

3 NATIONS COVID-19 UPDATE – 10 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 9	As of Sept 10	Change
Total confirmed cases in BC	172,338	173,158	820
Total active cases in BC	5,594	5,850	256
Currently in intensive care	130	135	5
Currently hospitalized	262	281	19
Total hospitalized to date	9,046	9,077	31
Total deaths in BC	1,847	1,856	9
Total recovered in BC	164,470	165,027	557

CONFIRMED CASES BY REGION¹	As of Sept 9	As of Sept 10	Change
Total confirmed cases in BC	172,338	173,158	820
Vancouver Coastal Health	39,451	39,563	112
Fraser Health	92,433	92,697	264
Island Health	7,017	7,107	90
Interior Health	23,656	23,909	253
Northern Health	9,541	9,642	101
Out of Canada	240	240	0
Total tests	3,652,264	3,667,579	15,315*

STATUS OF CASES IN YUKON^{2,3}	As of Sept 9	As of Sept 10	Change
Total confirmed cases	699	701	2
Total active cases	20	20	0
Total deaths	9	9	0
Total recovered	674	677	3
Total individuals tested	11,865	11,936	71
Negative results	11,091	11,142	51
Pending results	80	97	17

*The BCCDC reported 14,867 new tests, but this does not align with the difference in total test numbers between September 9th and September 10th.

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

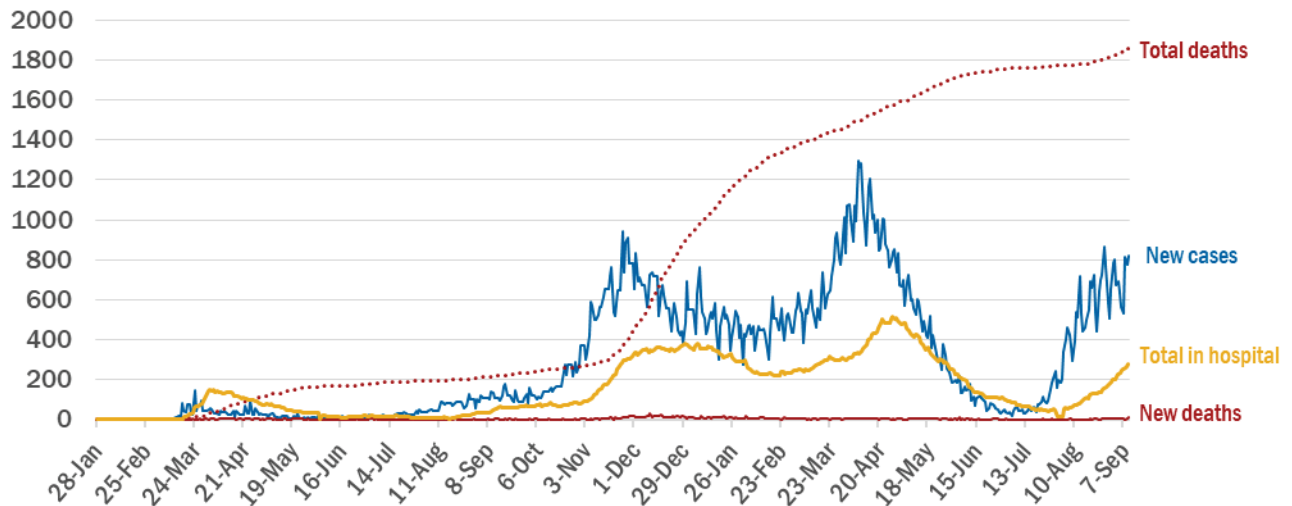
² Source: <https://yukon.ca/en/case-counts-covid-19>

³ Source: <https://yukon.ca/en/news/september-8-2021-covid-19-update-and-public-exposure-notifications>

**STATUS OF FIRST NATION RESERVE
CASES IN CANADA ⁴**

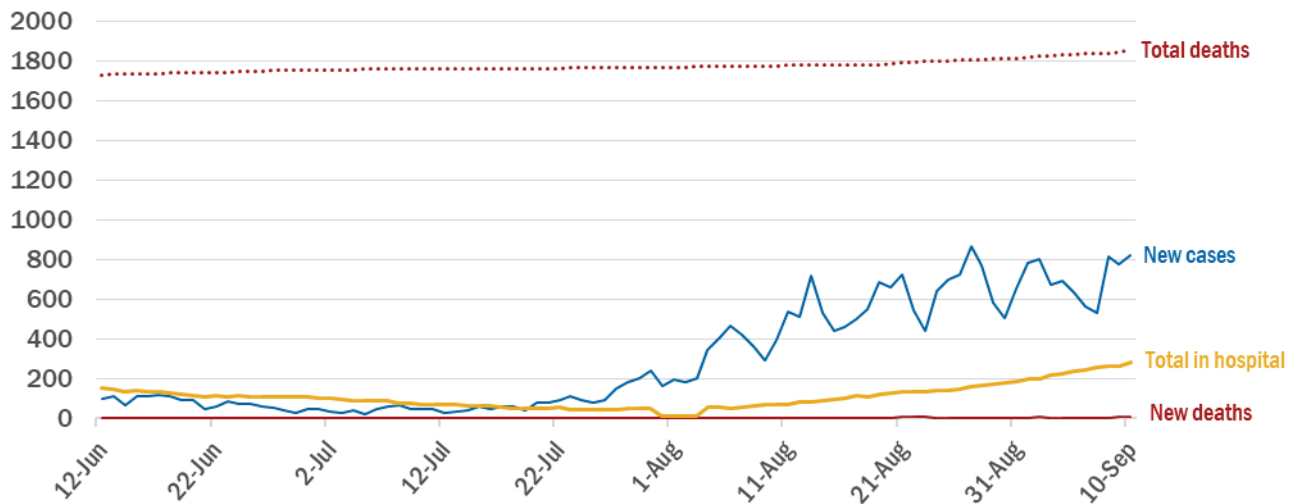
	As of Sept 8	As of Sept 9	Change
Total confirmed cases	36,750	36,967	217
Total active cases	1,616	1,681	65
Total hospitalized	1,729	1,739	10
Total deaths	399	402	3
Total recovered	34,735	34,735	0
Total confirmed cases in BC	3,733	3,766	33

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



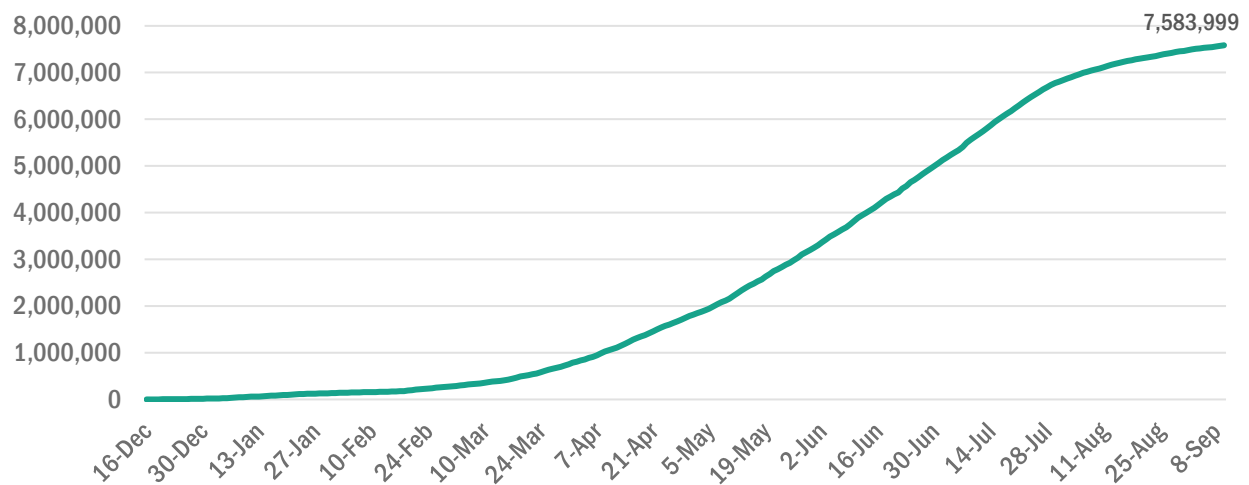
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COVID-19 VACCINATION INFORMATION

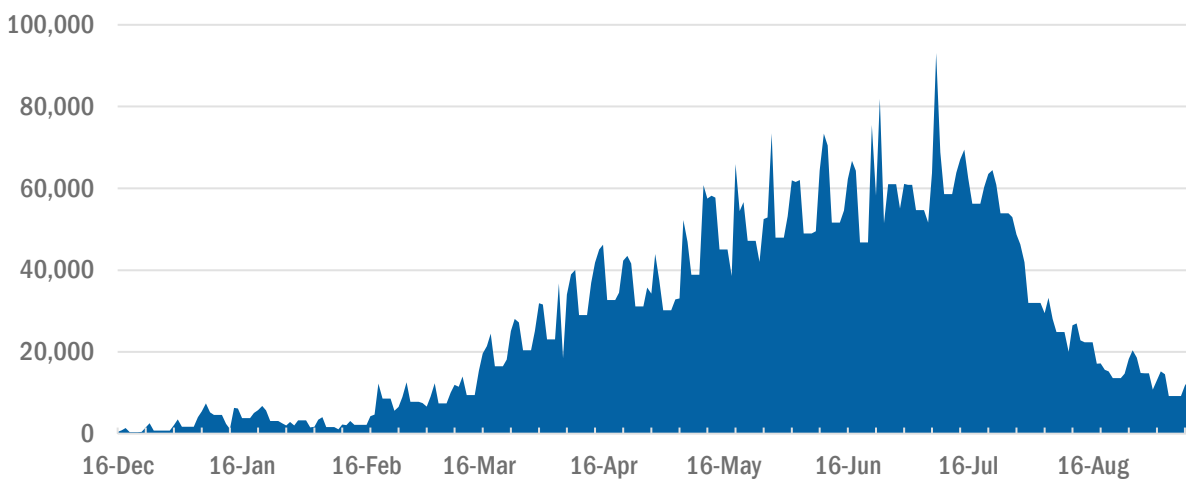
STATUS OF VACCINE ADMINISTRATION⁵

	Total Doses Administered		Total Doses Supplied	% of Doses Administered	% Pop. with first dose	People Fully Vaccinated	% Pop. Fully Vaccinated
	Today	Total					
BC	13,075	7,583,999	7,855,710	96.54	76.71	3,614,503	69.85
Yukon	-	65,472	67,840	96.50	78.46	32,051	75.24
Canada	103,533	54,264,853	63,731,504	85.10	74.24	25,954,802	68.01

TOTAL DOSES ADMINISTERED



DOSES ADMINISTERED IN BC EACH DAY



⁵ Source: N. Little. COVID-19 Tracker Canada (2020), COVID19Tracker.ca

SIGNIFICANT UPDATES IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

- Today, Ravi Kahlon, Minister of Jobs, Economic Recovery, and Innovation, issued a statement regarding Statistics Canada’s Labour Force Survey for August 2021.⁶ Highlights include the following:
 - “B.C. has one of the lowest unemployment rates and a job recovery rate of 101.1%, leading Canada as the only province with employment above pre-pandemic levels for the third straight month.”
 - “In areas throughout the province, our job recovery rate has been strong, led by Prince George at 108.1%. Other notable job recovery rates are in the Cariboo at 105.7%, Thompson-Okanagan at 105.6%, Vancouver Island-Coast at 104.1%, the Kootenays at 102.8%, the Lower Mainland at 102.2%, North Coast-Nechako at 101.4% and Vancouver at 101.0%.”
 - “These numbers show we are doing well, but we know there is more work to do. We continue to support the strength of our economic recovery with the BC Vaccine Card coming into effect Monday, Sept. 13, 2021.”
 - “With more than 78.8% of eligible British Columbians now fully vaccinated, our province is doing great work to keep the economy on an upward swing. But more work needs to be done.
 - “To help build a stronger B.C., we are investing \$95 million in skills training, employment services and supports for more than 9,000 British Columbians to provide people with the opportunity to build long-lasting careers. This investment in training will translate into businesses having access to the skilled workers they need to thrive and grow.”
 - “We all understand that a healthy economy and a healthy B.C. go hand in hand, so do your part and get vaccinated. Taking this important step is the best and easiest way to put COVID-19 in the past and set our province on a path for a strong economic recovery.”

SIGNIFICANT UPDATES IN THE YUKON TERRITORY

- No significant updates from the Yukon Territory.

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.*
- Today, Dr. Theresa Tam, Chief Public Health Officer of Canada, issued a statement regarding COVID-19 in Canada.⁷ Highlights include the following:

Fourth Wave of COVID-19 in Canada

- “During this fourth wave of the COVID-19 pandemic in Canada, infections and severe outcomes have several key features:
 - Nationally, the highly contagious Delta Variant of Concern (VOC), accounts for the majority of recently reported cases, is associated with increased severity, and may reduce the effectiveness of vaccines.

⁶ <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2021JERI0049-001773>

⁷ <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/news/2021/09/statement-from-the-chief-public-health-officer-of-canada-on-september-10-2021.html>

- Most reported cases, hospitalisations and deaths are occurring among unvaccinated people.
- Virus spread in areas with low vaccination coverage presents an ongoing risk for emergence of and replacement by new VOCs, including a risk of VOCs with the ability to evade vaccine protection.”
- “Regardless of which COVID-19 variant is predominating in an area, we know that vaccination, in combination with public health and individual measures, continue to work to reduce disease spread and severe outcomes.”
- “In particular, evidence continues to demonstrate that a complete two-dose series of Health-Canada approved COVID-19 vaccines provides substantial protection.”
- “Based on the latest data from 12 provinces and territories for the eligible population, 12 years or older:
 - From December 14, 2020 to August 21, 2021, **0.06%** of fully vaccinated people became infected, with the majority of recent cases and hospitalizations occurring in unvaccinated or partially vaccinated people.
 - In recent weeks (July 25 – August 21, 2021):
 - The average weekly rate of new COVID-19 cases in unvaccinated people was **12** times higher than in the fully vaccinated.
 - The average weekly rate of hospitalized cases in unvaccinated people was **36** times higher compared to fully vaccinated people.”

Updated Guidance from the National Advisory Committee on Immunization

- “Today, the National Advisory Committee on Immunization (NACI) provided updated advice⁸ regarding an additional or third dose of a COVID-19 vaccine for some immunocompromised individuals following their 1- or 2-dose primary series.”
- “Research has shown that some immunocompromised individuals (those with a weakened immune system due to disease or treatment) have a lower immune response to COVID-19 vaccines, compared to the general population. Recent research has shown that some moderately to severely immunocompromised individuals can have an increased immune response after a third dose of an mRNA vaccine. These recommendations are based on current scientific evidence and NACI's expert opinion.”
- “NACI notes that: “the additional or third dose being considered for moderately to severely immunocompromised persons should be distinguished from that of a booster dose. The intent of a booster dose is to restore protection that may have waned over time in individuals who responded adequately to an initial 1- or 2-dose primary vaccine series.”
 - “Additional doses beyond the standard primary vaccine series, such as discussed in this statement, provide an opportunity for individuals who may not have achieved an adequate level of protection from the standard primary vaccine series to develop a better immune response.”

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

⁸ <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/immunization/national-advisory-committee-on-immunization-naci/statement-september-10-2021-additional-dose-covid-19-vaccine-immunocompromised-following-1-2-dose-series.html>