New Zealand – Situation update   
30 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 21 June 2021 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 and departed Wellington on flight NZ247 at 10:13 NZT on Monday 21 June 2021 and arrived back in Sydney that day.
  + As at 30 June 2021, 2618 contacts have been identified. 2505 have returned a negative test. The remaining contacts are being actively followed up by contact tracing teams.
* A positive case of COVID-19 was detected in the Newmont’s Granite gold mine 350km north-west of Alice Springs in Australia’s Northern Territory. Two contacts of the case have travelled to New Zealand. Both are in isolation and being tested according to protocol. To date, both contacts have returned a negative test result and will undergo day-five testing.
* There are 40 people currently in New Zealand who were contacts of the air crew personnel who tested positive to COVID-19 in NSW. All have returned negative results for their first test. A number of these people will continue to isolate and be required to undertake a day-five test.
* All of New Zealand is at Alert Level 1.

|  | **Total** |
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| Cumulative confirmed cases – last week | 2,367 |
| New cases – managed quarantine | 22 |
| New cases – locally acquired | 0 |
| Cases removed or reclassified | -3 |
| Cumulative confirmed cases – this week | 2,386 |

**Hospitalisations and deaths**

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| Cumulative deaths | 26 |
| Currently hospitalised | 1 |

**Summary of locally acquired cases**

|  | **Notification Date** | **Number of days** |
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| Last locally acquired case | 20/04/2021 | 71 |
| Last locally acquired case of unknown source | 13/02/2021 | 137 |

**Travel impacts**

* Quarantine free travel between all Australian states and territories and New Zealand was paused from 8.30pm NZT Saturday 26 June until 11.59pm NZT Tuesday 29 June.
* New Zealand announced on 29 June 2021 it will resume quarantine-free travel with South Australia, the ACT, Tasmania and Victoria from 11.59pm NZT 4 July 2021.
* Quarantine-free travel from these jurisdictions will not be permitted for people who have been in NSW after 11.59pm NZT on 22 June 2021 or in QLD, NT or WA after 10.30pm NZT on 26 June 2021.
* Travellers cannot travel to New Zealand from anywhere in Australia if they were in NSW after 11.59 pm NZT on 22 June 2021. This also applies to those transiting through NSW to another state to fly to New Zealand, or leave NSW by air to get to another airport.
* For quarantine-free travel from eligible jurisdictions (South Australia, ACT, Tasmania and Victoria), travellers are required to provide evidence of a negative pre-departure COVID-19 PCR test taken within three days of departure.
* Quarantine-free travel from New South Wales to New Zealand remains paused from 11.59pm NZT on 22 June 2021 until 11.59pm NZT on 6 July 2021.
* Quarantine-free travel from the Northern Territory, Queensland and Western Australia remains paused.



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