

## NSEMO Sit-rep Submission: Health and Wellness Agency Covid-19 Report

- Today, Aug. 20, Nova Scotia is reporting 10 new cases of COVID-19 and one recovery.
- Nine of the cases are in Central Zone. Five are related to travel. Three are close contacts of previously reported cases. One is under investigation.
- One case is in Northern Zone and is under investigation.
- There have been 4,261 cases from March 15 to Aug. 19, 2021. Of those:
  - 41 (1.0 per cent) were fully vaccinated
  - 248 (5.8 per cent) were partially vaccinated
  - 3,972 (93.2 per cent) were unvaccinatedThere were 255 people hospitalized. Of those:
  - 2 (0.8 per cent) were fully vaccinated
  - 28 (11 per cent) were partially vaccinated
  - 225 (88.2 per cent) were unvaccinated
- Twenty-seven people died. Of those:
  - 1 (3.7 per cent) was fully vaccinated
  - 3 (11.1 per cent) were partially vaccinated
  - 23 (85.2 per cent) were unvaccinated
- As of today, Nova Scotia has 41 active cases of COVID-19. Of those, one person is in hospital, in ICU.
- There were 4,261 tests administered between Aug. 13 and Aug. 19 at the rapid-testing pop-up sites in Halifax, Dartmouth, Cole Harbour, Chester and Sydney.
- On Aug. 19, Nova Scotia Health Authority's labs completed 3,207 tests.
- As of Aug. 19, 1,422,963 doses of COVID-19 vaccine have been administered. Of those, 671,921 Nova Scotians have received their second dose.
- Since April 1, there have been 4,214 positive COVID-19 cases and 27 deaths. Cases range in age from under 10 to over 90. There are 4,146 resolved cases. Cumulative cases may change as data is updated in Panorama.
- The province is renewing the state of emergency to protect the health and safety of Nova Scotians and ensure safety measures and other important actions can continue. The order will take effect at noon, Sunday, Aug. 22 and extend to noon, Sunday, Sept. 5, unless government terminates or extends it.
- Anyone advised by public health that they were a close contact needs to complete a full 14-day quarantine, regardless of test results, unless they are fully vaccinated. If they are fully vaccinated at least 14 days before the exposure date, they do not need to self-isolate as long as they are not experiencing any COVID-19 symptoms. They should still get tested and should monitor for symptoms up to 14 days after the exposure date. If symptoms develop, they should get tested and self-isolate until they receive a negative test result.
- Visit <https://811.novascotia.ca> to determine if you should call 811 for further assessment if in the past 48 hours you have had, or you are currently experiencing:
  - fever (i.e. chills/sweats) or cough (new or worsening)Or:
  - Two or more of the following symptoms (new or worsening):
    - sore throat

- runny nose/ nasal congestion
- headache
- shortness of breath

- People should call 811 if they cannot access the online self-assessment or wish to speak with a nurse about their symptoms.
- Anyone with symptoms should immediately self-isolate and book a test.
- More information on COVID-19 case data, testing and vaccines is available at:  
<https://novascotia.ca/coronavirus/data/>