



Update

8 November 2021

Total active cases in Gippsland being managed by the GRPHU – 707

(Bass Coast 7 / Baw Baw 169 / East Gippsland 48 / Latrobe 446 / South Gippsland 11 / Wellington 26)

The GRPHU is currently managing 707 positive COVID cases throughout Gippsland.

There are four people in hospital with three of those in ICU.

Latrobe has recorded 26 new cases from yesterday, Baw Baw seven, nine for East Gippsland and one new case for Wellington. Bass Coast and South Gippsland have recorded no new cases from yesterday.

Vaccination pop up clinics

The Gippsland Region Public Health Unit has partnered with Gippsland Primary Health Network and Federation University to conduct COVID vaccinations at the free health check clinic in Churchill tomorrow.

We will be offering AstraZeneca, Pfizer and Moderna COVID vaccines to those eligible.

Free health checks and COVID jabs will be held at Shop 8A, West Place Shopping Complex, Churchill from 11am – 3pm tomorrow, Tuesday 9 November and will return in approximately three weeks to administer second doses.

There are plans to establish further vaccination pop up clinics in the coming weeks. Further details will be announced.

COVID testing

Rapid antigen tests are available in stores <https://www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/rapid-antigen-self-tests>



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Rapid antigen tests can only tell you if you are *likely* to have COVID-19. In Victoria, a standard (PCR) test at a testing centre is still needed to confirm if you have COVID-19.

If you test positive from a rapid antigen test, then you must isolate, get tested with a standard (PCR) test and stay isolated until you get your results.

Most rapid antigen tests will provide you with a result in 15 to 30 minutes. It's faster but less accurate than a standard (PCR) test. It's best to use them when you have COVID-19 symptoms.

The availability and approval of this technology for use in the home is a big step forward, but please take extra care to understand the result and what steps you still may have to take.

For your guide to using and understanding rapid antigen self-tests, visit <https://www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/rapid-antigen-self-tests> for advice, diagrams and more.

COVID snapshot

Latrobe City

There are currently 446 active COVID-19 cases in Latrobe City being managed by the GRPHU.

Tier 1 Exposure Sites in Latrobe City;

Tommy Brock Café, Moe

Monday 25 October, 12.15pm – 3.45pm

Testing opportunities in Latrobe City include;

- Gippsland Sports and Entertainment Park in Morwell (Falcons Soccer Club). Walk-in clinic, 9.30am - 4pm weekdays and 9.30am - 3.30pm Saturdays. Parking is available on site. Pre-fill your details using the Testing Registration form <https://testtracker.covid19.dhhs.vic.gov.au/citizen-prefill>.
- Clinical Labs, walk in clinic, Traralgon. 7.30am – 3.30pm weekdays. By appointment on 03 5174 0285
- Latrobe Regional Hospital, Dorevitch Pathology, drive through, Traralgon. 8.30am – 4.30pm, by appointment on 03 5165 0800.
- Latrobe Valley Respiratory Clinic, Morwell. Monday to Friday 9am - 5pm. By appointment, for bookings go to: <https://bit.ly/3Fbd8eH>



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- Moe Senior Citizen's Centre, Latrobe Community Health Service, walk-in clinic. 9am – 11am Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday this week. No appointments required. Pre-fill your details using the Testing Registration form <https://testtracker.covid19.dhhs.vic.gov.au/citizen-prefill>

Baw Baw

There are currently 169 active COVID-19 cases in Baw Baw being managed by the GRPHU.

Tier 1 Exposure Sites in Baw Baw;

Chemist Discount Centre, Warragul

Wednesday 27 October, 11am – 11.45am

Industry Studios, Warragul

Tuesday 26 October, 4.00pm – 6.30pm

Testing opportunities in Baw Baw include;

- Lardner Park, drive through, Warragul. 8am – 3pm weekdays. Pre-fill your details using the Testing Registration form <https://testtracker.covid19.dhhs.vic.gov.au/citizen-prefill>
- Warragul Respiratory Clinic, 9am – 5pm weekdays. By Appointment for bookings go to: <https://bit.ly/3Fbd8eH>

Bass Coast

There are currently 7 active COVID-19 cases in Bass Coast being managed by the GRPHU.

Testing opportunities in Bass Coast include;

- Cowes – Bass Coast Health, drive through. 9am – 2pm Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday. Pre-fill your details using the Testing Registration form <https://testtracker.covid19.dhhs.vic.gov.au/citizen-prefill>
- Wonthaggi – Bass Coast Health, drive through. 9am – 4pm Monday - Sunday. Pre-fill your details using the Testing Registration form <https://testtracker.covid19.dhhs.vic.gov.au/citizen-prefill>
- Wonthaggi Respiratory Clinic, 1pm – 3.30pm weekdays by appointment at <https://bit.ly/3Fbd8eH>

South Gippsland

There are currently 11 active COVID-19 cases in South Gippsland being managed by the GRPHU.



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Testing opportunities in South Gippsland include;

- Leongatha – Gippsland Southern Health Service, drive through. 9am – 3pm Mondays and Thursdays by Appointment, for bookings call 5654 2777
- Foster Respiratory Clinic, 9am – 12.30pm weekdays. For bookings go to <https://bit.ly/3Fbd8eH>

Wellington

There are currently 26 active COVID-19 cases in Wellington being managed by the GRPHU.

Testing opportunities in Wellington include;

- Sale Respiratory Clinic, 9am – 5pm weekdays. By appointment, for bookings go to <https://bit.ly/3Fbd8eH>
- Yarram District Health Service, drive through 10.30am - 11.30am weekdays. No appointments required. Pre-fill your details using the Testing Registration form <https://testtracker.covid19.dhhs.vic.gov.au/citizen-prefill>
- GRSC Sale drive through 9am – 12pm Monday – Friday this week. Pre-fill your details using the Testing Registration form <https://testtracker.covid19.dhhs.vic.gov.au/citizen-prefill>

East Gippsland

There are currently 48 active COVID-19 cases in East Gippsland being managed by the GRPHU.

Testing opportunities in East Gippsland include;

- Bairnsdale Respiratory Clinic, 2pm – 5pm weekdays. By appointment, for bookings go to <https://bit.ly/3Fbd8eH>
- Bairnsdale Regional Hospital, drive through. 9am – 1pm Sunday – Friday. No children under 5yrs. No appointment required. Pre-fill your details using the Testing Registration form <https://testtracker.covid19.dhhs.vic.gov.au/citizen-prefill>
- Orbost Medical Centre, drive through. 9am – 10am weekdays. By Appointment, for bookings call 5154 6777
- Omeo District Health, drive through. 8am – 9pm Monday – Sunday. By Appointment, for bookings call 5159 0100
- Gelantipy Bush Nursing Centre, drive through. Mondays and Wednesdays 9am – 11am. By Appointment, for bookings call 5155 0274. Pre-fill your details using the Testing Registration form <https://testtracker.covid19.dhhs.vic.gov.au/citizen-prefill>



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- Gippsland Lakes Complete Health, drive through, Lakes Entrance. By appointment, for bookings call 5155 8300.
- Mallacoota Medical Centre. Monday, Wednesday and Friday 10am – 12pm. By Appointment, for bookings call 5158 0777

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