

3 NATIONS COVID-19 UPDATE – 07 September 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 Sept 3	As of Sept 7	Change
Total confirmed cases in BC	168,325	170,750	2,425*
Total active cases in BC	5,872	5,465	-407
Currently in intensive care	118	126	8
Currently hospitalized	215	255	40
Total hospitalized to date	8,798	8,998	200
Total deaths in BC	1,827	1,842	15
Total recovered in BC	160,268	163,062	2,794
CONFIRMED CASES BY REGION¹	As of Sept 3	As of Sept 7	Change
Total confirmed cases in BC	168,325	170,750	2,425*
Vancouver Coastal Health	38,825	39,193	368
Fraser Health	91,254	91,959	705
Island Health	6,660	6,862	202
Interior Health	22,293	23,131	838
Northern Health	9,059	9,371	312
Out of Canada	234	234	0
Total tests	3,583,476	3,628,989	45,513
STATUS OF CASES IN YUKON²	As of Sept 3	As of Sept 7	Change
Total confirmed cases	694	696	2
Total active cases	22	22	0
Total deaths	8	8	0
Total recovered	665	671	6
Total individuals tested	11,666	11,773	107
Negative results	10,904	11,028	124
Pending results	74	56	-18

*The B.C. Government reported 695 new COVID-19 cases Sept 4th, 634 cases Sept 5th, 563 cases Sept 6th, and 533 cases Sept 7th (2,425 total).

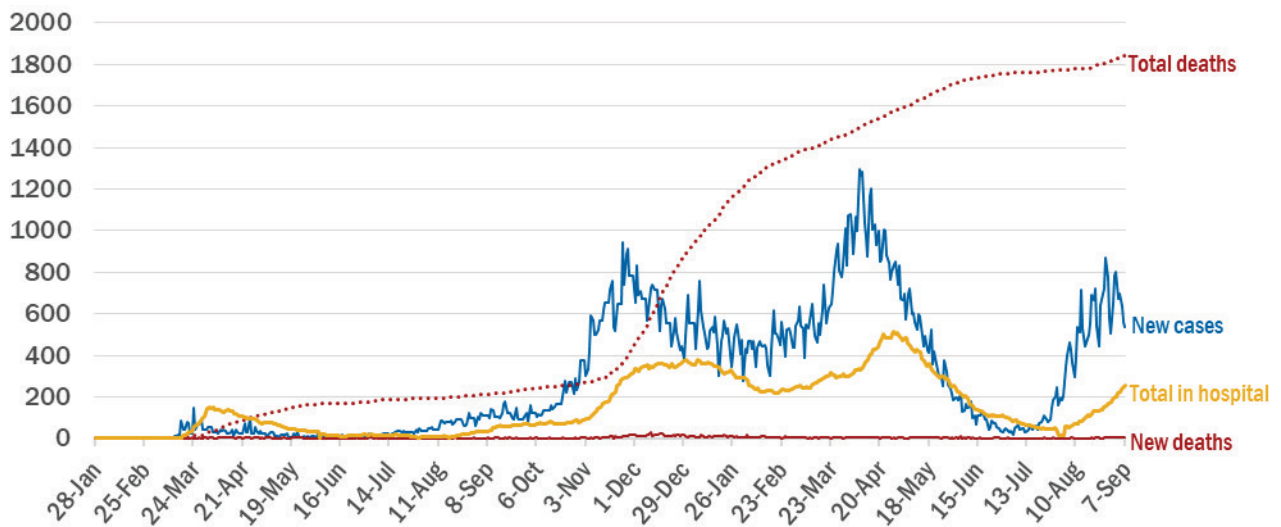
¹ Source: <https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/a6f23959a8b14bfa989e3cda29297ded>

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

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

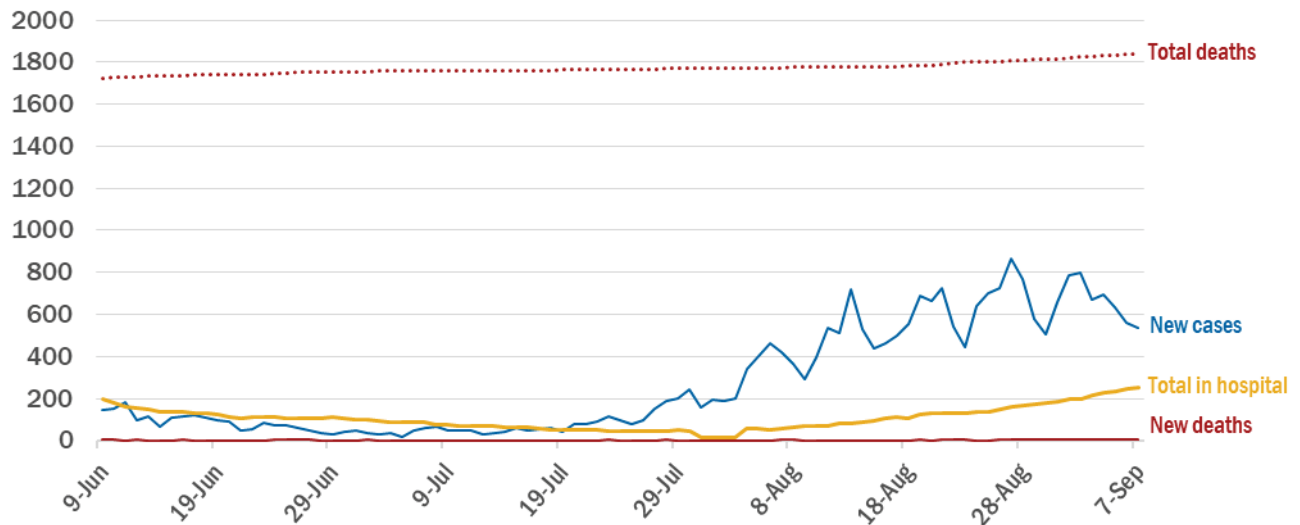
	As of Sept 2	As of Sept 3	Change
Total confirmed cases	35,760	35,929	169
Total active cases	1,523	1,482	-41
Total hospitalized	1,710	1,714	4
Total deaths	396	397	1
Total recovered	33,841	34,050	209
Total confirmed cases in BC	3,580	3,611	31

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



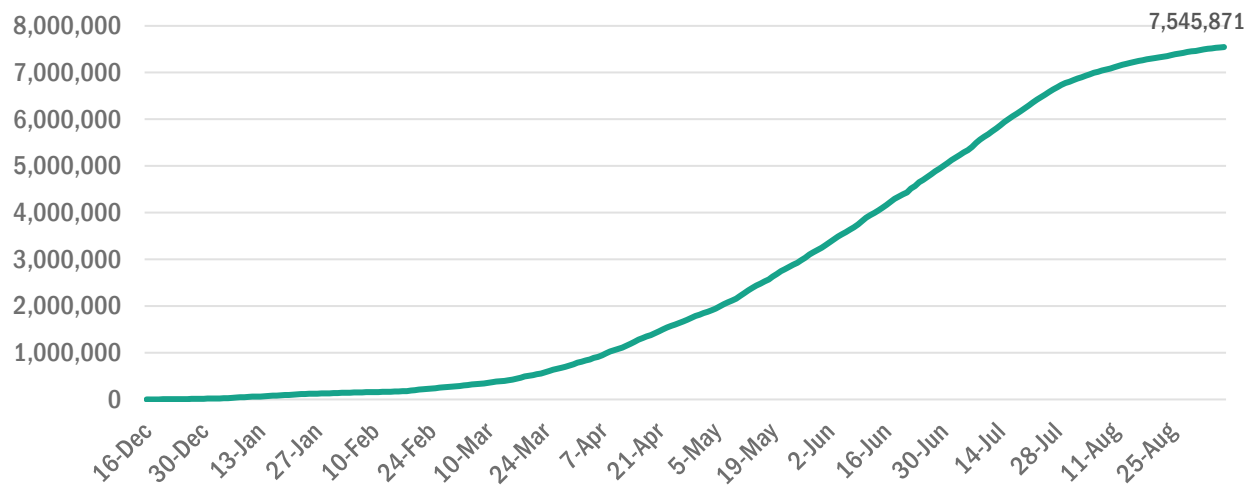
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COVID-19 VACCINATION INFORMATION

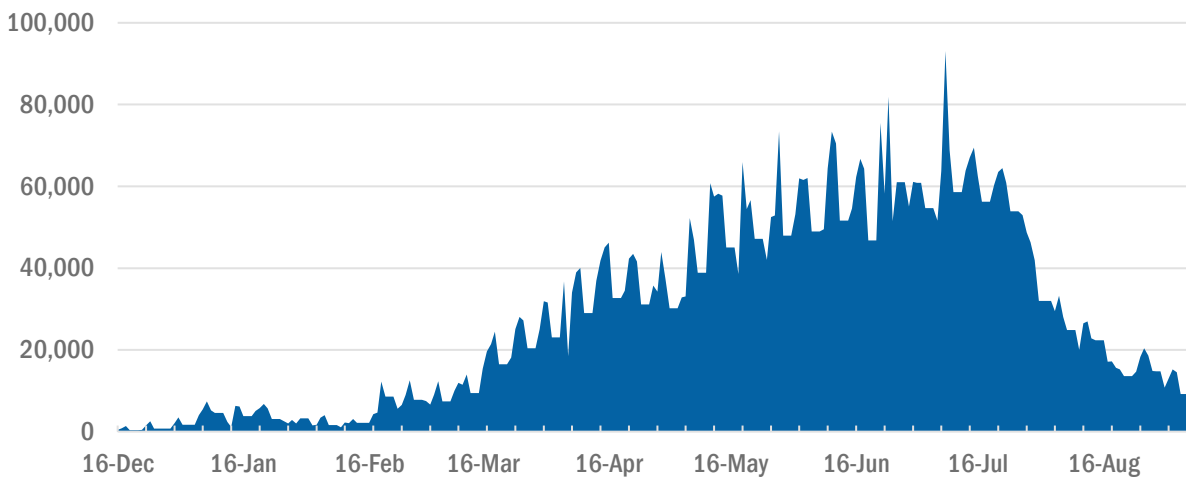
STATUS OF VACCINE ADMINISTRATION⁴

	Total Doses Administered		Total Doses Supplied	% of Doses Administered	% Pop. with first dose	People Fully Vaccinated	% Pop. Fully Vaccinated
	Today	Total					
BC	9,186	7,545,871	7,855,710	96.05	76.35	3,594,929	69.47
Yukon	-	65,390	67,840	96.39	78.39	32,001	75.13
Canada	116,679	53,967,775	63,602,804	84.85	73.90	25,789,087	67.63

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, the Government of British Columbia provided an update regarding the launch of the BC Vaccine Card that will be required to access non-essential business, services, and activities.⁵
 - The BC Vaccine Card is a digital or printed document that shows the stage cardholders are at in their COVID-19 vaccine progress.
 - The BC Vaccine Card is designed to allow vaccinated people to show their proof of vaccination conveniently and securely to access higher-risk social and recreational events and settings when new COVID-19 vaccine requirement rules take effect on Sept. 13, 2021:
 - As of Sept. 13, 2021, people in British Columbia will be required to present their BC Vaccine Card showing **partial vaccination** (Dose 1) to access certain businesses and events.
 - As of Oct. 24, 2021, people in British Columbia will be required to present their BC Vaccine Card showing they are **fully vaccinated** with two doses of COVID-19 vaccine to access the same list of businesses and events.
 - The requirement is in place until January 31st, 2022 and could be extended.
 - The requirement applies to all people born in 2009 or earlier (age 12+).
 - **Places where a BC Vaccine Card will be needed**
 - Licensed restaurants and restaurants that offer table service (indoor and patio dining)
 - Pubs, bars, and lounges (indoor and patio dining)
 - Nightclubs, casinos, and movie theatres
 - Fitness centres/gyms/adult sports (indoor)
 - Indoor group exercise activities
 - Indoor ticketed sporting events
 - Indoor concerts, theatre, dance, and symphony events
 - Indoor organized group recreational classes and activities like pottery, art, and choir
 - Indoor organized events with 50 or more people
For example: Wedding receptions, organized parties, conferences, and workshops
 - Post-secondary on-campus student housing
 - **Note:** Proof of vaccination is **not** required to vote in-person in the September 20th federal election or at advance polling places
 - **How the BC Vaccine Card works**
 - The BC Vaccine Card will include a secure, individualized QR code and image showing either “vaccinated” or “partially vaccinated.”
 - Businesses can either scan the QR code using a QR reader like a smartphone or tablet or visually verify the person’s proof of vaccination.
 - Businesses will be able to download a reader app (BC Vaccine Card verifier app) from the Google and Apple app stores closer to September 13th, to securely read the QR code to determine a person’s proof of vaccination.
 - No personal information will be retained in the app.

⁵ <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2021PREM0054-001746>

- The use of the BC Vaccine Card will be phased in to allow people extra time to transition to their new cards.
 - From Sept. 13-26, 2021, people will also be able to use the vaccination records they received at B.C. vaccine clinics or pharmacies as valid proof of vaccination.
 - Starting Sept. 27, 2021, only the BC Vaccine Card will be accepted for people vaccinated in B.C.
- Proof of vaccination will also be required for people visiting from outside of B.C. using a provincially/territorially recognized official record alongside valid government photo ID.
- For individuals visiting from outside of Canada, they will be required to show the record of vaccination they use to enter Canada and their passport.
- Tickets can be issued to individuals, owners/operators of locations and event organizers for violations of the PHO orders. Enforcement is at the discretion of enforcement officers, including police, liquor and cannabis inspectors, gambling investigators and conservation officers.
- **How to get your BC Vaccine Card**
 - Individuals who have received their first or second dose of COVID-19 vaccine in B.C. can access their BC Vaccine Card by:
 - Visiting: <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/vaccinecard.html>
 - Once verified, a person will be able to save a digital copy to their mobile device or print a hard copy to present along with their government-issued photo identification when entering designated businesses and events.
 - If needed, a trusted friend, family member, or support person can print their card for them.
 - Calling 1-833-838-2323 at the Get Vaccinated call centre
 - A printed copy will be mailed to them.
 - Visiting a Service BC Centre
 - What you will need to get your proof of vaccination:
 - Personal health number
 - Date of birth
 - Date of vaccination (either Dose 1 or Dose 2)
- Today, Jennifer Whiteside, Minister of Education, released a statement regarding the first day of school and a safe back-to-school season during the COVID-19 pandemic.⁶
 - “As students and staff return to school, we will apply the lessons learned from last year and keep the educational, social and emotional well-being of children as our principal focus. Ensuring students stay connected to their friends, supports and school community, despite the COVID-19 pandemic, is a crucial priority for all of us.”

⁶ <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2021EDUC0071-001744>

- “As we begin this school year, we know we are in a much different situation than last year with the availability of vaccines that can protect us from COVID-19. If you are eligible and haven’t done so, please get your vaccine now. “
- “I want to assure you that our government has worked with teachers, school staff, district leadership, trustees and parents, in collaboration with our public health officers, to develop health and safety guidelines and measures that will keep school communities safe and help prevent the spread of COVID-19.”
- These measures include:
 - All staff from K-12, and all students from grades 4-12 are required to wear masks in school and on school buses. This includes visitors to schools.
 - All school districts have been working to improve ventilation in every school, supported with \$87.5 million in government funding. We are encouraging school districts to publicly communicate the work they have done in their schools to improve ventilation.
 - Public health officials are working with districts to hold vaccination clinics in schools as part of the community-based vaccination effort.
 - If an exposure has put your child at risk, you will be notified.
 - Online learning options are available for students who are not able to return to the classroom.

SIGNIFICANT UPDATES IN THE YUKON TERRITORY

- As of today, an online COVID-19 proof of vaccination credential service is now available for Yukoners.⁷
 - **About the proof of vaccination credential**
 - COVID-19 proof of vaccination credentials are available to any individual who received at least one of their two doses of COVID-19 vaccine in the Yukon, at least 14 days ago.
 - The credential has the following information: Full name, date of birth, unique identifier number, vaccine product name (e.g. Pfizer or Moderna), date of vaccine administration, vaccine lot number, territory/province vaccine was delivered in and the date the vaccine credential was issued.
 - The credential is a secure, government-issued proof of your COVID-19 vaccination status.
 - Through the new online service, Yukoners have the option to receive a digital copy or print a paper copy of their vaccination credential, which contains features to ensure the document is authentic and verified. The credential is more secure than the wallet-sized vaccination card Yukoners received when they were administered their COVID-19 vaccines.
 - Proof of COVID-19 vaccination is needed when returning to Canada from international travel and the credential can be used as proof of vaccination in other jurisdictions that may require it to attend post-secondary schools or access non-essential services.

⁷ <https://yukon.ca/en/news/covid-19-proof-vaccination-credential-service-available-yukoners>

- **How to get your proof of vaccination credential**
 - Online at yukon.ca/vaccine-proof
 - On the phone via the COVID-19 InfoLine at 1-877-374-0425, seven days a week, 7:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- On September 5th, Dr. Catherine Elliott, Yukon’s acting Chief Medical Officer of Health, issued COVID-19 public exposure notices for two flights.⁸
 - August 26th, 2021 – Air North flight (4N538) from Whitehorse to Vancouver, 9:10 a.m. departure
 - August 29th, 2021 – Air North flight (4N524) from Vancouver to Whitehorse, 8:10 a.m. departure
 - Anyone on either of these flights is asked to self-monitor for symptoms for 14 days – through to September 9 or 12 respectively.
 - If symptoms appear, self-isolate, remain at home and arrange to get tested either by calling 867-393-3083 or booking a test online. Rural Yukon residents should contact their community health centre to arrange for testing.
 - Anyone who was on these flights and who is not fully vaccinated should especially self-monitor for symptoms.

SIGNIFICANT UPDATES FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

- *A federal election was called on August 14 and scheduled for September 20; updates from the Government of Canada during this period may be limited and at a reduced frequency.*
- There are no significant updates from the Government of Canada today.

This summary was compiled by [CCEM Strategies Ltd.](https://www.ccemstrategies.com/) at the request of the 3 Nations Society.

⁸ <https://yukon.ca/en/news/september-5-2021-public-exposure-notifications>