

Australian Government Department of Health

New Zealand – Situation update 26 May 2021

Information presented in this assessment is based on New Zealand's publicly available information provided on the New Zealand Ministry of Health website.¹

Current Assessment Summary

- There have been no locally acquired cases of COVID-19 in the last 36 days
- All of New Zealand is at Alert Level 1.
- New Zealand is currently accepting passengers under 'green zone' travel arrangements from all Australian states and territories except Victoria.
 - From 7.59 pm NZST 25 May 2021, New Zealand's quarantine-free travel with Victoria will be paused for an initial period of 72 hours. The pause will be under constant review.

Summary of Cases as at 11:00 AEDT, 26 May 2021				
	Total	Change in last 7 days		
Confirmed cases	2313	11*		
Deaths	26	0		
Current hospitalised	0	0		

*In the last 7 days, New Zealand reported 16 active overseas acquired cases (all in managed isolation). Five (5) previously reported cases were reclassified as 'not a case'. This has resulted in a net increase of 11 cases in the past 7 days, which accounts for the total change in confirmed cases.

Source of acquisition of cases* for the 7 days to 26 May 2021		
Overseas acquired/associated	16**	
Locally acquired	0	

*New Zealand categorises overseas acquired/associated cases (including those in managed isolation in New Zealand) as 'at the border'; New Zealand categorises locally acquired cases as 'in the community'.

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¹ <u>https://www.health.govt.nz/our-work/diseases-and-conditions/covid-19-novel-coronavirus</u>

Summary of locally acquired cases

	Notification Date	Number of days
Last locally acquired case	20/04/2021	36
Last locally acquired case of unknown source	13/02/2021	102

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