

Wirral COVID-19 Report

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Period: 26/11/2020 to 02/12/2020

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

The number of people testing positive for COVID-19 has reduced considerably in Wirral but is still high.

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 **172 cases per week (in the 7 days to 02 December 2020, the most recent day for which figures are available).**

The latest weekly rate of **COVID-19 in Wirral is 58 per 100,000 population** while the **latest positivity rate is 2.5%** (percentage of positive tests of all tests carried out in the last 7 days).

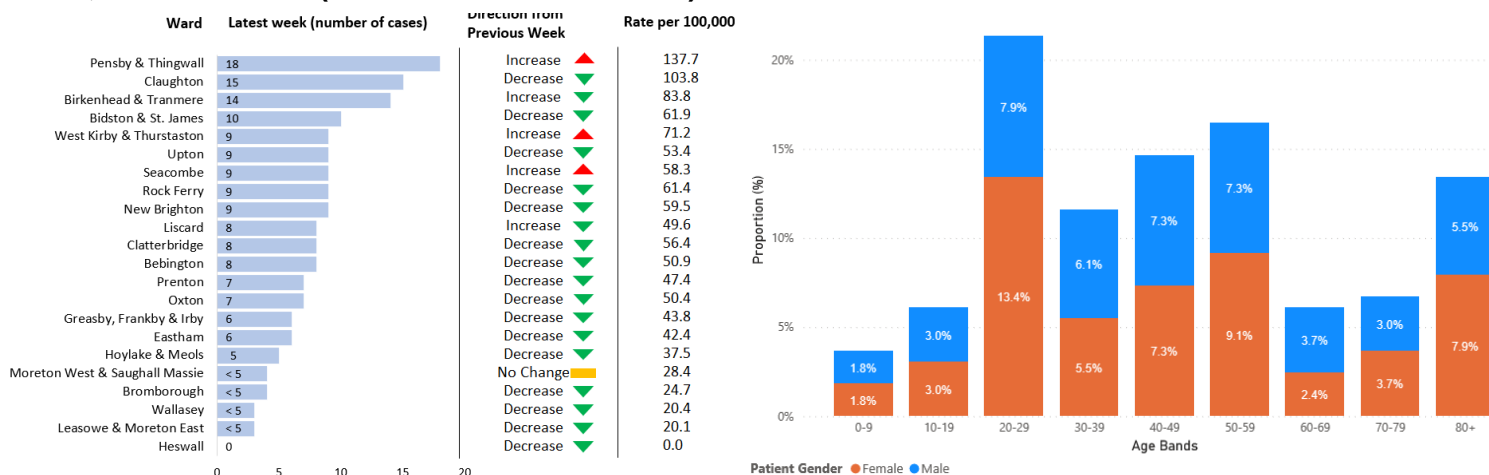
By 10-year age band, the largest percentage number of cases in the **7-days to 02/12/2020 were in those aged 20-29 (21%)** followed by those aged **50-59 (16%)** and **40-49 (15%)**. Just over half of all the cases in this week were in just these age bands (see table below).

There were slightly more cases in women compared to men in the 7-days to 02/12/2020; **52% female, 44% male and 4% unknown.**

The wards with the largest number of confirmed (in the 7-days to 02/12/2020) were **Pensby & Thingwall (18), Claughton (15) and Birkenhead & Tranmere (14)** (see table below for all Wards).

The ethnicity of confirmed cases (in the 7-days to 02/12/2020) was **83% White British, 13% unknown and 4% from BAME and/or mixed heritage backgrounds.**

Weekly data from ONS (published on 01/12/2020) showed there had been **87 registered deaths in Wirral, of which 15% (or 13 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.**