

COVID-19 Recovery Operations Center

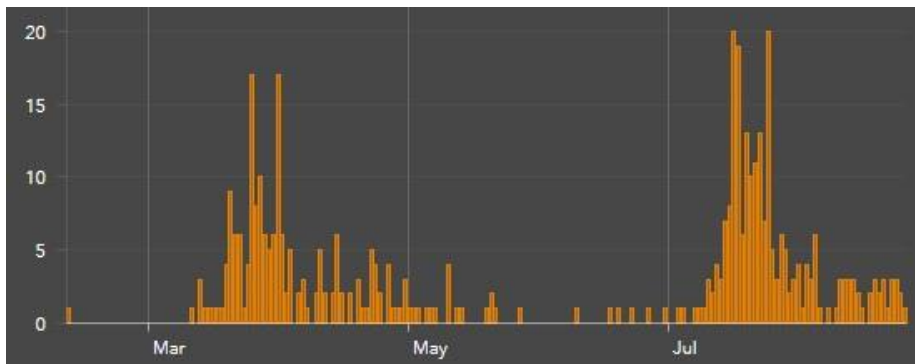
Weekly Update - August 28, 2020

Confirmed cases have stabilized in BC this week. Confirmed cases in the Interior region and more specifically the Kootenay Boundary Health Service Delivery Area remain low. However, three (3) new cases have been reported in the Kootenay Boundary Health Service Delivery area. This number had been at zero for most of the summer. Now is the time to be especially careful to try and make sure we get that number back to zero. Remember the basics. Keep your group small, physically distance, wash your hands, carry a mask just in case you need it and if you feel sick stay home. Have a great week Nelson!

Where are we at?

According to the BC Centre for Disease Control (CDC), new case counts are generally trending downwards in the Interior following a peak in mid-July. A total of 18 new cases were reported in the Interior region over the course of the last week. This number is up from last week's 13 new cases.

New Case Counts in Interior Health



The Weekly Surveillance Report:

- A total of 547 new cases were reported this week in BC, which is similar to the numbers from the previous week.
- Over 90% of new cases reported in the last week were reported in the Lower Mainland.
- The most likely source of infection remains contact with a local case or cluster.
- New hospital admissions and deaths remain low although a small increase in admissions was observed in the last week.
- The proportion of samples which tested positive has stabilized in the last few weeks.

<http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/covid-19/data>

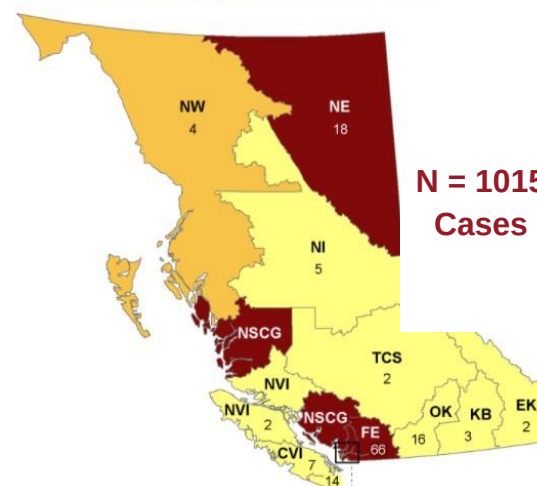
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RETURN TO SCHOOL

Back to school plans for K-12 families are now posted for all 60 school districts in BC, so parents and families can prepare to support their children for a safe return to the classroom. Families should visit their school district website to view their local school's plans.

Education Minister Rob Fleming has directed school districts to contact all families in their school communities to share their safety plans and to confirm if they are planning for their child to attend school classes in September, or if they need alternative learning options. As part of the ministry's July 29 guidelines for planning, many districts have already begun engaging with parents to determine their needs.

Past 14 days: cases reported Aug 14 to 27, 2020



There have been three (3) reported cases in the Kootenay Boundary Health Service Delivery area since August 20th reporting. Additional data from the BCCDC shows that the Nelson Local Health area has registered six (6) cases in total from January to July 31, 2020.