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#RESTART^{MB} Pandemic Response System



Provincial Response Level: Critical

Community spread of COVID-19 is not contained and/or there are significant strains on our health care system.

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COVID-19 Screening Tool - Experiencing
symptoms?

Take a self-assessment

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 9, 2021

Public health officials advise one additional death in a person with COVID-19 has been reported today:

- a female in her 70s from the Winnipeg health region.

The current five-day COVID-19 test positivity rate is 3.8 per cent provincially and 2.7 per cent in Winnipeg. As of 9:30 a.m. today, 66 new cases of the virus have been identified. However, four cases have been removed due to data correction. This brings the net-new number of cases today to 62 and the total number of lab-confirmed cases in Manitoba to 32,350.

Public health officials are announcing that five additional confirmed case as a result of the B.1.1.7 COVID-19 variant of concern first identified in the United Kingdom and eight confirmed cases as a result of the B.1.351 COVID-19 variant of concern first identified in South Africa have been detected. The cases identified today are all from the Winnipeg health region with the majority being either travel or close contact related.

Officials note most of the B.1.351 variant cases announced today were found through the retroactive screening of samples from February. At this time, there is no evidence of widespread community transmission of either variant of concern. Case investigations continue and the public will be informed should the risk profile change.

Today's COVID-19 data shows:

- four cases in Interlake-Eastern health region;
- 36 cases in the Northern health region;
- zero case in the Prairie Mountain Health region;
- seven cases in the Southern Health-Santé Sud health region; and
- 19 cases in the Winnipeg health region.

The data also shows:

- 1,153 active cases and 30,290 individuals who have recovered from COVID-19;
- 55 people in hospital with active COVID-19 as well as 108 people in hospital with COVID-19 who are no longer infectious but continue to require care, for a total of 163 hospitalizations;
- 10 people in intensive care units with active COVID-19 as well as 12 people with COVID-19 who are no longer infectious but continue to require critical care, for a total of 22 ICU patients;
- the total number of deaths in people with COVID-19 is 907. Due to a data correction, one death that had been reported earlier has been removed; and
- the total number of confirmed variant of concern cases of B.1.1.7 is 11 and B.1.351 is 11, bringing the total number of confirmed variant of concern cases to 22.

Laboratory testing numbers show 1,235 tests were completed yesterday, bringing the total number of lab tests completed since early February 2020 to 539,998.

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