

**Coronavirus: COVID-19**  
**Current Update – November 6, 2020**

As of November 6th, 2020, Canada has a total of 252, 341 confirmed cases of COVID-19. Ontario has 81, 693 cases with Toronto having 30, 319 cases.

Sources:

<https://www.ctvnews.ca/health/coronavirus/tracking-every-case-of-covid-19-in-canada-1.4852102>

<https://www.toronto.ca/home/covid-19/covid-19-latest-city-of-toronto-news/covid-19-status-of-cases-in-toronto/>

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**Ontario records more than 1,000 new cases of COVID-19 for third time in less than a week**

Today, 1, 003 new COVID-19 cases were confirmed, up from the 998 the day before.

This is the third day in a row where the seven-day average is the highest that we have seen over the course of the pandemic. Yesterday, Ontario had an average of 981 new cases every day within a seven-day period. Now, within the past seven days, the daily average of new cases per day has risen to 996.

In the past 24 hours, 14 more people in Ontario died due to COVID-19. In total, there are 81, 693 confirmed cases of the disease in Ontario, including 3, 209 deaths and 70, 086 resolved cases.

The province's COVID-19 positivity rate is currently 2.4%, which is down from the previous day's number at 2.8%. In the past 24 hours, 41, 268 tests were processed compared to 35, 754 tests that were processed the day before.

Of these 1, 003 new cases, most people are between the ages of 20 and 39 (337 people). The second highest group is people between the ages of 40 and 59 (294 people). Meanwhile, people who are 19 years of age and younger represent 141 new cases, and people between the ages of 60 and 79 represent 132 of them. At least 97 of the new cases are people who are 80 years of age and older.

There are currently 380 patients in an Ontario hospital being treated for their COVID-19 symptoms. Of these current 380 patients, 86 people are in an intensive care unit (same as the day before), and 49 of them are breathing with the assistance of a ventilator (1 more person than the day before).

In terms of Ontario's four COVID-19 hot spots, most of these new cases were reported in the Toronto (300), Peel (280) and York (125) regions. Meanwhile, Ottawa only has 43 new cases.

Later today, Premier Doug Ford will finalize and announce where each public health unit will be placed in the new shutdown system. The change will start tomorrow, Saturday, November 7th, at 12:01 AM.

Source:

<https://toronto.ctvnews.ca/ontario-records-more-than-1-000-new-cases-of-covid-19-for-third-time-in-less-than-a-week-1.5177726>

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**Today's coronavirus news: Ontario reporting 1,003 cases of COVID-19, 85 new cases in schools; Statistics Canada says economy added 84K jobs in October**

In provincial news, as of 2:00 PM Wednesday, there are an additional 85 new COVID-19 cases in Ontario's public schools. Students represent more than half of these 85 new cases at 49 cases. Only 8 of the 85 new cases are staff members. The identity of the 28 other affected individuals were not included in the public report.

The total number of COVID-19 cases in schools in the last two weeks rose to 914. Out of those 914 cases, 525 are students, 81 are staff members, and 308 are unidentified individuals. Since school began, the total number of infected students is 1, 484, and the total number of infected staff members is 328. There have been 2, 628 total cases in schools since they re-opened in September.

There are 582 schools with a reported case, which is 2 more schools than the previous day. Despite this increase, this number is still 12% of the 4, 828 public schools in Ontario. The one school that has been closed because of an outbreak is scheduled to re-open on November 11th. Elder's Mills Public School, an elementary school in Woodbridge, closed on Monday after 7 confirmed cases of COVID-19.

The Toronto District School Board and the Toronto Catholic District School Board update their information on current COVID-19 cases throughout the day on their websites. As of 11:00 a.m. on Friday, there were 192 schools in the Toronto District School Board with at least one active case: 275 students and 68 staff. As of Friday at 9:30 a.m., there were 112 schools with at least one confirmed case: 91 students and 18 staff.

In national news, the federal Indigenous Services Department says that Indigenous communities across Canada confirmed 254 new cases of COVID-19 in the month of October. Before October, there were 542 active cases in these communities. The Indigenous Services Department

attributes this increase to large gatherings, not wearing a mask, and not physical distancing. The government says that it is working closely with First Nations and the provincial government of Manitoba to try and prevent future outbreaks in that region.

According to Statistics Canada, fewer jobs were added to the Canadian economy from September to October. In October, 84, 000 jobs were added in Canada, compared to 378, 000 jobs that were added in September. Also, Canada's unemployment rate has gone down by 0.1% and now sits at 8.9%.

According to the financial data firm Refinitiv, these numbers are below the economic forecast for October. Canada was expected to gain 100, 000 jobs and the unemployment rate was expected to go down to 8.8%.

Source:

<https://www.thestar.com/news/canada/2020/11/06/todays-coronavirus-news-updates-canada-covid-19-world-toronto-infections-pandemic-november-6.html>

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## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

### **Harmony Place**

#### **Online Music Therapy Sessions**

Date: Wednesdays and Fridays, starting Friday August 7<sup>th</sup>, and Wednesday August 19<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:wanda@harmonyplace.on.ca)

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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](mailto: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](http://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 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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