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COVID-19 (novel coronavirus)

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

Current situation

New Zealand has **1,504** confirmed and probable cases of COVID-19. More information is available on our [current cases page](#).

Alert Level 2

On Thursday 14 May New Zealand moved to **Alert Level 2 - Reduce**.

- Find out about [Health and disability services at Alert Level 2](#).
- More information about Alert Level 2 is available on the [COVID 19 website](#).

NZ COVID Tracer app

The official Ministry of Health contact tracing app helps you keep a digital diary of the places you've been.

[Find out more >](#)



Gatherings and events

From 12pm on Friday 29 May new increased limits on gatherings and events will apply. The need for funerals or tangihanga to register via the Ministry of Health will stop. Further information about these changes will be available later this week. Find out more on the [COVID-19 website](#).

Āwhina app

The Ministry has launched [Āwhina](#) - an app which helps health workers stay up to date on the latest COVID-19 information and receive notifications when new content is added or updated. Find out more about [Āwhina](#).

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

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Latest updates

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

27 May:

- [Āwhina app for health workers launched](#)
- [Published: COVID-19 Health and Wellbeing Survey](#)

26 May:

- [Updated: Guidance for Mental Health Act processes and Mental Health Act information for service users](#)
- [Updated: Quarantine and managed isolation numbers](#)

25 May:

- [COVID-19 Elimination Strategy for Aotearoa New Zealand](#)

22 May:

- [Updated: Self-isolation for close contacts](#)
- [Updated: Case definition](#)
- [Updated: Primary care quick reference guide](#)
- [Updated: Alert Level 2 guidance for managing residents entering and exiting aged residential care facilities](#)
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21 May:

- [NZ COVID Tracer app - Integrating with third party solutions](#)
- [Updated: NZ COVID Tracer app questions and answers](#)
- [COVID-19 Contact Tracing Data Standard \(HISO 10085:2020\)](#)
- [Guidance for businesses on workplace screening: COVID-19 testing and temperature checking](#)

20 May:

- [Updated: Screening form for a person to enter an aged residential care facility](#)
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Dial 0800 POISON (0800 764 766)

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