

September 12, 2021

Hello, Citizens!

School Information

BC School Tracker Data - September 12, 2021

Nine new exposures were reported today at the time of this newsletter. There have been **9 exposures reported in week two** (Sep 11-17), and **16 total exposures since week one.**

Exposure dates are reported in brackets. Bolded information released today. **Please keep**

submitting your information. As you can see this community will be crucial to understanding what is happening within schools given the government's refusal to trace all cases.

FRASER HEALTH

1. **Surrey - Martha Currie Elementary (Sept 7, 8, 9, 10)**
2. **Surrey - Sullivan Heights Secondary (Sep 7, 8, 9, 10)**
3. **Langley - Richard Bulpitt Elementary (Sep 7, 8)**
4. **Chilliwack - Watson Elementary (Sep 7, 8)**
5. **Surrey - Cloverdale Traditional (Exp 1; Sep 7, 8)**
6. **Surrey - Cloverdale Traditional (Exp 2; Sep 7, 8)**
7. **Surrey - Cambridge Elementary (Sep 7)**

BC SCHOOL COVID TRACKER HOW TO REPORT A SCHOOL EXPOSURE

1 Get you or your family member **TESTED**, even if symptoms are mild.

2 If the test is positive email your school and BCC or CC us @ bcschoolcovid@protonmail.com

3 **In the email include:**

- Confirm that someone in your household as tested positive.
- The date of the positive test.
- Dates of potential exposure (dates you or your family member were in the school while infectious).
- Name of the school.



YOUR IDENTITY WILL REMAIN CONFIDENTIAL ON OUR DATABASE

8. Chilliwack - GW Graham Secondary (Sep 1)

INTERIOR HEALTH

9. Kelowna - **École KLO Middle School (Sep 8, 9, 10)**

10. Alexis Creek - TI'etingox School (Sep 7)

VANCOUVER COASTAL HEALTH

11. **John G Diefenbaker Elementary (Sep 7, 8, 9)**

12. Vancouver - Vancouver Christian (Aug 30)

VANCOUVER ISLAND HEALTH

13. **Duncan - Quamichan School (unknown)**

14. Victoria - Monterey Middle School (Sep 7 + 8)

15. Cowichan Bay - Bench Elementary (Unknown)

16. Mill Bay - Frances Kelsey Secondary School (Unknown)

Situation Report (August 22 - 28)

Note. These data are almost three weeks old. This means that these patterns are what we were seeing several weeks ago. Values are compared to the previous week's situation report.

Overview

BC Positivity Rate: 8.9% (MSP)

There were 4,070 cases during this time period.

Per Capita Rates

Aug 22 - 28 (per 100k) rate: 78 (+)

Fraser (per 100k): 62 (+)

Interior (per 100k): 177 (-)

Northern (per 100k): 107 (+)

Vancouver Coastal (per 100k): 54 (+)

Vancouver Island (per 100k): 44 (+)

Provincial Overview

Hospitalizations: 175 per week

ICU Admissions: 43

Deaths: 33

Median Case Age: 34

Median Hospitalization Age: 62

Median ICU Age: 62

Median Death Age: 84

There have been **17 confirmed cases of MIS-C**. The median age of is 8.0 years old; the age range has been 1 - 15 years old.

Infection Sources

International Exposures: 37
Interprovincial Exposures: 66
Local Exposures: 1,821
Local Unknown: 1,224
Pending/Missing: 922

At the time of the report, 52.0% of cases were from unknown transmission. It is completely unclear why this is so high, considering we have been able to determine this in previous waves. In my opinion, this is like due to the fact that contact tracing is not being done extensively any longer with B.C.

Detailed Breakdown of Cases in Children < 19

January 2020 - August 2020 (limited in-person instruction; wave one)

Cases < 10: 145
Cases < 19: 297
Total cases < 19: 442

September 2020 - January 2021 (wave two)

Cases < 10: 2,703
Cases < 19: 5,961
Total cases < 19: 8,664

February 2021 - June 2021 (wave three)

Cases < 10: 5,591
Cases < 19: 9,638
Total cases < 19: 15,229

July 2021 - August 2021 (beginning wave four; masks removed July 1st)

Cases < 10: 1,807
Cases < 19: 2,306
Total cases < 19: 4,113

September 2021 - current data (wave four; restrictions removed + contact tracing limited)

Cases < 10: 240
Cases < 19: 877
Total cases < 19: 1,117

MSP Positivity Rate

Note. These values reflect the targeted testing for citizens, rather than ALL testing, which includes screenings tests used for private uses and are expected to be negative (which lowers the positivity rate).

Fraser: 6.5%

Interior: 15.4%

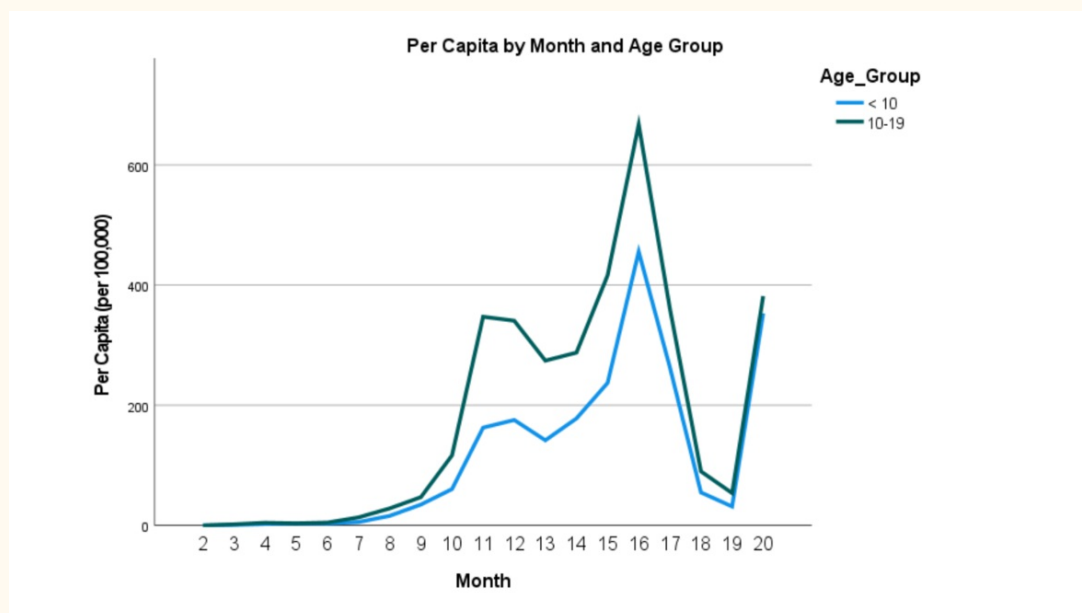
Northern: 20.2%

Vancouver Coastal: 8.0%

Vancouver Island: 6.5%

Age Distribution of Cases (per 100k)

The situation report provides incidence rates for age distribution, but it does not appear to match with the case data that I have. I am unclear how this is being calculated, and how these values are being calculated. Instead, I have provided a graph below showing the per capita rate for each age group (based on their respective populations - the most sensical option). This clearly indicates what was happening across the province in the summer months. This graph was created using BCCDC's individual case data from January 2020 - August 31, 2021.



Canary Tips!



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Pregnant AND Vaccinated

The Delta variant, a strain of COVID-19, is more contagious and causes more severe illness in everyone, including pregnant people. If you are pregnant, you have a compromised immune system. If you contract the Delta variant, you may be at risk for premature birth or a C-section. Please get vaccinated if you are able.



Canary Tips!

Always Get Tested

Individuals across B.C. have reported being told they could not access a covid test, including in emergency departments. If this happens to you, ask them to document their refusal in writing and to get a photocopy of that note. It is legally your health information. You can also report your covid positive test to anyone you choose to. This is YOUR health information. Regardless of what they tell you. If they state you cannot tell anyone, again ask for written documentation of that statement.



Canary Tips!

Buy An Oximeter

Watch out for breathing difficulties, lethargy, and high fever. If you're concerned, please seek medical attention. If you have a family doctor, touch base with them ASAP!



Listening to Lived Experiences

A friend of mine took her 4 year old to emergency in Nanaimo. Her child had a fever of 104. They refused to test the child and said it was a virus and to go home. She said they made her feel stupid for being there. She is vaxxed but other parents at the child's daycare are not. 😞

New LTC/Acute Outbreaks

Provincial Health Services Authority Data - September 12, 2021

Brackets indicate start date of outbreak.

No new outbreaks reported today.

Ongoing LTC/Acute Outbreaks

Provincial Health Services Authority Data - September 12, 2021

Brackets indicate start date of outbreak.

FH - Chilliwack General Hospital (30-Aug-21)

FH - Northcrest Care Centre (02-Sep-21)

FH - Menno Home (02-Sep-21)

IH - Joseph Creek Care Village (03-Sep-21)

IH - The Hamlets at Westsyde (01-Sep-21)

IH - Hillside Village (01-Sep-21)

IH - Kamloops Seniors Village (27-Aug-21)

IH - Rose Wood Assisted Living Village (26-Aug-21)

IH - Spring Valley Care Center (24-Aug-21)

IH - Sun Pointe Village (20-Aug-21)

IH - Hardy View Lodge (19-Aug-21)

IH - Nicola Meadows (16-Aug-21)

IH - Village at Mill Creek (12-Aug-21)

IH - David Lloyd Jones (11-Aug-21)

IH - Cottonwoods Care Centre (04-Aug-21)

IH - Brookhaven Care Centre (02-Aug-21)

NH - Jubilee Lodge (06-Sep-21)

NH - Fort St. John Hospital - Inpatient Unit (27-Aug-21)

NH - Site C Hydroelectric Dam Project (16-Aug-21)

VCH - OPAL by Element (08-Sep-21)

VCH - Louis Brier Home & Hospital (03-Sep-21)

VCH - Arbutus Care Centre (30-Aug-21)

VCH - St. Vincent's Brock Fahrni Pavilion (24-Aug-21)

VIH - Sunset Lodge Salvation Army (27-Aug-2021)

Presser Transcripts

I will be transcribing the primary information from the BC press conferences, minus the question period (as it is generally covered extensively on Twitter). If

you would like to download the transcript from September 7th, you can [select here](#), or go to <https://project-canary.org/documentation/>.

Daily Case Information

BCCDC Data - September 9, 2021

Brackets indicate change since last numbers provided.

There were 820 new cases of COVID-19 since yesterday. There are now 5,850 active cases in the province. Since yesterday, 31 people were hospitalized within BC. **Nine** deaths were reported, for a total of 1,856.

Total Cases Children < 10: 10,486 (+64)

Total Cases Children 10 - 19: 19,079 (+97)

*Note. B.C. primarily only tests symptomatic children.

Of the new cases in B.C., 161 (20%) were in children < 19.

Health District Information

BCCDC Data - September 9, 2021

Brackets indicate change since last numbers provided.

264 new cases in Fraser Health

Current Hospitalized: 97 (+6)

Current ICU: 34 (/)

Total active: 1,750

112 new cases in Vancouver Coastal Health

Current Hospitalized: 64 (+3)

Current ICU: 31 (+3)

Total active cases: 938

253 new cases in Interior Health

Current Hospitalized: 62 (+1)

Current ICU: 42 (/)

Total active cases: 1,828

101 new cases in Northern Health

Current Hospitalized: 39 (+7)

Current ICU: 15 (+3)

Total active cases: 782

90 new cases on Island Health
Current Hospitalized: 19 (+2)
Current ICU: 13 (-1)
Total active cases: 539

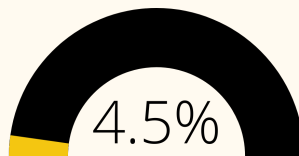
"Note: % positivity increased as the testing strategy focused on high risk populations and decreased with the implementation of universal testing."

Positivity Rate (7-day moving average)

BCCDC Data - September 9, 2021

Fraser Health: 4.7%
Interior Health: 11.7%
Northern Health: 22.5%
Vancouver Coastal Health: 3.7%
Vancouver Island Health: 6.5%
British Columbia: 6.4%

The BCCDC dashboard now includes the following quote. Access to testing has continued to be restricted and these numbers are likely under-estimated.



B.C. Rapid Test Supply

Government of Canada Data - September 10, 2021

Used: 125,773 (4.5%)
Deployed: 686,445 (24.5%)

Shipped: 2,796,506

Chat soon, Crystal

Project Canary Org can now accept charitable donations as a registered charity and federal non-profit organization (RC791166804). Receipts will be issued within 7 days of donation, along with an art gift. You can e-transfer ProjectCanaryOrg@protonmail.com or contact for alternative options.

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