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# COVID-19 (novel coronavirus)

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

## Current situation

Anyone who has cold or flu symptoms should get a test and stay home until you have a negative test result.

### Case numbers

As at 9 am 5 January 2021 there are 61 active cases of COVID-19 in New Zealand. See our [Current cases page](#) and the latest [News and media updates](#).

### Alert Levels

All of New Zealand is at Alert Level 1. Find out more on the [Unite Against COVID-19 website](#).

### Make summer unstoppable

Look after yourself and your whānau this summer:

- wear a [mask or face covering](#) when using transport services in, into and out of Auckland and on passenger flights throughout New Zealand
- sign into places, using the [NZ COVID Tracer app](#) or keep a record
- maintain [good hygiene practices](#)
- [stay home if you're unwell](#) and [get a test](#)
- travel with a 'COVID-19 kit' – soap, hand sanitiser and a face covering.

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.

## COVID-19 vaccines

We're getting prepared so we can access safe and effective vaccines at the earliest possible time.

[Find out more](#)

## 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](#)



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- [31 December - 11 cases of COVID-19 at border in two days](#)
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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.

### 3 January

- Updated: [COVID-19: Information for travellers from the UK and USA](#)

### 30 December

- Updated: [Protecting yourself at the border](#)

### 24 December

- Updated: [COVID-19: Aviation sector](#)

### 23 December:

- Updated: [COVID-19: Maritime sector](#)

### 22 December:

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

### 21 December:

- Revised: [Kia Kaha, Kia Maia, Kia Ora Aotearoa: COVID-19 Psychosocial and Mental Wellbeing Plan](#)
- Updated: [COVID-19: Maritime sector](#)
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### 18 December:

- Updated: [Contact tracing for COVID-19](#)

### 17 December:

- Updated: [COVID-19 vaccine planning](#)

### 15 December:

- Updated: [Testing strategy for 7 December 2020 to 27 January 2021](#)
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