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Current situation

Number of **total cases** of COVID-19 in Canada as of

Last data update EDT

i Hover over, tap, or tab to provinces and territories to see cases over time or hit the play button to animate the map.

The number of total cases of COVID-19 in **Canada** was **1,471** as of .

► [Map - Total Number of COVID-19 Cases in Canada - Text Description](#)

Additional COVID-19 case information:

- [epidemiological summary](#)
- [full epidemiological report \(PDF\)](#)
- [preliminary data tables related to confirmed cases \(dataset\)](#)
- [interactive map and graphs of COVID-19 cases and deaths in Canada](#)
- [using data and modelling to inform public health action](#)

Global

On March 11, 2020, [the World Health Organization \(WHO\)](#) assessed COVID-19 as a [pandemic](#).

Canada has a strong history of pandemic planning and is an international leader on this front.

The Public Health Agency of Canada (along with [public health authorities](#) at all levels of government across the country) have been working together to ensure that our preparedness and response measures are appropriate and adaptable, based on the latest science and the evolving situation.

Globally, efforts have focused on taking measures to contain the outbreak and prevent further spread.

Aside from Canada, many other countries and regions are reporting cases (listed below). An official [global travel advisory](#) and [pandemic COVID-19 travel health notice](#) are in effect: avoid non-essential travel outside Canada until further notice.

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Risk to Canadians

COVID-19 is a serious health threat, and the situation is evolving daily. The risk will vary between and within communities, but given the increasing number of cases in Canada, the risk to Canadians is considered **high**.

This does not mean that all Canadians will get the disease. It means that there is already a significant impact on our health care system. If we do not flatten the epidemic curve now, the increase of COVID-19 cases could impact health care resources available to Canadians.

We continue to reassess the public health risk based on the best available evidence as the situation evolves.

Who is most at risk

While COVID-19 can make anyone sick, some Canadians with specific health circumstances

are at an increased risk of more severe outcomes, including individuals:

- aged 65 and over
- with compromised immune systems
- with underlying medical conditions

In addition, social and economic circumstances may also be a factor in identifying [someone who is vulnerable to COVID-19](#). This includes anyone who has:

- economic barriers
- difficulty accessing transportation
- difficulty accessing medical care or health advice
- unstable employment or inflexible working conditions
- insecure, inadequate, or nonexistent housing conditions
- ongoing specialized medical care or needs specific medical supplies
- social or geographic isolation, like in remote and isolated communities
- difficulty reading, speaking, understanding or communicating
- ongoing supervision needs or support for maintaining independence
- difficulty doing preventive activities, like frequent hand washing and covering coughs and sneezes

Think you might have COVID-19?

[Take a self-assessment](#)

How Canada is monitoring COVID-19

The health and safety of all Canadians is our top priority.

The Public Health Agency of Canada is working with provinces, territories and international partners, including the World Health Organization, to actively monitor the situation. Global efforts are focused on containment of the outbreak and the prevention of further spread.

Canada's Chief Public Health Officer of Canada is in close contact with provincial and territorial Chief Medical Officers of Health to ensure that any cases of COVID-19 occurring in Canada continue to be rapidly identified and managed in order to protect the health of Canadians.

Canada's National Microbiology Laboratory is performing diagnostic testing for the virus that causes COVID-19. The laboratory is working in close collaboration with provincial and territorial public health laboratories, which are now able to test for COVID-19. A summary of people tested in Canada is available and updated each week day.

National Microbiology Laboratory's summary of people tested in Canada as of May 18, 2020, 8:30 am EDT

Total number of patients tested in Canada	Total positive	Total negative
1,319,987	71,871	1,247,718

This testing summary represents information collected by the laboratory and **not** the [total reported cases](#) in Canada. The remainder of tests not reported here are still being resolved.

Should there be any differences with the national case count compared with testing numbers reported by provincial and territorial public health officials, provincial data should be considered the most up-to-date.

For more information, visit [Canada's response page](#).

History

▼ April 2020

- On April 29, Canada launches a new mobile app, **ArriveCAN**.
- On April 28, Canada surpasses **50,000 confirmed cases** of COVID-19
- On April 23, Canada announces more than \$1 billion in support of a national medical research strategy to fight COVID-19
- On April 23, Canada surpasses **2,000 confirmed deaths** from COVID-19
- On April 15, Canada surpasses **1,000 confirmed deaths** from COVID-19
- On April 15, Canada launches a new portal, Wellness Together Canada, dedicated to mental wellness
- On April 15, expansion of the COVID-19 Emergency Response Act, to help essential workers
- On April 11, expansion of the COVID-19 Emergency Response Act, to help businesses keep Canadians in their jobs
- On April 9, Canada surpasses **20,000 confirmed cases** of COVID-19
- On April 3, Canada announces an investment of \$100 million to **improve access to food** for Canadians facing social, economic, and health impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- On April 2, worldwide COVID-19 cases reach **1 million**.
- On April 2, Canada launches the **Canada COVID-19 app** on iOS and Android to provide Canadians with the latest information on COVID-19 and a way to check their symptoms.

- On April 2, Canada surpasses **10,000 confirmed cases** of COVID-19.

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Contact us

For information on COVID-19, refer to our [frequently asked questions](#). If you are looking for information on COVID-19, specific to your province, refer to our [resources page](#).

If you have additional questions that are not answered on our website:

- call us at 1-833-784-4397 (interpretation services are available in multiple languages)
- email us at phac.covid19.aspc@canada.ca

Note that we are currently experiencing a high volume of requests and long wait times.

Email updates

[Get COVID-19 email updates](#). Sign up to receive important information from the Government of Canada.

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Government of Canada supports over 500 women's shelters and sexual assault centres during the COVID-19 pandemic	2020-05-16
Helping the dairy sector mitigate the impact of COVID-19	2020-05-15
Temporary suspension of service at Four Falls, New Brunswick land border crossing	2020-05-15

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<u>Helping British Columbia agriculture and food businesses plan for COVID-19 recovery</u>	2020-05-15
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<u>Update on Active COVID-19 Cases among Canadian Armed Forces Members serving in Long Term Care Facilities</u>	2020-05-15
<u>Government extends the Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy</u>	2020-05-15
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<u>Government of Canada, the Meadow Lake Tribal Council and Métis Nation-Saskatchewan announce emergency support for COVID-19 response in northwestern Saskatchewan</u>	2020-05-13
<u>Canada Emergency Student Benefit application period to launch on May 15, 2020</u>	2020-05-13
<u>\$962 million additional support fund now available to businesses and communities affected by the pandemic</u>	2020-05-13
<u>FedDev Ontario launches Regional Relief and Recovery Fund to support local economies</u>	2020-05-13
<u>Canadian Northern Economic Development Agency launches Regional Relief and Recovery Fund to support local economies</u>	2020-05-13
<u>Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency launches Regional Relief and Recovery Fund to support local economies</u>	2020-05-13
<u>FedNor launches Regional Relief and Recovery Fund to support local economies</u>	2020-05-13
<u>Canada Economic Development for Quebec Regions launches the Regional Relief and Recovery Fund to support local economies</u>	2020-05-13

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<u>Temporary suspension of service at select Canadian border services locations</u>	2020-05-12
<u>Statement from Health Canada on COVID-19 Serological Tests</u>	2020-05-12
<u>The National Research Council of Canada and CanSino Biologics Inc. announce collaboration to advance vaccine against COVID-19</u>	2020-05-12
<u>The National Research Council of Canada and USask's VIDO-InterVac collaborate to advance development of vaccine against COVID-19</u>	2020-05-12
<u>The NFB greenlights 16 projects for production. New documentary, animation and interactive works from across Canada, including projects to come on COVID-19</u>	2020-05-11
<u>Important safety information for certain respirator masks</u>	2020-05-11
<u>Indigenous Services Canada providing direct air transportation to serve fly-in First Nations communities</u>	2020-05-10
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<u>Chief Justice of Canada and Minister of Justice Launch Action Committee on Court Operations in Response to COVID-19</u>	2020-05-08
<u>Minister Bains announces new Industry Strategy Council</u>	2020-05-08
<u>Joint statement from Minister Qualtrough, Minister Morneau and Minister Duclos</u>	2020-05-08

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Unauthorized test kits claiming to diagnose or detect COVID-19 put your health at risk	2020-05-07
Competition Bureau cracking down on deceptive marketing claims about COVID-19 prevention or treatment	2020-05-06
Statement on Protecting Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights and Promoting Gender-Responsiveness in the COVID-19 Crisis	2020-05-06
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COVID-19 related death of an inmate	2020-05-05
Statement on joint collaboration by APEC members amid COVID-19 pandemic	2020-05-05
Statement on support for women's shelters and centres for victims of sexual and domestic violence in Quebec during the COVID-19 pandemic	2020-05-04
Government of Canada creates COVID-19 supply council in support of Canada's response and recovery	2020-05-03
Minister Bains announces investment in antibody discovery technology to help treat COVID-19	2020-05-03
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Clinical trial looking at the potential use of convalescent plasma to treat COVID-19	2020-05-01
Government of Canada introduces new digital initiatives to its suite of virtual tools for COVID-19	2020-04-30
International Coalition of Medicines Regulatory Authorities (ICMRA) statement on COVID-19	2020-04-29
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3D printing and other unconventional manufacturing of personal protective equipment in response to COVID-19	2020-03-31
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No scientific evidence that ibuprofen worsens COVID-19 symptoms	2020-03-20
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