New Zealand – Situation update
16 June 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]](#footnote-2)**

# Current Assessment Summary

* There have been no locally acquired cases of COVID-19 in the last 7 days.
* New Zealand is currently accepting passengers under ‘green zone’ travel arrangements from all Australian states and territories with the exception of Victoria.
	+ From 7:59pm (NZT) 25 May 2021, New Zealand’s quarantine free travel with Victoria was paused. The pause is in place until 11:59pm (NZT) on Thursday, 17 June 2021, and is being reassessed regularly as the situation develops.
* Anyone who has been at a location of interest during stated times in New South Wales, Queensland, or Victoria is not permitted to travel to New Zealand within 14 days from being at the location of interest.
* Evidence of a negative pre-departure test administered no more than 72 hours before departure is required from:
	+ people who have been in Victoria after 7.59pm (NZT) on 25 May 2021 and are travelling to New Zealand from a location other than Melbourne; and
	+ eligible people who have been in the Greater Melbourne lockdown area after 11:59pm (NZT) on 27 May 2021 and are flying to New Zealand on a ‘return green flight’ from Melbourne.
* ‘Return green flights’ for New Zealand citizens and permanent residents returning to New Zealand from Melbourne commenced from Wednesday 9 June 2021. Travellers eligible for these flights must return a negative COVID-19 test within 72 hours of departure and will not be required to enter managed isolation on arrival in New Zealand.
* All of New Zealand is at Alert Level 1.

|  | **Total** |
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| Cumulative confirmed cases – last week | 2,340 |
| New cases – managed quarantine | 15 |
| New cases – locally acquired | 1\* |
| Cases removed or reclassified | -1 |
| Cumulative confirmed cases – this week | 2,355 |

*\* A traveller who was departing New Zealand who underwent a pre-departure test has been identified as a historical case.*

**Hospitalisations and deaths**

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| Cumulative deaths | 26 |
| Currently hospitalised | 2 |

**Summary of locally acquired cases**

|  | **Notification Date** | **Number of days**  |
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| Last locally acquired case\*  | 20/04/2021 | 57 |
| Last locally acquired case of unknown source  | 13/02/2021 | 123 |

*\*Does not include current historical case*



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1. <https://www.health.govt.nz/our-work/diseases-and-conditions/covid-19-novel-coronavirus> [↑](#footnote-ref-2)