

Office of the City Manager

COVID-19 Update - Verbal Report
Emergency Advisory Committee

June 8, 2021

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COVID-19 Update - Edmonton Health Zone

Indicator	Jan 6	Feb 9	Mar 2	Apr 6	May 4	June 6
Total Cases to Date	46,073	52,271	53,882	58,385	70,506	77,243
Active cases	5,673	1,748	1,030	2,447	6,098	1,273
New daily cases	421	60	75	239	555	48
Hospitalizations	479	159	76	97	230	110
ICU	64	23	18	19	54	39
Active Case Rate per 100,000	455.6	133.3	81.1	188.4	416.5	92.1
Total Deaths to Date	633	892	970	1,014	1,045	1,094
Outbreaks	113	86	50	25	51	53

Vaccination Rates / R-Value

% of Eligible Albertans (12+) - First Dose	66.7
% of Eligible Albertans (12+) - Fully Vaccinated	14.3
% of Eligible Edmontonians (12+) - First Dose	66.0
% of Eligible Edmontonians (12+) - Fully Vaccinated	14.0
Edmonton Zone R-Value	0.75
Alberta R-Value	0.74

Vaccination Program

- Vaccine appointments continue to be available through
 - 811
 - Alberta Health website
 - pharmacies
- Pop up clinics held in neighbourhoods with low vaccination rates, with more to come

STAGE 1

Triggered 2 weeks after vaccine threshold is reached

Albertans 12+ with first dose **50%**

Hospitalizations under 800

STAGE 2

Triggered 2 weeks after vaccine threshold is reached

Albertans 12+ with first dose **60%**

Hospitalizations under 500

STAGE 3

Triggered 2 weeks after vaccine threshold is reached

Albertans 12+ with first dose **70%**

June 1

- Up to 10 people for:
 - indoor weddings,
 - outdoor social gatherings,
 - outdoor physical, performance and recreational activities are permitted for all ages,
 - outdoor youth sports, performance and recreation training are permitted in distanced groups
 - Indoor social gatherings are still not permitted
- Outdoor patio dining of tables up to four people – Household and close contacts only
- Funerals up to 20 people
- Personal and wellness services can re-open, by appointment only
- Capacity for places of worship increases to 15% of fire code occupancy (effective May 28)
- Distancing and masking requirements remain in effect

Mid-June

- Outdoor social gatherings plus indoor and outdoor weddings and funerals increase to 20 people, with distancing plus public outdoor gatherings up to 150 people
- Retail capacity and capacity for places of worship increases to one third of fire code occupancy
- Restaurants may seat tables of up to six people, indoors or outdoors.
- Gyms and other indoor fitness open for solo and drop in activities with 3 metre distancing between participants, fitness classes may resume with 3 metre distancing
- Indoors and outdoors youth and adult sports resume with no restrictions
- Indoor settings may open with up to 30% of fire code occupancy (including indoor recreation centres, arenas, cinemas, theatres, museums, galleries, libraries, etc.)
- Youth activities (day camps, play centres) may resume, with restrictions
- Personal and wellness services can resume walk-in services
- Post-secondary can resume in-person
- The work from home order is lifted, although working from home is still recommended
- Distancing and masking requirements remain in effect

Early-July

- All remaining public health restrictions lifted
- No restrictions on indoor social gatherings
- Isolation requirements for those with COVID-19 and measures in continuing care settings still in place

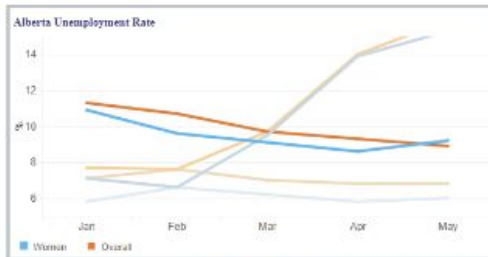
City of Edmonton Recovery Dashboard



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Preparing for Relaunch

Relaunch: Principles

- Advice from CMOH guides our decisions
- City resourcing
- GBA+
- Downtown vibrancy
- Local economy
- City Plan priorities
 - Healthy city, urban places, regional prosperity, and climate resilience

Relaunch: Return to the Workplace

- City workplaces (including highrises)
 - Starting July 5: phased return, up to a maximum of 33% occupancy
- City Hall
 - Remains closed to the public through Stages 1 and 2
 - Virtual Council meetings continue
 - Candidates may submit nomination forms by appt
 - Evaluating re-opening after Stage 3

Vibrant & Safe City: Strategic Approach

- Downtown Vibrancy Strategy
- Stakeholder input through Vibrancy Roundtables
- Urban Planning Committee on June 15



Vibrant & Safe City: Current Actions

- Supporting BIA activations (ie. increased temporary patio spaces, expanded sidewalk spaces, and park activations)
- Local economy grants
- Boyle Street Ventures Downtown Proud
- Partnering with social agencies to support the vulnerable population
- Shared streets and mobility lanes to support movement and health

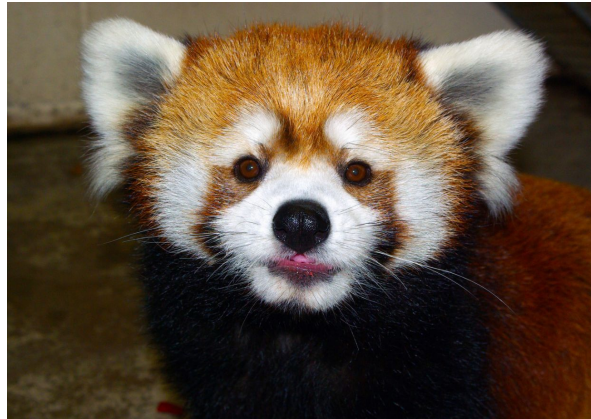
Programs and Services

Programs: Recreation (Stage 1)

June 1 - 10

- Staffed sports fields & picnic sites
- Golf
- Outdoor food services
- Spray parks (staggered approach)

- No new resources required



Programs: Recreation (Stage 2)

Staggered reopening begins ~ June 10

- Aquatics, gymnasium, arenas and fitness centres
- Outdoor pools
- Attractions
- 800 - 1000 TLO staff return to work



Programs: Recreation (Stage 3)

TBD - Late June/Early July

- Recreation Facilities and Attractions return to traditional capacities, programs
- Green Shack and Summer Day Camp programs begin
- Festivals, events and spectator sports resume
- Commonwealth and Clarke Stadiums hold football/soccer games and concerts with spectators
- 300 - 500 additional TLO staff return to work



Festivals and events

- Festivals and events
- Summer fireworks show
- Enjoy summer safely campaign



Programs: Edmonton Public Library

- Stage 2: June 14 planned reopening
 - In-person services resume up to 30% capacity
 - Seated study rooms
 - Current virtual opportunities will continue
- Stage 3
 - Meeting room bookings



Decisions ahead

Council Decision: Face Coverings Bylaw

- Stage 3 (early July): provincial mask order ends
- December 31, 2021: bylaw automatically repealed
- Option to deactivate the bylaw concurrent with Stage 3
- Welcome and encourage Edmontonians to wear masks on transit and in indoor or crowded public spaces

Questions?

City Manager

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