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Rate/100,000 pop.: **76.7**  
R-Value: **0.96**

**RMWB Case Outcomes: 64 Active Cases 1783 Resolved Cases 3 Deceased Cases**

The Regional Status Map approach has been removed from Alberta.ca, to better reflect the Path Forward plan. The region classifications of Open, Watch, and Enhanced have been removed, as the current approach is Province-wide, and any future regional changes will apply to Alberta Health Zones.



## Cases Over Time

- Fort McMurray 1719 (2 new)
- Rural RMWB 131 (0 new)
- Alberta 127,036 (269 new)
- Canada 806,615



## Demographics (Active)

- Fort McMurray 59 (down 5)
- Rural RMWB 5 (no change)
- Alberta 6196 (down 46)
- Alberta Hospitalizations 432 (down 2)
- Canada 40,556

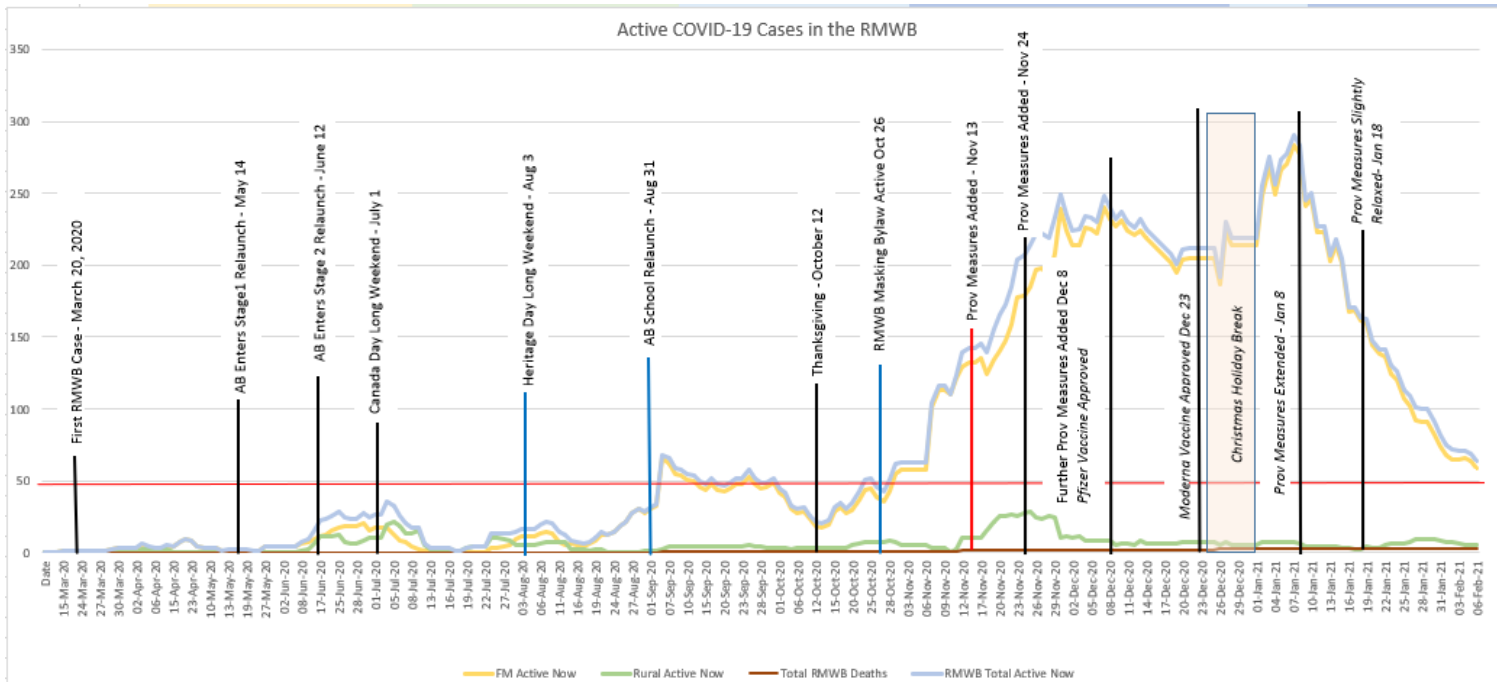


## Outbreaks

- Industrial:**
  - CNRL Horizon, Albion
  - Syncrude Mildred Lake, Aurora
  - Imperial Kears Lake
  - Suncor Fort Hills, Base Plant
  - Cenovus Christina Lake
- Schools:**
  - Alert (2-4 Cases)
    - St. Gabriel
    - Ecole Dickinsfield

\*as of Feb 7 compared to Feb 6

\*\*Active Cases take recoveries into account

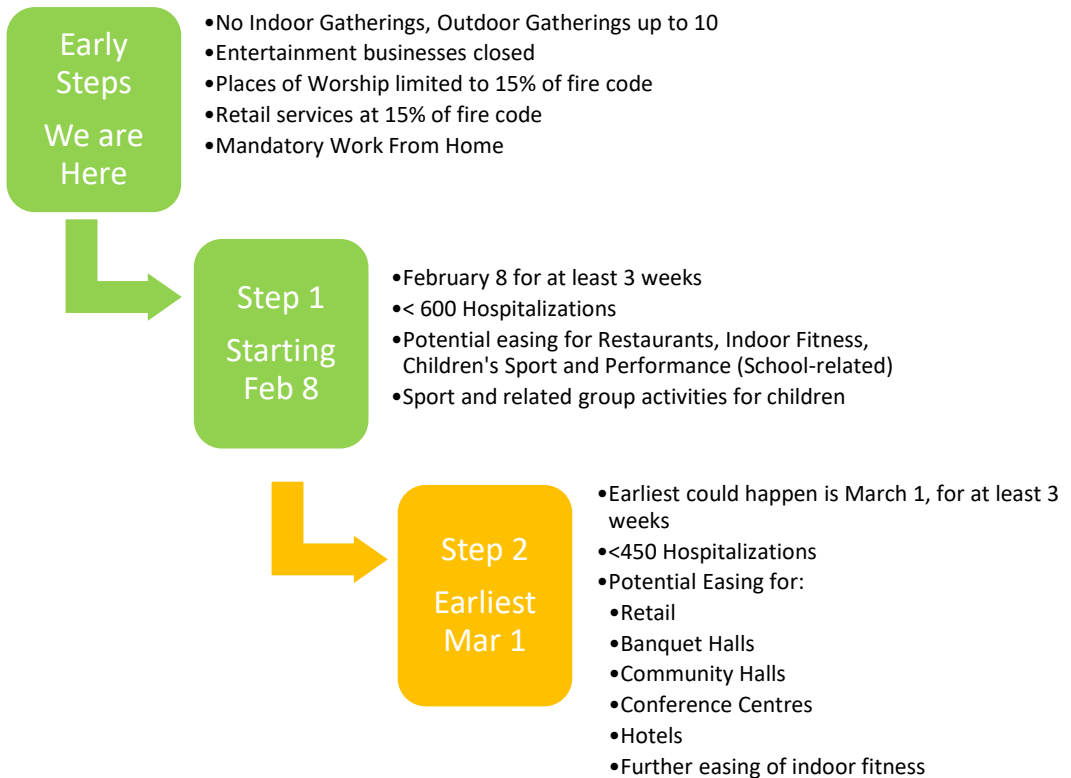


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## The Provincial Operations Centre escalated their response to Level 3 on December 8, 2020

### Path Forward – Step 1 – Starting Today



Today, **Monday, February 8<sup>th</sup>**, the following [restriction changes](#) come into effect. All other restrictions remain in effect:

**Restaurants:** Can open for in person service. Maximum 6 people per table, must be from same household or the 2 close contacts for people living alone. Contact information must be collected from one person in the party. Liquor service ends at 10pm, must close by 11pm. No entertainment (no VLTs, pool tables, live music etc.)

**Indoor Fitness:** Only one-on-one or one-on-one household training is permitted for indoor fitness activities. Sessions must be scheduled or by appointment (No drop-in or groups allowed). Group or team sports not permitted.

Children's sport and performance activities are permitted if related to school activities such as physical education classes. K-12 schools and post-secondary institutions are allowed to use off-site facilities to support curriculum-related educational activities.

#### Helpful Links:

#### Municipal Response:

[rmwb.ca/covid19](http://rmwb.ca/covid19)  
[WBCentral.biz](http://WBCentral.biz)

#### Provincial Response:

[Alberta.ca/covid19](http://Alberta.ca/covid19)  
[AB School Outbreaks](#)

[Printable Posters and Fact Sheets](#)

[Vaccination Information](#)

[Current Domestic Travel Recommendations:](#)

All out-of-town travel is discouraged at this time.

#### Federal Response:

[Canada.ca/covid19](http://Canada.ca/covid19)

#### Indigenous Resources:

[Athabasca Tribal Council](#)  
[First Nation Telehealth Network](#)  
[Northeastern Alberta Aboriginal Business Association](#) (NAABA)

#### Other Resources:

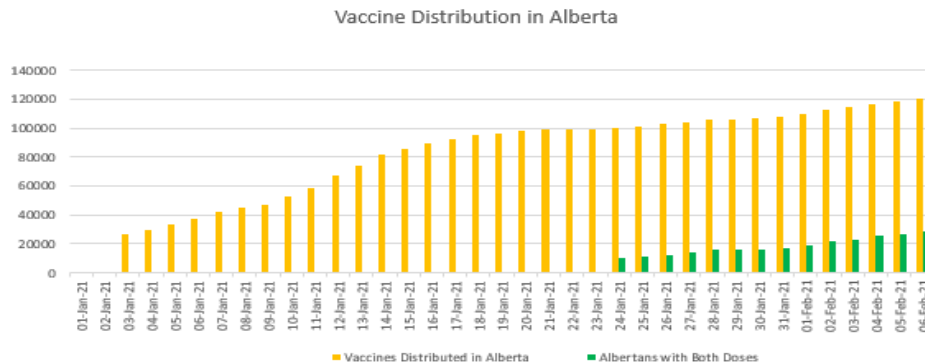
[FuseSocial.ca/covid-19-resources](http://FuseSocial.ca/covid-19-resources)



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## Vaccine Updates



### Variants in Alberta (Updated Feb. 8):

**UK Variant (B.1.1.7) 96**  
**SA Variant (B.1351) 7**

46 of the new B117 cases have no link to travel. No spread identified in schools, and continue to test widely. Screening most if not all positive tests every day for variants of concern.

**Isolation requirements for those infected with a variant, close contact, and household contacts are slightly different.**

[Review Isolation Requirements Here](#)

### Vaccination Progress as of February 7:

120,357 doses of vaccine have been administered in Alberta, 1973 in the last 24 hours.  
28,991 Albertans have received both doses and are fully immunized.  
2721.8 doses per 100,000 population.

58 adverse events following immunization have been reported to Alberta Health and AHS. This rate is on par with this year's pneumococcal campaign. No safety signals have been reported. The benefit of being protected outweighs the very rare risk of having an adverse reaction – Dr. Hinshaw.

**Warning – some people over 75 have been receiving scam phone calls to book a vaccine for payment.**

**Early Phase 1 (Complete):** December 2020: Immunizations will be offered to key populations, with a focus on acute care sites with the highest COVID-19 capacity concerns in Edmonton and Calgary:

- Health-care workers in intensive care units
- Respiratory therapists
- Staff in long term care and designated supportive living facilities

**Phase 1A (In Progress): January 2021: Immunizations will be offered to key populations across the province:**

- Paramedics and emergency medical technicians
- Alberta health-care workers in Covid-19 units, medical and surgical units, and operating rooms
- Respiratory therapists
- Health-care workers in intensive care units
- Staff in long term care and designated supportive living facilities
- Home care workers
- Health-care workers in emergency departments
- All residents of long-term care and designated supportive living, regardless of age

**Phase 1B (February 2021): Timeline subject to change depending on vaccine supply**

**Immunizations will soon be offered to key populations:**

- Seniors 75 years of age and over, no matter where they live
- First Nations, Métis and persons 65 years of age and over living in a First Nations community or Métis Settlement

**Phase 2: April to Sept 2021 – continue targeting populations at risk**

- Work to identify sequencing for Phase 2 groups is underway. Decisions will be made in the coming weeks.

**Phase 3: Fall 2021**

- Anticipated start of roll-out to the general public

**Approved Vaccines:**

Moderna Covid-19 Vaccine (Dec. 23, 2020)  
Pfizer BioNTech (Dec. 9, 2020)

