

Wirral COVID-19 Report

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Period: 13/12/2020 to 19/12/2020

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Local COVID-19 alert level: High (Tier 2)

The number of people testing positive for COVID-19 is once again increasing in Wirral.

There is still widespread community transmission, with new positive COVID-19 cases being seen each day across Wirral and in all age groups.

The current level of **444 cases per week (in the 7 days to 19th December 2020**, the most recent day for which figures are available).

The latest weekly rate of **COVID-19 in Wirral is 122 per 100,000 population** while the **latest positivity rate is 4.8%** (percentage of positive tests of all tests carried out in the last 7 days).

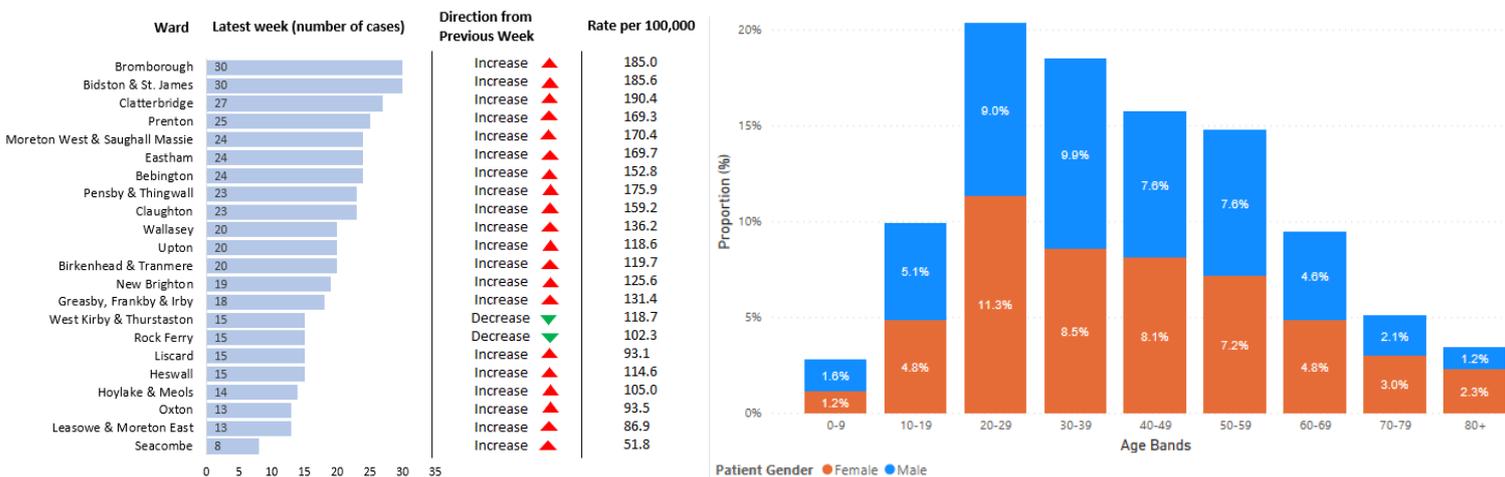
By 10-year age band, the largest percentage number of cases in the **7-days to 19/12/2020 were in those aged those aged 20-29 (20%)**, followed by those aged **30-39 (18%)**, aged **40-49 (16%)** and **50-59 (15%)**. **Over two-thirds of cases in this week were in these age bands (see table below)**.

There were slightly more cases in women compared to men in the **7-days to 19/12/2020; 50% female, 47.5% male and 2.5% unknown**.

The wards with the largest number of confirmed cases (**in the 7-days to 19/12/2020**) were **Bidston & St James (30)**, **Bromborough (30)** and **Clatterbridge (27)** (see table below).

The ethnicity of confirmed cases (**in the 7-days to 19/12/2020**) was **75.5% White British, 16% unknown and 8.5% from BAME and/or mixed heritage backgrounds**.

Weekly data from ONS (**published on 22/12/2020**) showed there had been **79 registered deaths in Wirral, of which 10% (or 8 in actual numbers) were COVID-19 deaths**.



To protect yourself and others, you must:

- Wash your hands with soap and water often, and as soon as you get home. Use hand sanitiser gel if soap and water is not available
- Stay at least 2 metres away from anyone you do not live with, or who is not in your support bubble
- Wear a face covering over your mouth and nose where social distancing is not possible outdoors and indoors. By law, you must now wear them in most indoor settings including public transport, shops, post-offices, banks, beauty salons, visitor attractions and entertainment venues, libraries, community centres, places of worship and public areas in hotels.
- **If you are contacted by NHS Test and Trace, follow their instructions. If you have symptoms of coronavirus you must self-isolate, get a test; stay at home until you get a result; your household or support bubble must also stay at home until you get your result.**

Age Bands	Percentage of Cases
0-9	3%
10-19	10%
20-29	20%
30-39	18%
40-49	16%
50-59	15%
60-69	9%
70-79	5%
80+	3%

Ward	Cases w-e 19/12/2020	Direction from Previous Week
Bidston & St. James	30	Increase
Bromborough	30	Increase
Clatterbridge	27	Increase
Prenton	25	Increase
Bebington	24	Increase
Eastham	24	Increase
Moreton West & Saughall Massie	24	Increase
Cloughton	23	Increase
Pensby & Thingwall	23	Increase
Birkenhead & Tranmere	20	Increase
Upton	20	Increase
Wallasey	20	Increase
New Brighton	19	Increase
Greasby, Frankby & Irby	18	Increase
Heswall	15	Increase
Liscard	15	Increase
Rock Ferry	15	Decrease
West Kirby & Thurstaston	15	Decrease
Hoyle & Meols	14	Increase
Leasowe & Moreton East	13	Increase
Oxton	13	Increase
Seacombe	8	Increase