

3 NATIONS COVID-19 UPDATE – 15 October 2021

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COVID-19 CASE COUNTS

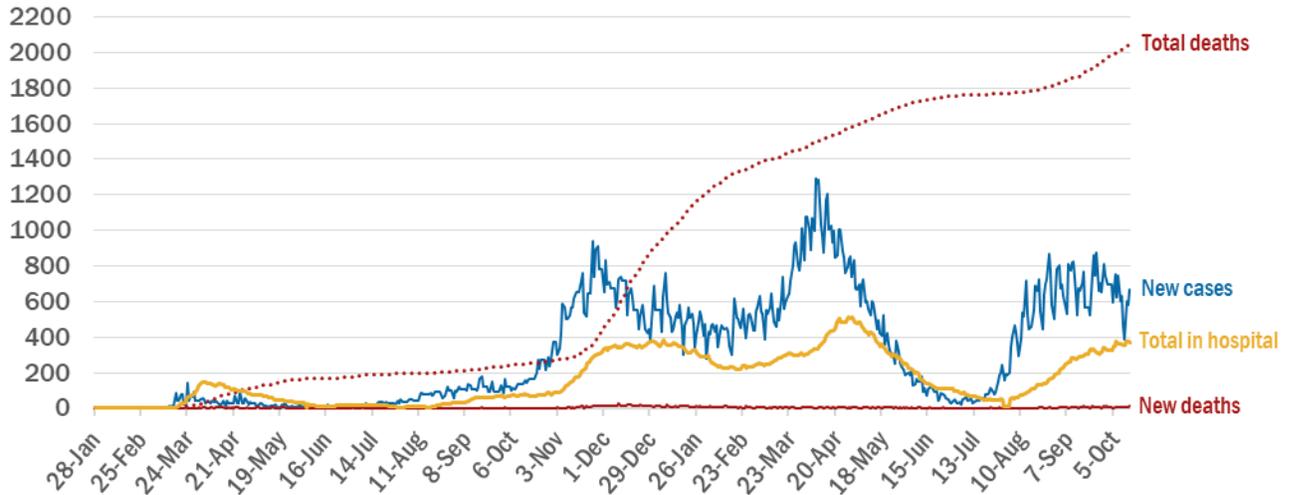
STATUS OF CASES IN BC¹	As of Oct 14	As of Oct 15	Change
Total confirmed cases in BC	195,766	196,433	667
Total active cases in BC	5,348	5,128	-220
Currently in intensive care	153	152	-1
Currently hospitalized	378	367	-11
Total hospitalized to date	10,495	10,545	50
Total deaths in BC	2,042	2,055	13
Total recovered in BC	187,985	188,851	866
CONFIRMED CASES BY BC REGION¹	As of Oct 14	As of Oct 15	Change
Vancouver Coastal Health	42,368	42,443	75
Fraser Health	100,864	101,110	246
Island Health	9,696	9,755	59
Interior Health	29,180	29,281	101
Northern Health	13,363	13,547	184
Out of Canada	295	297	2
STATUS OF CASES IN YUKON²	As of Oct 13	As of Oct 14	Change
Total confirmed cases	827	831	4
Total active cases	60	59	-1
Total deaths	10	10	0
Total recovered	769	775	7
STATUS OF FN RESERVE CASES³	As of Oct 13	As of Oct 14	Change
Total confirmed cases	43,841	44,057	216
Total active cases	1,860	1,889	29
Total hospitalized	1,988	2,009	21
Total deaths	444	451	7
Total recovered	41,537	41,717	180
Total confirmed cases in BC	4,788	4,812	24

¹ BCCDC COVID-19 Dashboard

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

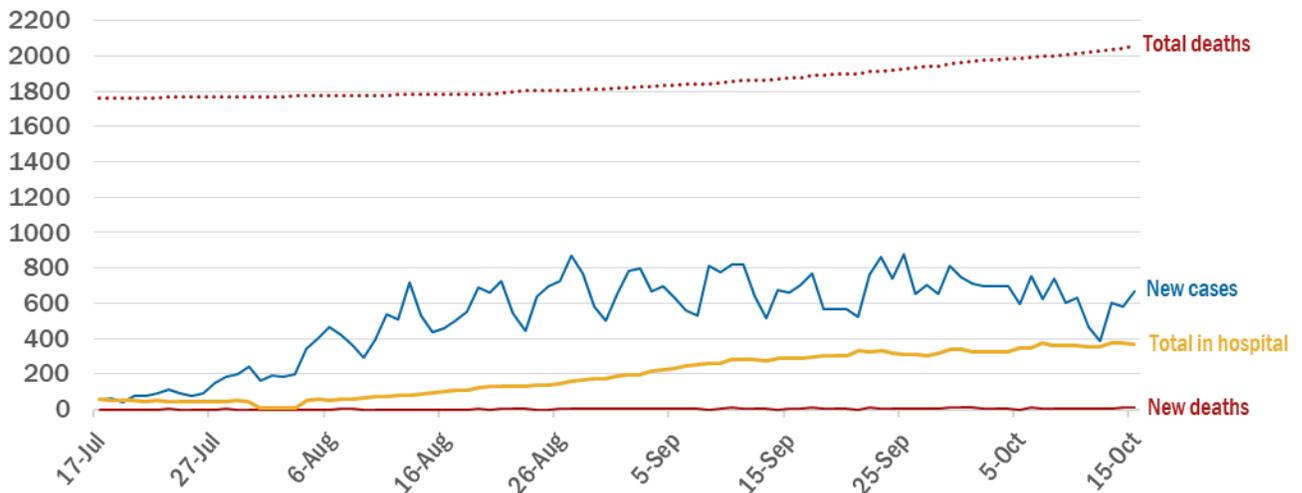
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COVID-19 CASES AND DEATHS IN BC

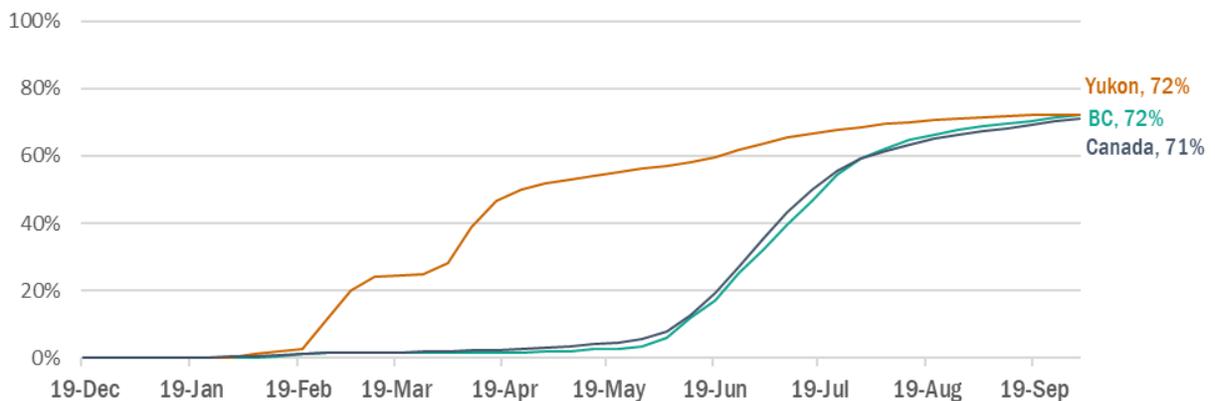


Note: Counts have been averaged where one number was reported for multi-day periods.

COVID-19 CASES AND DEATHS IN BC – PAST THREE MONTHS



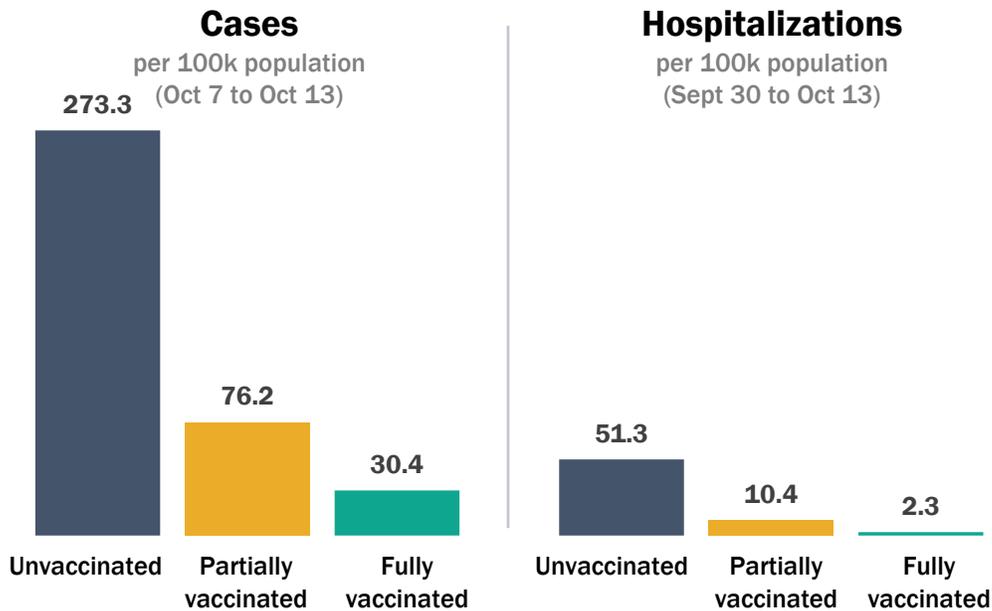
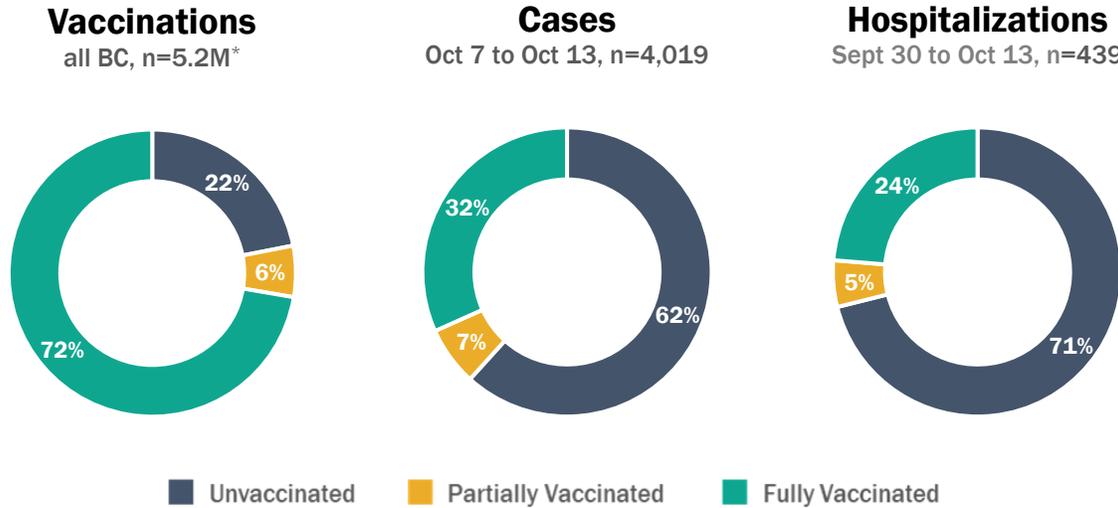
CUMULATIVE % OF PEOPLE FULLY VACCINATED WITH A COVID-19 VACCINE⁴



⁴ <https://health-infobase.canada.ca/covid-19/vaccination-coverage/>

COVID-19 INFECTIONS IN B.C. BY VACCINATION STATUS

- From October 7 to October 13, 2021, people not fully vaccinated accounted for 68.3% of cases, and from September 30 to October 13, 2021, they accounted for 76.3% of ⁵hospitalizations.^{6,7}



⁵ **Note:** Number of individuals vaccinated will be next updated on October 18, 2020

⁶ <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/>

⁷ **Note:** As more people get vaccinated and there are fewer unvaccinated people, the percent of cases among vaccinated people is expected to increase.

* <https://health-infobase.canada.ca/covid-19/vaccination-coverage/>

SIGNIFICANT UPDATES IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

- No significant updates from the Government of B.C.

SIGNIFICANT UPDATES IN THE YUKON TERRITORY

- Today, the Government of Yukon announced that effective November 30th, all government employees and health care workers will be required to receive two doses of the COVID-19 vaccine and that proof of vaccination will be required to access non-essential services in Yukon.⁸
 - These new requirements are based on the recommendations of Dr. Catherine Elliott, acting Chief Medical Officer of Health, to limit the spread of COVID-19 and align with the steps being taken across Canada to increase vaccination rates and combat the Delta variant.
 - This new requirement applies to the following government employees and health care workers:
 - Teachers
 - Any employees who work in hospitals, long-term care homes, medical clinics, and allied health care settings.
 - Non-government organizations funded by the Yukon government to provide services to vulnerable populations, and those in congregate living settings such as group homes, shelters, and the Whitehore Correctional Centre.
 - All patrons of non-essential services, public events, and participants in recreational activities will be required to show proof of full COVID-19 vaccination.
 - Proof of vaccination credentials are available to anyone who received at least two doses of COVID-19 vaccine in the Yukon, at least 14 days ago.
 - The credential is a secure, government-issued proof of your COVID-19 vaccination status.
 - Beginning next week, Officials will reach out and work with stakeholders and those impacted by this requirement to address concerns and questions.
 - This requirement does not apply to youth recreational leagues for those under 12.
 - Proof of vaccination will not be required to access essential services such as grocery stores, pharmacies, libraries, or banks.
 - Dr. Catherine Elliott has issued the following strong recommendations to cover the interim until these new requirements come into effect on November 30th:
 - People who are not fully vaccinated are recommended to avoid non-essential services for 10 days after travel outside of Yukon.
 - Social gatherings should be limited to 20 people indoors and only if everyone is fully vaccinated, or a maximum of six, if not fully vaccinated.
 - All businesses, services, and organized events are being asked to have an onsite operational plan.

⁸ <https://yukon.ca/en/news/government-yukon-require-public-servants-and-health-care-workers-be-fully-vaccinated-and-proof-vaccination-access-nonessential-services>

SIGNIFICANT UPDATES FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

- Today, Dr. Theresa Tam, Chief Public Health Officer, issued a statement regarding COVID-19 epidemiology and modelling in Canada.⁹ Highlights include the following:
 - “The latest national 7-day average of 3,168 new cases reported daily (Oct 8-14) is a decrease of 15% over the previous week. While the decline in national daily case counts is encouraging, there is still considerable regional variation, with some areas continuing to experience challenges where the virus is surging.”
 - “Unfortunately, hospitalisation and critical care admission trends, primarily involving unvaccinated people, are still elevated nationally. Together with prolonged hospital stays this continues to place a heavy strain on local healthcare resources, particularly where infection rates are high and vaccination rates are low.”
 - “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.
 - 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.”
 - “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.”

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

⁹ <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/news/2021/10/statement-from-the-chief-public-health-officer-of-canada-on-october-15-2021.html>