

COVID-19 UPDATE

Fort McMurray

- As of Dec. 28 compared to Dec. 22
- 59 New Identified Cases
- 94 Active (+33)
- 8224 Recovered (+26)
- 8336 Ever
- 18 Deaths (0 new)
- 118.4 cases per 100,000 pop
- 5+ Vaccination:

1st Dose	78.3%
2nd Dose	72%

AHS North Zone Data (Dec. 29):
35 Hospitalizations (-2)
3 ICU (-2)
412 Deaths Ever in North Zone

Rural RMWB

- As of Dec. 28 compared to Dec. 22
- 14 New Identified Cases
- 16 Active (+13)
- 484 Recovered (+1)
- 484 Ever
- 2 Deaths (0 New)
- 394.3 cases per 100,000 pop
- 5+ Vaccination:

1st Dose	79%
2nd Dose	77.6%
- New local data will not be available until January 4th. Provincial data breakdown for the holidays was released Dec. 29th.
- **As testing is now limited, these statistics are only a portion of actual case counts in the community.**

Alberta

- As of Dec. 30 - some data is preliminary
- New Identified Cases

Dec. 30	4000
Dec. 29	2775
Dec. 28	1395
Dec. 27	686
Dec. 26	1568
Dec. 25	2484
Dec. 24	2010
- 17,396 Identified Active as of Dec. 29 (+9037 over holidays)
- 361,623 Ever
- 33310 deaths (+11 over holidays)
- 48 ICU (was 56 Dec. 24)
- 371 Hospitalizations (was 269 Dec. 24)
- 5+ Vaccinations

Outbreaks in RMWB:

Suncor Fort Hills

School Status:

No reporting during the holidays.

R-Value for "Rest of Alberta" is 0.93 (this is out of date and will be updated next week)

Positivity rate has climbed to 30%
This means for every person getting PCR tested (vulnerable populations), 3/10 are positive.

Shortened Isolation Requirements for Fully Vaccinated Positive Covid-19 Cases:

Effective Monday, January 3, 2022, people with at least 2 doses of vaccine and test positive, will be required to isolate 5 days instead of 10, as long as symptoms have subsided. Must wear masks at all times while outside the home.

If you are symptomatic, you must isolate.

If you do not have both doses of the vaccine, or your second dose was less than 14 days ago, you are required to isolate for 10 days.

Testing

If you are symptomatic, complete a rapid test if you have access to one. If it is positive, no further testing is required. If you test negative and remain symptomatic, retest in a few days. If still negative, isolate until symptoms subside.

PCR tests are reserved for vulnerable populations.

Schools remaining closed until at least January 10:

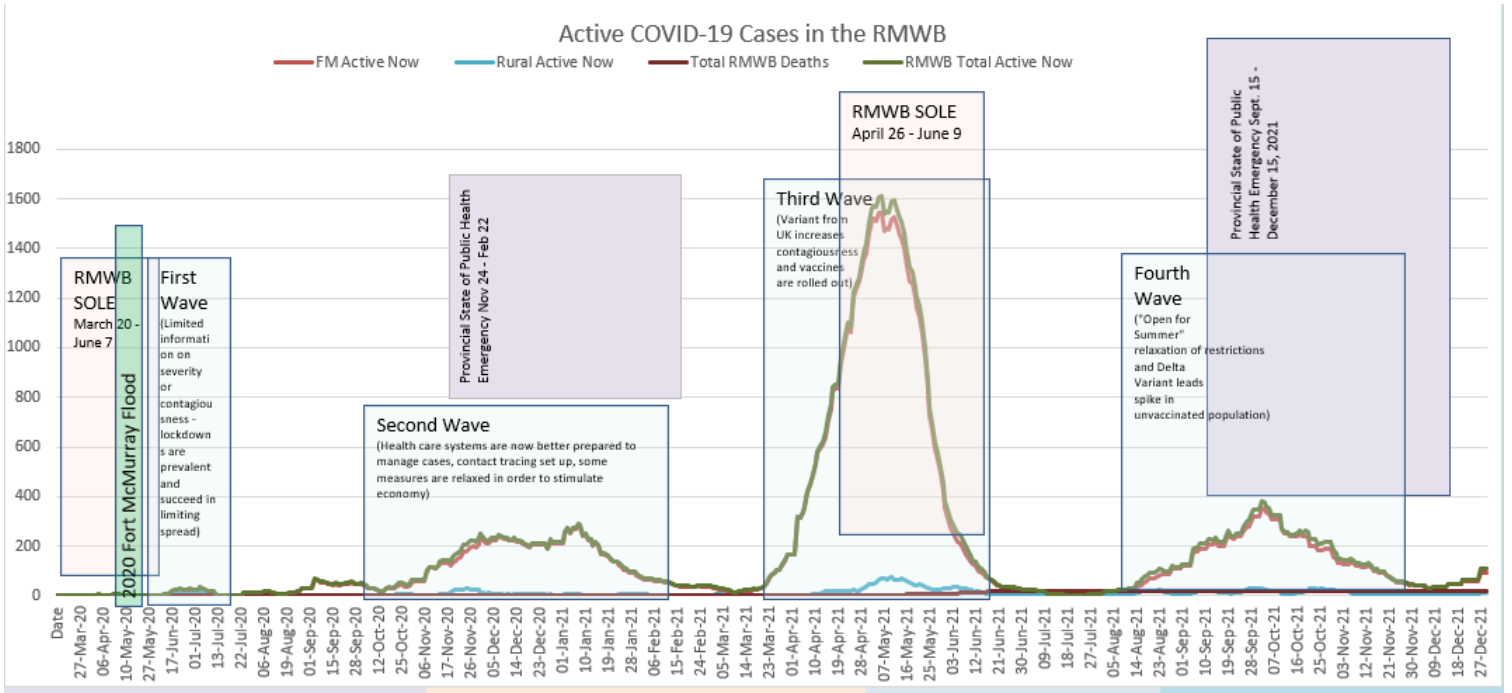
In order to gather additional data to assess staffing implications, and prepare for safe return to classes, Minister LeGrange announced the extension of the Winter Break yesterday.

January Diploma Exams have been cancelled.

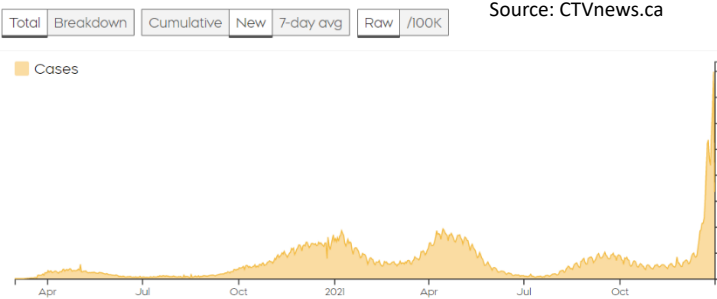
8.6 million rapid test kits and 16.5 million masks will be delivered to schools starting January 10th.



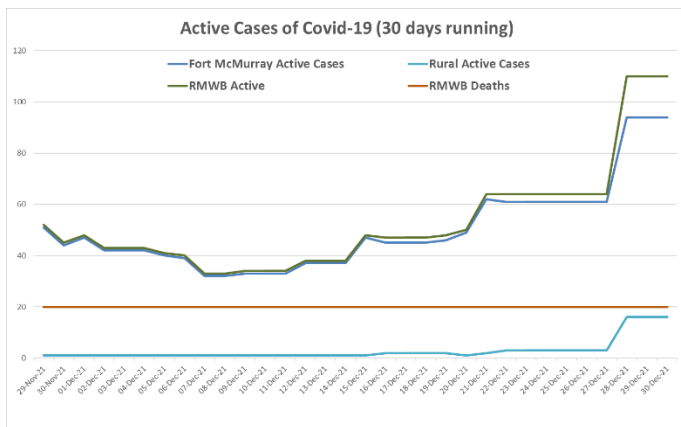
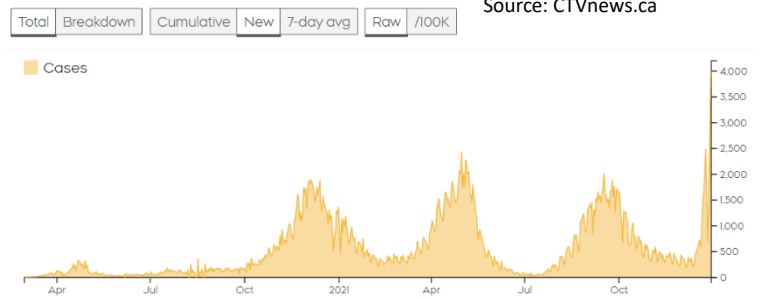
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Canada



Alberta



Variants

(number of cases)

AHS

North Zone

Alberta

Alpha (B.1.1.7 UK)	6250	45,870
Beta (B.1.351 South Africa)	34	180
Delta (B.1.617 India)	14,076	67,643
Gamma (P.1. Brazil)	768	2,924
Kappa (B.1.617.1 India 2)	0	19
Omicron (B.1.1.529)	182 (+127)	7,025 (+4388)

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Vaccinations	Fort McMurray	Rural	Provincial
75+ Fully Vaccinated	79.9%	99.7%	93.3%
60-74 Fully Vaccinated	85.5%	95.9%	93.8%
40-59 Fully Vaccinated	85.3%	83.8%	85.9%
20-39 Fully Vaccinated	74.0%	65.5%	78.7%
12-19 Fully Vaccinated	83.1%	66.6%	80.1%
5-11 First Dose	22.3%	17.1%	35.5%

Fort McMurray Walk-in Clinic: Thickwood Medical Plaza 103-108 Wolverine Drive

Pfizer and Moderna 12+
Mon. to Fri.: 9am – 8pm
Sat. & Sun.: 9am – 4pm

Booster doses are now available to anyone over 18 provided 5 months have passed since second dose.

This is in addition to previously announced groups. Booster doses help increase efficacy of vaccination against all variants of Covid-19 and reduce severity in breakthrough cases.



Active Public Health Orders:

[Order 59-2021](#) – Modifies order 54-2021, limiting capacity and operating hours of restaurants and bars.

[Order 56-2021](#) – Modifies Order 54-2021, so that Order 55-2021 is not in effect if an in-scope entity is participating in the Restrictions Exemption Program.

[Order 55-2021](#) – Updates measures surrounding private social gatherings in residences.

[Order 54-2021](#) – Updates details and scope of Restrictions Exemption Program.

[Order 53-2021](#) – Provides updates to public health measures outlined in Order 44-2021.

[Order 47-2021](#) – Lowers outdoor gathering size capacity from 200 to 20.

[Order 34-2021](#) – Outlining Covid-19 masking restrictions for Stage 3 of Alberta's Open for Summer Plan.

Holiday Gatherings Guidance

Premier Kenney and Chief Medical Officer Hinshaw implored Albertans, that while indoor gathering restrictions have been slightly eased, it is important to limit the number of exposures and gatherings you attend.



If you do not feel well, do not attend gatherings. If you are hosting an event and do not feel well, cancel the gathering.

Indoor gathering is limited to 10 people over 18. Outdoor gathering is limited to 20 people with 2m distancing and family cohorts.

Updated Guidance for Holiday Celebrations is available here:
[Tips for Holiday Work Celebrations \(alberta.ca\)](#)

Travel Requirements and Restrictions are changing often.



Please check requirements here:
[COVID-19 travel requirements | Alberta.ca](#) and here;
[Travel Advice and Advisories - Travel.gc.ca](#)

The QR Code is now the only acceptable form of proof of vaccination for facilities participating in the Restrictions Exemption Program (REP). Download or print yours here: [Alberta Covid Records](#)
For more information on the REP program and Holiday Guidance, visit
[COVID-19 public health actions | Alberta.ca](#)