

Good Evening,

I wanted to introduce myself, my name is Colleen Seary and I am the new Director of Policy (COVID-19) in the Ontario Regional Chiefs office. I have a strong background in statistics, it was a major component of my thesis for my Masters of Neuroscience. Moving forward, I will be taking over the reporting on COVID-19 including charts and graphs. I will always be looking at trends in the data and providing as much information as I can to help you make important decisions.

### **Weekly Pandemic Update**

July 17: Day 129

COVID-19 Pandemic Update

#### **SUMMARY OF FIRST NATIONS CASES IN ONTARIO:**

There was 1 case reported in a First Nation community this week.

13 out of 14 communities who reported COVID-19 cases are now back to zero new/active cases. Further, there is only one (1) active case in First Nations in Ontario. As of today, our recovery/resolved rate is 95%.

136 total cases (61 on-reserve)

2 deaths

58 resolved

14,365 tests conducted since Jan 15

959 tests done b/ July 5 - July 11

#### **Stage 3 Opening:**

As you are likely aware, some areas of Ontario have been permitted to enter Stage 3. As of Friday July 17, 2020, 24 out of 34 public health units have been allowed to enter Stage 3.

The following PHUs will remain in Stage 2:

- Toronto
- York
- Windsor-Essex
- Peel
- Haldimand-Norfolk
- Halton Region
- Lambton
- Niagara
- Peel
- Durham Region
- Windsor-Essex County
- York Durham Region
- Hamilton

With public health and workplace safety measures in place, nearly all businesses and public spaces can reopen including:

- Playgrounds
- Indoor dining

- Movie theatres
- Gyms

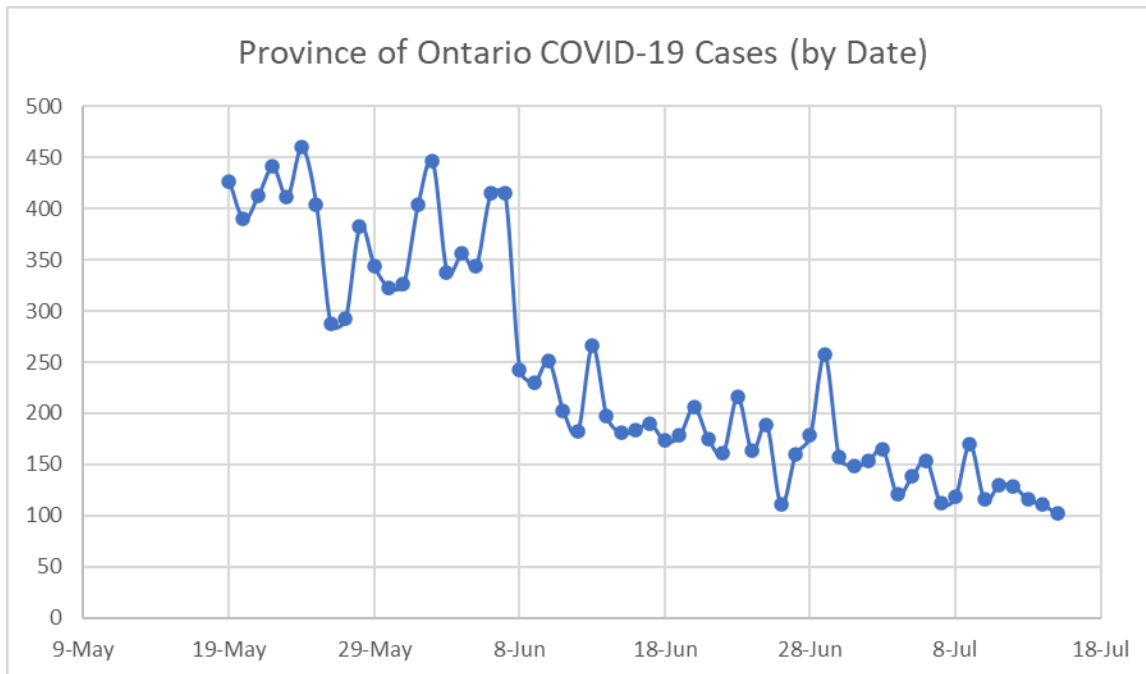
High risk venues and activities will remain closed until they are able to re-open safely:

- Buffets
- Dancing at bars/restaurants
- Amusement parks
- Table games at casinos

Indoor gatherings can increase to 50 people and outdoor gatherings limits can increase to 100 people.

As you know, the Ontario Regional Chief recommended that First Nations lag all Ontario staged opening by 14 to 28 days. This would mean that First Nations communities continue with Stage 2 and limit social gatherings to no more than 10 people and that people stay home as much as possible. If community members plan to visit places that are in Stage 3, we recommend continued physical distancing, wearing masks and carrying personal hand sanitizer to limit the risk of infection.

**First Nations Cases:**



**Active Cases Across Ontario:**

This week we looked at the new case totals from each Public Health Unit from July 9<sup>th</sup> to July 14<sup>th</sup>. We had two more Public Health Units with no new active cases, they were Renfrew and Haldimand. We are continuing to see a decline in both total number of cases and active cases. The only area with an increase in numbers was in Brant County, which went from 1 active case to 12 active cases. For some Public Health Units, you may notice that the weekly total of cases has a number slightly higher than active cases. This change is due to the lag between reports, so make sure to keep up to date on your own Public Health Unit.

July 9 - July 14, 2020 – WEEKLY SUMMARY OF NEW & ACTIVE CASES ACROSS ONTARIO BY PHU

Public Health Unit (PHU)	New cases July 9-14	Active cases as of July 14
Timiskaming	0	0
Hastings and Prince Edward	0	0
Peterborough	0	0
Renfrew	0	0
Sudbury & District	0	0
Huron Perth	1	0
Algoma	1	0
Haldimand-Norfolk	-1	0
North Bay Parry Sound	0	1
Lambton	1	1
Thunder Bay District	-1	1
Grey Bruce	1	1
Porcupine	1	1
Southwestern	1	2
Northwestern	0	2
Leeds, Grenville and Lanark	1	3
Eastern	1	4
Haliburton-Kawartha, Pine Ridge	5	4
Kingston, Frontenac and Lennox & Addington	1	7
Chatham-Kent	6	10
Brant County	13	12
<u>Simcoe Muskoka</u>	13	12
Middlesex-London	9	13
Niagara Region	19	14
Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph	5	19
Hamilton	10	23
Region of Waterloo	20	26
Halton Region	16	34
Durham	30	46
Ottawa	40	59
York	63	139
Windsor-Essex County	69	197
Peel	181	346
Toronto	198	465

If you have any questions or comments, please don't hesitate to reach out to me.

Sincerely,

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