

COVID-19 UPDATE

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Fort McMurray

- 21 New Cases
- 122 Active (+12)
- 6766 Recovered (+9)
- 6906 Ever
- 18 Deaths
- 153.6 cases per 100,000 pop

•Vaccination:

- 70.8% First Dose
- 60.7% Second Dose

- Available by appointment, call 811 or visit www.alberta.ca.
- Immunization clinic has moved to 108 Wolverine Drive and offers vaccination 7 days per week. Appointments are recommended. **The MacDonald Island Park clinic is now closed.**

Rural RMWB

- 2 New
- 7 Active (+2)
- 356 Recovered (+0)
- 364 Ever
- 1 Death
- 172.5 cases per 100,000 pop

•Vaccination

- 54.0% First Dose
- 41.5% Second Dose

- Available by appointment, call 811 or visit www.alberta.ca

- Vaccines are available at many participating pharmacies. **Find one here.**

Alberta

- 1401 New Cases
- 13,495 Active (+627)
- 256,985 Ever
- 2390 deaths (+2)
- 118 ICU (+4)
- 515 Hospital (+28)

•Vaccination

- 78.3% First Dose
- 70.2% Second Dose

- Statistics as of end of day Sept 2, 2021

Outbreaks in RMWB:

CNRL Albion
CNRL Horizon
CNRL Kirby Jackfish
Private Gathering, Anzac
Suncor Fort Hills

R-Value for "Rest of Alberta" is 1.22

Variants Identified in the AHS North Zone

B.1.1.7 (UK)	6245
B.1.351 (SA)	34
P.1 (Brazil)	766
B.1.617 Delta	3247
	(+141)

Total Variant Cases: 10,292

AHS NZ Recovered:	8281
AHS NZ Deceased:	54
AHZ NZ Active:	1957

New Temporary Measures Announced

Today, Premier Kenney, CMOH Dr. Hinshaw, and Health Minister Shandro made the following announcements:

Due to increasing COVID-19 transmission and rising hospital admissions, overwhelmingly amongst unvaccinated Albertans, temporary measures are needed to reduce transmission and prevent the health-care system from being overwhelmed.

A one-time incentive of \$100 is now available for all Albertans age 18 or older who receive a first or second dose of vaccine between Sept. 3 and Oct. 14. This incentive is intended to encourage unvaccinated Albertans to get protected as soon as possible.

- The province will make **masks mandatory for all indoor public spaces and workplaces** starting Sept. 4 at 8 a.m. Schools are not required to implement masking but school boards will continue to set COVID-19 management policies as they deem appropriate.

- Also, as of Sept. 4 at 8 a.m., restaurants, cafés, bars, pubs, nightclubs and other licensed establishments will be required to **end alcohol service at 10 p.m.**

- The province strongly recommends that **unvaccinated Albertans limit their indoor social gatherings** to close contacts of only two cohort families up to a maximum of 10 people.

- It is also recommended that employers **pause their plans to have staff return to work** and instead continue with work-from-home measures. If employees are working on location, employees must mask for all indoor settings, except in work stations or where two-metre physical distancing or adequate physical barriers are in place.

More information is available here: [COVID-19 public health actions | Alberta.ca](https://www.alberta.ca/covid-19-public-health-actions)



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Vaccination Information

While 2 doses provides excellent protection for most people, third doses are now available for eligible groups at highest risk of severe outcomes, including immunocompromised Albertans over 12, and residents of supportive living facilities. These doses can be administered at least 8 weeks after the second dose.

Travellers to jurisdictions that don't recognize Covishield/AstraZeneca or mixed series doses can get additional dose(s) of vaccine. Must wait at least 4 weeks after second dose. The Government of Alberta does not have a vaccine passport. Official vaccine records are available on [MyHealth Records](#).

Vaccine Requirements

- International travel requirements continue to evolve. Check the policies of individual countries, state/local governments, cruise lines and/or venues and events before travelling.
- Some jurisdictions are only accepting travellers that are fully immunized with vaccines they have authorized.
- Upon return to Canada, [quarantine and testing requirements](#) may be reduced for fully immunized travellers who meet specific conditions.
- There are currently no immunization restrictions for visitors entering the United States, including for those who received AstraZeneca/COVISHIELD as part of their immunization series.
- Some private sector events, such as shows and concerts, may have different rules.
- For more information, visit the [CDC website](#).

Any vaccination can be booked by calling 811, or through participating pharmacies or physicians offices.

Today, Dr. Hinshaw presented a "Data Modelling Update". The full report can be viewed here: <https://www.alberta.ca/assets/documents/health-data-modelling-fact-sheet.pdf>

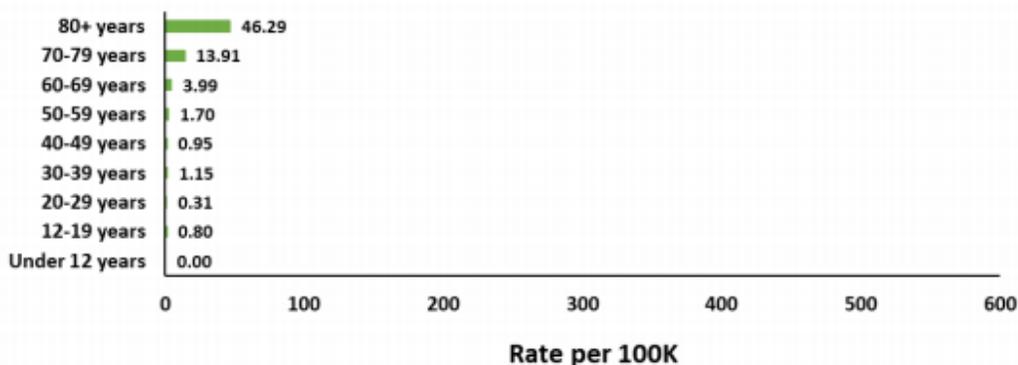
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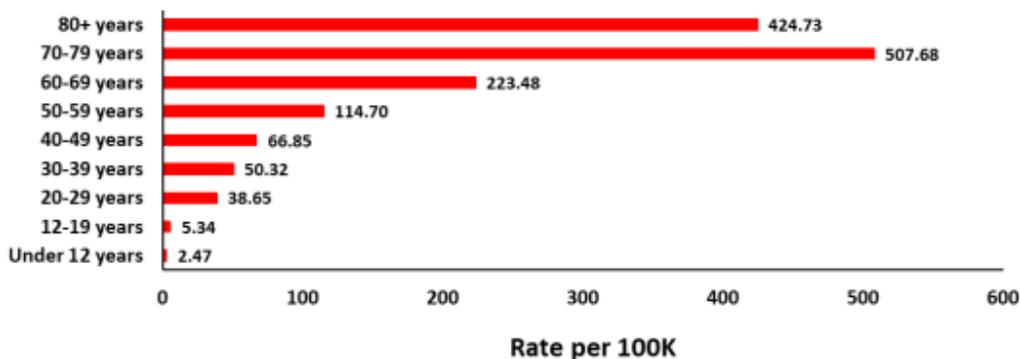
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The figures below compare COVID-19 hospitalization rates per 100,000 population in Alberta by vaccine status since July 1, 2021: fully vaccinated (top) and unvaccinated (bottom). Overall hospitalization rates are around 10 times greater for unvaccinated compared to fully vaccinated people in the 80+ age group. In younger age groups, the relative impact of vaccine increases and unvaccinated people are 30 to 120 times more likely to be admitted to hospital with COVID-19 than those with vaccine protection. Across all age groups, COVID-19 hospitalization rates are much higher among unvaccinated compared to those who are fully vaccinated.

Fully Vaccinated



Unvaccinated



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Did you know?

Since January 1, 2021, 90.5% of hospitalized cases were unvaccinated or within 2 weeks from the first vaccination.

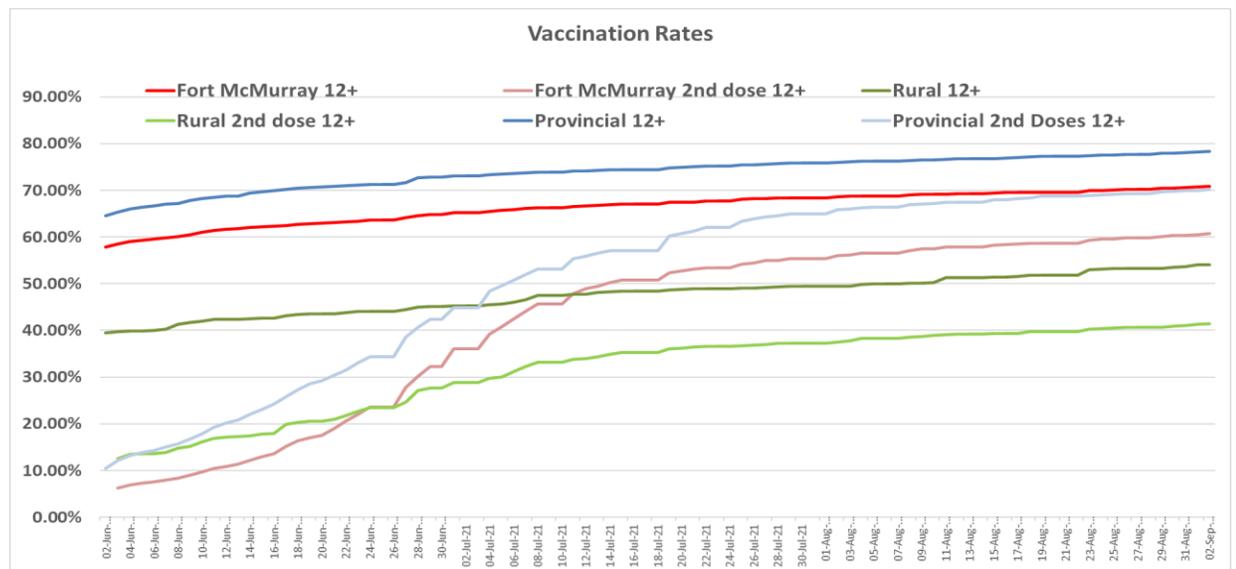
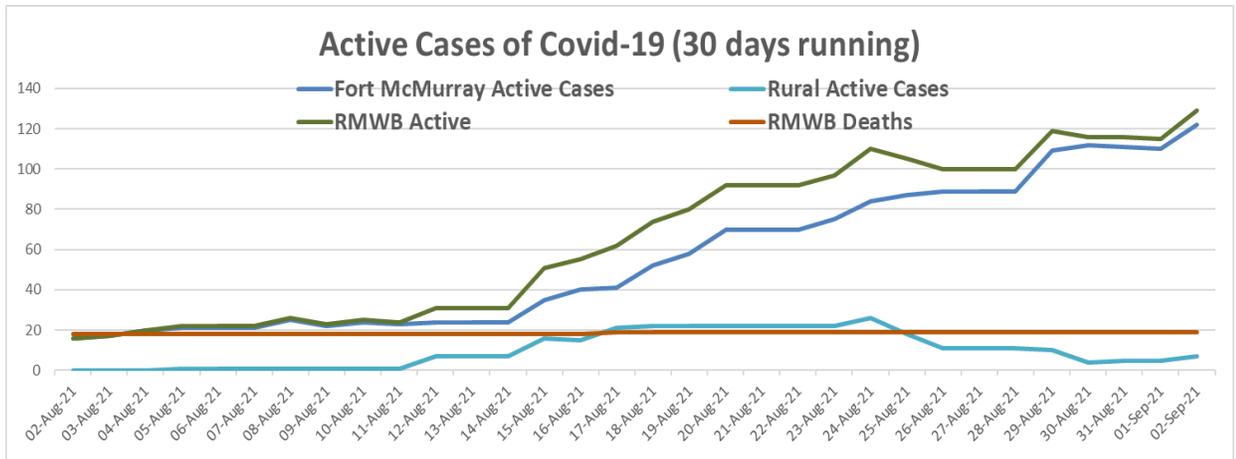
[More info here.](#)

Accessing your Vaccine Records

Albertans 14 and older can view their verified health records, including all vaccines, lab tests and medications, through [MyHealth Records](#), an online tool that lets you view your personal health information from any computer, tablet or smartphone.

To sign up, follow the instructions on the website. [MyHealth Records](#) will be automatically updated within 2 to 3 weeks of the doses being given if you were vaccinated in Alberta.

From your account, you can print a paper copy of your vaccine record or download and use the app to show or take a screenshot of your record.



Masking

The RMWB is currently following the Government of Alberta health orders. Masks are mandatory in indoor public spaces, when using public transit, including ride shares, motor coaches, and shuttles. Masking requirements remain in high-risk settings such as acute and continuing care.

Private businesses may set their own policies. This can include requiring individuals to wear masks while attending their business. More information is available [here](#).

