

# Common Operating Picture 2.0

29 December 2021

COVIDSAFE

Maintain. Monitor and Report	Targeted Adjustments / In progress	Harder, Wider, Different Response / Work in progress	No Associated Threshold
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	National	ACT	NSW	NT	Qld	SA	Tas	Vic	WA	
Cases and priority populations	New cases per 100,000 population in the past 14 days <sup>^</sup>	295	257	514	44	20	369	59	370	0
	New cases in regional and remote areas per 100,000 population in the last 14 days <sup>^</sup>	51	N/A	138	36	9	40	17	139	0
	New cases in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people per 100,000 population in the past 14 days <sup>^</sup>	171	106	389	77	9	126	9	337	0
TTIQ raw indicators	Percent of PCR tests positive for SARS-CoV-2 in the past 7 days	3.99	3.05	5.09	0.86	2.70	3.87	6.89	3.07	0.05
	Mean PCR tests per 1,000 population per day in the past 7 days	10.7	10.4	16.3	6.3	6.1	12.2	1.0	11.1	1.9
	Percent of symptomatic cases PCR tested within 2 days of symptom onset in the past 7 days <sup>§</sup>	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available	No cases
	Percent of positive PCR tests notified to health department within 1 day of specimen collection in the past 7 days <sup>#</sup>	37	52	23	64	65	72	92	48	0
Modelled epidemic activity	Effective reproductive number <sup>§</sup>	N/A	0.80	1.09	0.67	1.61	1.69	<40 cases	0.81	<40 cases
	Final state-wide transmission potential (TP) for SARS-CoV-2 Delta variant of concerns incorporating current settings, behaviours, vaccination levels (NOT yet adjusted by TTIQ) *	N/A	0.77	0.85	1.18	1.38	1.25	1.19	0.87	1.77
	Percent of TP reduced through vaccination *	N/A	74%	66%	62%	56%	59%	66%	66%	55%
	Percent of TP reduced through TTIQ *	Not yet available								
Outbreaks	Number of cases reports in residents in RACFs in the past 7 days	229	0	123	0	9	51	0	46	0
	Number active outbreaks in RACFs in the past 7 days	107	2	49	0	30	11	0	15	0
Clinical Capacity	Total COVID-19 patients in ICU/HDU and % occupancy (today/week prior)	171 (10%)   157 (8%)	0 (0%)   1 (2%)	61 (8%)   39 (4%)	0 (0%)   1 (4%)	0 (0%)   1 (0%)	4 (4%)   0 (0%)	0 (0%)   0 (0%)	106 (26%)   115 (25%)	0 (0%)   0 (0%)
	Paediatric COVID-19 patients in ICU/HDU and % occupancy (today/week prior)	2 (2%)   3 (2%)	0 (0%)   0 (0%)	2 (5%)   2 (5%)	0 (0%)   0 (0%)	0 (0%)   0 (0%)	0 (0%)   0 (0%)	0 (0%)   0 (0%)	0 (0%)   1 (4%)	0 (0%)   0 (0%)
	Hospital ward beds occupied by COVID-19 and % occupancy (today/week prior) <sup>!</sup>	1174 (2%)   764 (1%)	4 (0%)   3 (0%)	625 (3%)   284 (1%)	18 (2%)   3 (0%)	93 (1%)   75 (1%)	37 (1%)   7 (0%)	0 (0%)   0 (0%)	397 (3%)   392 (3%)	0 (0%)   0 (0%)
Vaccination	Percentage of RACF residents fully vaccinated (c.f. week prior)	87.5 (+0.1%)	100% (+0.1%)	90.3% (1.1%)	71.3% (0.0%)	82.1% (+0.1%)	85.8% (+0.1%)	89.7% (+0.1%)	90.3% (0.0%)	86.0% (+0.1%)
	Percentage of NDIS participants in residential accommodation fully vaccinated (c.f. week prior) **	83.4% (+0.0%)	91.1% (+0.6%)	86.2% (+0.0%)	72.9% (+0.0%)	80.2% (+0.7%)	78.6% (+0.0%)	79.0% (+0.0%)	85.9% (-0.5%)	78.4% (+0.0%)
	Percentage of RACF workers fully vaccinated (c.f. week prior)	>99.6% (+0.6%)	100% (+0.0%)	>99.9% (+0.9%)	>99.7% (+0.7%)	>99.7% (+0.7%)	98.8% (+0.0%)	98.9% (+0.0%)	>99.6% (+0.6%)	99.5% (0.0%)
	Percentage of NDIS screened workers fully vaccinated (c.f. week prior) **	86.8% (+0.3%)	89.7% (+0.0%)	89.2% (+0.0%)	86.8% (+0.6%)	85.5% (+0.8%)	84.5% (+0.6%)	90.4% (+0.2%)	88.9% (+0.1%)	79.7% (+0.9%)
	Number and percent of SA4 regions above 70% fully vaccinated (c.f. week prior) ***	88 (98.88%)   +2 (2.25%)	1 (100%)   +0 (0%)	28 (100%)   +0 (0%)	2 (100%)   +1 (50%)	19 (100.00%)   +1 (5.26%)	7 (100%)   +0 (0%)	4 (100%)   +0 (0%)	17 (100%)   +0 (0%)	9 (90%)   +0 (0%)
	Number and percent of SA4 regions above 80% fully vaccinated (c.f. week prior) ***	81 (91.01%)   +0 (0%)	1 (100%)   +0 (0%)	27 (96.43%)   +0 (0%)	1 (50%)   +0 (0%)	18 (94.74%)   +0 (0%)	6 (85.71%)   +0 (0%)	4 (100%)   +0 (0%)	16 (94.12%)   +0 (0%)	8 (80%)   +0 (0%)

Please refer to page 2 for further details, resources and additional footnotes

Data presented are latest as at 29 December 2021, except RACF vaccination data last updated 21 December 2021

<sup>§</sup> Data presented are as at 13 December 2021

\* Data presented are as at 20 December 2021

\*\* Data presented are as at 22 December 2021

\*\*\* Data presented are as at 27 December 2021

<sup>!</sup> NT data for this indicator is between 4 and 6 days old depending on the hospital

Please note, cases may have been announced in the media that have not yet been formally reported

# Common Operating Picture – Additional details, resources and additional footnotes

## Traffic light classification for case rates and thresholds

Metric	Green	Amber	Red
New cases per 100,000 population in the past 14 days	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rate only to be presented with no colour</li> <li>The indicator needs to be considered alongside clinical capacity which if predicted to be compromised                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Low &lt;20 new cases per 100,000 in the past 14 days</li> <li>Medium 20 to 100 new cases per 100,000 in the past 14 days</li> <li>High &gt;100 new cases per 100,000 in the past 14 days</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
New cases in regional and remote areas per 100,000 regional and remote areas population in the past 14 days	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Green</li> <li>&lt;20 new cases per 100,000 in the past 14 days</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Amber</li> <li>20 - 100 new cases per 100,000 in the past 14 days</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Red</li> <li>&gt;100 new cases per 100,000 in the past 14 days</li> </ul>
New cases in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people per 100,000 in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population in the past 14 days	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Green</li> <li>&lt;20 new cases per 100,000 in the past 14 days</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Amber</li> <li>20 - 100 new cases per 100,000 in the past 14 days</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Red</li> <li>&gt;100 new cases per 100,000 in the past 14 days</li> </ul>
Footnotes for this indicator	^ New cases represent locally acquired cases and cases under investigation. With changes to mandatory quarantine requirements for international arrivals, overseas acquired cases that were not required to be in mandatory quarantine at the time of positive specimen collection are also included.		

## Traffic light classification for TTIQ raw indicators

Metric	Green	Amber	Red
Percent of PCR tests positive for SARS-CoV-2 in the past 7 days	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>&lt;2%</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2 to 7%</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>≥7%</li> </ul>
Mean PCR tests per 1,000 population per day in the past 7 days	Recommended to be Grey (as per current COP)		
Percent of symptomatic cases PCR tested within 2 days of symptom onset in the past 7 days –	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>&gt;70%</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>60- 70%</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>&lt; 60%</li> </ul>
Percent of positive PCR tests notified to health department within 1 day of specimen collection in the past 7 days	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>&gt;70%</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>60- 70%</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>&lt; 60%</li> </ul>
Footnotes for this indicator	& As time is measured in whole days, cases with a symptom onset up to three days prior to specimen collection are classified as being tested within two days of symptom onset. ~Symptom onset date was only available for a small number of NT cases in the past 7 days, so data is presented as Not Provided. # As time is measured in whole days, cases notified to health departments on the day of or one day after specimen collection are classified as notified within one day.		

## Traffic light classification for modelled epidemic activity

Metric	Thresholds
Reff - effective reproductive number	Grey (unless clinical capacity is predicted to be compromised threshold TBA)
Final state-wide transmission potential (TP) for SARS-CoV-2 Delta variant of concern incorporating current settings, behaviours, vaccination levels and TTIQ	Grey (unless clinical capacity is predicted to be compromised threshold TBA) <b>NOT yet adjusted by TTIQ.</b>
Percent of TP reduced through vaccination	Grey
Percent of TP reduced through TTIQ	Grey

## Traffic light classification for outbreak indicators

Metric	Green	Amber	Red
Number of cases reported in residents in RACFs in the past 7 days (c.f. week prior)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Zero</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N/A</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>≥ 1 case in residents</li> </ul>
Number of active outbreaks in RACFs in the past 7 days (c.f. week prior)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Zero</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N/A</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>≥ 1 facility with an outbreak</li> </ul>

## Traffic light classification for clinical capacity indicators

Metric	Green	Amber	Red
Total COVID-19 patients in ICU/HDU (active cases and cleared cases) (last week / week prior)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>&lt;15% of available ICU beds are COVID patients</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>15 – 30% of available ICU beds are COVID patients</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>&gt;30% ICU beds are COVID patients</li> <li>&gt;30% ICU beds go to surge</li> </ul>
Paediatric ICU due to COVID-19 (last week / week prior)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>&lt;15% of available paediatric ICU beds are COVID patients</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>15 – 30% of available paediatric ICU beds are COVID patients</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>&gt;30% paediatric ICU beds are COVID patients</li> <li>&gt;30% paediatric ICU beds go to surge</li> </ul>
Hospital ward beds occupied by COVID-19 cases (last week / week prior)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>&lt;15% of available public hospital ward beds are COVID patients</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>15 – 30% of available public hospital ward beds are COVID patients</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>&gt;30% of available public hospital ward beds are COVID patients</li> </ul>

## Traffic light classification for vaccination indicators

Metric	Green	Amber	Red
Percentage of RACF residents fully vaccinated (c.f. week prior)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>≥90%</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>&lt;90% and increase from previous week</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>&lt;90% and no or negative increase from previous week</li> </ul>
Percentage of NDIS recipients in residential accommodation fully vaccinated (c.f. week prior)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>≥90%</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>&lt;90% and increase from previous week</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>&lt;90% and no or negative increase from previous week</li> </ul>
Percentage of RACF workers fully vaccinated (c.f. week prior)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>≥98%</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>&lt;98% and increase from previous week</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>&lt;98% and no or negative increase from previous week</li> </ul>
Percentage of NDIS screened workers fully vaccinated (c.f. week prior)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>≥98%</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>&lt;98% and increase from previous week</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>&lt;98% and no or negative increase from previous week</li> </ul>
Number and percent of SA4 regions above 70% fully vaccinated (c.f. week prior)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>100%</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>&lt;100% and Increase from previous week</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>&lt;100% and no change from previous week</li> </ul>
Number and percent of SA4 regions above 80% fully vaccinated (c.f. week prior)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>100%</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>&lt;100% and Increase from previous week</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>&lt;100% and no change from previous week</li> </ul>

## New version as agreed by National Cabinet on 5 November 2021

### Data sources and additional resources

The Communicable Diseases Network Australia (CDNA) and the Australian Health Protection Principal Committee (AHPPC) have informed the traffic light thresholds in the operating picture.

Data are sourced from:

- the National Interoperable Notifiable Diseases Surveillance System (NNDSS);
- the Critical Health Resource Information System;
- aged care facility reporting;
- modelling;
- Australian Immunisation Register; and
- daily reports from state and territory health departments.

Most metrics use a rate or proportion rather than a raw number, to account for variability between state and territory populations. Due to the dynamic nature of jurisdictional daily reports and thus NINDSS data, data in this report are subject to retrospective revision and may vary from data reported in published NINDSS reports and reports of notification data by states and territories.

### Additional resources

Daily COVID-19 cases updates: <https://www.health.gov.au/news/health-alerts/novel-coronavirus-2019-ncov-health-alert/coronavirus-covid-19-current-situation-and-case-numbers>

Fortnightly epidemiology report: [https://www1.health.gov.au/internet/main/publishing.nsf/Content/novel\\_coronavirus\\_2019\\_ncov\\_weekly\\_epidemiology\\_reports\\_australia\\_2020.htm](https://www1.health.gov.au/internet/main/publishing.nsf/Content/novel_coronavirus_2019_ncov_weekly_epidemiology_reports_australia_2020.htm)

Vaccination numbers and statistics: <https://www.health.gov.au/initiatives-and-programs/covid-19-vaccines/numbers-statistics>