COVID-19 daily epidemiology update

Updated: July 29, 2021, 7 pm EST

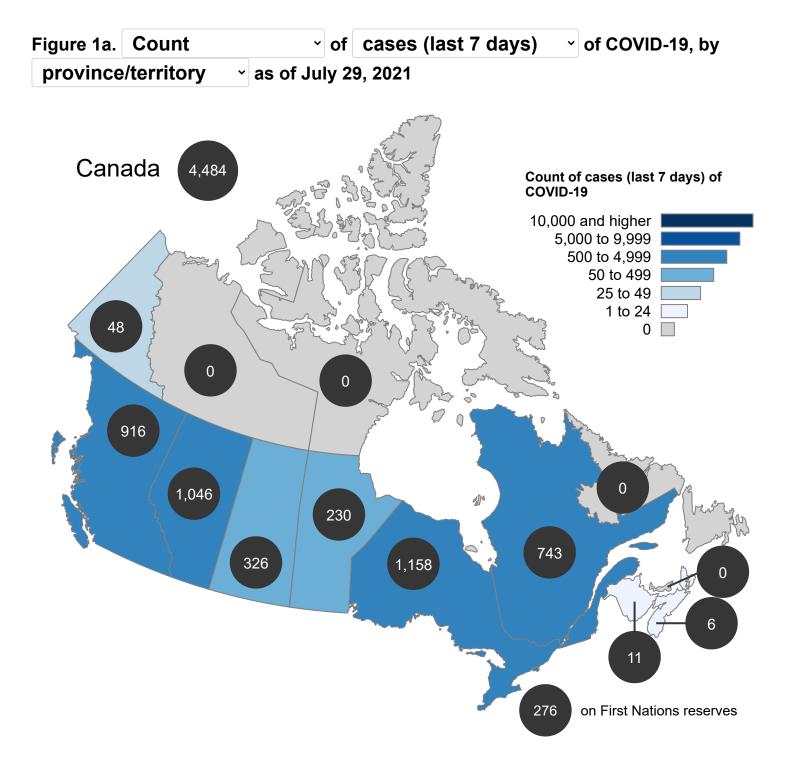
Summary of COVID-19 cases across Canada and over time. Contains detailed data about the spread of the virus over time and in different regions of the country. Includes breakdowns by age and sex or gender. Provides an overview of hospitalizations and deaths, testing, variants of concern and exposures.

Key updates as of July 29, 2021, 7 pm EST

Cases today 895	Total cases 1,429,577	5,965	Total resolved 1,397,037	Deaths today 5	Total deaths 26,575
Total tests p	·	percent positive (last	t 7 days) Daily tests	per 100,000 popular	tion (last 7 days

- We update these sections daily at 7:00 PM EST: Key updates, Current situation and National overview.
 Laboratory data represents specimens received by labs up to July 27, 2021 to allow time to process results.
- We update these sections every Friday: Epidemic curve, Demographics, How people were exposed, and Severe illness and outcomes.
- Most cases (64.9%) and deaths (77.4%) were reported by Ontario and Quebec.
- Of the 11 of jurisdictions reporting updates, no new cases were reported in 3 of provinces or territories in the past 24 hours.
- Of the 11 jurisdictions reporting updates, no new deaths were reported in 9 provinces or territories in the past 24 hours.

Current situation



The count of cases (last 7 days) of COVID-19 in Canada was 4,484 as of July 29, 2021.

This information is based on data our provincial and territorial partners published on cases, deaths, and testing daily, and are current as of the day they are published. Today's numbers are current as of July 29, 2021, 7 pm EST. For the most up to date data for any province, territory or city, please visit their website. The number of cases or deaths reported on previous days may differ slightly from those on the provincial and territorial websites as these websites may update historic case and death counts as new information becomes available.

Areas in Canada with cases of COVID-19 as of July 29, 2021

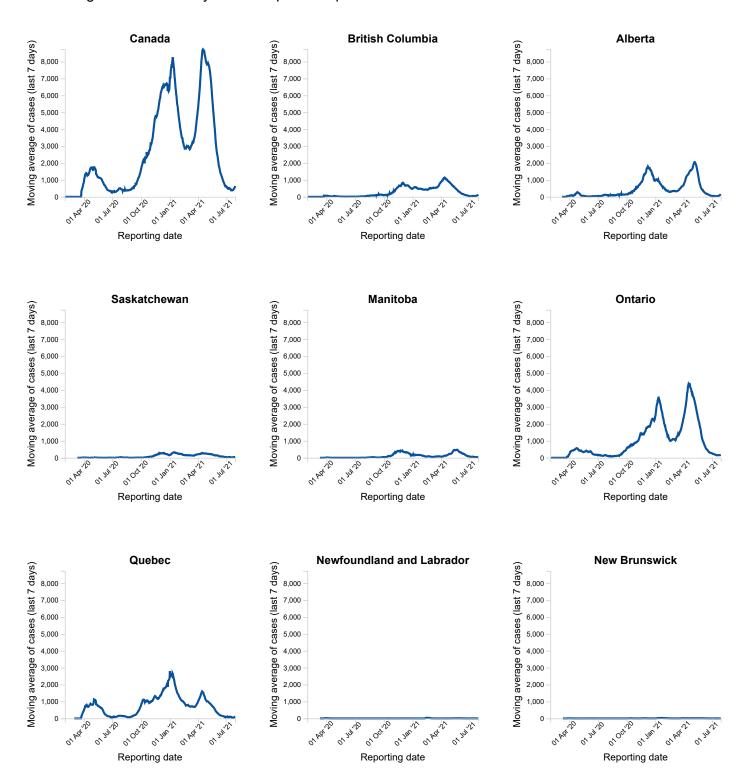
	Total cases	3	Cases I	ast 7	Active o	cases	Resolved	Deaths		Deaths days	last 7	Total tests	Moving a tests per last 7 day	formed	Moving average positivity last 7 days
Location	Count	Rate*	Count	Rate*	Count	Rate*	Count	Count	Rate*	Count	Rate*	Count	Count	Rate*	Percent
Canada	1,429,577	3,762	4,484	12	5,965	16	1,397,037	26,575	70	49	0	38,409,370	50,657	133	1.2%
British Columbia	149,646	2,907	916	18	1,065	21	146,810	1,771	34	8	0	3,067,301	7,226	140	1.8%
Alberta	234,108	5,294	1,046	24	1,520	34	230,263	2,325	53	5	0	4,837,461	6,361	144	2.2%
Saskatchewan	49,882	4,232	326	28	412	35	48,892	578	49	3	0	953,830	1,386	118	3.7%
Manitoba	57,548	4,172	230	17	526	38	55,845	1,177	85	10	1	914,414	1,658	120	2.6%
Ontario	549,952	3,733	1,158	8	1,424	10	539,200	9,328	63	21	0	16,377,852	16,927	115	0.9%
Quebec	377,172	4,399	743	9	914	11	365,018	11,240	131	2	0	10,299,783	13,479	157	0.8%
Newfoundland and Labrador	1,437	275	0	0	9	2	1,421	7	1	0	0	313,017	276	53	0.1%
New Brunswick	2,358	302	11	1	13	2	2,299	46	6	0	0	391,196	557	71	0.2%
Nova Scotia	5,886	601	6	1	10	1	5,783	93	10	0	0	1,022,014	2,597	265	0.0%
Prince Edward Island	208	130	0	0	0	0	208	0	0	0	0	179,050	145	91	0.4%
Yukon	582	1,384	48	114	72	171	504	6	14	0	0	9,129	N/A	N/A	N/A
Northwest Territories	128	283	0	0	0	0	128	0	0	0	0	25,708	34	75	0.4%
Nunavut	657	1,670	0	0	0	0	653	4	10	0	0	18,539	10	26	0.0%

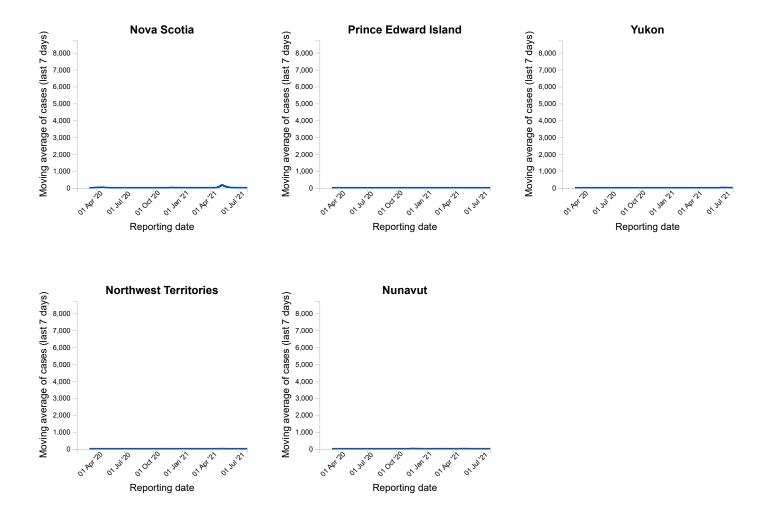
^{*} Rate per 100,000 population

Figure 1b. Moving average of

cases (last 7 days) of COVID-19 in Canada as of July 29, 2021, 7 pm EST

The figures below show cases over time. The range of dates (January 31st, 2020 - present date) is the same for each figure. This allows you to compare the provinces and territories on the same timescale.





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Downloadable data (in .csv format).

Note: Out of the total number of people tested, 76 were repatriated travellers, of which 13 were cases.

National overview

There have been over **38,409,370** COVID-19 tests performed in Canada or **457,522 tests per 1 million people**. For information about testing trends, please see the <u>Detailed weekly epidemiological report (PDF)</u>.

Table 1. Daily* change in the number of cases, deaths and tests performed, by province or territory, as of July 29, 2021, 7 pm EST

Location	Cases	Deaths	Tests performed
Canada	895	5	58,254
British Columbia	202	0	8,912
Alberta	233	0	7,129
Saskatchewan	52	0	1,564
Manitoba	47	2	1,672
Ontario	218	3	20,527
Quebec	138	0	14,466
Newfoundland and Labrador	N/A	N/A	350
New Brunswick	4	0	657
Nova Scotia	1	0	2,732
Prince Edward Island	0	0	182
Yukon	0	0	N/A
Northwest Territories	0	0	53
Nunavut	N/A	N/A	10

^{*} The change in cases, deaths and tests reflect the difference between a province or territory's current report and their last report. Some provinces and territories do not update daily. N/A means that no daily update was provided by the province or territory.

COVID-19 variants in Canada

All viruses, including COVID-19, change over time. These changes are called mutations, and result in variants of the virus. Not all mutations are of concern. Most do not cause more severe illness. However, some mutations result in variants of concern or variants of interest.

A variant of concern has mutations that are significant to public health. Before a variant of interest is considered one of concern, scientists and public health professionals must determine if the mutations result in an actual change in the behaviour of the virus. For example, it might:

- · spread more easily
- · cause more severe illness
- · require different treatments, or
- · reduce vaccine effectiveness

There are several variants of interest that have mutations similar to variants of concern, but we don't yet know if they pose a higher risk to public health.

The Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC) works with provincial and territorial partners and the Canadian COVID-19 Genomics Network (CanCOGeN) to sequence a percentage of all positive COVID-19 test results. Sequencing reveals the genetic code of the virus, which tells us which variant is involved in a specific case of COVID-19. We report the proportion of COVID-19 variants in Canada every week.

We collect evidence to determine if new variants meet the definition for a <u>variant of concern or a variant of interest</u>. Many variants are being tracked across Canada and around the world. Variants of concern now represent a majority of COVID-19 cases in Canada.

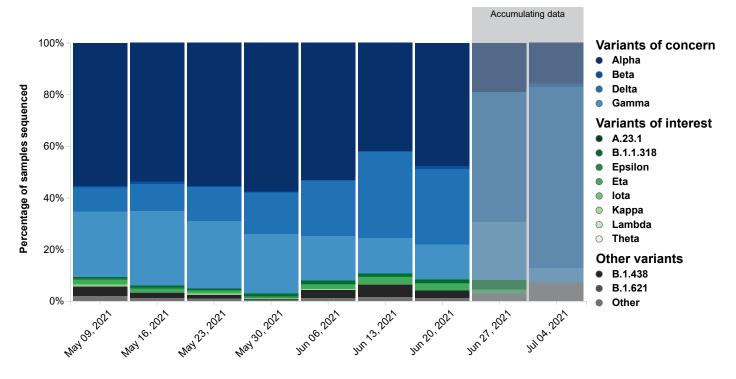
Four VOC (Variants of concern)s have been detected in most provinces and territories:

- B.1.1.7 (Alpha)
- B.1.351 (Beta)
- P.1 (Gamma)
- B.1.617.2 (Delta)

New variants will continue to appear. We must remain vigilant and take all available measures to limit spread.

Figure 2. Weekly variant breakdown

The graphic shows the percentage mix of COVID-19 variants detected in Canada through whole genome sequencing, by week of sample collection. You can see the numbers for each date by hovering over, tabbing to, or long-pressing any of the bars. To see a specific variant or variant grouping, click or press return. Repeat to restore the complete graph.



Week of sample collection

This information is based on whole genome sequencing from surveillance testing in all provinces and territories. In addition to sequencing done by the National Microbiology Laboratory in Winnipeg, data is included from <u>provincial and territorial</u> laboratories.

Sequencing takes from 1 to 3 weeks to complete, so the proportions for recent weeks may change as more data are added. Surveillance in each province or territory is organized and prioritized according to local needs and may change from time to time. Because of differences in local sampling and reporting, the percentages illustrate trends rather than precise measurements.

Weekly variant breakdown

Percentage of COVID-19 cases identified through whole genome sequencing, presented by variant and by week of sample collection.

Variant Grouping	May 09, 2021 (n=3,535)	May 16, 2021 (n=3,039)	May 23, 2021 (n=2,429)	May 30, 2021 (n=2,413)	Jun 06, 2021 (n=2,237)	Jun 13, 2021 (n=2,093)	Jun 20, 2021 (n=1,424)	Jun 27 , 2021 (n=111)	Jul 04, 2021 (n=70)
Variants of concern	90.7%	94.0%	95.1%	97.1%	92.0%	89.4%	91.6%	91.9%	92.9%
Alpha	55.3%	53.7%	55.5%	57.5%	53.2%	41.9%	47.6%	18.9%	15.7%
Beta	0.8%	0.9%	0.3%	0.4%	0.1%	0.1%	1.3%	-	1.4%
Delta	9.1%	10.5%	13.3%	16.1%	21.6%	33.5%	29.2%	50.5%	70.0%
Gamma	25.5%	28.9%	26.0%	23.0%	17.2%	13.9%	13.6%	22.5%	5.7%

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Variants of interest	3.6%	2.8%	2.4%	2.0%	3.5%	4.2%	4.3%	5.4%	-
A.23.1	0.0%	0.0%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B.1.1.318	0.4%	0.7%	0.6%	0.9%	1.3%	1.1%	1.3%	3.6%	-
Epsilon	0.6%	0.6%	0.5%	0.5%	0.2%	0.2%	0.1%	_	-
Eta	1.7%	1.2%	0.7%	0.4%	1.7%	2.7%	2.7%	1.8%	-
lota	0.5%	0.1%	0.7%	0.1%	0.2%	0.1%	-	-	-
Карра	0.2%	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%	-	-	-	-	-
Lambda	0.1%	-	-	-	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	-	-
Theta	0.0%	-	-	-	-	0.0%	-	-	-
Other variants	5.7%	3.3%	2.5%	0.9%	4.4%	6.4%	4.1%	2.7%	7.1%
B.1.438	3.7%	1.9%	1.4%	0.3%	3.3%	4.8%	2.8%	-	-
B.1.621	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.1%	-	-
Other	2.0%	1.3%	1.1%	0.5%	1.2%	1.6%	1.2%	2.7%	7.1%

Contributing laboratories:

- Public Health Ontario (PHO)
- Newfoundland and Labrador Eastern Health
- New Brunswick Vitalité Health Network
- Manitoba Cadham Provincial Laboratory
- LSPQ
- BCCDC Public Health Laboratory
- Alberta Precision Labs (APL)
- National Microbiology Laboratory (NML) supplemental sequencing for all provinces and territories

Detailed case information

The tables and figures below reflect detailed case information provided to the Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC) by health authorities in the provinces and territories. This data is updated every week. It may change as we get more information about cases.

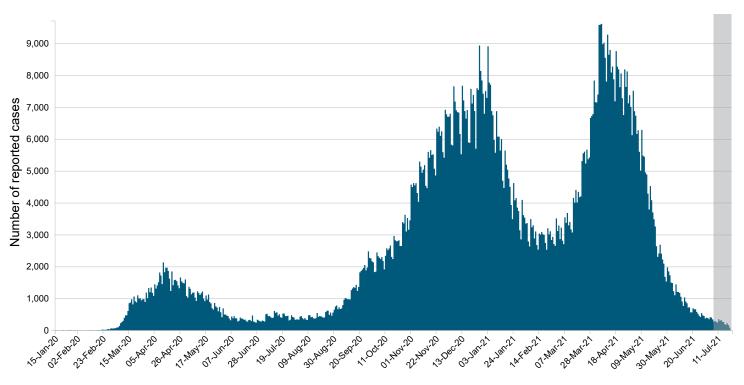
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Epidemic curve

As of July 23, 2021, 7 pm EST, PHAC has received detailed case report data on 1,423,778 cases. Both exposure and symptom onset date were available for 1,274,373 (89.5%) cases $\frac{1}{2}$.

The shaded area on the far right of Figure 2 represents lag time. This is the period of time (1 to 2 weeks) before the latest cases are reported to PHAC. This delay is a result of the time required to seek health care, get tested and receive results. It also takes time for public health authorities to gather information on cases. We update this information as it becomes available.

Figure 2. COVID-19 cases (n=1,423,778 1) in Canada by date of illness onset 2 as of July 23, 2021, 7 pm EST (total cases)



Date of illness onset

Figure 2. COVID-19 cases (n=1,274,373 $\frac{1}{2}$) in Canada by date of illness onset $\frac{2}{2}$ as of July 23, 2021, 7 pm EST (by exposure)

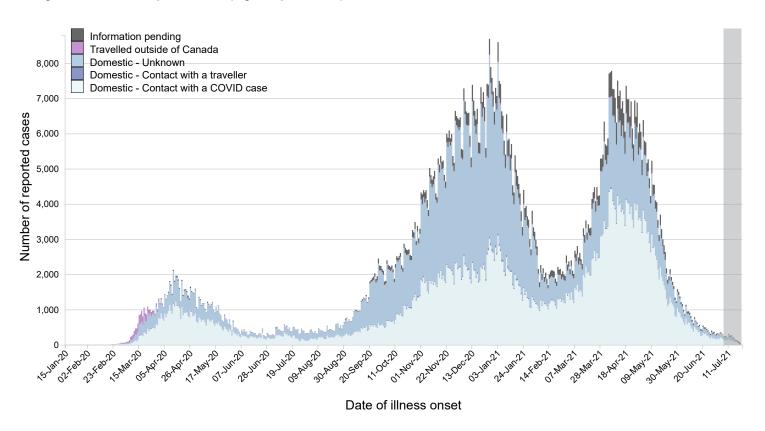


Figure 2. COVID-19 cases (n=1,423,392 $\frac{1}{2}$) in Canada by date of illness onset $\frac{2}{2}$ as of July 23, 2021, 7 pm EST (by age - 10 year groups)

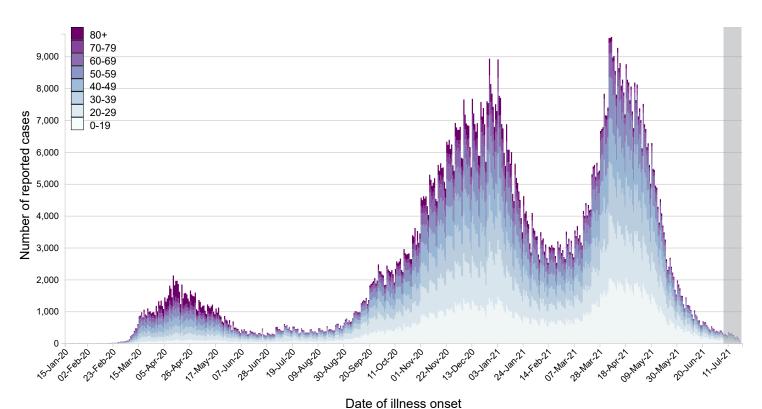
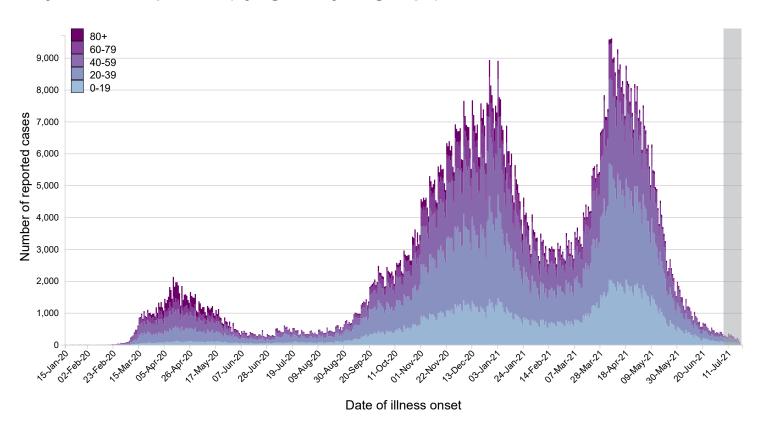


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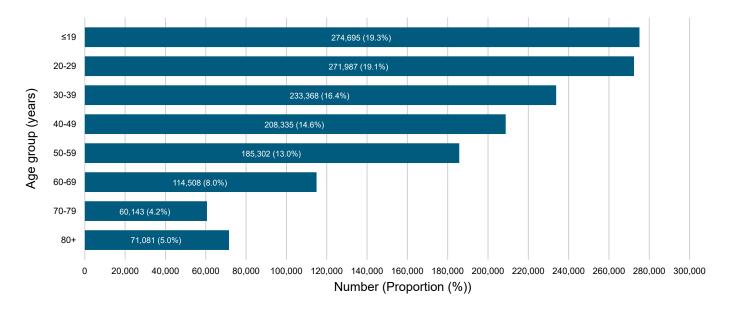
This figure may underestimate the total number of cases among returning travelers. Exposure history is not available for all cases and jurisdictions have not all consistently reported exposure history to PHAC throughout the pandemic.

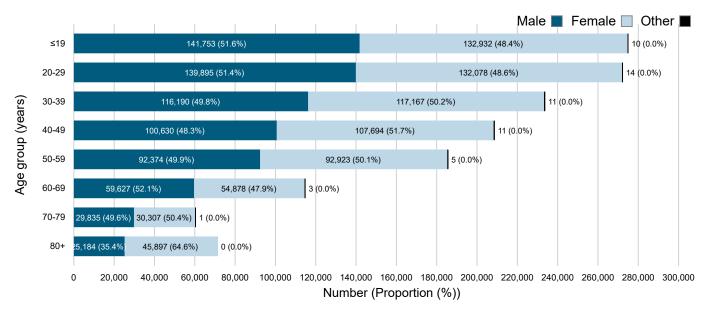
Demographics

We have detailed case report data from 1,423,778 cases. We know the age of patients in 100.00% of cases, and both age and gender in 99.69% of cases.

Of the cases reported in Canada so far, 50.3% were female and 35.6% were between 20 and 39 years old (Figure 3).

Figure 3. Age $\stackrel{\checkmark}{}$ distribution of COVID-19 cases (n=1,423,778 $\stackrel{1}{}$) in Canada as of July 23, 2021, 7 pm EST $\stackrel{4}{}$





Age by gender $\frac{4}{}$ distribution of COVID-19 cases (n=1,423,778 $\frac{1}{}$) in Canada, July 23, 2021, 7 pm EST

Age group (years)	Number of cases with case reports (percentage)	Number of male cases (percentage)	Number of female cases (percentage)	Number of other cases (percentage)
≤19	274,695 (19.3%)	141,753 (20.1%)	132,932 (18.6%)	10 (18.2%)
20-29	271,987 (19.1%)	139,895 (19.8%)	132,078 (18.5%)	14 (25.5%)
30-39	233,368 (16.4%)	116,190 (16.5%)	117,167 (16.4%)	11 (20.0%)
40-49	208,335 (14.6%)	100,630 (14.3%)	107,694 (15.1%)	11 (20.0%)
50-59	185,302 (13.0%)	92,374 (13.1%)	92,923 (13.0%)	5 (9.1%)
60-69	114,508 (8.0%)	59,627 (8.5%)	54,878 (7.7%)	3 (5.5%)
70-79	60,143 (4.2%)	29,835 (4.2%)	30,307 (4.2%)	1 (1.8%)
80+	71,081 (5.0%)	25,184 (3.6%)	45,897 (6.4%)	0 (0.0%)
Total	1,419,419 (100%)	705,488 (100%)	713,876 (100%)	55 (100%)

How people were exposed $\frac{3}{2}$

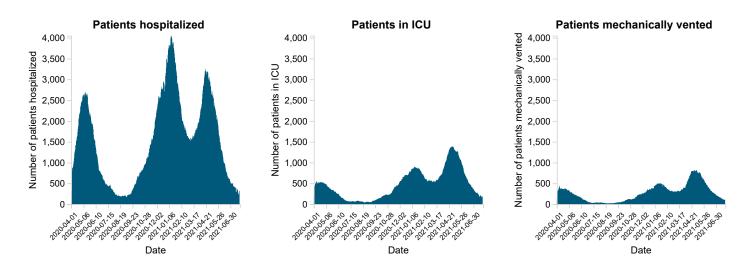
In Canada , detailed case report data were provided for 1,423,778 cases. We have exposure history for 1,274,373 (89.5%) cases. The probable exposure setting of these cases ¹/₂ are:

- any exposure that occurred in Canada: 1,186,767 (93.1%), including
 - o from contact with a known COVID case: 591,324 (46.4%)
 - from contact with a traveller: 8,539 (0.7%)
 - from an unknown source: 586,904 (46.1%)
- currently unknown (information pending): 77,692 (6.1%)
- travelled outside of Canada: 9,914 (0.8%)

Severe illness and outcomes

Hospital use

Figure 4. Daily number of hospital beds and ICU beds occupied by COVID-19 patients as of July 26, 2021



Between July 19, 2021 and July 26, 2021:

- the number of **hospital beds** occupied by COVID-19 patients **decreased** from **368** to **318** beds.
- the number of ICU beds occupied by COVID-19 patients decreased from 203 to 188 beds.
- the number of COVID-19 patients who were mechanically vented decreased from 132 to 118.

Hospitalizations and deaths to date

We have detailed case report data on 1,423,778 cases, and hospitalization status for 998,460 (70.1%) of them:

- 75,210 cases (7.5%) were hospitalized, of whom:
 - 14,253 (19.0%) were admitted to the ICU
 - 1,923 (2.6%) needed mechanical ventilation

The provinces and territories provided detailed case report forms for **26,502** deaths related to COVID-19.

Figure 5a. Age and gender 4 distribution of COVID-19 cases hospitalized in Canada as of July 23, 2021, 7 pm EST (n=75,066 1)

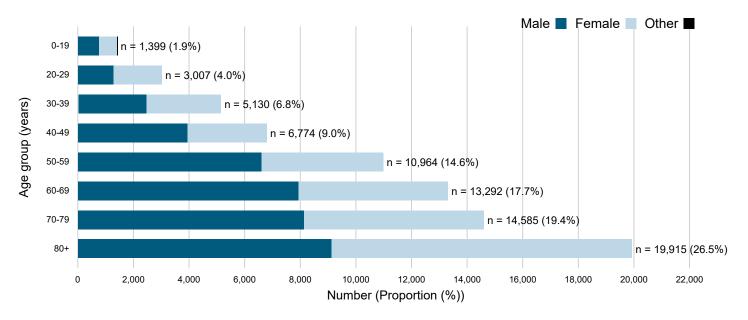


Figure 5b. Age and gender 4 distribution of COVID-19 cases admitted to ICU in Canada as of July 23, 2021, 7 pm EST (n=14,095 1)

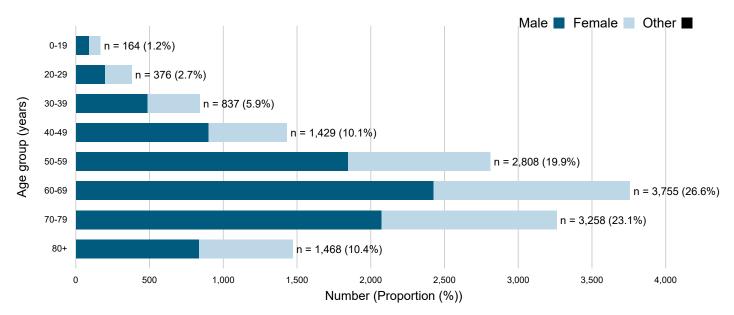
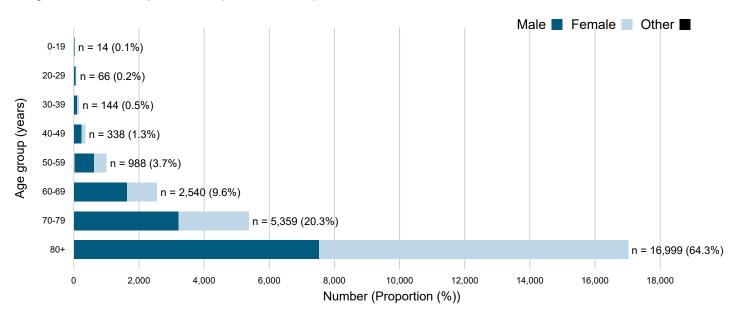


Figure 5c. Age and gender 4 distribution of COVID-19 cases deceased in Canada as of July 23, 2021, 7 pm EST (n=26,448 1)



Data note: Figure 5 includes COVID-19 cases hospitalized, admitted to ICU, and deceased for which age and gender information were available. Therefore, some COVID-19 hospitalizations, ICU admissions, and deaths may not be included in Figure 5.

Age and gender $\frac{4}{}$ distribution of COVID-19 cases hospitalized in Canada as of July 23, 2021, 7 pm EST (n=75,066 $\frac{1}{}$)

Age group (years)	Number of cases with case reports (percentage)	Number of male cases (percentage)	Number of female cases (percentage)	Number of other cases (percentage)
0-19	1,399 (1.9%)	748 (1.0%)	650 (0.9%)	1 (0.0%)
20-29	3,007 (4.0%)	1,263 (1.7%)	1,744 (2.3%)	0 (0.0%)
30-39	5,130 (6.8%)	2,462 (3.3%)	2,668 (3.6%)	0 (0.0%)
40-49	6,774 (9.0%)	3,928 (5.2%)	2,846 (3.8%)	0 (0.0%)
50-59	10,964 (14.6%)	6,587 (8.8%)	4,377 (5.8%)	0 (0.0%)
60-69	13,292 (17.7%)	7,927 (10.6%)	5,365 (7.1%)	0 (0.0%)
70-79	14,585 (19.4%)	8,113 (10.8%)	6,472 (8.6%)	0 (0.0%)
80+	19,915 (26.5%)	9,120 (12.1%)	10,795 (14.4%)	0 (0.0%)

Age and gender $\frac{4}{}$ distribution of COVID-19 cases admitted to ICU in Canada as of July 23, 2021, 7 pm EST (n=14,095 $\frac{1}{}$)

Age group (years)	Number of cases with case reports (percentage)	Number of male cases (percentage)	Number of female cases (percentage)	Number of other cases (percentage)
0-19	164 (1.2%)	89 (0.6%)	75 (0.5%)	0 (0.0%)
20-29	376 (2.7%)	195 (1.4%)	181 (1.3%)	0 (0.0%)
30-39	837 (5.9%)	483 (3.4%)	354 (2.5%)	0 (0.0%)
40-49	1,429 (10.1%)	899 (6.4%)	530 (3.8%)	0 (0.0%)
50-59	2,808 (19.9%)	1,845 (13.1%)	963 (6.8%)	0 (0.0%)
60-69	3,755 (26.6%)	2,425 (17.2%)	1,330 (9.4%)	0 (0.0%)
70-79	3,258 (23.1%)	2,070 (14.7%)	1,188 (8.4%)	0 (0.0%)
80+	1,468 (10.4%)	833 (5.9%)	635 (4.5%)	0 (0.0%)

Age and gender 4 distribution of COVID-19 cases deceased in Canada as of July 23, 2021, 7 pm EST (n=26,448 1)

Age group (years)	Number of cases with case reports (percentage)	Number of male cases (percentage)	Number of female cases (percentage)	Number of other cases (percentage)
0-19	14 (0.1%)	6 (0.0%)	8 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)
20-29	66 (0.2%)	42 (0.2%)	24 (0.1%)	0 (0.0%)
30-39	144 (0.5%)	94 (0.4%)	50 (0.2%)	0 (0.0%)
40-49	338 (1.3%)	222 (0.8%)	116 (0.4%)	0 (0.0%)
50-59	988 (3.7%)	613 (2.3%)	375 (1.4%)	0 (0.0%)
60-69	2,540 (9.6%)	1,627 (6.2%)	913 (3.5%)	0 (0.0%)
70-79	5,359 (20.3%)	3,203 (12.1%)	2,156 (8.2%)	0 (0.0%)
80+	16,999 (64.3%)	7,512 (28.4%)	9,487 (35.9%)	0 (0)

Provincial, territorial and international reporting

For more information, please refer to provincial or territorial COVID-19 webpages:

- British Columbia
- Alberta
- Saskatchewan
- Manitoba
- Ontario
- Quebec
- · Newfoundland and Labrador
- New Brunswick
- Nova Scotia
- Prince Edward Island
- Yukon
- Northwest Territories
- Nunavut
- World Health Organization
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
- European Centre for Disease Control and Prevention
- This figure is based on cases for which a case report form was received by the Public Health Agency of Canada from provincial or territorial partners.
- The shaded area represents a period of time (lag time) where it is expected that cases have occurred but have not yet been reported nationally. The earliest of the following dates were used as an estimate: Onset date, Specimen Collection Date, Laboratory Testing Date, Date Reported to Province or Territory, or Date Reported to PHAC.
- Exposure information may not be available for all cases. Some jurisdictions haven't consistently reported to PHAC how people were exposed throughout the pandemic. As a result, this may underestimate the total number of cases by different exposures, especially among returning travelers.
- Where available, gender data was used; when gender data was unavailable, sex data was used. Reliable data on gender diverse respondents are unavailable due to small counts.