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## INFORMATION BULLETIN

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Ministry of Health

### **B.C. COVID-19 pandemic update**

VANCOUVER – As of Tuesday, Dec. 14, 2021, 86.6% (4,316,478) of eligible people five and older in B.C. have received their first dose of COVID-19 vaccine and 82.4% (4,105,425) have received their second dose.

In addition, 91.5% (4,243,021) of eligible people 12 and older in B.C. have received their first dose of COVID-19 vaccine, 88.6% (4,105,385) received their second dose and 13% (610,196) have received a third dose.

Also, 91.9% (3,975,788) of all eligible adults in B.C. have received their first dose, 89.1% (3,852,330) received their second dose and 14% (609,466) have received a third dose.

B.C. is reporting 519 new cases of COVID-19, including eight epi-linked cases, for a total of 223,661 cases in the province.

There are 3,171 active cases of COVID-19 in the province, and 218,001 people who tested positive have recovered. Of the active cases, 191 individuals are in hospital and 81 are in intensive care. The remaining people are recovering at home in self-isolation.

The new/active cases include:

- 110 new cases in Fraser Health
  - Total active cases: 872
- 106 new cases in Vancouver Coastal Health
  - Total active cases: 669
- 145 new cases in Interior Health
  - Total active cases: 612
- 34 new cases in Northern Health
  - Total active cases: 213
- 123 new cases in Island Health
  - Total active cases: 804
- one new case of a person who resides outside of Canada
  - Total active cases: one

In the past 24 hours, no new deaths have been reported, for an overall total of 2,386.

There have been 44 cases of the Omicron variant of concern identified in B.C.:

- Fraser Health: 24
- Vancouver Coastal Health: 11
- Interior Health: three

- Northern Health: one
- Island Health: five

There have been no new health-care facility outbreaks, for a total of three facilities with ongoing outbreaks, including:

- long-term care:
  - Ponderosa Lodge (Interior Health)
- acute care:
  - Ridge Meadows Hospital (Fraser Health)
- assisted or independent living:
  - Laurier Manor (Northern Health)

Note: Due to a delayed refresh in data, the update on cases and hospitalizations by vaccination status is not available today.

Since December 2020, the Province has administered 9,001,045 doses of Pfizer-BioNTech, Moderna, AstraZeneca and Pfizer Pediatric COVID-19 vaccines.

### **Learn More:**

For the Dec. 14, 2021, modelling presentation, visit:

[https://news.gov.bc.ca/files/12.14.21\\_PHO\\_modelling.pdf](https://news.gov.bc.ca/files/12.14.21_PHO_modelling.pdf)

For the Nov. 23, 2021, announcement on COVID-19 pediatric vaccine for children aged 5 to 11, visit: <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2021HLTH0209-002245>

To learn more about COVID-19 vaccines for children:

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/covid-19/vaccine/children>

For the Oct. 26, 2021, announcement on COVID-19 booster shots for all British Columbians, visit: <https://news.gov.bc.ca/25604>

For information on booster doses, visit: <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/covid-19/vaccine/booster>

For regional restrictions in the Northern Health region,

visit: [https://www.northernhealth.ca/sites/northern\\_health/files/health-information/health-topics/orders/documents/nh-gatherings-events-orders-dec-2021.pdf](https://www.northernhealth.ca/sites/northern_health/files/health-information/health-topics/orders/documents/nh-gatherings-events-orders-dec-2021.pdf)

For information on a third dose for people who are moderately to severely immunocompromised, visit: <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/covid-19/vaccine/register#immunocompromised>

As they become available, information on school outbreaks will be posted online:

[www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/covid-19/public-exposures](http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/covid-19/public-exposures)

For surgical renewal commitment progress reports, visit:

- <https://news.gov.bc.ca/files/surgical-renewal-progress-report-April-2021.pdf>
- <https://news.gov.bc.ca/files/surgical-renewal-progress-report-Apr-May-2021.pdf>
- <https://news.gov.bc.ca/files/surgical-renewal-progress-report-May-June-2021.pdf>

- <https://news.gov.bc.ca/files/surgical-renewal-progress-report-June-July-2021.pdf>

To learn about how B.C. counts its daily COVID-19 cases in hospitals, visit:

<https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2021HLTH0058-001844>

To learn about the BC Vaccine Card and how to access yours, visit:

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/vaccinocard.html>

For the Aug. 12, 2021, announcement on mandatory COVID-19 vaccinations for long-term care workers, visit: <https://news.gov.bc.ca/25143>

For information on breakthrough cases, see the BCCDC weekly data summary:

<http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/covid-19/data#summary>

Detailed data is posted daily on the BCCDC dashboard: <http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/covid-19/data> or: [www.bccdc.ca](http://www.bccdc.ca)

To register to be immunized or to learn about getting your second dose, visit:

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/covid-19/vaccine/register> or

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/covid-19/vaccine/dose-2>

For the provincial health officer's orders and guidance, visit:

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/health/about-bc-s-health-care-system/office-of-the-provincial-health-officer/current-health-topics/covid-19-novel-coronavirus>

For guidance on restrictions, visit: <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/emergency-preparedness-response-recovery/covid-19-provincial-support/restrictions>

The latest updates, including case counts, prevention, risks and to find a testing centre near you: <http://www.bccdc.ca/> or follow @CDCofBC on Twitter.

For COVID-19 exposure events, updates and information, visit:

- BCCDC: <http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/covid-19/public-exposures>
- Fraser Health: [fraserhealth.ca/covid19exposure](https://fraserhealth.ca/covid19exposure)
- Interior Health: <https://news.interiorhealth.ca/news/public-exposures/>
- Island Health: <https://www.islandhealth.ca/learn-about-health/covid-19/data-outbreaks-facilities>
- Northern Health: <https://www.northernhealth.ca/health-topics/outbreaks-and-exposures>
- Vancouver Coastal Health: <http://www.vch.ca/covid-19/public-exposures>

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