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RMWB Case Outcomes: 1558 Active Cases 3279 Resolved Cases 5 Deceased Cases

Schools:

Outbreak 10+ Cases:

- St. Kateri
- Holy Trinity High School
- Father Mercredi
- Ecole Dickinsfield
- Fort McMurray Comp.
- St. Anne
- Ecole McTavish
- Fort McMurray Islamic
- St. Martha

Outbreak 5-9 Cases:

- Fort McMurray Christian
- St. Paul's
- Fr. M. Beaugregard
- Dave McNeilly
- Ecole Boreal
- Dr. Karl A Clark
- Thickwood Heights
- Westwood School
- Sister Mary Phillips
- Walter & Gladys Hill

Alert 2-4 Cases

- Westview School
- Timberlea Public
- St. Gabriel
- Hillcrest Montessori
- Father J.A. Turcotte
- Christina Gordon

New Cases and Active Cases

- Fort McMurray
144 new
1509 Active
- Rural RMWB
4 new
49 Active
- Alberta
1743 new
23,623 active
671 in hospital
150 in ICU
- Canada
6979 new
82,459 active
- Data as of end of May 3rd, compared to May 2nd.

Vaccine Distribution

- Alberta
• 28,152 doses distributed in last 24 hours
- 1.66M first doses ever
- 303K people are fully vaccinated
- **22.6%** of individuals in the AHS North Zone have received at least one dose. 4.8% are fully immunized. Provincially, **30.2%** have had first dose, 6.6% fully immunized.

Outbreaks

- **Industrial:**
 - MEG Engery
 - CNRL Horizon
 - CNRL Albion
 - CNRL Jackfish
 - Kearn Lake
 - Civeo Lynx Lodge
 - Civeo Beaver River Lodge
 - Cenovus Sunrise Lodge
 - Suncor Baseplant
 - Suncor Firebag
 - Suncor Mackay River
 - Syncrude Mildred Lake
 - Syncrude Aurora
 - Suncor Fort Hills
 - CNOOC Long Lake Operations
 - Oilsands Industrial Lodge - Fort McKay
- **Other:**
 - Sunshine Community Dayhome
 - Bethel Happy Daycare Beacon Hill
 - YMCA Eagle Ridge Care
 - North Star Ford
 - MMA Silin Forest Campus
 - Joly's Your Independent Grocer
 - North American Construction Group - Ruth Lake

New Restrictions Announced

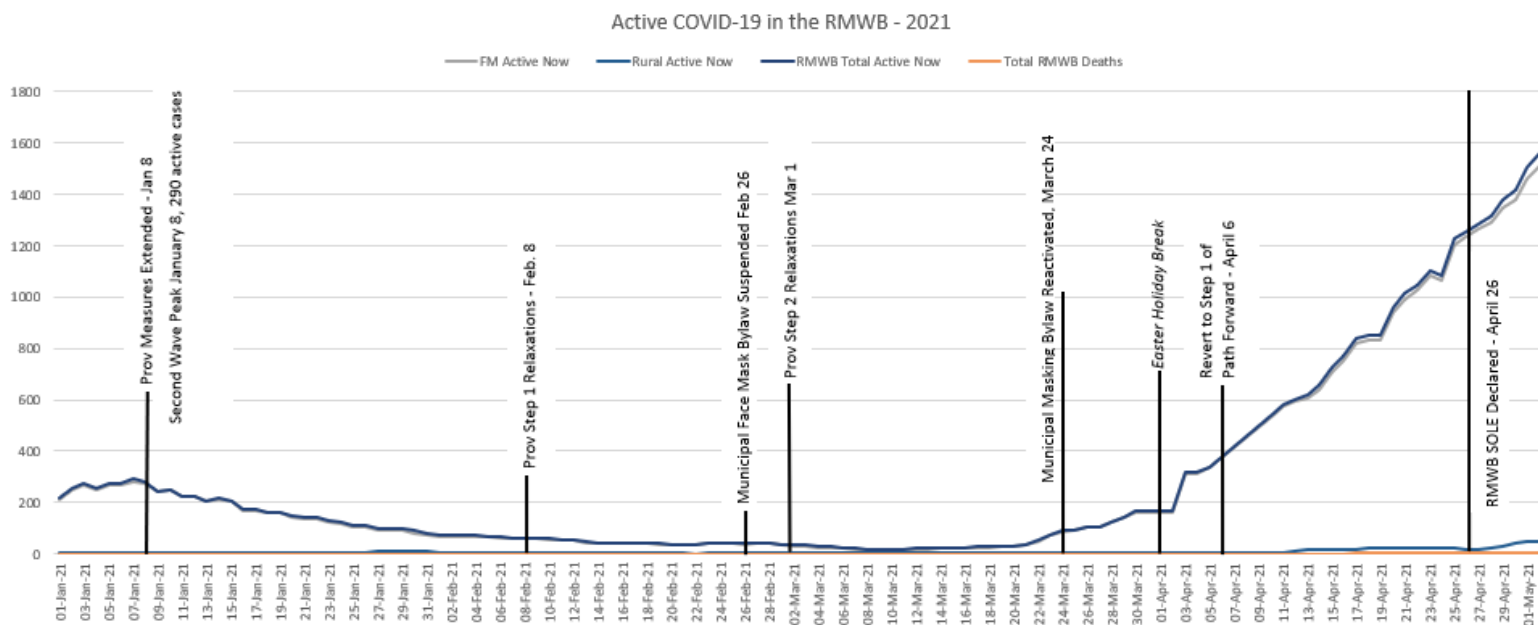
Today, Premier Kenney announced the [following further restrictions](#):

- As of Friday May 7, Kindergarten to Grade 12 will move to at home learning until Tuesday May 25th
- Immediately, workplaces with outbreaks must close for 10 days
- Immediately, all post-secondary institutions move online
- Immediately, retail services must limit capacity to 10% of fire code capacity
- Outdoor social gatherings now limited to 5 people, with strong recommendation to no more than 2 family cohorts
- Immediately, places of worship are limited to 15 people
- Funerals limited to 10 people
- Effective 11:59pm Sunday – personal and wellness services must close for 3 weeks.
- Effective 11:59pm Sunday - In person dining, including patios also must be closed for same period. Take-out and delivery are permitted.
- Outdoor sports limited to households and close contacts only
- Health social and professional services will remain available by appointment only.
- Indoor fitness remains closed.
- Doubling basic violation fine from \$1000 to \$2000. Maximum fine remains \$100,000. Tougher enforcement protocol for repeat offenders.
- Those who can work from home must do so. Masks are required at all indoor worksites unless distanced.

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Get Vaccinated – Doses available

- All teachers, childcare workers, and support staff in schools are eligible for vaccination.
- In the RMWB, **anyone over 18 years of age** can get AstraZeneca at the Walk-In clinic at MacDonald Island Park or by appointment at participating pharmacies. [Book online here](#) or [call your pharmacy](#).
- Many people over age 12 with underlying health conditions can get vaccinated by appointment.

Do your part, even after your vaccination:

- Wear a proper face mask whenever you are around people not in your immediate household.
- Stay 2m apart from anyone not in your household.
- Stay in your household cohort when out in public, including enjoying outdoor dining.
- Sanitize your hands often, wash for at least 20 seconds with soap.
- Isolate if you are a suspected close contact.
- Stay home if you feel ill.

Second Dose:

Results show the first dose is at least 80% effective in preventing severe illness. The second dose ensures you're protected for as long as possible. The timing for getting your second dose depends on your health status.

Most Albertans are eligible for your second dose of:

- Pfizer or Moderna no later than 4 months after the first dose
- No later than 4 months and no earlier than 12 weeks after the first dose.

When to book:

- Bookings for second doses will begin when supply allows, after all Albertans 16 and over have been offered a first dose, likely in late June.
- Contact your pharmacy or AHS closer to your eligibility date to book your next appointment. Do not try booking in advance.



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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:](#)

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

Report non-compliance to the public health orders [here](#) or call AHS Public Health Inspectors here 1-833-415-9179

Variants of Concern

Variants are viruses that have changed or mutated while reproducing inside an infected person's cells. Variants can spread to others and may continue mutating as they move from person to person. It is normal for viruses to mutate over time.

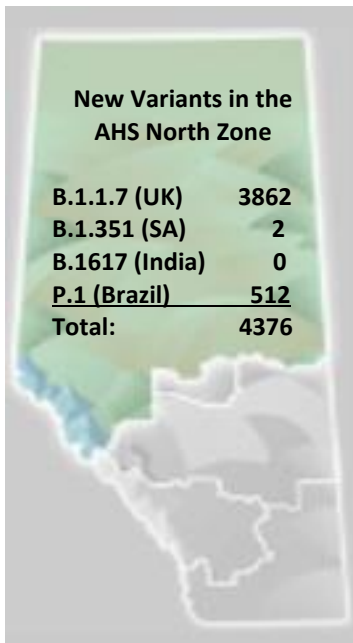
Variants of concern can spread more easily. They can also cause more serious illness that could result in more hospitalizations and deaths as they become common in the community. COVID-19 variants of concern were first identified in the United Kingdom, South Africa and Brazil.

These strains have since been detected in Alberta and in countries around the world. Alberta is monitoring for variants spreading in our province. Confirmed cases are updated daily.

[Follow all mandatory public health measures](#)

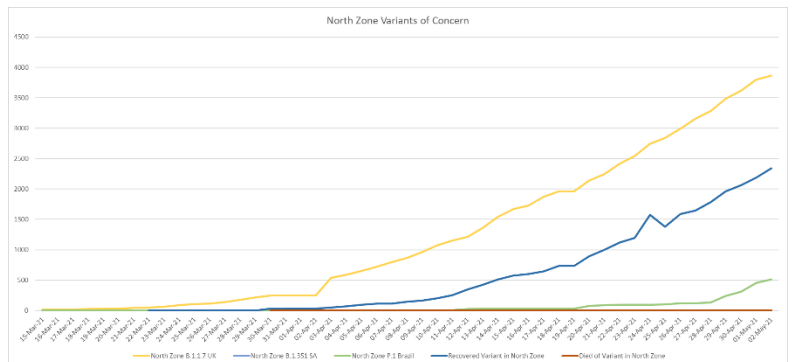
[Get tested if you have any symptoms](#)

[Know the isolation and quarantine requirements for the different strains](#)



Today, Variants represent 62.3% of all active Covid-19 cases

North Zone: 4376 Variants Ever, 2338 Recovered, 5 Deaths



Premier Kenney announced that **“Hot Spot” municipalities will be subject to more restrictions**, which include Fort McMurray. All indoor fitness activities, such as team sports and training sessions are prohibited. All indoor recreation facilities must close. Outdoor recreation amenities can be open to public access unless specifically closed by health order.

