More Manitobans Staying Home...
But Not Enough

November 18, 2020
More Manitobans Staying Home, But More Action Needed

SUMMARY
We completed an analysis of Google Mobility data to understand how Manitobans are spending their time, and whether or not public health restrictions are having the needed impact.

The analysis suggests that in the first two days of the most recent lock down (Nov 12 & 13), Manitobans increased their time at home by 17% compared to before the pandemic, while traffic at workplaces, retail and recreational facilities dropped 33-39%.

While this trend is encouraging, the shift is not yet as strong as what we saw during the spring lock down during the first wave of COVID-19.

With 30 times more active COVID-19 right now than the peak last spring, and 20 times more in hospital, more Manitobans need to stay home and limit their contacts to stop the spread.

About Google Mobility Reports
Google is taking the same anonymous location data used in Google Maps to help public health officials understand how people are changing where they spend their time.

The report compares time spent in different categories of places to a “baseline” pre-pandemic period of Jan 3 to Feb 6, 2020.

This data should be interpreted with caution, as it relies on location history from individuals’ cell phones. It’s the same data used in Google Maps to estimate how busy different businesses are at different times of the day.

You can access Google Mobility Reports at https://www.google.com/covid19/mobility/
Manitobans Staying Home More, But Not As Much as First Wave

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Source: Google Mobility Reports, Accessed November 17, 2020
Province of Manitoba COVID updates
Manitobans at work and retail locations more than during spring lock down

April 2020
Time spent at workplaces and retail/recreation was down 44-46%

Nov 12 & 13
Time spent at workplaces and retail/recreation was down 33-39%

Source: Google Mobility Reports, Accessed November 17, 2020
Trends are smoothed to a seven-day average
20 times more people in hospital now than during spring peak

April 2020
Hospitalized (peak): 12
ICU (peak): 5

November 13
Hospitalized: 231
ICU: 34

Source: Province of Manitoba COVID updates
30 times more active COVID-19 cases now than during spring peak

**April 2020**
Active cases (peak): 184

**November 13**
Active cases: 6,307

*Source: Province of Manitoba COVID updates*