

3 NATIONS COVID-19 UPDATE – 01 June 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 31	As of Jun 01	Change
Total confirmed cases in BC	144,289	144,473	184
Total active cases in BC	2,953	2,800	-153
Currently in intensive care	78	80	2
Currently hospitalized	249	254	5
Total hospitalized to date	7,706	7,715	9
Total deaths in BC	1,703	1,703	0
Total recovered in BC	139,562	139,899	337

CONFIRMED CASES BY REGION¹	As of May 31	As of Jun 01	Change
Total confirmed cases in BC	144,289	144,473	184
Vancouver Coastal Health	34,866	34,914	48
Fraser Health	84,080	84,193	113
Island Health	5,059	5,060	1
Interior Health	12,402	12,421	19
Northern Health	7,683	7,685	2
Out of Canada	199	200	1
Total tests	2,766,403	2,771,709	5,306*

STATUS OF CASES IN YUKON²	As of May 31	As of Jun 01	Change
Total confirmed cases	84	84	0
Total active cases	0	0	0
Total deaths	2	2	0
Total recovered	82	82	0
Total individuals tested	7,549	7,567	18
Negative results	7,464	7,463	-1
Pending results	1	20	19

*The BCCDC has reported 5,157 new tests but this does not align with the difference in total test numbers between May 31st and June 1st.

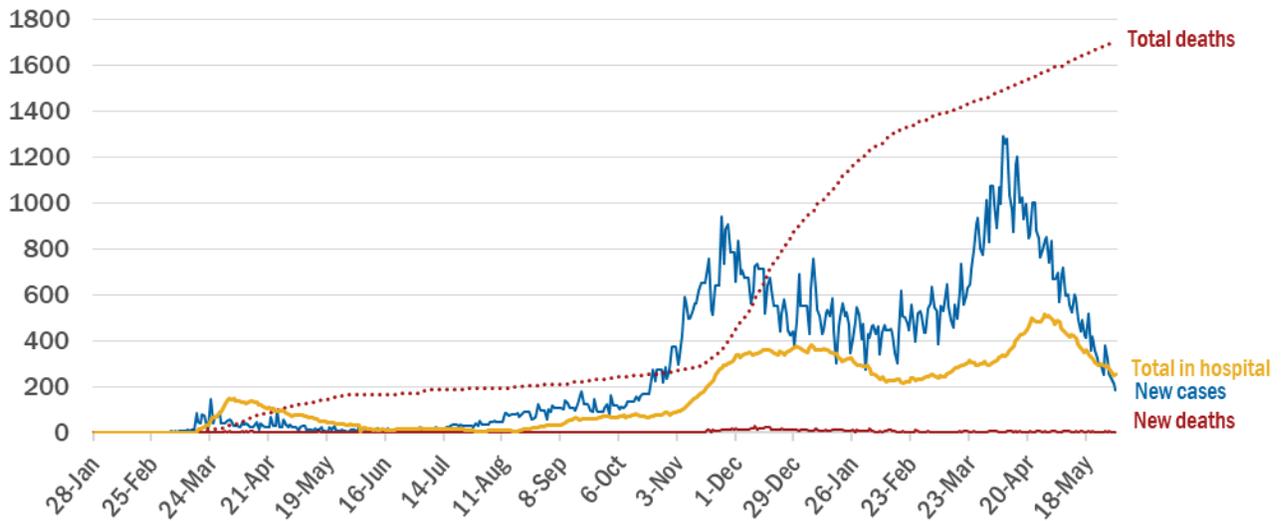
¹ Source: <https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/a6f23959a8b14bfa989e3cda29297ded>

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

**STATUS OF FIRST NATION RESERVE
CASES IN CANADA ³**

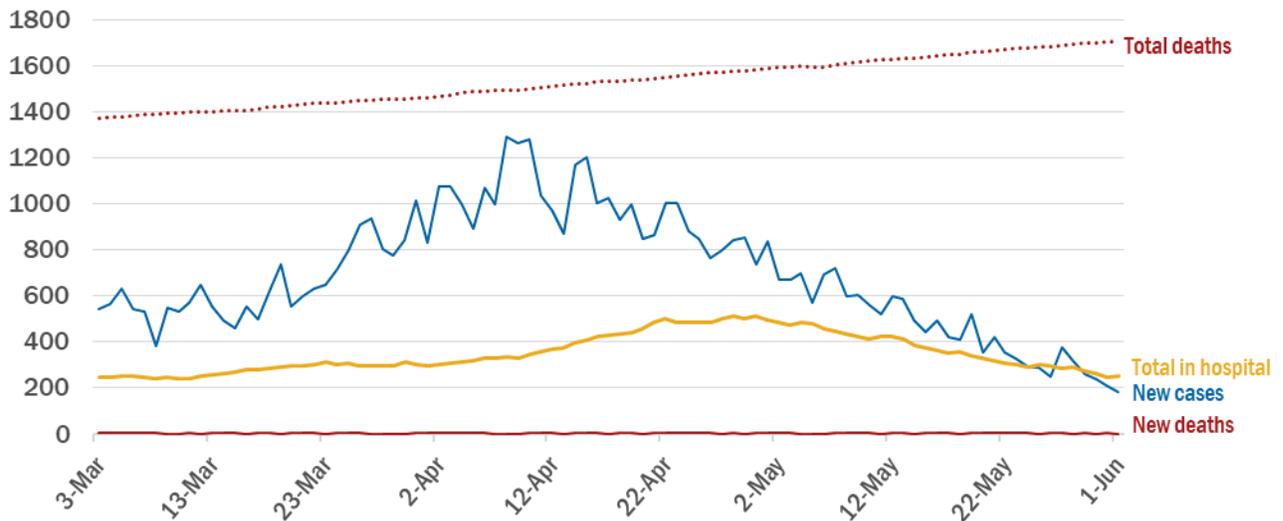
	As of May 28	As of May 31	Change
Total confirmed cases	29,548	29,806	258
Total active cases	670	705	35
Currently hospitalized	1,349	1,355	6
Total deaths	337	341	4
Total recovered	28,541	28,756	215
Total confirmed cases in BC	3,082	3,098	16

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



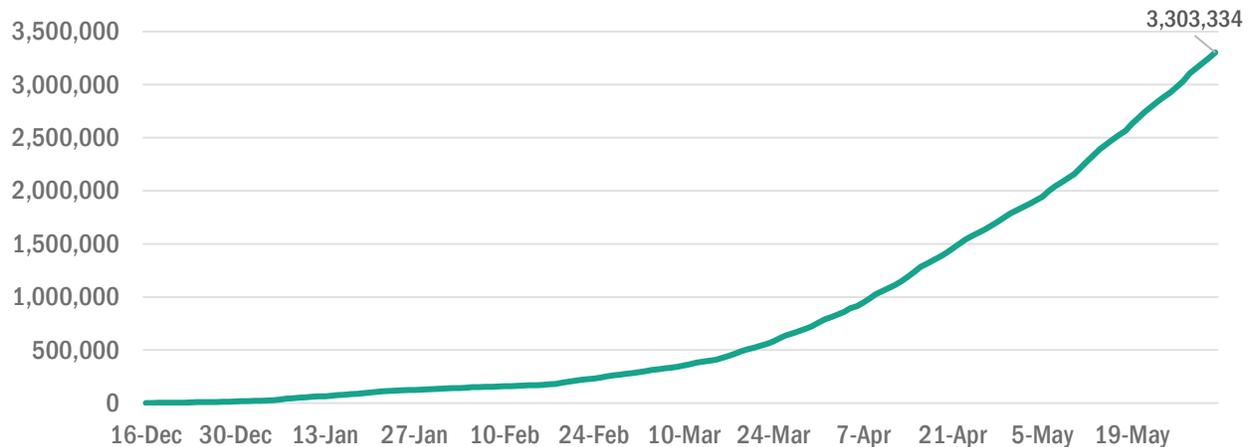
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COVID-19 VACCINATION INFORMATION

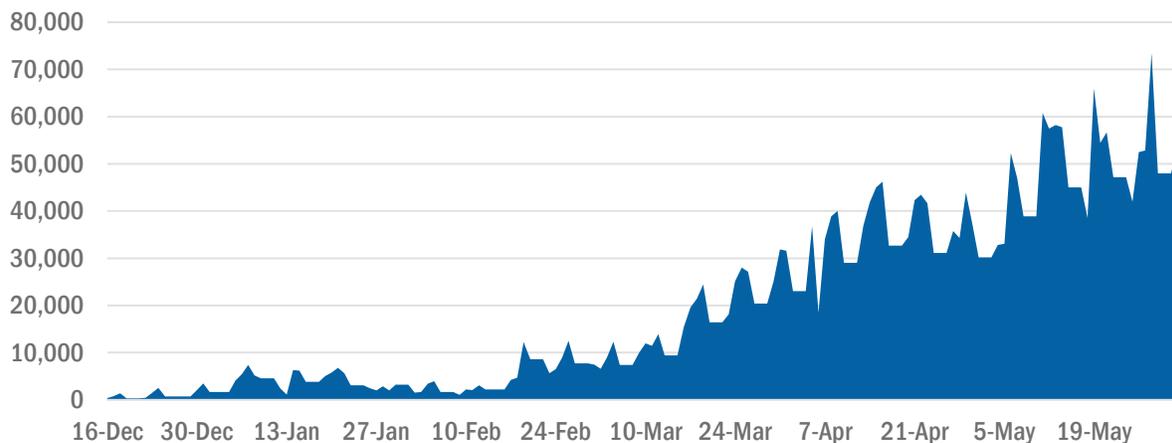
STATUS OF VACCINE ADMINISTRATION⁴

	Total Doses Administered		Total Doses Supplied	% of Doses Administered	% Pop. with first dose	People Fully Vaccinated	% Pop. Fully Vaccinated ⁵
	Today	Total					
BC	53,173	3,303,334	3,768,620	87.65%	60.48%	191,222	3.72%
Yukon	N/A	52,913	64,520	82.01%	66.33%	24,937	58.67%
Canada	306,949	24,169,346	27,762,112	87.10%	57.90%	2,161,527	5.69%

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, Dr. Bonnie Henry, B.C.'s provincial health officer, and Adrian Dix, Minister of Health, provided a joint statement regarding COVID-19 in B.C., including the following highlights for updated vaccine guidance:⁶
 - “Today, the National Advisory Committee on Immunization (NACI) provided guidance on the interchangeability of COVID-19 vaccines for first and second doses. NACI confirmed the safety and effectiveness of interchanging vaccines and reaffirmed the recommendation to prioritize second doses for those at highest risk of severe illness and death.”
 - “More specifically, NACI advises people who received a first dose of the AstraZeneca COVISHIELD vaccine may safely receive either the same vaccine or an mRNA vaccine for their second dose.”
 - “Additionally, people who received a first dose of one type of mRNA vaccine may safely receive another mRNA vaccine for their second dose.”
 - “Building on the plan for second doses of mRNA vaccines shared last week, this latest guidance will help inform the approach we take here in B.C. for those who received the AstraZeneca COVISHIELD vaccine. More information will be provided on this later this week.”

SIGNIFICANT UPDATES IN THE YUKON TERRITORY

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

SIGNIFICANT UPDATES FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

- Today, Dr. Theresa Tam, Chief Public Health Officer, released a statement regarding the COVID-19 response in Canada. Highlights include the following:⁷
 - “Nationally, the steady decline in COVID-19 disease activity continues. With the considerable decline in infection rates, the number of people experiencing severe and critical illness has also declined.”
 - “Although the long months of this pandemic have been difficult, Canadians have worked together to get through the hardest parts, overcome the challenges of the many uncertainties we've encountered, and stepped up to do their part at every turn. This is perhaps no more evident than now, with vaccine uptake increasing in leaps and bounds, as supplies have increased and roll out expands.”
 - **Regarding Canada's National Advisory Committee on Immunization (NACI)'s update to vaccine guidance:**
 - “NACI's latest guidance, released today, considered a range of factors from safety concerns through vaccine supply to provide recommendations on the safety and effectiveness of the interchangeability of authorized COVID-19 vaccines or 'mixed vaccine schedules' for first and second doses of COVID-19 vaccines.”
 - NACI recommends that⁸:

⁶ <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2021HLTH0037-001061>

⁷ <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/news/2021/06/remarks-from-the-chief-public-health-officer-of-canada-on-june-1-2021.html>

⁸ <https://www.canada.ca/content/dam/phac-aspc/documents/services/immunization/national-advisory-committee-on-immunization-naci/summary-interchangeability-authorized-covid-19-vaccines-en.pdf>

- Persons who received a **first dose of the AstraZeneca/COVISHIELD vaccine** may receive either AstraZeneca/COVISHIELD vaccine or an mRNA vaccine (Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna) for their second dose, unless contraindicated.
- Persons who received a **first dose of an mRNA vaccine** (Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna) should be offered the same mRNA vaccine for their second dose. If the same mRNA vaccine is not readily available or unknown, another mRNA vaccine can be considered interchangeable and should be offered to complete the vaccine series.
- “In short, the interchangeability of vaccines means you can receive one vaccine product for your first dose and safely receive a different vaccine for your second dose to complete your two-dose vaccine series for optimal protection from COVID-19.”
- Today, Filomena Tassi, the Minister of Labour, the Federally Regulated Employers - Transportation and Communications (FETCO), and the Canadian Labour Congress (CLC) issued a joint statement regarding the role that vaccination can play in workplace health and safety.⁹
 - “Vaccination plays a critical role in the prevention of COVID-19 among workers, their families and surrounding communities. That is why the Government of Canada, FETCO, and the CLC encourage all workers in Canada to get the COVID-19 vaccine when it is their turn to do so.”
 - “We also strongly encourage employers to accommodate employees who are receiving their first and/or second vaccinations, and those who may be experiencing post-vaccination symptoms. By removing barriers and establishing supportive policies and practices, employers can help increase vaccine uptake among workers.”
 - “While employees may use their personal leave or medical leave under the Canada Labour Code to get a COVID-19 vaccine, workplace parties should continue to work together to protect workers, particularly front-line and essential workers, prevent the spread of the virus in the workplace, and ensure everyone gets vaccinated as quickly as possible.”
 - “Employers in federally regulated workplaces are responsible for protecting the health and safety of their employees at work. That is why we are calling for businesses and unions to take a proactive approach to better reach, equip and mobilize their employees and members to get vaccinated. The fastest way for Canadians and businesses to build back better is to take all steps to facilitate high vaccination rates.”
 - “The Government of Canada and some provincial and territorial governments are providing free rapid COVID-19 tests to organizations for regular workplace screening of close-contact employees. The use of rapid tests as a screening tool helps organizations to better protect their employees and customers, but it is not a substitute for other public health measures.”

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

⁹ <https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/news/2021/05/joint-statement-minister-of-labourfetcocl.html>