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# **COVID-19 Update**

April 5, 2022







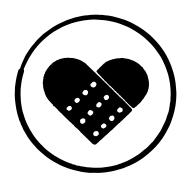
### Where We Are Today



**56%** of eligible kids 5-11 have received their first dose of the COVID-19 vaccine.



91% of British Columbians 18+ received their second dose of the COVID-19 vaccine.

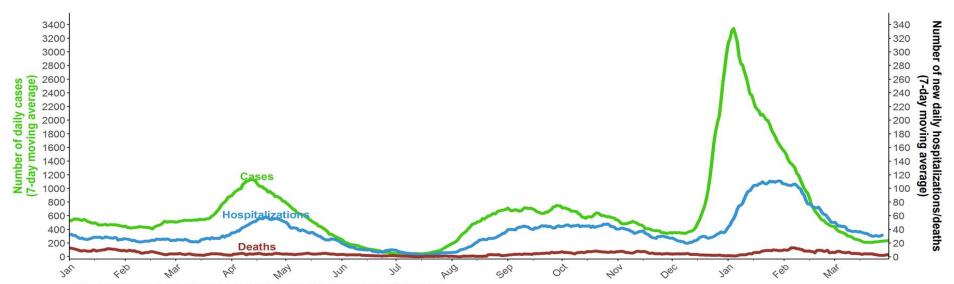


59% of British
Columbians
18+ received
a booster or third
dose.



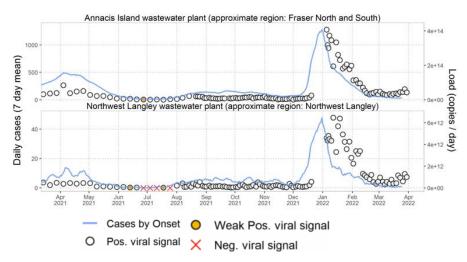
**321** COVID-19 positive people were hospitalized last week.

### Cases, Hospitalizations and Deaths, BC, Jan 1, 2021 – Mar 31, 2022



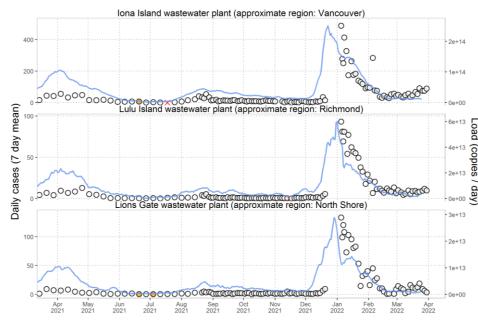
#### SARS-CoV-2 Viral Load (Copies/Day) in Wastewater March 2021 – March 31, 2022

#### **Fraser Health Authority**

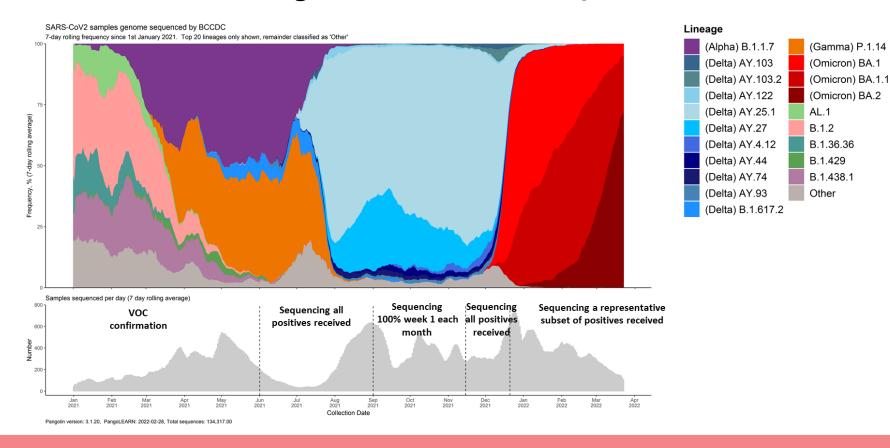


Wastewater surveillance in the Lower Mainland is a partnership between Metro Vancouver, BCCDC and UBC.

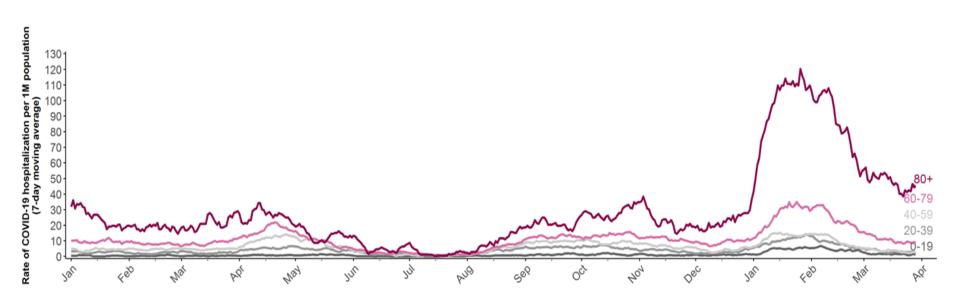
#### **Vancouver Coastal Health Authority**



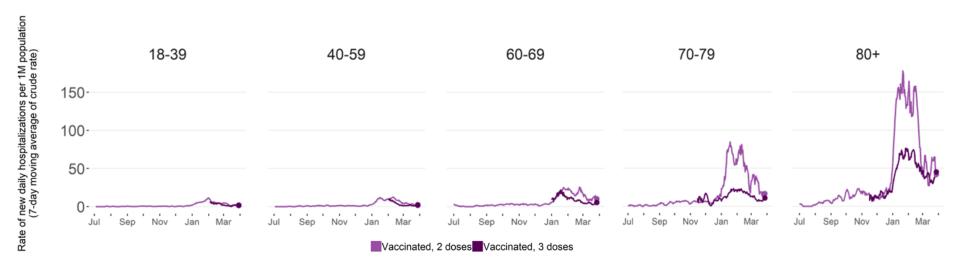
### Most Prevalent Lineages in British Columbia, Jan 1, 2021 – Mar 20, 2022



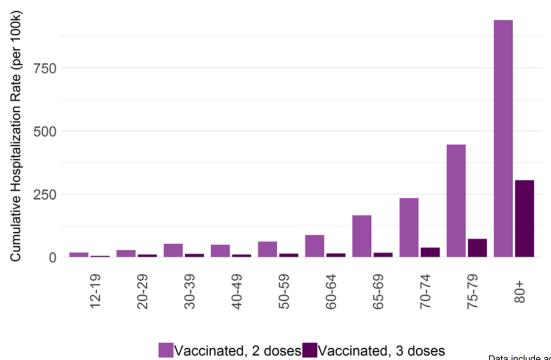
### Daily Hospitalization Rates Per 1M by Age, BC, Jan 1, 2021 – Mar 28, 2022



## Daily Hospitalization Rates Per 1M Population, by Age and Vaccination Status, BC, Jul 1, 2021 – Mar 28, 2022

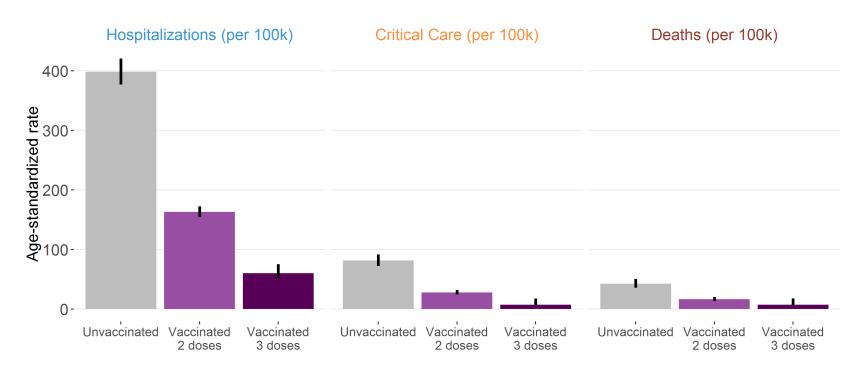


### Cumulative Hospitalization Rate Among Vaccinated People During the Omicron Wave in BC, Jan – Mar 2022



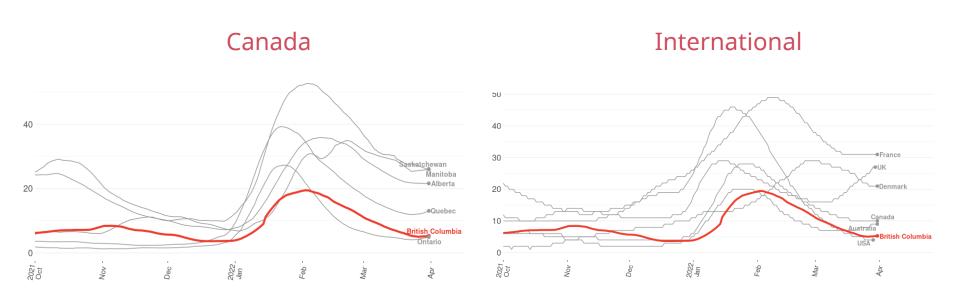
Data include admissions and deaths from Jan 07, 2022-Mar 20, 2022

### Age-standardized Hospitalization, Critical Care, and Death Rates During the Omicron Wave in BC, Jan – Mar 2022



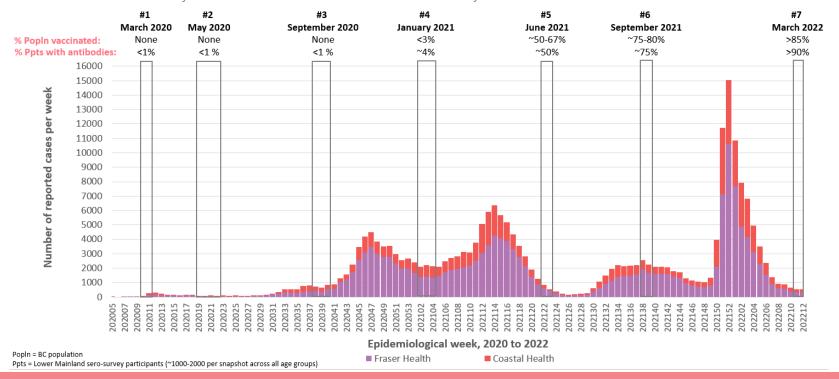
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## Daily Hospitalization Census Per 100,000 Population, BC and Selected Jurisdictions, Oct 1, 2021 – Mar 31, 2022

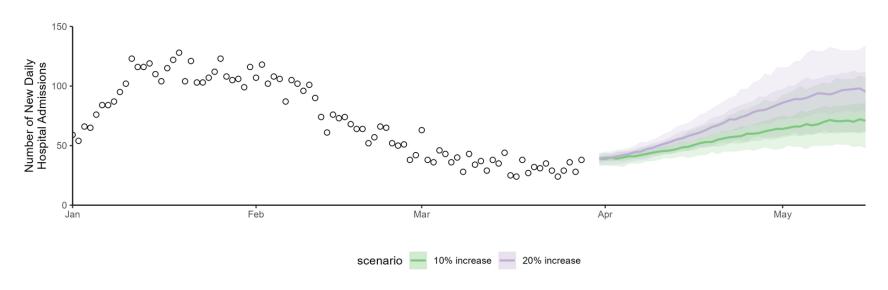


### Between March 2020 and 2022, the % Population with Antibodies to SARS-CoV-2 (Vaccine or Infection) has Dramatically Increased in the Lower Mainland, BC

Antibody screening study from Danuta Skowronski, Samantha Kaweski, Shinhye Kim and team at the BC Centre for Disease Control and Romina Reves and Rhonda Cresswell and team at LifeLabs. Funded by the Michael Smith Foundation for Health Research.



### **Modelling, Change in Transmission**



Shading indicates uncertainty due to effectiveness of vaccination, showing 90% and 50% confidence intervals.

### **Spring Boosters**



### Effective Friday, April 8, 2022 at 12:01am



BC Vaccine Card no longer required



Businesses transition from COVID-19 safety plan to communicable disease plan



Post-secondary residence vaccine requirement lifted

### **Moving to Weekly Reporting**



### **Regulated Health Professionals Order**



### **Ongoing Surveillance**



Population sentinel surveillance-community transmission and epidemiologic risk factors



Facility-based monitoring (acute and long-term care)



Systematic and early warning signal through expansion of wastewater sampling and monitoring of healthcare visits



**Targeted** serological surveillance



**Lab-based** genetic sequencing

### **Managing Our Health**











Get vaccinated and boosted including kids

Monitor symptoms and stay home if sick

Wash your hands

Wear a mask, if you choose

Respect people's comfort levels

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