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Covid 19 Omicron outbreak: Grant Robertson clashes with Heather du Plessis-Allan over RAT 'ban'

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Grant Robertson clashes with Heather du Plessis-Allan over RAT 'ban'. Video / Newstalk ZB

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Newstalk ZB host Heather Du Plessis-Allan has clashed with Deputy Prime Minister Grant Robertson over the Government's plan for the supply of rapid antigen tests (RATs).

New Zealand's supply of RATs came under the spotlight yesterday as the Government announced plans to increase supply ahead of an Omicron surge.

PM Jacinda Ardern announced yesterday 4.6 million RATs were in the country, and 14.6 million more were expected over the next five weeks.

A potential 22 million would also arrive over the same period.

On Newstalk ZB last night, Robertson defended the Government's position on the lack of earlier supply of RATs.

ZB host Heather Du Plessis-Allan said 14.6 million tests were essentially only a two-week supply.