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COVID-19 (novel coronavirus)

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

Current situation

New Zealand is currently at **Alert Level 1**. To find out more see [Health and disability services at Alert Level 1](#).

There are 20 active cases of COVID-19 in New Zealand. New Zealand's confirmed and probable cases of COVID-19 to date is 1560 – see our [current cases page](#).

The focus is now on protecting New Zealanders with:

- [robust border controls](#)
- [continued surveillance and testing](#)
- [contact tracing capability](#) and rapid isolation of new cases
- [public support to prevent any further spread, like good hygiene](#) and [keeping records of movement](#).

See our [elimination strategy for Aotearoa New Zealand](#).

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.

NZ COVID Tracer app

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

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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:

31 July:

- [Guidance for primary and secondary care on essential groups for testing fact sheet](#)

30 July:

- [COVID-19 Health and Wellbeing weekly report - results as at 26 July 2020](#)
- [Information release: Investigation into COVID-19 active cases privacy breach](#)
- [Updated: Epidemic notice and Orders](#)

29 July:

- [Assessment and testing for COVID-19](#)

24 July:

- [Updated: Case definition and testing guidance](#)
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