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COVID-19 (novel coronavirus)

This section provides the latest updates, information and advice on COVID-19.

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Current situation

New Zealand has 39 confirmed cases of COVID-19. For a summary of the current status see our latest <u>media release (20 March)</u>. More information is available on our <u>current cases page</u>. With continued vigilance the chance of widespread community outbreak is expected to remain low.

Travellers who have arrived in New Zealand within the last 14 days are being asked to self-isolate – see Self-isolation to find out more.

If you have been overseas within the last 14 days and develop a fever, cough or shortness of breath, call Healthline on 0800 358 5453.

New border measures announced

The Government has announced <u>further border measures</u> restricting entry to New Zealand.

From 11.59pm 19 March 2020, only New Zealand residents and citizens (and their children and partners) will be permitted to enter New Zealand. (This includes the Realm countries, Australian citizens and permanent residents ordinarily resident in New Zealand, airline and marine crew.) Find out more.

For COVID-19 health advice and information, contact the Healthline team (for free) on <u>0800 358 5453</u> or <u>+64 9 358 5453</u> for international SIMS.

Health advice for the public

- Latest advice: Symptoms, prevention, treatment, how it spreads & more
- <u>Self-isolation</u>
- Contact tracing
- <u>Countries and areas of concern</u>
- Face mask and hygiene advice
- Home care information
- <u>Managing your mental wellbeing</u>
- Questions and answers

Information for:

- Health professionals
- Aged care providers
- Airline staff
- Border sector
- <u>Cleaning services</u>
- <u>Disabled people and residential care providers</u>
- Hotels and hotel staff
- <u>Public events and mass gatherings</u>
- <u>Travellers arriving to New Zealand</u>

Information in other languages & formats

- New Zealand Sign Language
- Easy Read
- Simplified Chinese
- <u>Te reo Māori</u>
- More languages

News and media updates

- 20 March Update on Ruby Princess and Celebrity Solstice cruises
- 20 March 11 new cases of COVID-19
- 20 March COVID-19 media update

All news and media updates

Information about current cases

Resources

- Information sheets for the general public
- <u>Welfare support factsheet</u>
- <u>Posters</u>
- Ministry social media

Latest updates

Our advice is under active review and is updated regularly. The latest updates include the following changes to the website:

21 March:

- Update on managed restricted access to aged care facilities
- <u>Updated health pratique form</u>

20 March:

• Advice updated across the site to reflect new border measures

19 March:

- <u>Updated advice for public events and mass gatherings</u>
- <u>New border measures announced</u>

18 March:

- Update to self-isolation advice
- Information on current cases now available
- · Added resources for health professionals: Road ambulance transfer of patients and guidance for cancer services
- Added Te reo Māori poster protect yourself and others against COVID-19

17 March:

- Information for disabled people or people who need support for daily life and their family/whānau
- Information for residential care providers
- Updated Advice to airline crew on the use of personal protective equipment
- Updated <u>Self-isolation information</u>

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Where to go for help

Emergencies Dial 111 (for ambulance, fire or police)

Healthline Dial 0800 611 116

Poisons Dial 0800 POISON (0800 764 766)

Mental health crisis Emergency contact numbers		
New Zealand Government		
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