

## 3 NATIONS COVID-19 UPDATE – 20 July 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 Jul 19</b>	<b>As of Jul 20</b>	<b>Change</b>
Total confirmed cases in BC	148,487	148,563	<b>76</b>
Total active cases in BC	653	692	<b>39</b>
Currently in intensive care	12	12	<b>0</b>
Currently hospitalized	49	50	<b>1</b>
Total hospitalized to date	8,094	8,095	<b>1</b>
Total deaths in BC	1,763	1,763	<b>0</b>
Total recovered in BC	146,062	146,099	<b>37</b>

<b>CONFIRMED CASES BY REGION<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>As of Jul 19</b>	<b>As of Jul 20</b>	<b>Change</b>
Total confirmed cases in BC	148,487	148,563	<b>76</b>
Vancouver Coastal Health	35,642	35,651	<b>9</b>
Fraser Health	86,158	86,185	<b>27</b>
Island Health	5,195	5,198	<b>3</b>
Interior Health	13,462	13,499	<b>37</b>
Northern Health	7,811	7,811	<b>0</b>
Out of Canada	219	219	<b>0</b>
Total tests	3,050,924	3,058,035	<b>7,111*</b>

<b>STATUS OF CASES IN YUKON<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>As of Jul 19</b>	<b>As of Jul 20</b>	<b>Change</b>
Total confirmed cases	522	527	<b>5</b>
Total active cases	76	65	<b>-11</b>
Total deaths	6	6	<b>0</b>
Total recovered	441	457	<b>16</b>
Total individuals tested	10,154	10,193**	<b>39</b>
Negative results	9,614	9,631**	<b>17</b>
Pending results	25	44	<b>19</b>

\*The BCCDC has reported 6,822 new tests but this does not align with the difference in total test numbers between July 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>.

\*\*The Yukon Government posted COVID-19 test counts with the caveat that “information can change as we check data or as it becomes more complete”.

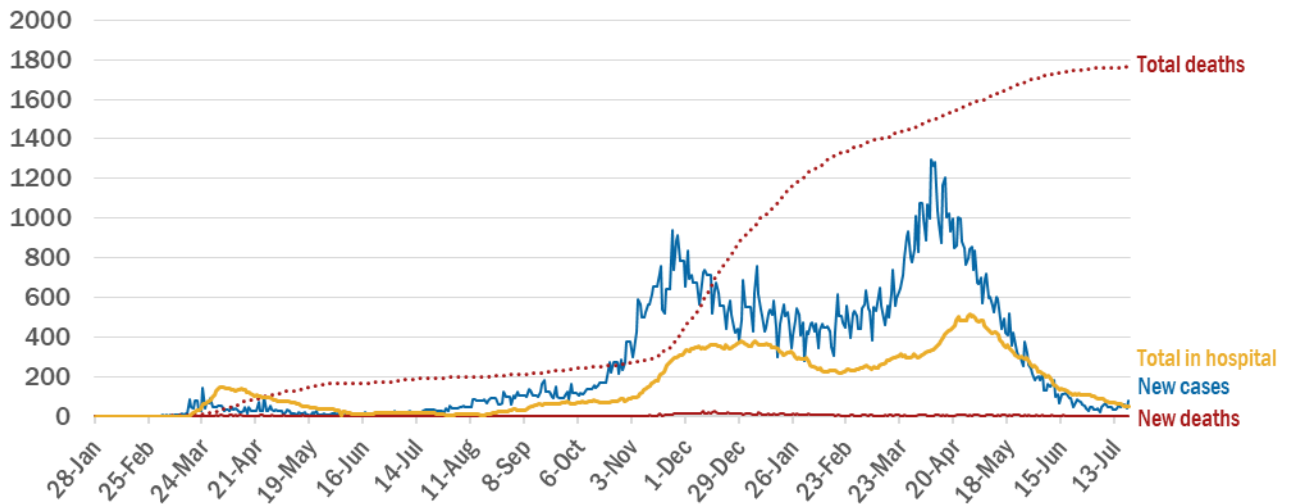
<sup>1</sup>Source: <https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/a6f23959a8b14bfa989e3cda29297ded>

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

**STATUS OF FIRST NATION RESERVE  
CASES IN CANADA<sup>3</sup>**

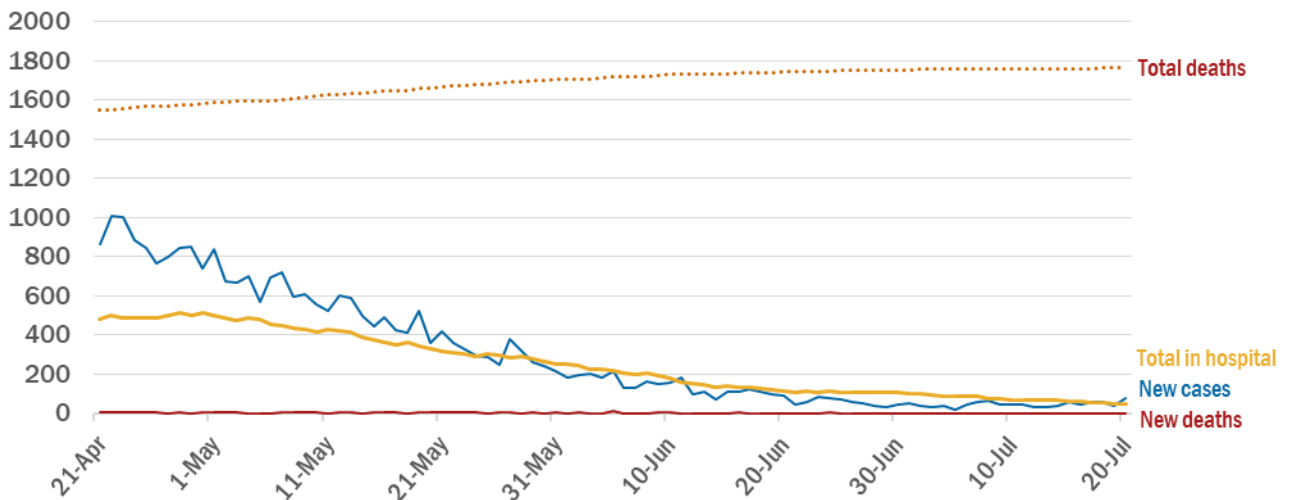
	As of Jul 16	As of Jul 19	Change
Total confirmed cases	32,637	32,721	84
Total active cases	296	266	-30
Currently hospitalized	1,578	1,583	5
Total deaths	374	376	2
Total recovered	31,973	32,079	106
Total confirmed cases in BC	3,164	3,166	2

**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**



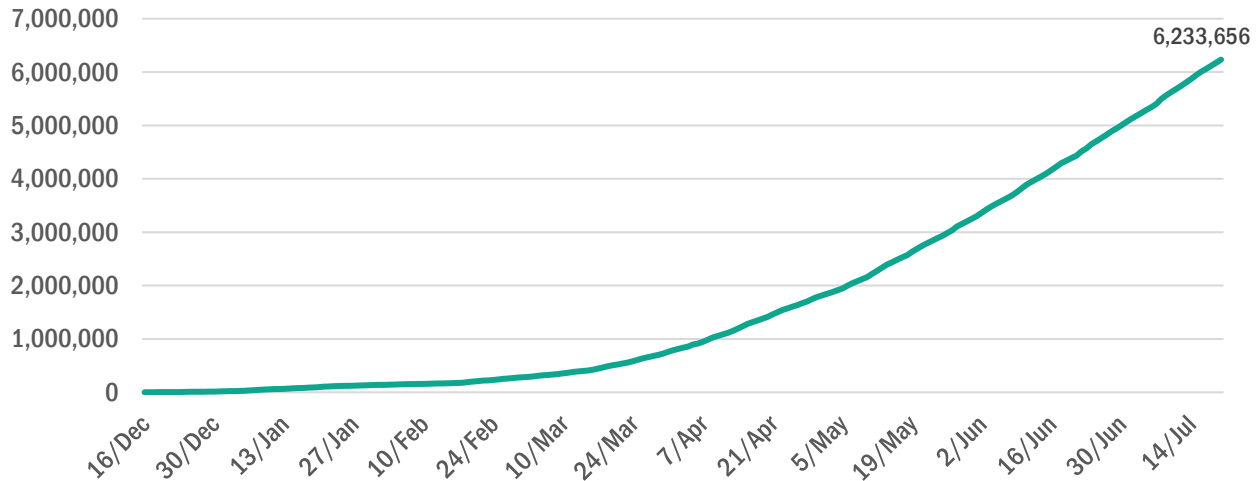
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## COVID-19 VACCINATION INFORMATION

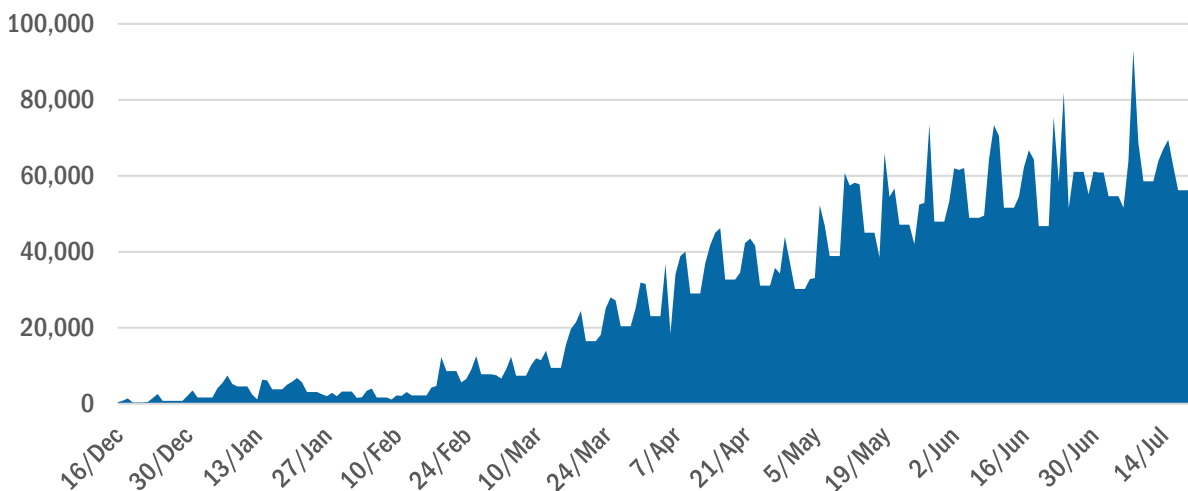
### STATUS OF VACCINE ADMINISTRATION<sup>4</sup>

	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>	60,328	6,233,656	7,096,200	87.84	71.77	2,519,686	48.69
<b>Yukon</b>	-	62,183	65,690	94.66	75.90	29,852	70.08
<b>Canada</b>	337,363	46,016,453	55,177,768	83.40	69.70	19,437,391	50.98

### 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, the First Nations Health Authority (FNHA) shared the following update from Dr. Shannon McDonald, acting Chief Medical Officer of the First Nations Health Authority, regarding COVID-19 vaccines among First Nation populations.<sup>6</sup> Highlights include the following:
  - “The vaccination rate of the Indigenous population in BC is much lower than the overall provincial rate, raising concerns about protection from the highly infectious Delta variant of the COVID-19 virus as pandemic restrictions ease.”
  - “As of July 20, 81 per cent of eligible people in BC (everyone aged 12 and older) had received their first dose of a COVID-19 vaccine. As of July 16, the rate for First Nations people was just above 64 per cent.”
  - “While first-dose vaccination rates vary from health region to health region (e.g., from 59 per cent in the Interior to 72 per cent on Vancouver Island) and on and off reserve (69 and 61 per cent respectively), it's in age groups where the disparity is most dramatic.”
  - “First Nations people aged 18 and older have been eligible to be vaccinated since at least April 6 and yet the uptake is only in the 50 per cent range for those aged 18 to 39 – and not much higher for people in their forties.”
  - “Some people may think their younger age protects them from the virus but in fact the majority (73 per cent) of cases among First Nations people in BC have occurred in those under age 50. (There have been a total of 820 COVID-19-related hospitalizations reported among First Nations people in BC since the beginning of the pandemic, and 138 deaths.)”
  - “Others may think the overall provincial vaccination rate will protect them, but health officials estimate that at least 90 per cent or more of the population will need to be fully vaccinated before “community immunity” can be achieved.
  - “That's because the Delta variant of COVID-19 is much more contagious than earlier strains. One person can typically pass it on to between six and eight others. In addition, the Delta variant has an increased risk of hospitalization and death.”
  - “COVID-19 vaccines are proving effective against the variants, especially for people who have been fully vaccinated,” said Dr. McDonald. “But those who are not vaccinated can get very sick from COVID-19. That's why it's so important that we make this a 'two-shot summer' for everyone who is eligible.”
  - “For more information about COVID-19 vaccines, please visit: <https://www.fnha.ca/what-we-do/communicable-disease-control/coronavirus/covid-19-vaccine>

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<sup>6</sup> <https://www.fnha.ca/about/news-and-events/news/covid-19-vaccination-numbers-add-up-to-a-concern-for-first-nations-population>

## SIGNIFICANT UPDATES IN THE YUKON TERRITORY

- Today, Dr. Catherine Elliot, Yukon's acting Chief Medical Officer of Health, announced 5 new confirmed cases of COVID-19 between 12 p.m. Monday, July 19<sup>th</sup>, and 12 p.m. today.<sup>7</sup>
  - With recoveries, these new cases bring the active case count in Yukon to 65.
  - Dr. Catherine Elliot continues to stress the importance of getting both vaccines to complete the two-part series.
    - Rural Health Centres and the mass clinic in Whitehorse are continuing to offer first and second doses of Moderna vaccine.
    - To book an appointment, contact your local health centre or book online for the health clinic in Whitehorse at: <https://yukon.ca/en/appointments>

## SIGNIFICANT UPDATES FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

- Today, Theresa Tam, Deputy Chief Public Health Officer, released a statement regarding COVID-19 vaccines in Canada.<sup>8</sup> Highlights include the following:
  - "To date over 45 million doses of COVID-19 vaccines have been given in Canada, which equates to over 26.5 million or 80% of eligible people, aged 12 years or older, in Canada with at least one dose."
  - "The proportion of eligible people who are now fully vaccinated is now over 57% and steadily increasing, with many more people registered or intending to get vaccinated!"
  - "COVID-19 vaccination is important for all eligible age groups, so in this latest reminder of the Call For Arms, I want everyone, including younger eligible age groups, to know how important they are in the vaccination effort."
  - "If you haven't already, please make an appointment to get your first or second dose as soon as you are able."
- Today, Ahmed Hussen, Minister of Families, Children and Social Development announced that families eligible for the Canada Child Benefit will receive additional temporary support to help with expenses during COVID-19.<sup>9</sup>
  - Through the Canada Child Benefit, eligible families will receive an additional one-time payment of up to \$1,200 for each child under the age of 6.

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

<sup>7</sup> <https://yukon.ca/en/news/july-20-2021-covid-19-case-count-update>

<sup>8</sup> <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/news/2021/07/remarks-from-the-deputy-chief-public-health-officer-on-july-20-2021.html>

<sup>9</sup> <https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/news/2021/07/canada-child-benefit-5th-anniversary--indexation0.html>