

Coronavirus: COVID-19
Current Update – January 6, 2021

As of January 6, 2021, Canada has a total of 625, 051 confirmed cases of COVID-19. Ontario itself has 200, 626 cases with Toronto having 65, 521 cases.

Ontario reports more than 3, 000 new COVID-19 cases, 37 more deaths

The province is reporting more than 3, 000 new cases of COVID-19 for a third consecutive day, with 3, 266 new infections recorded today. The seven-day rolling average now stands at 3, 113 compared to 2, 309 one week ago. Most of the new cases reported today continue to be in hotspots throughout the Greater Toronto Area (GTA). Locally, there are 805 new cases in Toronto, 523 in Peel Region, 349 in York Region, 208 in Windsor-Essex County and 206 reported in Waterloo.

Provincial health officials said 51, 045 tests were processed in the last 24 hours, up by more than 15,800 tests from Tuesday. This has lowered the province's positivity rate to 8.5 percent compared to 9.4 percent one day ago. Today, the province surpassed 200, 000 lab-confirmed cases of COVID-19 since the first case emerged in Ontario almost a year ago.

Hospitalizations continue to increase, and there are now 1, 463 COVID-19 patients across the province. There are 361 people in the ICU receiving treatment for the virus, and 246 of them are breathing with the help of a ventilator.

Source: <https://www.cp24.com/news/ontario-reports-more-than-3-000-new-covid-19-cases-for-third-day-in-a-row-37-deaths-1.5255471>

Province surpasses 60, 000 doses of COVID-19 vaccine

As of Tuesday evening, Ontario had administered 60, 380 doses of the Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna COVID-19 vaccines. Each of the vaccines require a second dose, and so far there are 860 people in the province who have received their second dose.

On Tuesday, the government of Ontario announced that it aims to inoculate all Long-Term Care residents, staff and essential workers in Toronto, Peel Region, York Region and Windsor-Essex County by Jan. 21st, as these regions are among the hardest hit across the province.

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Infectious disease specialist Dr. Isaac Bogoch said inoculations should be happening at a faster rate. He said that the evidence has shown that vaccinations can be given out quickly and easily, but proper planning is required.

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

Harmony Place

Online Music Therapy Sessions

Date: Wednesdays and Fridays, starting Friday August 7th, and Wednesday August 19th, 2020

Time: 2:30 – 3:30pm

Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82054622001?pwd=Z2xyZjFZQUpNRFB6YzAwU085N3pGUT09>

Meeting ID: 820 5462 2001

Passcode: 051424

For more information, contact Wanda by email at: wanda@harmonyplace.on.ca

If you or someone you know uses Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC), and requires resources related to COVID-19, please contact Sarah (sarah.nydp@gmail.com) and she can assist you in accessing and/or creating various communication tools.

If you think you may be experiencing symptoms of COVID-19, take the self-assessment at www.ontario.ca/coronavirus. Follow all directions from your medical provider or your local health unit at the following phone numbers:

Telehealth Ontario: 1-866-797-0000

Toronto Public Health: 416-338-7600

Peel Public Health: 905-799-7700

Durham Region Health Department: 905-668-7711

York Region Public Health: 1-877-464-9675

Please refer back to previous updates as lots of important information has been provided that may still be relevant. If you have any questions or require more information on how you can protect

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yourself and those around you from the COVID-19 virus, please contact our Outreach
Communication Facilitator Sarah, at 416-222-4448 or
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