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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**

- Pfizer and BioNTech vaccine is set to arrive in New Zealand: When vaccinations will start.
- 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 12 February 2021 there are 44 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 <u>0800 358 5453</u> or <u>+64 9 358 5453</u> for international SIMS.

### **COVID-19 vaccines**

We're expecting enough vaccines for everyone in New Zealand. They'll be free and voluntary for the general public.

- Getting a vaccine
- 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
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# **Health professionals**

Mā te kaimahi hauora

- Advice for all health professionals
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- Case definition and testing guidance
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# **Vaccines**

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- Getting a vaccine
- Vaccine safety and approval
- Types of vaccines
- Our vaccine roll-out plan
- Who we're working with
- Updates for the health sector

# **Specific audiences**

Mā te rōpū whāiti

- Border sector
- Deaths, funerals and tangihanga
- Disabled people
- **Gatherings**
- Higher risk people
- Pregnant women
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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
- **Epidemic Notice and Orders**
- Elimination strategy
- 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
- NZ Health Survey provisional monthly results
- Translations
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# News & media updates *Ngā karere o te wā*

- 12 February: 2 cases of COVID-19 in managed isolation
- 11 Febuary: 1 historical case of COVID-19 in managed isolation
- 10 February: 3 new cases of COVID-19 in managed isolation
- 10 February: COVID-19 media update, 10 February 2021
- 9 February: 2 new cases of COVID-19 in managed isolation
- 8 February: No new cases of COVID-19
- > 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.

### 12 February

- Guidelines for Air New Zealand staff staying in self-isolation hotel
- When vaccinations will start
- Signage for ships in isolation or quarantine
- Updated: Contact tracing for COVID-19
- Updated: Case definition and clinical testing guidelines for COVID-19

### 11 February

Personal protective equipment use in health and disability care settings

### 10 February

- Who can get the Pfizer and BioNTech vaccine
- Provisional monthly results on COVID-19 impacts: 2020/21 New Zealand Health Survey

#### 6 February

• Assessment and testing for COVID-19

### 3 February

COVID-19 vaccines

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