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Contact **Health Links-Info Santé** at **204-788-8200** or **1-888-315-9257** (toll-free) if you're experiencing symptoms of the 2019 novel coronavirus.

Do not call 911 unless it is an emergency.

Current Situation

NEW Last updated: March 17, 2020

The Manitoba government is taking additional proactive measures to help reduce the impact of COVID-19. This includes:

- suspending services at licensed child-care centres, effective end-of-day Friday, March 20;
- recommending parents with children in these centres begin to make alternate arrangements as soon as possible, even though centres will remain open for the remainder of the week;
- continuing to allow home-based child-care providers to operate; and
- creating dedicated child care options for front-line and essential services staff who need them.

Parents who will be providing front-line health care or are a member of a fire, police or paramedic service and will not be able to find alternative child care while services are suspended are asked to contact 204-945-0776 or 1-888-213-4754 (toll free).

Parents are asked to keep all children and youth home if they have a fever or other respiratory illness symptoms. Schools will be notifying parents that students will be sent home if they have any of these symptoms.

The province is also advising that:

- teachers will continue to be on the job, either in schools or at home to create learning plans and continue teaching using the distance learning options available; and
- all casinos will close immediately.

Public health officials are recommending the immediate suspension of visitors in long-term-care facilities across Manitoba. Exceptions will be made in special circumstances.

In addition, public health officials are recommending the cancellation of gatherings of more than 50 people, consistent with the announcement made by the federal government.

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Testing in Manitoba

NEW Last updated: March 17, 2020

As of March 16, 2,280 test for COVID-19 have been completed.

Total Number of Confirmed and Presumptive Positive Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Cases by Health Region (of residence):

	Manitoba	Interlake-Eastern	Northern	Prairie Mountain	Southern Health	Winnipeg	Unknown
Confirmed Positive *	8	1	0	0	0	7	0
Presumptive Positive **	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	8	1	0	0	0	7	0

- * A confirmed positive case has tested positive at both Cadham Provincial Laboratory and the National Microbiology Laboratory.
- ** A presumptive positive case has tested positive at Cadham Provincial Laboratory and is awaiting confirmatory testing results from the National Microbiology Laboratory.

Canadian Situation

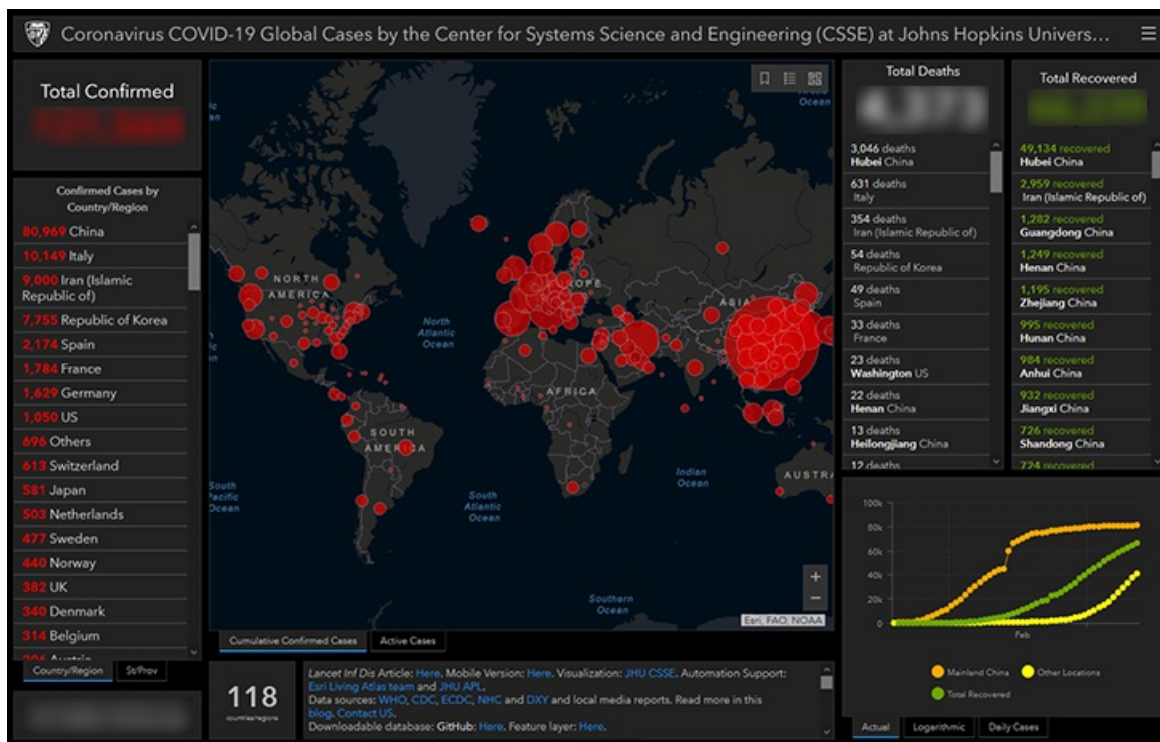
As of March 17, 2020 (9:00 am), 424 confirmed cases of COVID-19 have been confirmed in Canada. Cases have been reported in Alberta, British Columbia, Manitoba, New Brunswick, Ontario, Prince Edward Island, Quebec and Saskatchewan. Probable cases have

also been reported in Newfoundland & Labrador and Nova Scotia. For the most current numbers, see [Public Health Agency of Canada's COVID-19: Outbreak update](#) website.

Worldwide Reported Cases

For a complete list of countries reporting COVID-19 cases see the most current [WHO Coronavirus Disease situation report](#) or click on the Johns Hopkins Coronavirus COVID-19 Global Case map dashboard.

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