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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. Find your local testing facility on the <u>Healthpoint website</u>.

#### **Vaccines**

- 3 February media release: Robust assessment ahead of Medsafe approval of vaccine.
- **Media standup:** Director-General of Health Dr Ashley Bloomfield and Medsafe Group Manager Chris James held a <u>media stand up to explain Medsafe's decision making process</u>.

#### New interim measures for managed isolation facilities

See the new interim measures for guests and staff.

#### Case numbers

As at 9 am 8 February 2021 there are 67 active cases of COVID-19 in New Zealand. See our <u>Current cases page</u> and the latest <u>News and media updates</u>.

#### Alert Levels

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

For COVID-19 health advice and information, contact the Healthline team (for free) on  $\underline{0800\ 358\ 5453}$  or  $\underline{+64\ 9\ 358\ 5453}$  for international SIMS.

## **COVID-19 vaccines**

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

- How vaccinations will work
- Vaccine safety and approval
- More vaccine information

## **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



## Health advice for the public

He kupu āwhina mā te marea

- About COVID-19 symptoms and spread
- Assessment and testing
- Contact tracing
- Contact tracing locations of interest
- Masks and face coverings
- Mental health and wellbeing
- Protecting yourself and others
- Self isolation
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## Health professionals

Mā te kaimahi hauora

- Advice for all health professionals
- Aged care providers
- Allied health
- Case definition and testing guidance
- Primary care
- PPE use in health care
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## **Vaccines**

Rongoā āraimate

- How vaccinations will work
- Vaccine safety and approval
- Types of vaccines
- Getting prepared for the vaccines
- Who we're working with
- Updates for the health sector

## Specific audiences

Mā te rōpū whāiti

- Border sector
- Deaths, funerals and tangihanga
- <u>Disabled people</u>
- Gatherings
- Higher risk people
- Pregnant women
- <u>Travellers</u>
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## Data & statistics

Raraunga me ngā tatauranga

- Current cases
- Case demographics
- Source of cases
- Testing for COVID-19
- NZ COVID Tracer app data
- Data resources

# Response planning

Maere ārai mate

- Border controls
- Vaccine planning
- Epidemic Notice and Orders
- <u>Elimination strategy</u>
- Essential services
- Surveillance strategy
- Testing plan and guidance

## Resources & tools

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- NZ COVID Tracer app
- Accessible information
- Community information packs
- Information sheets for the public
- Translations
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# News & media updates

Ngā karere o te wā

- 9 February: 2 new cases of COVID-19 in managed isolation
- 8 February: No new cases of COVID-19
- 7 February: 2 cases of COVID-19; update on border-related case
- 6 February: COVID-19 confirmed in recent Pullman managed isolation guest
- > All COVID-19 news and media updates

## Latest updates

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

## 6 February

• Assessment and testing for COVID-19

#### 3 February

• COVID-19 vaccines

#### 30 January

• Managed Isolation Facility – new requirements

#### 28 January

- Case definition and testing guidelines for COVID-19
- Contact tracing locations of interest

## 27 January

- Contact tracing locations of interest
- Testing guidance for the health sector

### 26 January

- Contact tracing locations of interest
- Surveillance strategy
- Testing plan









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