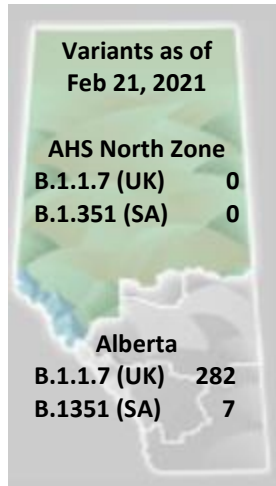


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Rate/100,000 pop.: **45.5**
 R-Value (Rest of Alberta Category): **1.13**



School Alert (2-4 Cases)
 • No schools listed

RMWB Case Outcomes: 38 Active Cases 1835 Resolved Cases 3 Deceased Cases



Cases Over Time

- Fort McMurray 1744 (1 new)
- Rural RMWB 132 (0 new)
- Alberta 131,336 (273 new)
- Canada 845,925



Demographics (Active)

- Fort McMurray 36 (down 2)
- Rural RMWB 2 (no change)
- Alberta 4675 (down 83)
- Alberta Hospitalizations 324 (up 3)
- Canada 32,121



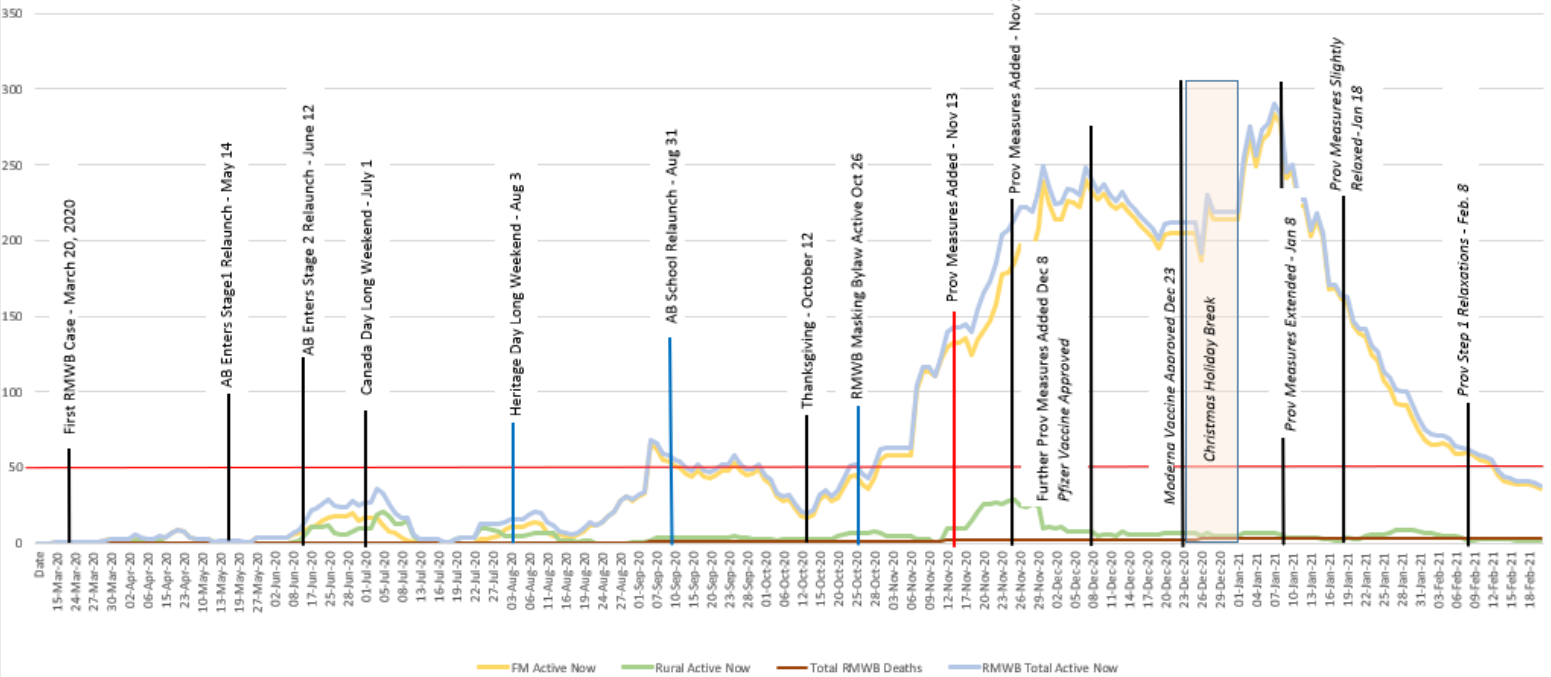
Outbreaks

- **Industrial:**
- CNRL Albanian
- CNRL Horizon
- Kearl Lake
- North American Construction Group
- Suncor Baseplant
- Suncor Fort Hills
- Syncrude Aurora
- Syncrude Mildred Lake
- YMCA Eagle Ridge child care

*as of Feb 21 compared to Feb 20

**Active Cases take recoveries into account

Active COVID-19 Cases in the RMWB



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Helpful Links:

Municipal Response:

rmwb.ca/covid19
WBCentral.biz

Provincial Response:

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.
Border testing protocols are changing.

Federal Response:

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

Path Forward – Currently in Step 1

The Path Forward – Public health measures will be eased in steps based on hospitalization benchmarks. Each step sets a more predictable path for easing restrictions, while protecting the health system. Once hospitalizations are within range of the benchmark, decisions to move to the next step will be considered. The lowest-risk activities in each sector will be considered for change first. Moving between steps will happen at least 3 weeks apart to assess the impact on cases. For more details visit alberta.ca/enhanced-public-health-measures

STEP 1 <600 hospitalizations	STEP 2 <450 hospitalizations	STEP 3 <300 hospitalizations	STEP 4 <150 hospitalizations
Restrictions eased Feb. 8: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Restaurants • Indoor fitness • Children's sport and performance activities 	Potential easing in these areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Retail • Banquet halls • Community halls • Conference centres • Hotels • Further easing of indoor fitness and children's sport and performance 	Potential easing in these areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adult team sports • Casinos, racing centres and bingo halls • Indoor social gatherings, with restrictions • Indoor seated events (movie theatres and auditoria) • Libraries • Museums, art galleries, zoos, interpretive centres • Places of worship 	Potential easing in these areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amusement parks • Concerts (indoor) • Festivals (indoor and outdoor) • Funeral receptions • Indoor entertainment centres and play centres • Performance activities (singing, dancing and wind instruments) • Sporting events (indoor and outdoor) • Tradeshows, conferences and exhibiting events • Wedding ceremonies and receptions • Workplaces (lift working from home)
Step 1 began February 8th	The earliest Step 2 could happen is March 8	The earliest Step 3 could happen is 3 weeks after Step 2 begins	The earliest Step 4 could happen is 3 weeks after Step 3 begins
Today, Dr. Hinshaw announced today that no decision will be made until at least March 1 st as recent positivity is increasing. The CMOH has committed to giving 1 weeks' notice before moving to the next step.			

Continue following existing public health measures:

- Stay 2 metres apart from others
- Wear a mask in public spaces, indoor workplaces and places of worship
- Practice good hygiene: wash your hands often and cover coughs and sneezes
- Monitor your symptoms every day
- If sick, stay home, get tested, and follow mandatory isolation requirements while waiting for results:
 - if positive, isolate for 10 days or until symptoms are gone, whichever is longer
 - if negative, stay home until you're better
- Download and use the ABTraceTogether contact tracing app when out in public

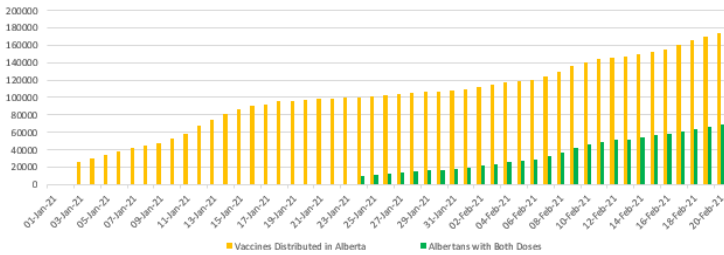


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Vaccine Updates – More info [here](#). Details on how to sign up will be posted February 24.

Vaccine Distribution in Alberta



Vaccination Progress as of February 21:

- 173,539 doses of vaccine have been administered in Alberta, 4098 (3005 were 2nd doses) in the last 24 hours.
- 69,362 Albertans have received both doses and are fully immunized.
- Rate of vaccination is 3924.5 doses per 100,000 population.
- 98 adverse events following immunization have been reported.

Updated Vaccination Program

Early Phase 1 (December 2020): Complete

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

Phase 1A (January to March 2021):

- Vaccinations are being offered to key populations across the province:
- Respiratory therapists
- Health-care workers in intensive care units, emergency departments, COVID-19 units, medical and surgical units, and operating rooms
- Paramedics and emergency medical responders
- Staff in long term care and designated supportive living facilities
- Home care workers
- All residents of long-term care and designated supportive living, regardless of age
- First Nations, Métis and persons 65 years of age and over living in a First Nations community or Métis Settlement**
- Seniors 75 years of age and over, no matter where they live:
 - Starting Feb. 19, AHS will vaccinate residents in retirement centres, lodges, supportive living and other congregate living facilities with people 75 or older
 - Starting Feb. 24, any Albertan born in 1946 or earlier can book an appointment regardless of age. [More info here.](#)

Second Dose: Second doses of the vaccine are necessary to ensure you're protected for as long as possible. In Alberta, second doses will be administered within 42 days after the first dose to allow as many people to receive the vaccine as quickly as possible. This aligns with the approach recommended by the National Advisory Committee on Immunization (NACI) and the World Health Organization statements on vaccines for COVID-19.

Phase 2: April to September 2021: Phase 2 is broken into Groups A to D. Vaccinations for each group will begin once the previous group has been completed. Timelines are subject to change depending on vaccine supply. Detailed information on how eligible Albertans will receive the vaccine will be released prior to each group.

Group A

- Albertans aged 65 to 74, no matter where they live
- First Nations and Métis people aged 50 to 64, on and off reserve or Métis Settlements
- Staff of licensed supportive living not included in Phase 1

Group B

- Albertans aged 18 to 64 with high-risk underlying health conditions
- Specific conditions will be provided prior to Phase 2 roll-out

Group C

- Residents and staff of eligible congregate living settings: correctional facilities, homeless shelters, group homes including disability, mental health and other types of licensed supportive living
- Health-care workers providing direct and acute patient care who have a high potential for spread to high-risk individuals
- Caregivers of Albertans who are most at risk of severe outcomes

Group D

- Albertans aged 50 to 64, no matter where they live
- First Nations and Métis people aged 35 to 49 on and off reserve or Métis Settlements

Phase 3: Fall 2021: Anticipated start of roll-out of the vaccine to the general public.

