

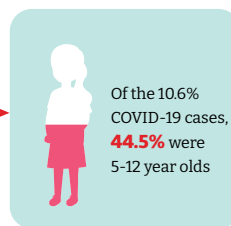
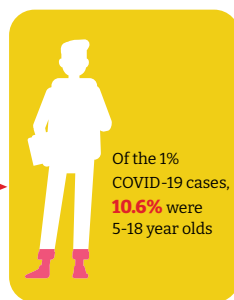
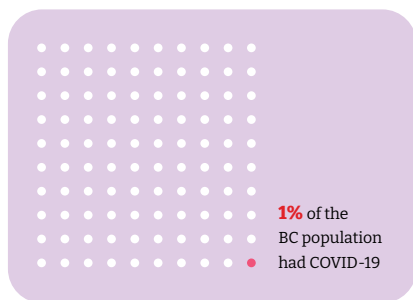
COVID-19 Safety & BC Schools

What we know so far (As of February 2021)



BC Centre for Disease Control
Provincial Health Services Authority

- 1 Fewer school aged children (5 to 18 year olds) have tested positive for COVID-19 compared to adults. Younger children make up a smaller proportion of cases than older children.



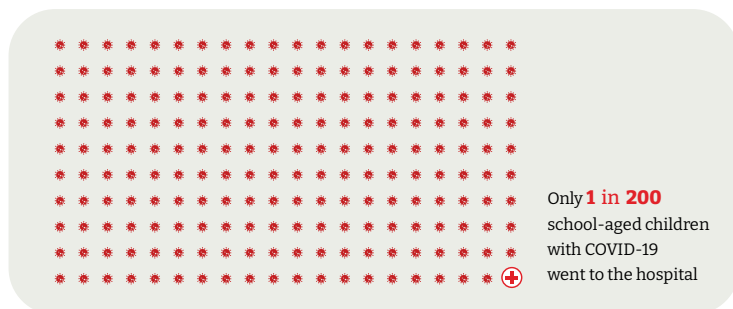
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5-18 yr olds make up about 13.8% of the BC population, but only 10.6% of COVID-19 cases.

5-12 yr olds make up about 55.4% of children aged 5 to 18, but only 44.5% of COVID-19 cases in this population.

- 2 Serious COVID-19 outcomes are less common in school-aged children.

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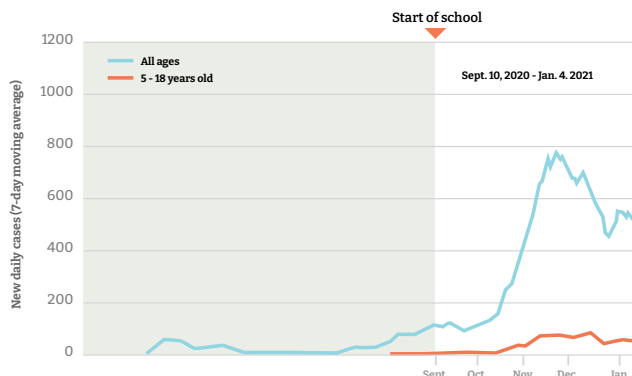
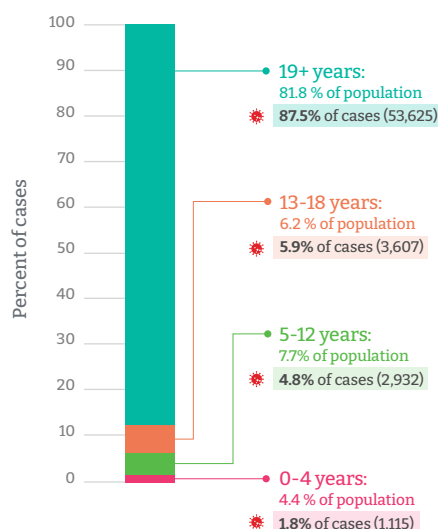


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- 3 COVID-19 virus has a relatively low case rate among school-aged children.

September 7, 2020 - January 31, 2021



The start of school sessions did not appear to result in significant increases in community transmission of COVID-19 at the provincial level in BC.

There does not appear to be a higher risk of COVID-19 for school staff compared to other jobs that include contact with others.

