevention and harm reduction awareness campaign to increase the supports available to individuals impacted by the COVID-19 toxic drug crisis.¹⁰
 - The number of First Nations people in B.C. impacted by the toxic drug supply has risen dramatically and disproportionately during COVID-19 and this campaign will help expand harm reduction services, supports, and education while also raising awareness.
 - To view the campaign videos and resources, please visit: <https://harmreduction.fnha.ca/>

SIGNIFICANT UPDATES IN THE YUKON TERRITORY

- Today, the Government of Yukon announced the following updates regarding COVID-19 in the territory:
 - A shipment of the Pfizer vaccine will arrive in the territory in the coming weeks.¹¹
 - This shipment will allow Yukoners aged 12 to 17 to be vaccinated.
 - Youth vaccine clinics will be established in most communities and medical travel will be supported for those places where a youth clinic is not held.
 - 74%* of eligible Yukoners have received the first dose of the COVID-19 vaccine and 66% have received the second dose.¹²
 - Uptake of the COVID-19 vaccine is expected to increase, and all Yukoners are urged to take advantage of the opportunity to receive a vaccine.
 - Yukoners who have had a COVID-19 test can receive negative test results online at:¹³ <https://service.yukon.ca/forms/en/get-covid19-test-result>
 - Anyone who tests positive for COVID-19 will be contacted promptly by Yukon Communicable Disease Control and will be instructed on the next steps.

SIGNIFICANT UPDATES FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

- Today, the Government of Canada provided the following update on COVID-19 in Indigenous communities:¹⁴
 - As of May 11th, more than 20 million COVID-19 vaccine doses have been distributed across the country and 416,106 vaccine doses have been administered in 690 First Nations, Inuit, and territorial communities.
 - Last week, Health Canada authorized the use of the Pfizer vaccine in those aged 12 to 15; Indigenous Services Canada and Indigenous partners, in collaboration with the provinces and territories, have established a national task group on vaccine uptake for First Nations, Inuit, and Métis youth.
 - This group aims to develop strategies to engage with Indigenous youth as part of the vaccine rollout process.
 - Many urban Indigenous vaccination clinics are underway across the country and more Indigenous peoples will have access to the vaccine as the age eligibility increases.

¹⁰ <https://www.fnha.ca/about/news-and-events/news/new-harm-reduction-campaign-aims-to-increase-the-support-reduce-the-harm>

¹¹ <https://yukon.ca/en/news/covid-19-vaccinations-be-available-yukon-youth>

¹² <https://yukon.ca/en/news/vaccine-statistics-released-all-yukon-communities>

¹³ <https://yukon.ca/en/news/may-12-2021-covid-19-update>

¹⁴ <https://www.canada.ca/en/indigenous-services-canada/news/2021/05/government-of-canada-covid-19-update-for-indigenous-peoples-and-communities0.html>

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- Today, Minister of National Revenue, Diane LeBouthillier, and Minister of Families, Children, and Social Development, Ahmed Hussen, announced that the Canada Child Benefit young child supplement (CCBYCS) will be issued this month.¹⁵
 - Young families have been severely impacted by COVID-19 and this supplement will provide families with a net income of \$120,000 or less with \$300 per payment for each child under the age of six.
 - The first payment will be issued on May 28th and the final two payments will be issued on July 30th and October 29th, 2021.
 - To learn more about the CCBYCS, please visit: <https://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/services/child-family-benefits/ccb-young-child-supplement.html>
- Today, Minister of Employment, Workforce Development and Disability Inclusion, Carla Qualtrough, announced over \$2.3 million in funding for three projects that will support internationally trained nurses to get foreign credentials recognized promptly and to ensure a smooth transition into the workforce.¹⁶
 - The COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted the importance of reducing the time it takes for nurses to complete their certifications, in order to meet the urgent needs of the health care system and these projects will help nurses put their education and skills to work sooner.

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

¹⁵ <https://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/news/2021/05/up-to-1200-more-per-child-for-16-million-families-across-canada.html>

¹⁶ <https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/news/2021/05/national-nurses-work--international-nurses-day-2021.html>