

**AFN C-19 National Task Force
Daily Update for: June 2, 2020**

Health Sector

<https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/2019-novel-coronavirus-infection.html#a1>

Areas in Canada with cases of COVID-19, as of 2020-06-02 11:01AM EDT

| Province | Confirmed Cases | Hospitalization (ICU)* | Deaths | Recovered |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| BC | 2,597 | 32 (5) | 166 | 2,207 |
| AB | 7,044 | 53 (6) | 143 | 6,501 |
| SK | 646 | 4 (2) | 11 | 588 |
| MB | 295 | 0 (0) | 7 | 278 |
| ON | 28,709 | 801 (125) | 2,293 | 22,484 |
| QC | 51,354 | 1,175 (161) | 4,661 | 16,597 |
| Newfoundland/Lab | 261 | 1 (0) | 3 | 255 |
| NB | 132 | 4 (1) | 0 | 120 |
| NS | 1,057 | 5 (2) | 60 | 992 |
| PEI | 27 | | - | 27 |
| Yukon | 11 | | - | 11 |
| NWT | 5 | | - | 5 |
| Nunavut | 0 | | | |
| Repatriated Travelers | 13 | | | |
| Total | 92,151 | 2,075 (302) | 7,395 | 50,271 |
| Active Cases= 34,724 | | | | |

*These are numbers of *current* hospitalizations and ICU admissions. Some sources report the total *cumulative* number of hospitalizations and ICU admissions. Also, hospitalization data are amalgamated as they are reported by various hospitals; they are therefore updated sporadically, intermittently, and are likely to be less accurate and current than other data points.

| | Cases | Deaths | Recovered |
|-----------------|-----------|---------|-----------|
| Globally | 6,306,746 | 376,322 | 2,719,149 |

- Data is as of June 2 at 10:33am from Johns Hopkins University:
<https://coronavirus.jhu.edu/map.html>

Epidemic Summary

As of **June 1, 2020**, the majority (**83%**) of COVID-19 cases are related to domestic acquisition. Domestic acquisition is defined as any exposure that occurred within Canada.

As of **June 1, 2020**, Canada has an overall case fatality rate of **8.0%**.

As of **June 1, 2020**, **54%** of all Canadian COVID-19 cases are reported to have recovered.

Risk to Canadians

COVID-19 is a serious health threat, and the situation is evolving daily. The risk will vary between and within communities, but given the increasing number of cases in Canada, the risk to Canadians is considered **high**.

There is an increased risk of more severe outcomes for Canadians:

- Aged 65 and over
- With compromised immune systems
- With underlying medical conditions

Data Sources:

British Columbia:

<https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/a6f23959a8b14bfa989e3cda29297ded>

Alberta: <https://covid19stats.alberta.ca/#cases>

Saskatchewan: <https://www.saskatchewan.ca/government/health-care-administration-and-provider-resources/treatment-procedures-and-guidelines/emerging-public-health-issues/2019-novel-coronavirus/cases-and-risk-of-covid-19-in-saskatchewan>

Manitoba: <https://www.gov.mb.ca/covid19/updates/index.html#cases>

Ontario: <https://www.ontario.ca/page/2019-novel-coronavirus#section-0>

Quebec: <https://www.inspq.qc.ca/covid-19/donnees>

New Brunswick:

https://www2.gnb.ca/content/gnb/en/departments/ocmoh/cdc/content/respiratory_diseases/coronavirus/case-map.html

Nova Scotia: <https://novascotia.ca/coronavirus/data/>

Prince Edward Island: <https://www.princeedwardisland.ca/en/information/health-and-wellness/pei-covid-19-testing-data>

Newfoundland and Labrador: <https://covid-19-newfoundland-and-labrador-gnl.hub.arcgis.com/>

Yukon: <https://yukon.ca/covid-19>

Northwest Territories: <https://www.hss.gov.nt.ca/en/services/coronavirus-disease-covid-19>

Additional source (national): <https://www.ctvnews.ca/health/coronavirus/tracking-every-case-of-covid-19-in-canada-1.4852102#alberta>

Housing, Infrastructure, Water & Emergency Management Sector

Local States of Emergencies:

First Nations Local States of Emergencies:

| First Nation States of Emergency- As per ISC report June 01, 2020 | | | | | | | | | |
|---|----|----|----|----|----|----|-----|-------------|-------|
| Region | BC | AB | SK | MB | ON | QC | ATL | Territories | Total |
| Confirmed | 57 | 32 | 4 | 21 | 69 | 4 | 7 | 2 | 196 |

WILDFIRE: - As Per ISC EMD 2020 FN Flood / Wildland Fire Situation Report as of June 2, 2020 - Updates in Bold

MANITOBA – Low to Moderate

- **Pine Creek First Nation (282) (Chief Karen Batson) On-reserve population: 637**
 - **31MAY2020: Fire under control. Monitoring continues;**
 - 25MAY2020: Fire has grown to 26,000 hectares. Fire is being held;

FLOODS: As Per ISC EMD 2020 FN Flood / Wildland Fire Situation Report as of June 2, 2020 - Updates in Bold

****Please note that given the decrease in significant incidents, this report will now be issued on a bi-weekly basis****

FLOODING 2020 Flood Season General Risk Assessments - New Information in bold

- **BC: FLOOD RISK FORECAST – Moderate**
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- **ON: FLOOD RISK FORECAST – Moderate**
- **QC: FLOOD RISK FORECAST – Moderate**
- **ATL: FLOOD RISK FORECAST – Moderate**
- **YT: FLOOD RISK FORECAST – Moderate**
- **NWT: FLOOD RISK FORECAST – HIGH**

Communications Sector

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CBC News - Jun 01, 2020

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/indigenous/first-nations-health-care-worker-1.5590863>

People who attended Vancouver anti-racism rally should monitor for symptoms, health officials say

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Indigenous – Weekly COVID-19 Bulletin

By Chief Wiindawtegowinini Isadore Day - May 31, 2020

Numbers

<https://www.sac-isc.gc.ca/eng/1581964230816/1581964277298#chap5>

Confirmed cases of COVID-19

On First Nations reserves in provinces, as of June 1, ISC is aware of:

- 218 confirmed positive COVID-19
- 20 hospitalizations
- 188 recovered cases
- 5 deaths

Case numbers per region:

- British Columbia: 43
- Alberta: 39
- Saskatchewan: 52
- Ontario: 49
- Quebec: 35

Full Stories

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Throughout the month of June, CBC Indigenous is introducing you to some of the health care workers who are keeping our communities safe.

Here are three First Nations health care workers from across the country sharing some insight on what they do, why they do it and how COVID-19 is affecting them.

Isabelle Wallace

When she was 17, Isabelle Wallace left her home community of Madawaska Maliseet First Nation in New Brunswick to pursue her post-secondary education. She was the first person in her community to get a bachelor's degree in nursing and currently has a master's degree in nursing from the University of Ottawa.

"I always wanted to work with people," said Wallace.

"I didn't know I would want to go into health care. I started in psychology just because I wanted this interaction with patients."

During her undergraduate studies, she got a job as a research assistant at a hospital and met a couple of nurses who changed her perception on what nurses do.

"They are the backbone of our health care system," she said.

"I immediately decided to switch programs."

She completed her final practicum in 2016 in northern Manitoba and realized that she wanted to work within Indigenous communities getting to know community members.

In March she took a job as a nurse working in Kangisualujjuaq in northern Quebec.

Wallace said it takes a lot of time and effort to create a partnership with patients so when she took the northern position she was firm that she would want to stay in the same community

"so I get to know the history, the family's dynamic, and also to be able to know them and to have a better continuum of care with them."

Gen Kakinoosit

Gen Kakinoosit from Sucker Creek First Nation in Alberta has been working in housekeeping at the emergency department of the University of Alberta Hospital in Edmonton for three years.

Since the pandemic began, she said it's been scary and hectic at times working to make sure that everything in the department is clean and sanitized.

She also said it's been eerie because all of the department's patients are in their own rooms and each room is being treated as an isolation room.

"Our whole shift, we are in PPE — in gloves, masks, gown," she said.

"It was evident right from the beginning, it was going to be like that for a long time."

Kakinoosit said she always wanted to work in health care to give back.

"I'm very thankful for my grandparents, they're very loving and caring," she said.

Kakinoosit began working in nursing homes before making the transition to hospitals.

"My greatest memories were in nursing homes, like staying up with the elders."

Dr. Ojistoh Horn

Dr. Ojistoh Horn is the only full-time general practitioner at the Kanonkwatseriio clinic in Akwesasne, a Mohawk community of 25,000 people that straddles the Ontario-Quebec-New York state borders.

She works with two nurse practitioners and covers about 14,000 patients.

Even before the pandemic, she said it was challenging to meet the needs of so many people with chronic illnesses but going into health care is something that she said she always knew she had to do.

In response to COVID-19, Akwesasne, like many other places, shut down businesses within its borders keeping only essential services running.

"What this COVID did was it unmasked the inequalities that exist in terms of infrastructure and public health," she said.

"We're told to wash our hands, stay six feet away and self isolate and eat well [but] we have problems with housing and water and food security, we have multiple generations living in homes and we have lots of chronic diseases and a lot of young people who may be carriers coming into the homes."

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VANCOUVER -- Protesters who joined a massive anti-racism rally in downtown Vancouver over the weekend should monitor themselves for COVID-19 symptoms for the next two weeks, health officials said Monday.

While there's no indication that any of the thousands of people who met outside the Vancouver Art Gallery on Sunday have the virus, provincial health officer Dr. Bonnie Henry said gathering in crowds of that size still poses a high risk of infection, even when outdoors.

"Those who were there yesterday, you may have put yourself at risk and you may bring that back home, so you need to monitor yourself carefully," she said. "If you have any symptoms at all you need to self-isolate, you need to get tested, you need to be sure that you're not contributing to further transmission of this virus."

Henry also stressed that peaceful demonstration remains an important right for all British Columbians. She urged anyone participating in future protests during the pandemic to wear a mask and keep a safe distance from one another, as she said many people did on Sunday.

"We cannot forget that we are still in the middle of a pandemic that is affecting our communities and our loved ones," she said. "Taking care of ourselves and each other is our responsibility, particularly to communities that are at greater risk of having devastating impacts of this pandemic, and we know that includes racialized communities, we know that includes our Indigenous communities."

Henry also announced she was taking Lt.-Gov. Janet Austin's anti-racism pledge, which was announced on Friday. There has been ongoing concern about an increase in racist incidents linked to the COVID-19 crisis throughout the pandemic, many of which have targeted Asian-Canadians.

"Hate has no place in our province and we have said that many times throughout this pandemic, and throughout this pandemic we must continue to show the kindness and compassion that brings us together as a community," Henry said.

The protesters who gathered in Vancouver on Sunday waved signs and chanted their support for the Black Lives Matter movement and George Floyd, the unarmed black man killed by Minneapolis police last week.

Indigenous – Weekly COVID-19 Bulletin

By Chief Wiindawtegowinini Isadore Day - May 31, 2020

Welcome to the tenth edition of our weekly COVID-19 Bulletin for First Nations and Indigenous peoples. Every week, Bimaadzwin will post stories and facts that contain basic information, the latest news, and what governments are doing to address the current pandemic.

With the arrival of warmer weather, many of us are going for long walks, heading out on the land, hunting, fishing, and gathering the first edible plants of spring. If you are outside with people who are not household family members, please wear a mask and maintain at least six feet distance. As always, please respect the lock-down orders in your communities.

The simplest message is: "Stay at home. Stay in your backyard." We are all in this together.

Everyone must stay informed in order to stay safe. That is our central goal and commitment to this publication. Please click on the link below for this week's presentation:

https://issuu.com/bimaadzwin/docs/covid-fnno.10_05.28_2_002

We look forward to your feedback, ideas, and shared information that we can help send across to First Nations across Turtle Island. We are working with various partners to ensure that the information that is being conveyed is in support of First Nations as they activate Pandemic Plans and work toward reconstituting First Nation communities once the transmission of COVID19 is no longer a threat to human health.

Please contact us at hpelky@bimaadzwin.ca / 1-705-987-2505. Working together, we can, and will make it through this and be stronger as Indigenous People, families, communities, and nations.

In Health, Healing and Nationhood,
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