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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 18 January 2021 there are 85 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](#).

### Pre-departure testing requirements

See the latest current information on [pre-departure testing requirements for all passengers](#) from the United Kingdom and United States landing in New Zealand after 11.59pm (NZT) on 15 January 2021.

### 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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## News and media updates

- [18 January 2021: 6 cases of COVID-19 in managed isolation](#)

- [17 January 2021: 10 COVID-19 cases in 2 days at border](#)
- [15 January 2021: 18 COVID-19 cases in 2 days in managed isolation](#)
- [13 January 2021: 7 new COVID-19 cases in 2 days in managed isolation](#)
- [11 January 2021: 4 cases of COVID-19 in managed isolation](#)

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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.

### 12 January

- Updated: [Advice for travellers](#)

### 8 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](#)

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