

3 NATIONS COVID-19 UPDATE – 12 August 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 August 11	As of August 12	Change
Total confirmed cases in BC	153,849	154,362	513
Total active cases in BC	3,585	3,834	249
Currently in intensive care	29	33	4
Currently hospitalized	72	81	9
Total hospitalized to date	8,231	8,249	18
Total deaths in BC	1,778	1,779	1
Total recovered in BC	148,446	148,702	256

CONFIRMED CASES BY REGION¹	As of August 11	As of August 12	Change
Total confirmed cases in BC	153,849	154,362	513
Vancouver Coastal Health	36,426	36,518	92
Fraser Health	87,374	87,482	108
Island Health	5,510	5,539	29
Interior Health	16,329	16,600	271
Northern Health	7,981	7,994	13
Out of Canada	229	229	0
Total tests	3,258,575	3,278,077	19,502*

STATUS OF CASES IN YUKON²	As of August 11	As of August 12	Change
Total confirmed cases	638	645	7
Total active cases	40	45	5
Total deaths	8	8	0
Total recovered	590	594	4
Total individuals tested	10,907	10,939	32
Negative results	10,220	10,243	23
Pending results	50	53	3

*The BCCDC has reported 12,872 new tests but this does not align with the difference in total test numbers between Aug 11th and Aug 12th.

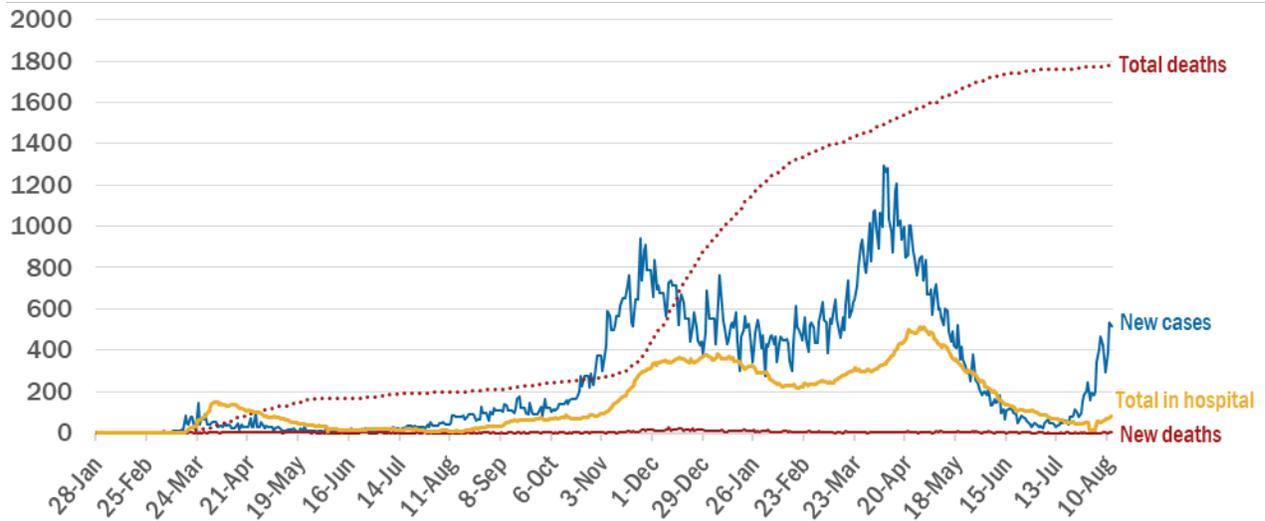
¹ Source: <https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/a6f23959a8b14bfa989e3cda29297ded>

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

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

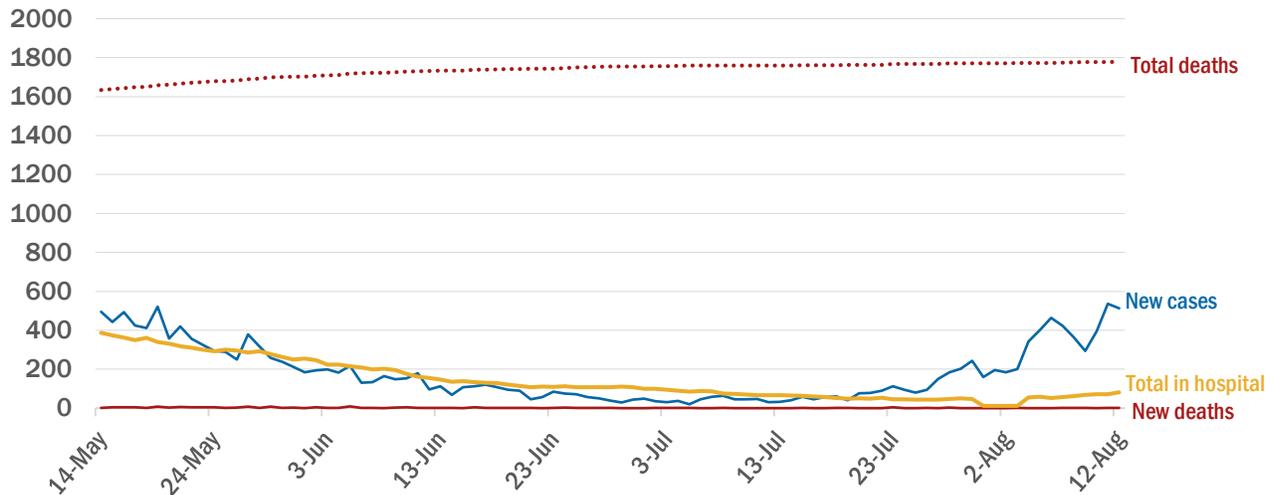
	As of August 10	As of August 11	Change
Total confirmed cases	33,421	33,448	27
Total active cases	286	288	2
Total hospitalized	1,610	1,609	-1
Total deaths	384	384	0
Total recovered	32,751	32,776	25
Total confirmed cases in BC	3,199	3,199	0

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>

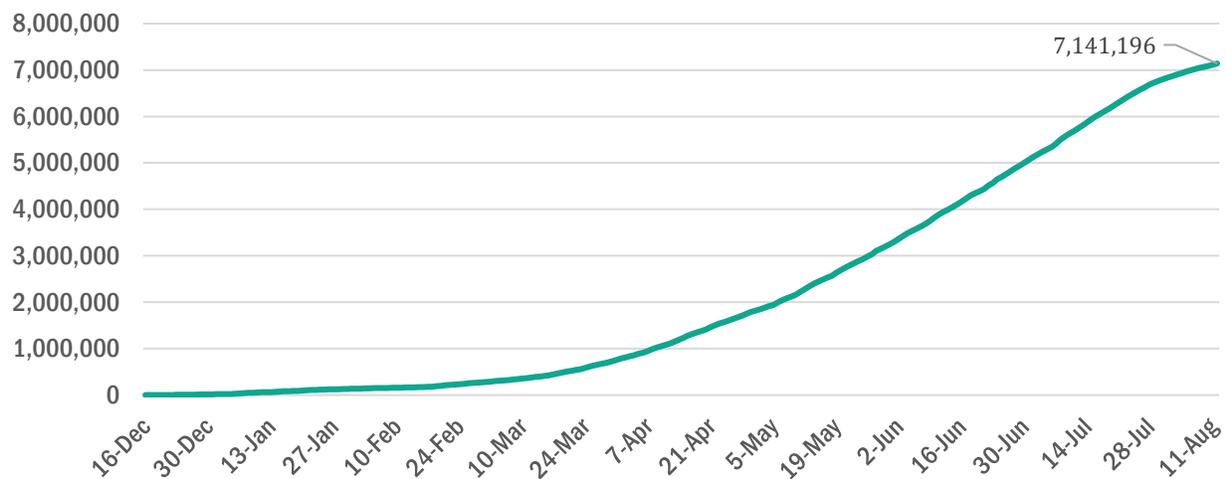
COVID-19 VACCINATION INFORMATION

STATUS OF VACCINE ADMINISTRATION⁴

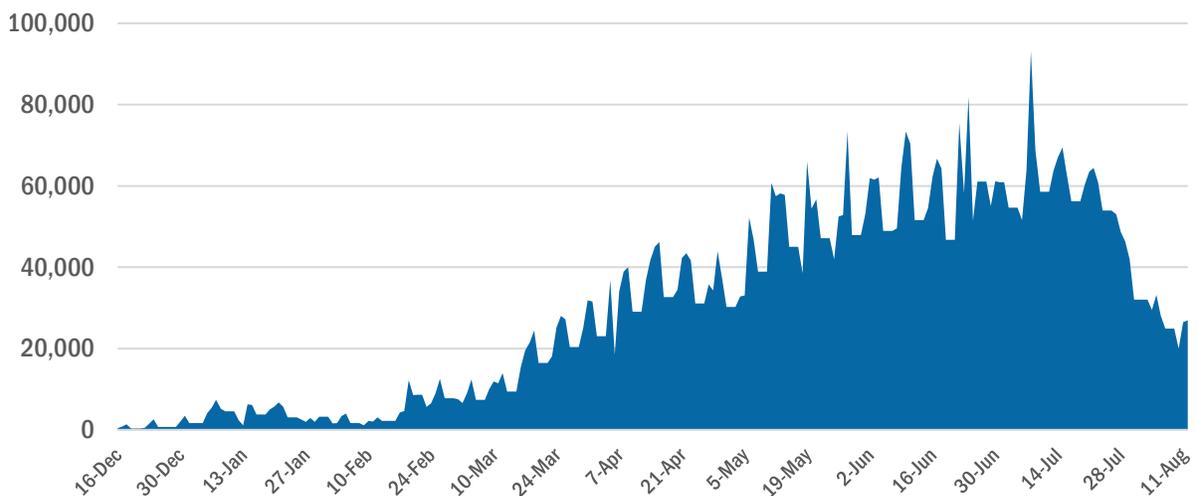
	Total Doses Administered		Total Doses Supplied	% of Doses Administered	% Pop. with first dose	People Fully Vaccinated	% Pop. Fully Vaccinated
	Today	Total					
BC	26,946	7,141,196	7,665,880	93.20	73.87	3,318,751	64.13
Yukon*	-	64,058	66,670	96.08	77.34	31,102	73.01
Canada	136,642	51,125,451	62,685,998	81.56	71.65	23,806,038	62.43

*Vaccination data provided by the Yukon Government was last updated Aug 11th.

TOTAL DOSES ADMINISTERED



DOSES ADMINISTERED IN BC EACH DAY



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

SIGNIFICANT UPDATES IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

- Today, Adrian Dix, Minister of Health, and Dr. Bonnie Henry, Provincial Health Officer, announced new requirements for healthcare workers in long-term care facilities.⁵ Highlights include the following:
 - New requirements include:
 - Employers are to provide information collected from all staff in long-term care and seniors assisted living facilities to the Provincial Health Officer, to allow public health to confirm vaccination status of staff;
 - Until October 12, 2021, all unvaccinated staff are to wear personal protective equipment and be tested regularly for COVID-19;
 - All staff are to be vaccinated by October 12, 2021; and
 - Volunteers and personal service providers entering long-term care settings must be fully vaccinated.
 - “Rising case numbers, the prevalence of the Delta variant, and the trend we are seeing of healthcare workers not yet fully vaccinated getting COVID-19 means that we must take this step to protect them, those we care for, and the broader community through vaccination.”
 - All long-term care and assisted living residents and workers have now been offered both doses of a COVID-19 vaccine.
- Today, Dr. Shannon McDonald, Acting Chief Medical Officer for the First Nations Health Authority, released a statement on the COVID-19 Delta variant in B.C.⁶ Highlights include the following:
 - “It's normal for viruses to change over time, leading to variants. When a variant spreads more easily, causes more serious illness, or impacts current treatments or vaccines, it's considered a “variant of concern.””
 - “That's what the Delta variant is, and it's spreading quickly throughout all regions of the province. In fact, it was responsible for 99 percent of infections in the Interior during the last week of July.”
 - “Because of the Delta variant, it's even more important for us to continue to take precautions to stay healthy and to prevent the spread of COVID-19.”
 - “Some ways that we can have safer social interactions include visiting outdoors or in smaller groups, keeping a distance from people we don't live with, and wearing masks.”
 - “If we are gathering indoors, keep windows and doors open to let fresh air circulate.”
 - “Although COVID-19 is here to stay, at least for now, the more people who are fully vaccinated (again, this means two shots – one shot is not enough – plus a two-week wait afterward), the less likely that COVID-19 variants will spread. This is why we should:
 - Encourage vaccination for anyone in our house or other close contacts over the age of 12 who have not yet been vaccinated – or are only partially vaccinated (one shot).
 - Let them know that their vaccine is available at the convenient, free drop-in vaccine clinics throughout B.C.

⁵ <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2021HLTH0150-001598>

⁶ <https://www.fnha.ca/about/news-and-events/news/the-covid-19-delta-variant-in-bc-what-you-need-to-know>

- Let them know that getting tested is also free and safe and that if they test positive, isolation supports are available.
- Continue to follow public health recommendations, including wash hands frequently, practice physical distancing, wear a well-fitted and three-layer mask, and stay home when sick.”

SIGNIFICANT UPDATES IN THE YUKON TERRITORY

- Today, Dr. Jesse Kancir, Yukon’s Acting Chief Medical Officer of Health, reported nine new cases of COVID-19 between August 11th at 12 p.m. and August 12th at 12 p.m.⁷
 - Two new cases are out of territory residents diagnosed in the Yukon.
 - Three residents are from rural Yukon, and four are from Whitehorse.
 - Immunizers continue to provide clinics in rural Yukon communities this week.
 - They will be delivering both first and second doses of Pfizer for youth born in 2009 and up to the age of 17 and Moderna for people 18 and over.
 - While appointments are recommended, walk-ins will be welcome.
 - Immunizers ask that if you have made an appointment and can’t attend, please let the health centre know so that vaccine is not wasted.

SIGNIFICANT UPDATES FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

- Today, Indigenous Services Canada (ISC) issued a statement on behalf of the Government of Canada providing a COVID-19 update for Indigenous Peoples and communities.⁸ Highlights include the following:
 - “With the lifting of COVID-19 restrictions quickly and a potential Delta-driven fourth wave among Indigenous Peoples, continued efforts to avoid a devastating impact on Indigenous communities, including vaccines, awareness and continued public health measures are needed.”
 - “These measures are crucial since a large proportion of the Indigenous population, particularly on reserves, are children under the age of 12, who are not yet eligible to get a dose which could put communities at risk if COVID-19 were to spread among the unimmunized.”
 - “It is important to note that as provinces and territories continue to ease restrictive public health measures, this easing will be dependent on the current risk level in and around their communities, which is informed by COVID-19 rates, the presence of variants of concern, vaccination coverage in each jurisdiction, public health and health care capacity, and community vulnerabilities.”
 - “Members of the public must continue to follow their community’s recommendations on the use of personal preventive measures, such as wearing a mask, practicing physical distancing, and receiving both doses of a COVID-19 vaccine available in Canada.”

⁷ <https://yukon.ca/en/news/august-12-2021-covid-19-case-count-update>

⁸ <https://www.canada.ca/en/indigenous-services-canada/news/2021/08/government-of-canada-covid-19-update-for-indigenous-peoples-and-communities-week-of-august-9.html>

- Today, Karina Gould, Minister of International Development, and Anita Anand, Minister of Public Services and Procurement Canada, announced that Canada will donate additional vaccine doses to global vaccination efforts.⁹ Highlights include the following:
 - “Canada intends to donate up to 10 million doses of the Janssen [Johnson & Johnson] vaccine, which were secured through an advance purchase agreement, to other countries through the COVID-19 Vaccine Global Access Facility (COVAX).”
 - “This would bring Canada’s total donations to the COVAX Facility to over 40 million doses.”
 - “This is in addition to the \$545 million Canada has committed to the COVAX Facility for vaccine procurement, distribution, and delivery for low- and middle-income countries through the COVAX Advance Market Commitment.”
 - “Canada is also matching, dollar for dollar, donations made by individual Canadians to UNICEF Canada’s COVID-19 vaccination fundraising campaign, called “Give A Vax,” up to a maximum of \$10 million. The matching fund campaign will run to September 6, 2021.”
 - “With a stable supply of vaccines in Canada, we remain committed to doing our part to help protect the world’s citizens. This contribution of Janssen vaccines to COVAX will help to meet international needs and end this pandemic.”

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

⁹ <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2021/08/canada-announces-new-contribution-to-global-vaccination-efforts.html>