

OPSA Briefing COVID-19



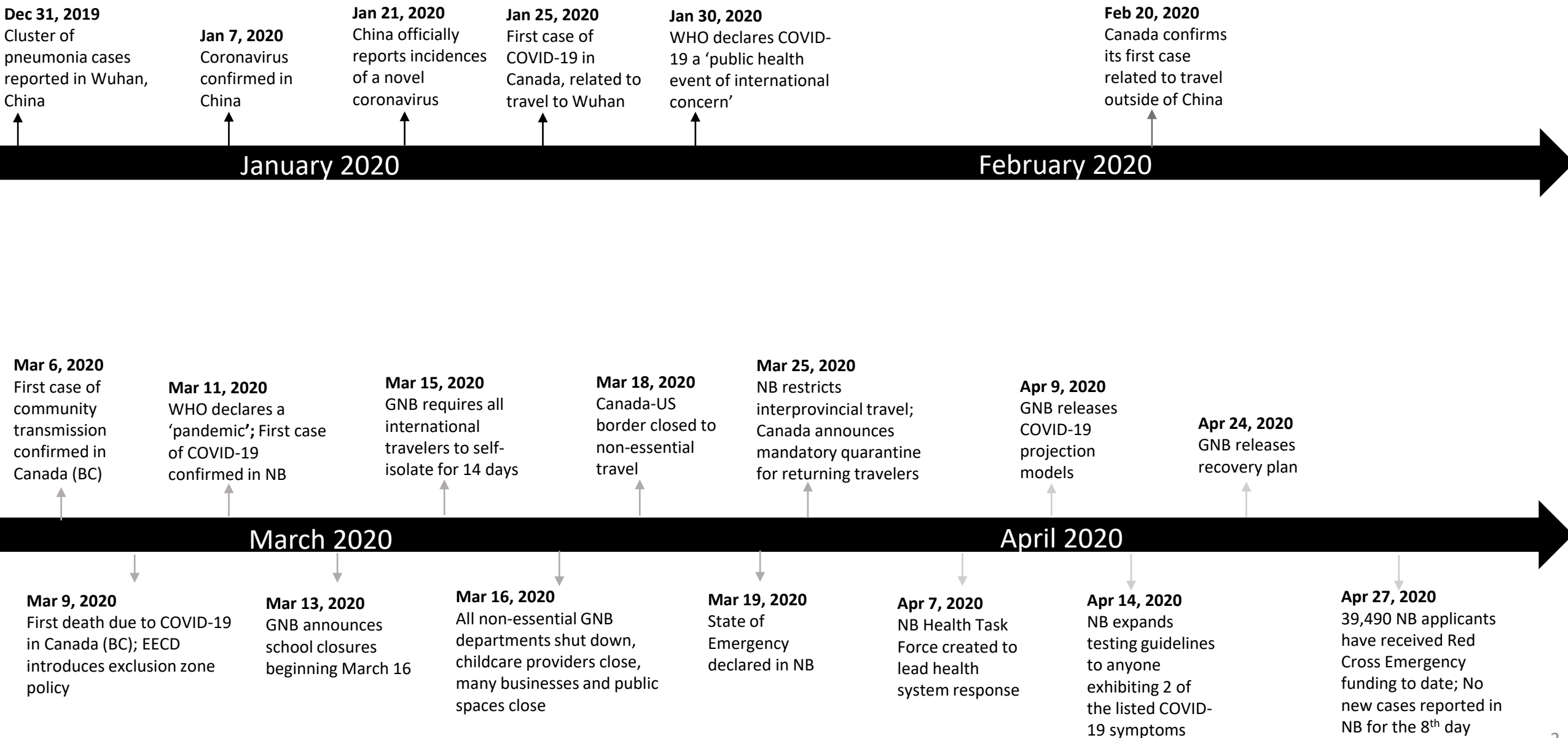
Department of Public Safety

Current as of 1300hrs, April 27, 2020

Strategic Summary

Status	Today's NB Updates
<p>Days since PEOC Activation: 82</p> <p>Days since State of Emergency: 40</p> <p>Days since Inter-Provincial Borders Closed: 34</p> <p>Total Cases Overall: 118</p> <p>Total Cases Active: 6</p> <p>New Cases: 0</p> <p>Recovered 112</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fredericton Resilience Fund established 10 days ago to help service industry employees and small businesses impacted by COVID-19 exceeded its goal. \$100,000 in public donations was matched by the Sara Burns Police Memorial Fund• Irving Oil received approval from the Canadian Transportation Agency to ship additional Canadian crude by vessel into Saint John• Moncton wants to host remainder of the NHL season

Timeline of Events



Public Confidence: Hot Topics



Overall Public Sentiment: **Neutral**



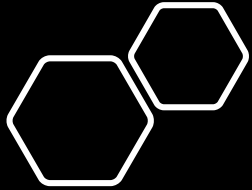
Significant confusion in NB about whether masks are required and, if so, where to buy them since they are in short supply.



Across Canada, the pro-reopening vs. anti-reopening debate of the past weeks has been replaced by an “open everything now” vs. “reopen slowly” debate.



General optimism in NB as people feel that adherence to the rules will prevent a second or third wave.



Public Safety *Issue:* Gender and Reconstruction

Issue 25

Women are typically unequally considered and compensated in disaster recovery efforts.

Men typically contribute to reconstruction efforts through their jobs, particularly in government, construction or law enforcement.

On top of paid employment, **women** are more likely to contribute to reconstruction efforts through volunteer efforts, such as clothing drives, caring for children and the elderly, and fundraising.

Reconstruction work, both paid and unpaid, can lead to burnout and PTSD. Effective recovery efforts, including care and compensation, must consider gender differences.

The UN identifies 4 key pillars for a gender balanced recovery:

1. Mainstreaming gender in disaster recovery institutions and organizations
2. Identifying gender specific recovery needs
3. Engaging women in recovery initiatives
4. Facilitating a gender-balanced economic recovery

Sources: Alston et all (2015), United Nations Development Program

Daily Cross Jurisdictional Report

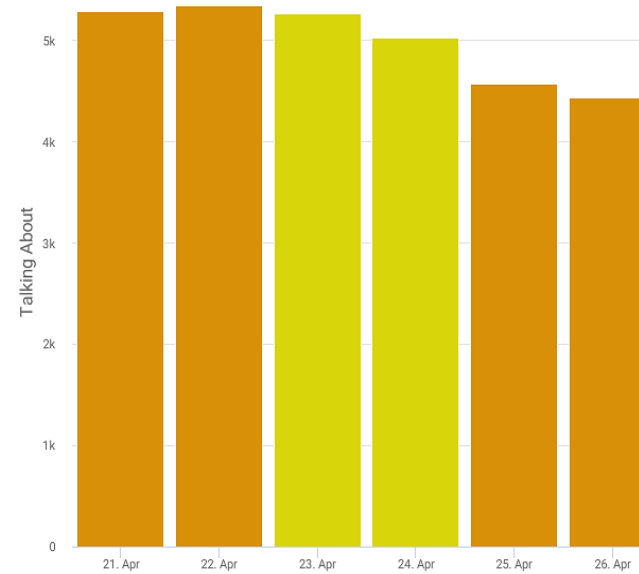
Risks Posed	Strategies to Watch
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worldwide death toll surpasses 200,000 • Angus Reid poll says COVID-19 is affecting Canadians' mental health; 44% worried, 41% anxious, 30% bored. Financial and mental struggles are closely linked. AB residents most negatively affected, QC residents least • A Correctional Investigator of Canada Report concluded that prisoners' human rights are being violated due to COVID-19 containment measures • Patient at SickKids Hospital in Toronto tests positive for COVID-19 • 37 NYPD members have died from COVID-19; 4,837 members have tested positive • Maryland receives hundreds of calls about effectiveness of ingesting disinfectants to treat coronavirus • Cats & minks have contracted COVID-19 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • China says all Wuhan virus patients discharged • NZ says it has "eliminated" COVID-19; new cases in single figures and no community transmission • Italy and Spain to begin easing containment measures • Saudi Arabia lifts curfew in all regions except Mecca and Medina, two religiously significant cities • Two BC advisory groups to advise government on pandemic-related justice system impacts; former Supreme Court Justice Beverley McLachlin involved • ON announces \$4/hr pandemic pay increase for front-line workers for 16 weeks • 200 protest at ON Legislature over shutdown; none ticketed because physical distancing observed • Massachusetts hospital conducting antibody tests for 1,000 asymptomatic residents • UK Capt. Tom has raised £29M for the NHS by walking laps; Royal Mail plans to celebrate his 100th birthday

Source: Mainstream Media

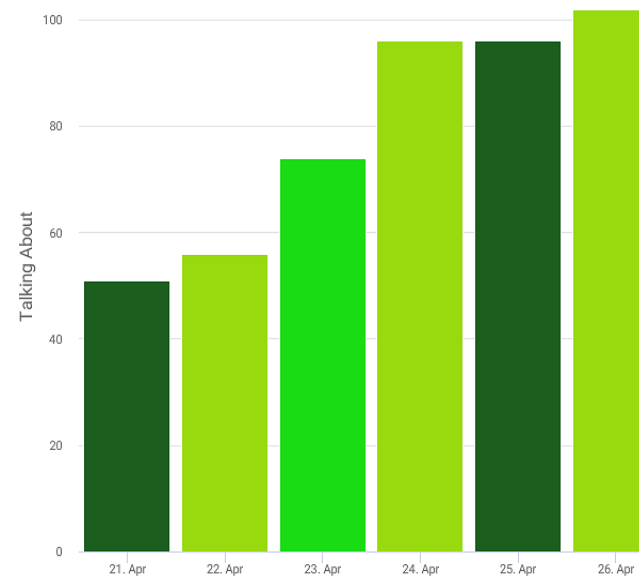
Trend Tracker: Public Sentiment

- Widespread national discussion about reopening plans and the economy.
- Negative sentiment about containment measures Canada-wide spurred by reopening plans with seemingly contradictory rules. Increasing discussion about places where social distancing is impossible.
- Although there is significant confusion over mask-related requirements, public sentiment in NB is generally optimistic.

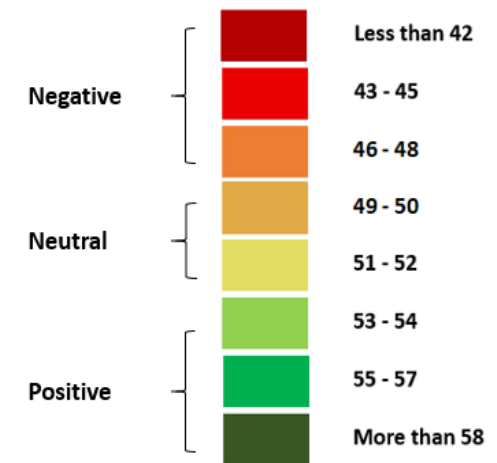
Public sentiment in Canada



Public sentiment about GNB



Legend



Source: EyesOver