

COVID-19 UPDATE

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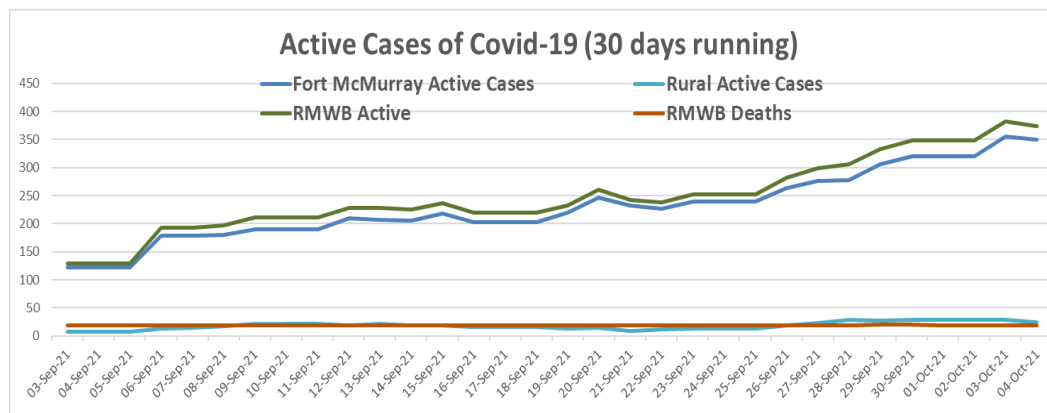
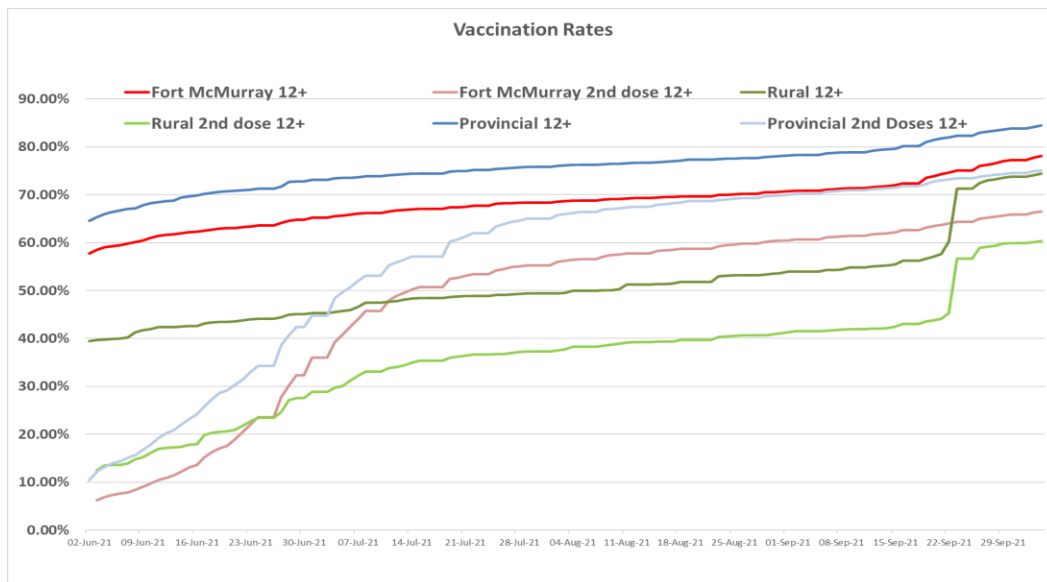
Fort McMurray	Rural RMWB	Alberta	Outbreaks in RMWB: CNRL Albion CNRL Horizon CNRL Kirby Jackfish MEG Christina Lake Suncor Firebag Suncor Fort Hills												
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •19 New Cases •350 Active (-5) •7253 Recovered (+24) •7621 Ever •18 Deaths (0 new) •440.7 cases per 100,000 pop •Vaccination: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •78.1% First Dose •66.5% Second Dose 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •-1 New (reallocated) •24 Active (-4) •389 Recovered (+3) •415 Ever •2 Deaths (1 New) •591.4 cases per 100,000 pop •Vaccination <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •74.4% First Dose •60.3% Second Dose 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •663 New Cases •19,456 Active (-1218) •304,502 Ever •2,778 deaths (+26) •252 ICU (-5) •1094 Hospital (+15) •Vaccination <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •84.5% First Dose •75.1% Second Dose •Statistics as of end of day Oct. 4 compared to Oct. 3, 2021 	<p>R-Value for "Rest of Alberta" is 1.15</p>												
<p>AHS North Zone: 148 Hospitalizations (+6) 11 ICU (+1)</p>			<p>Variants Identified in the AHS North Zone</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>B.1.1.7 (UK)</td> <td>6248</td> </tr> <tr> <td>B.1.351 (SA)</td> <td>34</td> </tr> <tr> <td>P.1 (Brazil)</td> <td>767</td> </tr> <tr> <td>B.1.617 Delta</td> <td>8470</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td><u>(+152)</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total Variant Cases:</td> <td>15,519</td> </tr> </table> <p>AHS NZ Recovered: 13,419 AHS NZ Deceased: 118 AHZ NZ Active: 1982</p>	B.1.1.7 (UK)	6248	B.1.351 (SA)	34	P.1 (Brazil)	767	B.1.617 Delta	8470		<u>(+152)</u>	Total Variant Cases:	15,519
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Today, Premier Kenney, Health Minister Jason Copping, and Education Minister Lagrange made the following statements:

- Starting tomorrow, October 6, 2021, everyone over the age of 75, and Métis, First Nations, and Inuit over age 65, are eligible for third doses of vaccine. The booster shot should occur at least six months after the second dose. The general population does not appear to need this booster shot at this time. [More info here.](#)
- Changes for Schools: [Info here.](#)
 - Ramp up rapid testing for Kindergarten to Grade 6 for schools experiencing more than 10 cases within that school. Parents will obtain kits from school, and can administer at home.
 - Institute contact notifications in school settings in a phased approach. Will begin Oct. 12. New guidance will be provided at alberta.ca/returntoschool. Will not extend to out-of-school contacts.
 - Resume Public Reporting of outbreaks of at least two cases, starting tomorrow, Oct. 6
 - Strongly encourage mandatory proof of vaccination or negative test for staff and visitors.
- Thanksgiving
 - Premier Kenney reminded us that last Thanksgiving’s indoor gatherings sparked the second wave of Covid-19 and that we simply cannot afford a repeat scenario. Please follow the rules that are in place.
 - No indoor social gatherings outside your household if you are not vaccinated.
 - For those that are fully vaccinated, up to two households may socialize for up to 10 people.
- Outdoor gathering limits have been lowered from 200 to 20. [Info here.](#)

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Vaccination Information

All Albertans 12+ can book now. Adults can get \$100 if you receive your first or second dose between now and Oct. 14.

COVID-19 vaccines help prevent you from getting infected and protect you from getting severely sick if you do contract Covid-19. All vaccines are safe, effective and save lives.

Everyone born in 2009 or before (turning 12+) can get their first and second doses now. Third doses are available to individuals most at risk of severe illness.

NEW: AHS clinics and pharmacies now use the same centralized online booking system. You can also book your shot by calling 811, visiting a walk-in clinic, or contacting a doctor's office. Book here: [Registration \(alberta.ca\)](https://www.alberta.ca/registration)

Fort McMurray Walk-in Clinic: Thickwood Medical Plaza 108 Wolverine Drive

- First and Second Dose Moderna for those 18+ available
- First and Second Dose Pfizer for those 12+
- Hours of Operation: Monday to Friday: 1pm – 8pm, Saturday and Sunday 1 pm – 4 pm
- Book your appointment to avoid line ups.

Active Public Health Orders:

- [Order 45-2021](#) – Outlining conditions of Restrictions Exemption Program
- [Order 44-2021](#) – Outlining public health measures to protect Alberta’s health system from Covid-19.
- [Order 34-2021](#) – Outlining Covid-19 masking restrictions for Stage 3 of Alberta’s Open for Summer Plan.

Health Care System Updates – Dr. Yu

- Focused on providing care to anyone who needs it as quickly as they can.
- ICU Capacity: 307 in ICU including 257 with Covid-19
- Currently there are 374 ICU beds in Alberta including 201 additional spaces. Including surge, we are at 82% of capacity, which is 177% of pre-pandemic ICU Capacity

