New Zealand – Situation update   
23 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.
* An Australian traveller from Sydney tested positive to COVID-19 on return from a trip to New Zealand.
  + The traveller flew from Sydney to Wellington, departing Sydney on flight QF163 at 19:05 AEST on Friday 18 June 2021. They departed Wellington on flight NZ247 at 10:13 NZT on Monday 21 June 2021.
* Four contacts have been identified and are in isolation in New Zealand. All four have returned initial negative results.
* Quarantine-free travel between New Zealand and New South Wales has been suspended for an initial period of 72 hours as at 23:59 NZT on 22 June 2021.
* New Zealand is currently accepting passengers under ‘green zone’ travel arrangements from all Australian states and territories with the exception of New South Wales.
  + From 23:59 NZT on 22 June 2021, New Zealand’s quarantine-free travel with New South Wales has been paused for 72 hours, and New Zealand authorities are regularly assessing the situation.
* Anyone who has been at a location of interest during stated times in the Australian Capital Territory, New South Wales, Queensland, or Victoria is not permitted to travel to New Zealand within 14 days from being at the location of interest.
* At the time of this report, there are 18 contacts who have been identified in New Zealand as being at locations of interest in Sydney, and all have been provided appropriate health advice to stay at home and be tested.
* From 6pm NZT 23 June 2021, Wellington is at Alert Level 2, until Sunday 27 June 2021.
* The rest of New Zealand remains at Alert Level 1.

|  | **Total** |
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| Cumulative confirmed cases – last week | 2,355 |
| New cases – managed quarantine | 14 |
| New cases – locally acquired | 0 |
| Cases removed or reclassified | -2 |
| Cumulative confirmed cases – this week | 2,367 |

**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 | 64 |
| Last locally acquired case of unknown source | 13/02/2021 | 130 |



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