COVID-19 Cases in Healthcare Workers in BC, January 2020-June 18, 2021

Table 1. Number and percent of COVID-19 cases by healthcare worker status, British Columbia, January 2020-June 18, 2021 (N=146, 622*)

Healthcare Worker	Number	Percent
Yes	8,143	5.6%
No	123,541	84.3%
Unknown/Not Assessed	14,938	10.2%
Total	146,622	100%

^{*} Total COVID-19 cases includes lab-confirmed, lab-probable and epi-linked cases. Case definitions can be found at http://www.bccdc.ca/health-professionals/clinical-resources/case-definitions/covid-19-(novel-coronavirus). Healthcare worker values represent the responses to the question: "Is the client a healthcare worker?"

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Table 2. Healthcare worker role among COVID-19 healthcare worker cases, British Columbia, January 2020- June, 18 2021 (N=8,143)1

Role	Number	Percent
Care Aid	1,728	21.2%
Nurse	1,328	16.3%
Administration	672	8.3%
Li cens ed practical nurse (LPN)	453	5.6%
Housekeeping	317	3.9%
Dental Professional	272	3.3%
Kitchen Staff/Dietary Aide/Food Services	261	3.2%
Physician	248	3.0%
Laboratory Technician/Assistant	179	2.2%
Occupational Therapist/Physiotherapist/Respiratory Therapist	169	2.1%
Student	163	2.0%
Community Health/Healthcare Worker	131	1.6%
Pharmacist/Pharmacy Assistant/Pharmacy Technician	128	1.6%
Support Worker	126	1.5%
Emergency Medical Personnel	86	1.1%
Social Work	70	0.9%
Mental Health Worker/Clinician	64	0.8%
Home Support	61	0.7%
Registered Massage Therapist/Massage Therapist	60	0.7%
Medical Technician	53	0.7%
Recreation	40	0.5%
Counsellor	36	0.4%
Medical Device Processing/Reprocessing	31	0.4%
Porter	25	0.3%
Screener	25	0.3%
Healthcare Assistant	23	0.3%
Ophthalmology/Optometry	23	0.3%
Security	23	0.3%
Rehabilitation Worker/Assistant	22	0.3%
Nursing Assistant	19	0.2%
Volunteer	16	0.2%
Caregiver	15	0.2%
Contact Tracing	15	0.2%
OutreachWorker	13	0.2%
Chiropractor	12	0.1%
Nurse Practitioner	12	0.1%
X-Ray Technician	11	0.1%
Speech Language Pathologist	10	0.1%
Acupuncture	9	0.1%
Dietitian	9	0.1%
Phlebotomist	8	0.1%
Not Specified/Unknown	777	10.0%
Other ²	400	4.9%
Total	8,143	100%

Includes COVID-19 cases with a response of "Yes" to the question: "Is the client a healthcare worker?"

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Includes other health care worker roles identified by four or fewer COVID cases.

Data source: Line lists provided by the regional health authorities to BCCDC.

Date data is current as of: June 18, 2021

Definition: Health care workers are defined as persons who provide health care to patients or work in institutions that provide patient care (e.g., physicians, nurses, emergency medical personnel, dental professionals, laboratory technicians; medical, dental, nursing and laboratory technician students; hospital volunteers; and administrative, housekeeping and other support staff in health care institutions).

Note for Interpretation: The healthcare worker status of COVID-19 cases does not reflect the setting of COVID-19 acquisition or transmission, i.e. infection may have occurred within or outside of healthcare settings. Every effort has been made to provide accurate information; however, these data are used for surveillance purposes and will be updated over time. Data are subject to change. These data reflect what has been reported to BCCDC as of the date indicated above.

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