



PUBLIC HEALTH INTELLIGENCE
Northland COVID-19 Daily Briefing

IN CONFIDENCE

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1. Summary of COVID-19 cases and COVID-19 testing in Northland¹

1.1 COVID-19 cases

- No new cases reported in the past 24 hours.
- 29 cases notified in Northland with no new cases in the community.

1.2. COVID-19 testing as at 0600 hours 19 August 2021

Testing volumes

- There were 1,007 tests done on Friday 20 August 2021
- There were 511 tests done on Saturday 21 August 2021
- There were 211 tests done on Sunday 22 August 2021
- 53,477 tests were completed as of 06:00 on 18 August 2021 across Northland.
- 59% of the tests done across Northland were done at the Community Based Testing Centres and Mobile testing clinics.

Tests related to Auckland cases

There were 452 tested using the Auckland surveillance codes, details of testing below:

- 27 tests done using the Auckland Hospital code (SURV-TM18ADHB & SURVADHB),
- 421 tests done using the latest Auckland cases code (SURV-TM18CC),
- 1 test done using the Wellington code (SURV-AUGWELL21),
- 1 test done using the Avondale College code (SURV-TM18SC1),
- 2 tests done using the Northcote College code (SURV-TM18SC2).

Results

- 90% of all tests done on 20 August 2021 have been processed and all are negative.
- 47% of all tests done on 21 August 2021 have been processed and all are negative.
- 13% of all tests done on 22 August 2021 have been processed and all are negative.

Symptomatic vs asymptomatic

- 34% of people who were tested were symptomatic, while 66% were asymptomatic.

¹ Note: Data retrieved for report at 0600 hours on 23 August 2021.



2. National update

- All of New Zealand is now at Alert Level 4 as of 11:59pm on Tuesday 24 August 2021.

Table 2.1: New Zealand COVID-19 cases current situation (updated as of 09:00 on 22 August 2021 by Ministry of Health)

New cases reported during the past 24 hours		24
Active cases	At the border	44
	In the community	72
	Under investigation/other	0
	Total	116
Most recent case reported		22 August 2021
Most recent case reported due to community transmission (spread within our communities)		22 August 2021

Source: Ministry of Health (<https://www.health.govt.nz/our-work/diseases-and-conditions/covid-19-novel-coronavirus/covid-19-current-situation/covid-19-current-cases>)

Table 2.2: All COVID-19 case outcomes since first New Zealand case

COVID-19 cases	Change in last 24 hours	Total
Active	23	116
Recovered	1	2,874
Deceased	0	26

Source: Ministry of Health (<https://www.health.govt.nz/our-work/diseases-and-conditions/covid-19-novel-coronavirus/covid-19-current-situation/covid-19-current-cases>)

3. Northland COVID-19

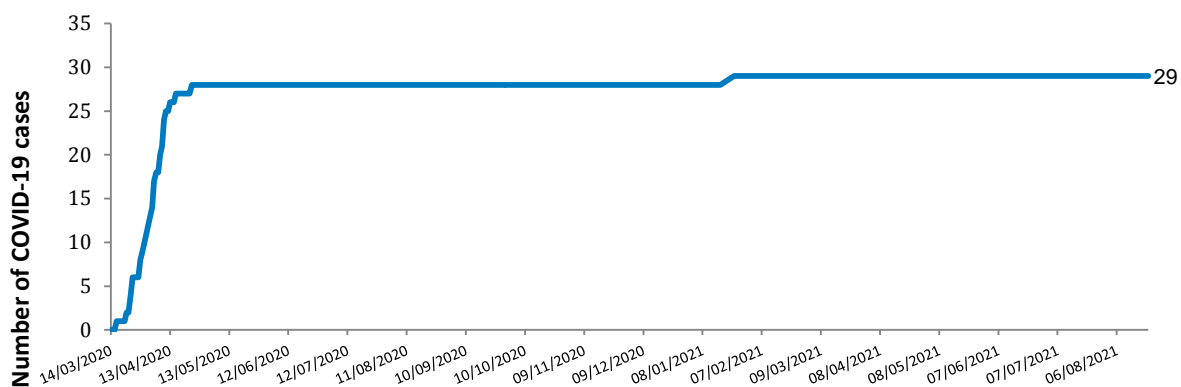
3.1. COVID-19 cases as of 07:00 on 23 August 2021

Table 3.1: Northland COVID-19 cases (updated as of 07:00 on 23 August 2021 from MOH BIA Qlik COVID-19 Dashboard).

	Total to date	New in last 24 hours
Number of confirmed cases	29	0
Number of probable cases	0	0
Number of confirmed and probable cases	29	0
Number of cases in hospital	0	0
Number of recovered cases	29	0
Number of deaths	0	0

Source: Ministry of Health – MOH BIA Qlik COVID-19 Dashboard.

Figure 3.1: Northland COVID-19 cumulative cases (confirmed and probable to date)



Source: Ministry of Health – MOH BIA Qlik COVID-19 Dashboard.

4. Northland COVID-19 Testing

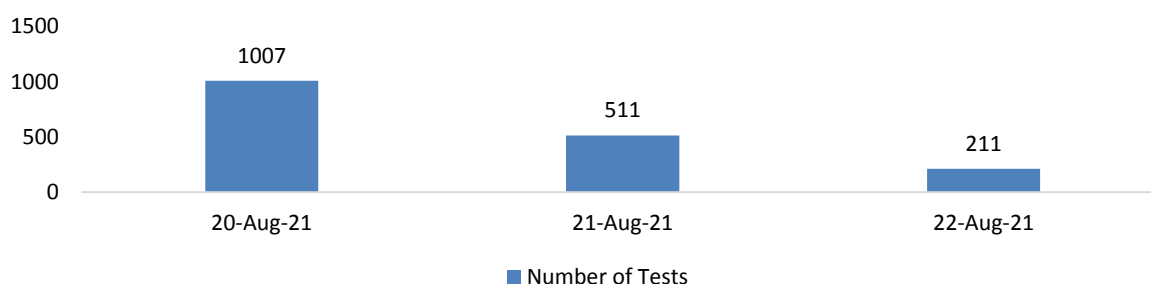
4.1. COVID-19 testing in Northland is carried out at:

- ✓ Community Based Testing Centres (CBTCs) currently operating across Northland (Kaitaia, Kaikohe, Rawene, Kerikeri, Kawakawa, Whangarei and Ruakaka),
- ✓ Primary care (GPs),
- ✓ Northland DHB hospitals (including Emergency department and wards),
- ✓ 24 Aged Residential Care (ARC) facilities,
- ✓ Mobile testing centres operated by Māori health providers to cover the remote and rural areas, and
- ✓ Specific testing sites continue to be operational for maritime testing. A testing centre operates at Refining NZ Visitor Centre, Ruakaka for maritime and border facing staff testing, and one-off testing of overseas travellers arriving by small boats/yachts occurs at Opuā.

4.2. COVID-19 testing in Northland as of 06:00 on 23 August 2021

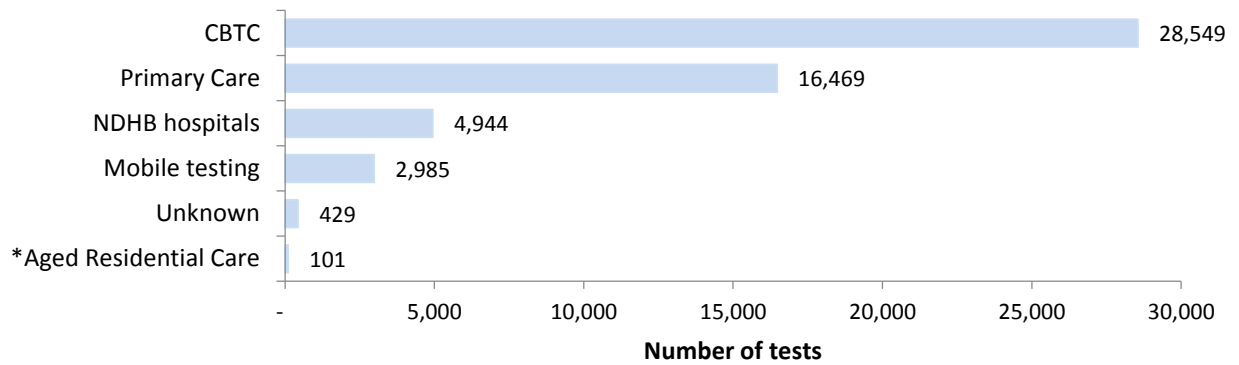
- 53,477 tests done in Northland to date across Primary care, Northland DHB hospitals, CBTCs, mobile testing and Aged Residential Care.
- 31,34 tests (59%) of all tests in Northland were done at the CBTCs and mobile testing.
- Due to recent cases in Auckland, testing stations across Northland have extended their hours of opening.
- Pohe Island Testing Centre in Whangarei has reopened due to expected increase in demand.

Figure 4.1: Northland COVID-19 testing for the last three days



Source: Lab results data, Community Based Services data, Northland District Health Board

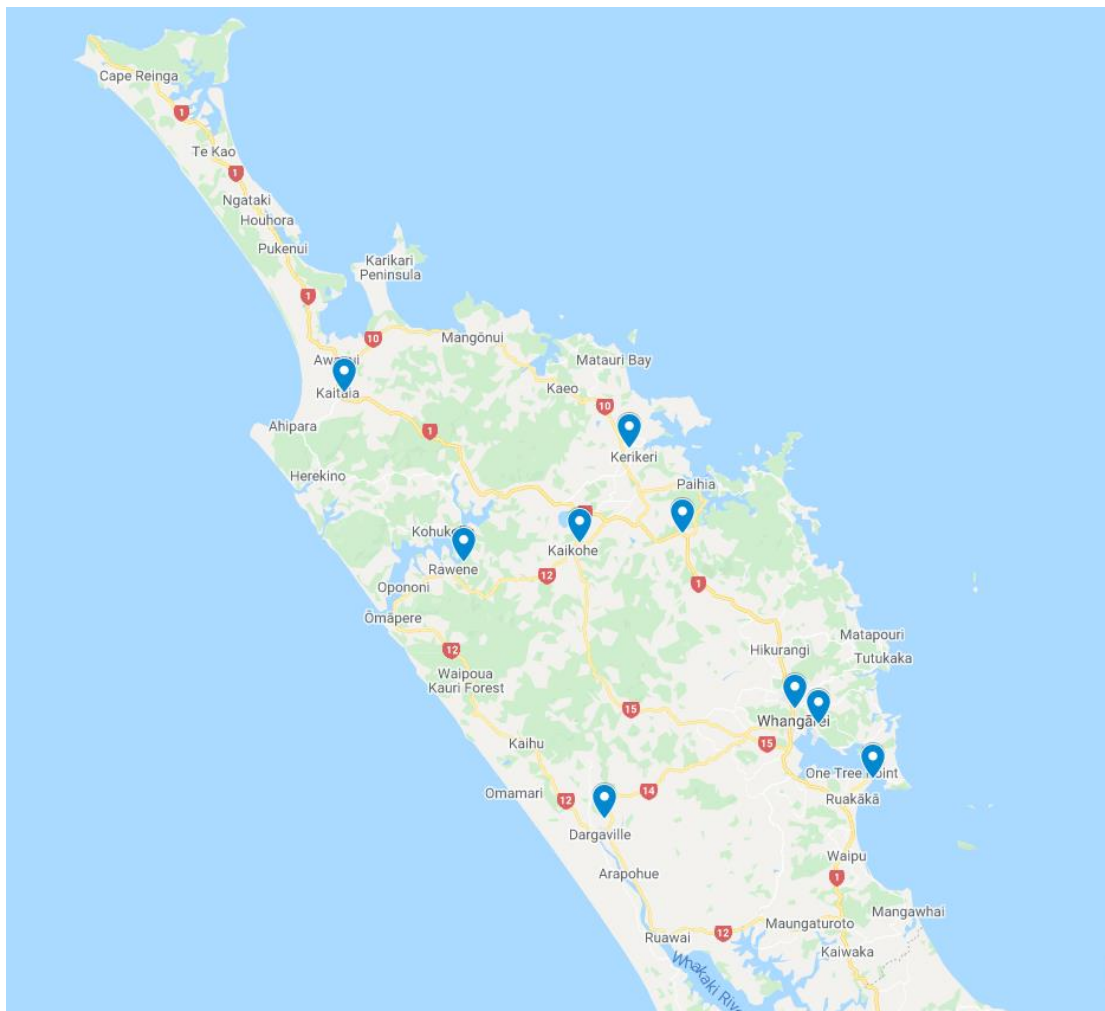
Figure 4.2: Northland COVID-19 testing by testing facility as at 0600 hours 23 August 2021



Source: Lab results data, Community Based Services data, Northland District Health Board

*Note: Aged Residential Care (ARC) are tests only done at ARC facilities and as seen in the E-referral data. This does not truly reflect the actual number of tests done in ARC as the data is not captured

Figure 4.3: Northland COVID-19 Community Testing Centres as at 0600 hours 23 August 2021



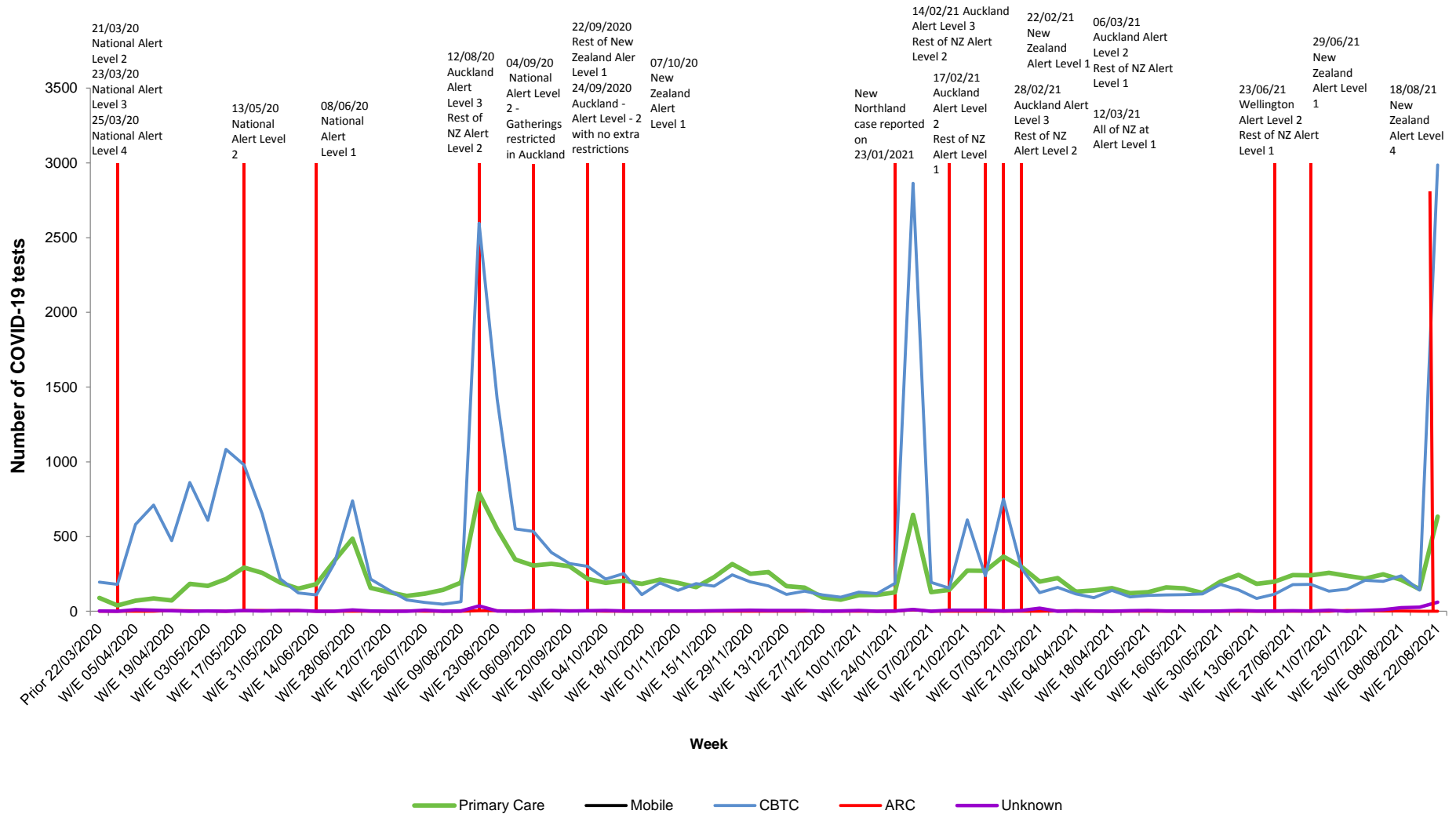
Source: Northland District Health Board website

Table 4.1: Northland COVID-19 Community Testing Centres locations as at 07:00 on 23 August 2021

Area	Venue Location	Type of Venue	Days/Hours
Far North	Kaitaia Hospital	CBTC Kaitaia	Mon-Fri
	29 Redan Road Kaitaia	Whare at front of the Hospital	9am - 2pm
Hokianga	Rawene Hospital	Rawene Hospital	Call to request a test 09-405 7709
Mid North	Kerikeri	CBTC Kerikeri	Mon-Fri 9am - 2pm
	1 Sammaree Place, Kerikeri		
	Kawakawa	Ngāti Hine Health Trust COVID-19 Surveillance	Thurs and Friday 9am - 2pm
	Kaikohe	Te Hau Ora O Ngāpuhi - GP Clinic	Mon, Wed 9am-2pm
	113 Broadway Street		
Kaipara	Dargaville Hospital		Mon-Fri 9am-2pm
	At the underpass		
Whangarei	Kamo	CTBC Whangarei	Mon-Fri 9am - 2pm
	20 Winger Crescent		
	POHE Island	CTBC Whangarei	Mon-Fri, 9am - 2pm Sun, 10am-2pm
	Rock and Roll Car Park		
	Refining NZ	CTBC Whangarei	Monday 11am - 7pm
	Port Marsden	Visitor Centre	
	Highway, Ruakaka	Border Workers only	

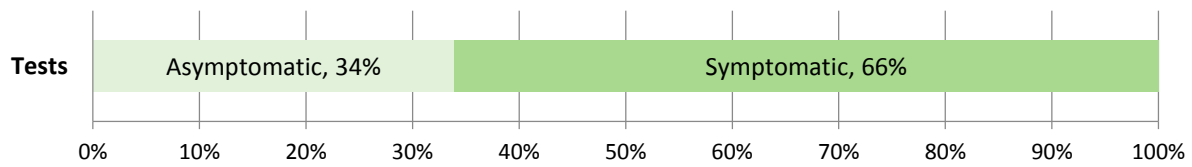
Source: Northland District Health Board website retrieved at 07:00 on 23 August 2021

Figure 4.4: Northland COVID-19 testing by testing facility in Northland from 05 March 2020 to 22 August 2021



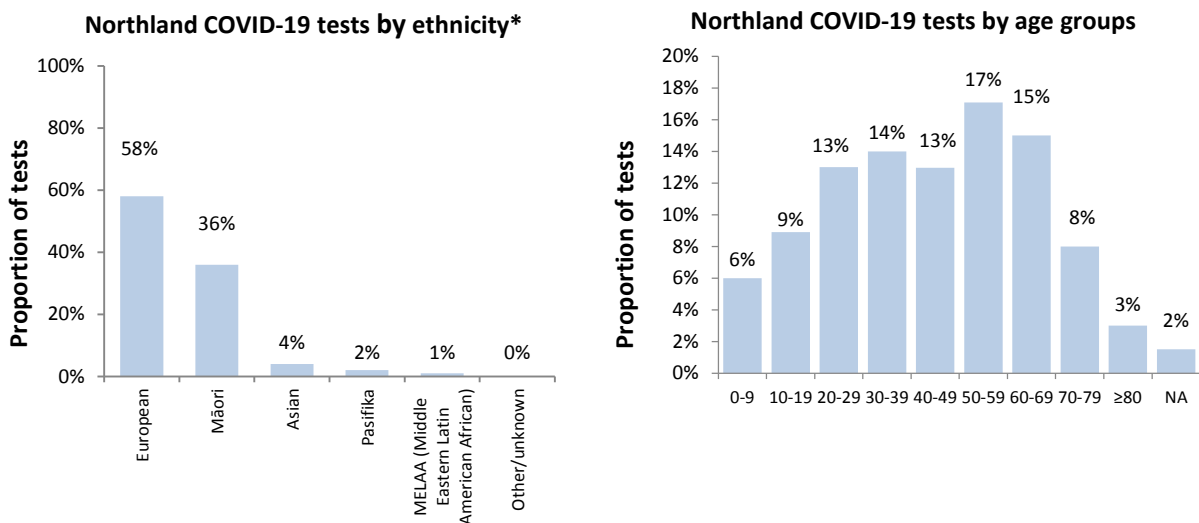
Source: Lab results data, Community Based Services data, Northland District Health Board.

Figure 4.3: COVID-19 tests – symptomatic vs asymptomatic as of 06:00 on 23 August 2021

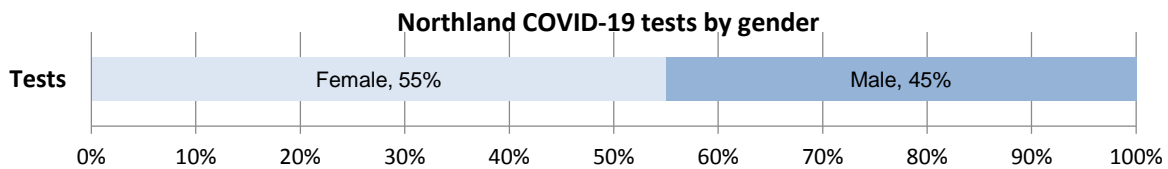


Source: Data from e-referrals, Northland DHB

Figure 4.4: COVID-19 tests by ethnicity, age groups and gender as of 06:00 on 23 August 2021



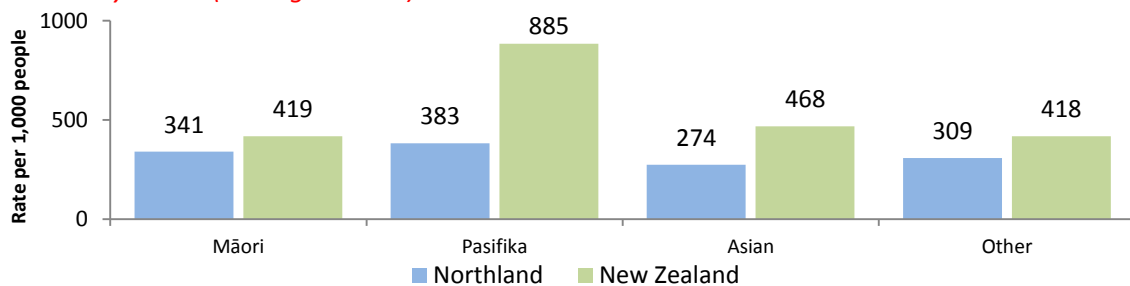
*Note: Where more than one ethnicity was recorded, ethnicity was prioritised as per the Ministry of Health Data Protocols



Source: Lab results data, Community Based Services data, Northland District Health Board

4.3. Rate of COVID-19 testing for Māori and non-Māori across Northland as of 09:00 on 22 August 2021

Figure 4.5: COVID-19 tests rates per 1,000 people by ethnicity from 22 January 2020 to most recently available day's data (22 August 2021)



Source: Ministry of Health (<https://www.health.govt.nz/our-work/diseases-and-conditions/covid-19-novel-coronavirus/covid-19-current-situation/covid-19-current-cases/covid-19-testing-rates-ethnicity-and-dhb>)

5. Other relevant information and resources

- Ministry of Health, NZ – COVID-19 Webpage - <https://www.health.govt.nz/our-work/diseases-and-conditions/covid-19-novel-coronavirus>
- Ministry of Health, NZ COVID-19 Resources and tools: <https://www.health.govt.nz/our-work/diseases-and-conditions/covid-19-novel-coronavirus/covid-19-resources-and-tools>
- Unite against COVI-19 - <https://covid19.govt.nz/>
- World Health Organisation Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Dashboard - <https://covid19.who.int/>
- Johns Hopkins University – COVID-19 Dashboard - <https://gisanddata.maps.arcgis.com/apps/opsdashboard/index.html#/bda7594740fd40299423467b48e9ecf6>