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# **COVID-19 (Novel Coronavirus)**

### Nunavut COVID-19 Case Update

Dec. 17/20

Total confirmed cases	Total active cases	Total recovered cases	Total persons followed	Current persons followed
259	37	222	5434	647

<sup>\*</sup>Please note: These numbers change frequently. Every effort is made to keep this information up-to-date and complete but it may not reflect all persons followed or tested.

The Government of Nunavut is actively monitoring the COVID-19 situation nationally and globally.

#### NU COVID-19 Case Statistics

Dec. 17/20

Community	Confirmed COVID-19 cases (yesterday)	Confirmed COVID-19 cases (today)	Change in case count +/- from previous day	Total recovered	Total active cases
Arviat	216	217	1	180	37
Whale Cove	21	21	0	21	0
Rankin Inlet	19	19	0	19	0
Sanikiluaq	2	2	0	2	0
Total	258	259	1	222	37

## NU COVID-19 Testing Stats

Dec. 17/20

Community	Test Positives	Tests Negative	
Arviat	217	972	
Whale Cove	21	175	
Rankin Inlet	19	271	
Sanikiluaq	2	194	
Total	259	1712	

<sup>\*\*</sup> Confirmed cases include those meeting the national case definitions. Persons followed includes individuals with specific symptoms and exposures as well as others who are self-monitoring or self-isolated. Not all of these individuals have symptoms or require testing.

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#### **Travel and Isolation**

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#### Nunavut's Path: moving forward during COVID-19

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#### **COVID Hotline**

Need to talk to someone if you have COVID-19 symptoms, or have recently travelled to or from an affected area? Do you have questions about travel to Nunavut or the isolation sites? Please call 975-8601 or 1-888-975-8601 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. to speak with someone. For travel related inquiries please call between 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday - Friday. Please remember this line is for those who need it – and should not be used for general inquiries.

If you have questions or need help in an emergency, call your local health centre.

#### **COVID-19 Facts**

#### **Symptoms**

Those who are infected with COVID-19 may have little to no symptoms. You may not know you have symptoms of COVID-19 because they are similar to a cold or flu. Symptoms may take up to 14 days to appear after exposure to COVID-19. This is the longest known infectious period for this disease.

Symptoms include:

- fever
- cough
- difficulty breathing
- pneumonia in both lungs requiring support for breathing.

#### If you become ill

If you develop symptoms and have travelled to a region with known cases of COVID-19 occurring in the community or have been in contact with someone who has:

- stay at home and avoid contact with others
- follow up with your health care professional

If you develop fever, cough or difficulty breathing in the next 14 days, call your health care provider or local public health authority and advise them of possible contact with COVID-19.

If you are ill and must visit a health care professional, call ahead or tell them when you arrive that you have a respiratory illness and if you have travelled.

#### What are the risks of getting COVID-19?

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.

The risk for COVID-19 may be increased for certain settings such as:

- cruise ships
- crowded areas (such as public transit and shopping centres)
- gatherings (spiritual and cultural settings, theatres, sports arenas, festivals and conferences)

There is an increased risk of more severe outcomes for Canadians:

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

People that fall into these categories should reconsider attending gatherings. This includes large gatherings and even smaller events in crowded or enclosed settings.

If you have symptoms (cough, fever or difficulty breathing), do not attend a mass gathering, event or places where people gather. You could put someone whose health is vulnerable at risk.

#### **Resources:**

About Coronavirus (COVID-19)

Social Distancing

Hand Washing

Isolation and Return to Nunavut Protocol

Vulnerable Populations

Managing Anxiety and Stress During COVID-19

Cleaning to Reduce the Risk of COVID-19

COVID-19 Isolation

Masks are not Enough

Instructions for Making a Mask

How to Use a Mask

Common Travel Area: NWT and Churchill

Breastfeeding and COVID-19

Know the difference: Self-Monitoring and Isolation

Limit your contacts, slow the spread

COVID-19 and Isolation





## Honourable Lorne Kusugak

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#### LATEST NEWS

17 DECEMBER 2020

One new case of COVID-19 in Nunavut

16 DECEMBER 2020

No new cases of COVID-19 in Nunavut

16 DECEMBER 2020

Flu Immunization Reminder

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#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

No events available.







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