

3 NATIONS COVID-19 UPDATE – 15 November 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 Nov 12	As of Nov 15	Change
Total confirmed cases in BC	211,750	213,020	1,270*
Total active cases in BC	4,265	3,837	-428
Currently in intensive care	124	116	-8
Currently hospitalized	384	376	-8
Total hospitalized to date	11,861	11,960	99
Total deaths in BC	2,257	2,273	16
Total recovered in BC	204,963	206,665	3,837
CONFIRMED CASES BY BC REGION¹	As of Nov 12	As of Nov 15	Change
Vancouver Coastal Health	44,127	44,248	121
Fraser Health	107,143	107,560	417
Island Health	11,648	11,831	183
Interior Health	32,090	32,365	275
Northern Health	16,443	16,717	274
Out of Canada	299	299	0
STATUS OF CASES IN YUKON²	As of Nov 12	As of Nov 15	Change
Total confirmed cases	1,181	1,278	97
Total active cases	156	164	8
Total deaths	11	11	0
Total recovered	998	1,043	45
STATUS OF FN RESERVE CASES³	As of Nov 11	As of Nov 12	Change
Total confirmed cases	48,179	48,529	350
Total active cases	1,106	1,097	-9
Total hospitalized	2,270	2,281	11
Total deaths	513	516	3
Total recovered	46,560	46,916	356
Total confirmed cases in BC	5,638	5,729	91

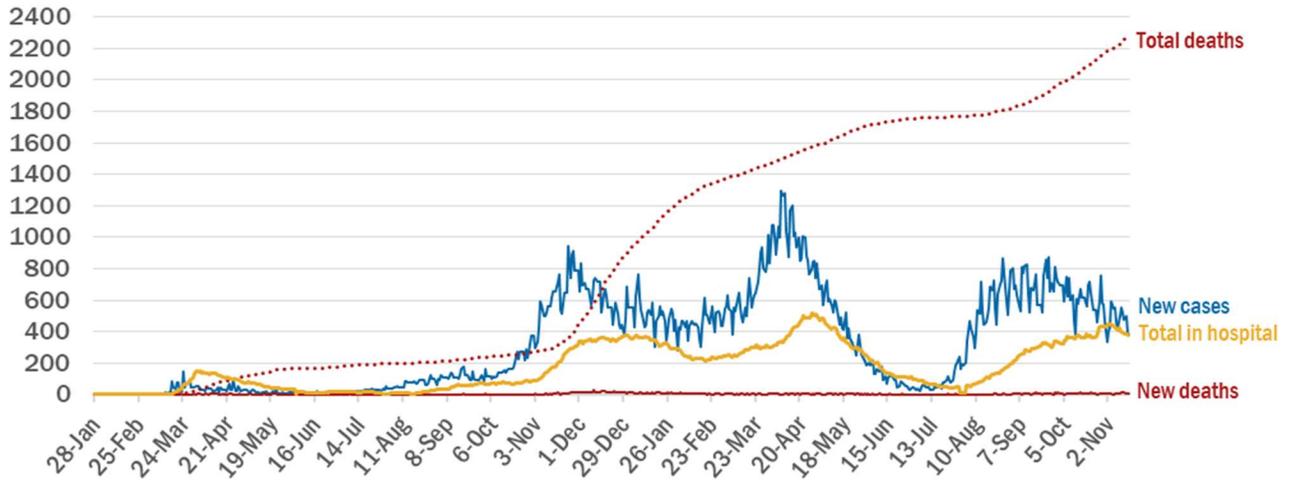
*The Government of B.C. reported 502 new cases of COVID-19 on Nov. 13, 387 new cases on Nov. 14, and 381 on Nov. 15 (1,270 total).

¹ BCCDC COVID-19 Dashboard

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

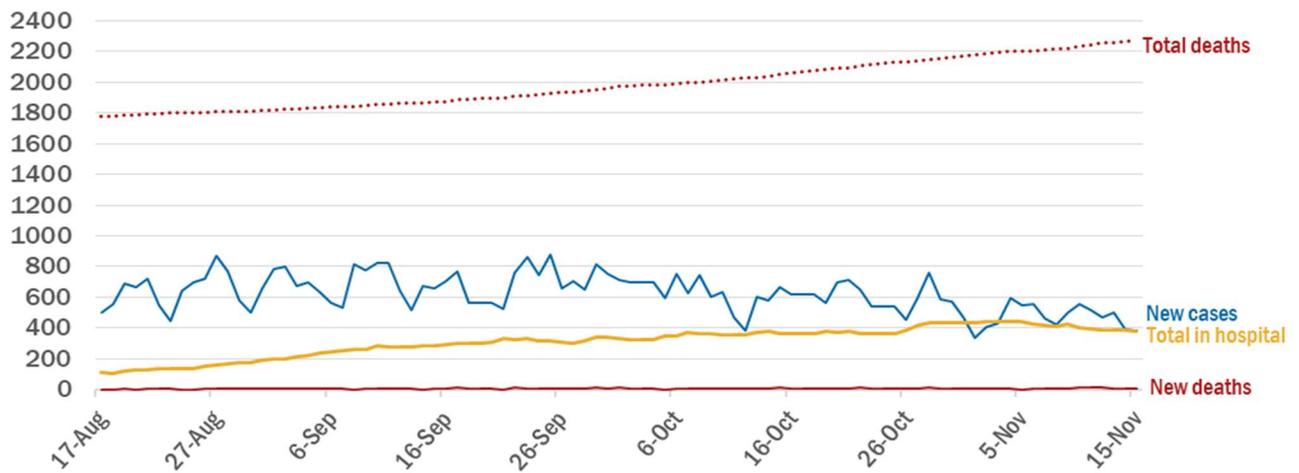
³ <https://www.sac-isc.gc.ca/eng/1598625105013/1598625167707>

COVID-19 CASES AND DEATHS IN BC

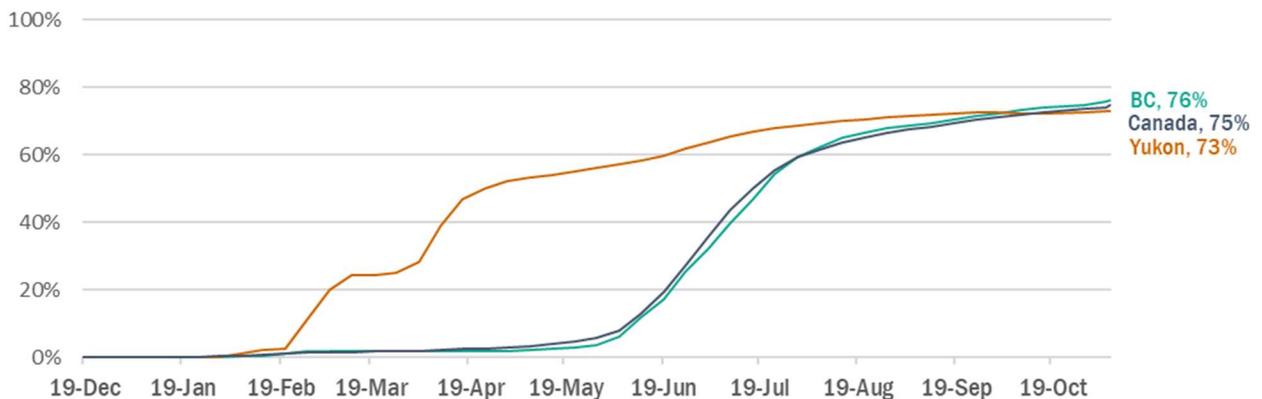


Note: Counts have been averaged where one number was reported for multi-day periods.

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



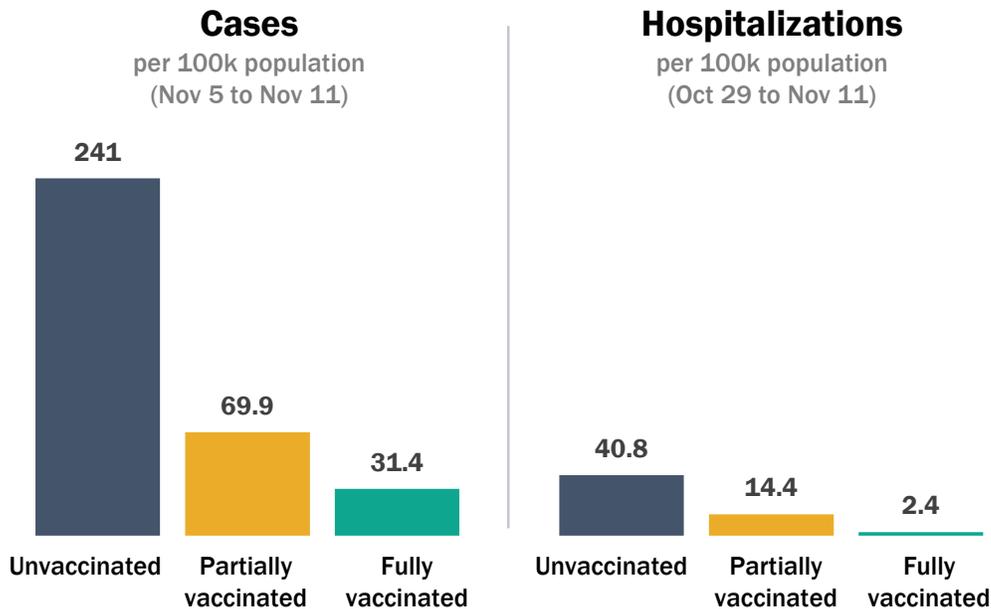
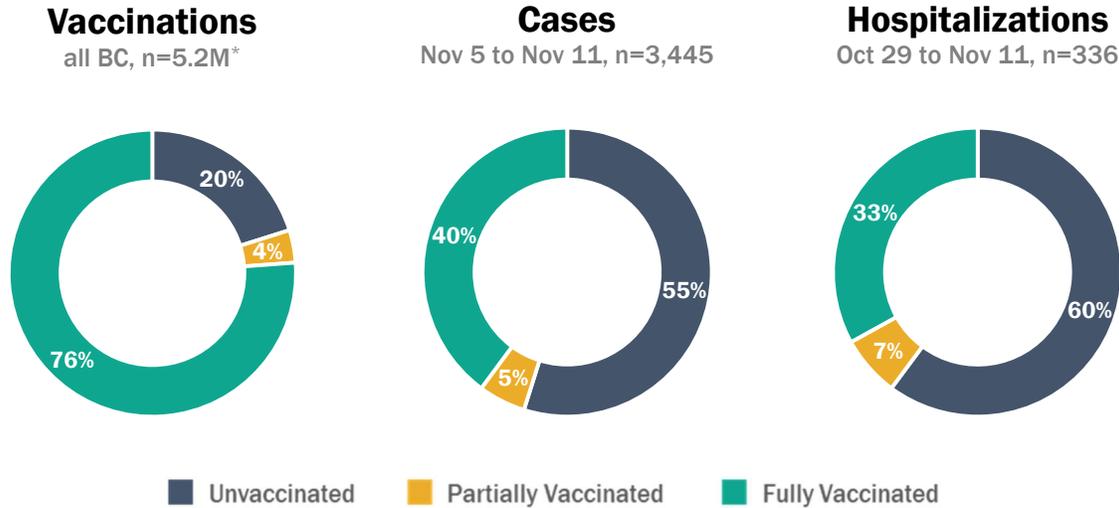
CUMULATIVE % OF PEOPLE FULLY VACCINATED WITH A COVID-19 VACCINE⁴



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

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

- From November 5 to November 11, 2021, people not fully vaccinated accounted for 60.2% of cases, and from October 29 to November 11, 2021, they accounted for 66.9% of hospitalizations.^{5,6}



⁵ <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/>

⁶ As more people get vaccinated and there are fewer unvaccinated people, the % 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 British Columbia.

SIGNIFICANT UPDATES IN THE YUKON TERRITORY

- On Friday, November 13, the Government of Yukon released a statement regarding the **new measures now in effect** in the Territory.⁷ These measures include the following:
 - “On November 8, 2021, the Government of Yukon declared a State of Emergency to allow for new temporary measures recommended by the acting Chief Medical Officer of Health to rapidly decrease the transmission of COVID-19 and ensure the territory’s healthcare capacity is not overwhelmed.”
 - “Community Services Minister Richard Mostyn has authorized new Ministerial Orders under the Civil Emergency Measures Act that [came] into effect on November 13, 2021.”
 - “Under the Masks Order, **mask use is required by all persons 5 years of age or older in all public places.**”
 - “Mandatory masking is required in all indoor public settings and in outdoor public settings where physical distancing cannot be maintained. **Mask use is required in vehicles when there are occupants from more than one household.**”
 - “**Masks are required at all times inside schools**, including when students are in classrooms and seated at their desks as well as all indoor school settings outside the classroom, such as common areas and hallways.”
 - “Participants in **high intensity physical activities which cannot reasonably be done while wearing a mask are exempt from the mandatory masking requirement**. For example, for curling or low intensity exercise classes, masks need to be worn but not for hockey, soccer or basketball. Masks do need to be worn when not actively engaged in playing the sport.”
 - “The Health Protection Order implements the following recommendations of the acting Chief Medical Officer of Health:
 - **Limits on personal gatherings** to 10 people from a maximum of two households if all eligible people are vaccinated; household members only if any eligible people are unvaccinated.
 - **Limits on organized gatherings**, including conferences and weddings: indoor gatherings limited to 25 individuals with proof of vaccination required; outdoor gatherings limited to 50 individuals.
 - **Limits on seated ticketed events**, including arts and sporting events: maximum 50 per cent of venue capacity or 25 individuals, whichever is lower, with proof of vaccination required; seating limited to individual households with physical distancing between households.
 - **Limits on faith-based and cultural gatherings**: maximum 50 per cent of venue capacity or 25 individuals, whichever is lower, with proof of vaccination required; seating limited to individual households with physical distancing between households.

⁷ <https://yukon.ca/en/news/new-covid-19-measures-now-effect>

- **Restrictions on restaurants, bars and nightclubs:** proof of vaccination required for table service with a limit of six individuals per table; no counter service, no moving between tables and no dancing.
- **Restrictions on gyms, fitness and yoga studios and classes:** maximum 50 per cent of venue capacity or 25 individuals, whichever is lower, with proof of vaccination required.
- NOTE: the acting Chief Medical Officer of Health has **revoked her recommendation regarding the suspension of high intensity exercise classes.** These classes and other high intensity sports (e.g., hockey, basketball, and soccer) will continue to be permitted with proof of vaccination for participants. The benefits of allowing high intensity sports and activities were considered to be greater at this time than the benefits of suspending all high intensity activities.
- **Restrictions on personal services:** proof of vaccination required.
- **Limits on other indoor public spaces:** maximum 50 per cent of venue capacity or 25 individuals, whichever is lower.
- **Individual workplaces** may be required to temporarily close under direction of the Office of the Chief Medical Officer of Health.”
- “The new measures will be in place until at least December 3, 2021.”
- “Yukon communities are at significant risk from the current COVID-19 case activity. The acting Chief Medical Officer is recommending that **travel between communities, and between communities and Whitehorse, be avoided until further notice.**”
 - The new temporary measures under the Civil Emergency Measures Act do not affect travel into and out of the territory.
- “Proof of vaccination is **now required** to access designated settings.”
- “A **person must provide proof of vaccination either outside the designated setting or immediately upon entering.** The requirement to be vaccinated will not apply to staff of designated settings while they are in a designated setting for work purposes.”
- “Limited exemptions to the proof of vaccination requirement include:
 - Individuals **under the age of 12** are exempt from the proof of vaccination requirements along with one parent who may be required to accompany a child under the age of 12 to that child’s recreational or sporting activity.
 - Individuals with a **medical deferral issued by a physician or nurse practitioner.**”
- “The onus for verifying proof of vaccination is placed on the person responsible for the setting. It is an **enforceable offence to allow entry to unvaccinated individuals or to not verify their vaccination status.**”
- “Until a Yukon government app is available that can verify QR codes on government-issued proof of vaccination certificates (PVCs), operators will be able to check PVCs visually, either in paper form or in electronic form.”
- “Yukoners will be **permitted to use the Record of Vaccination card** they received when they were immunized **until November 30, 2021.** As of **December 1, 2021, only government-issued PVCs will be accepted as proof of vaccination** to access designated settings.”

Note: COVID-19 public exposure notices can be found at the following locations:

<https://bit.ly/NorthernHealthExposures> and <https://bit.ly/YukonExposures>

SIGNIFICANT UPDATES FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

- No significant updates from the Government of Canada.

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