

Wirral COVID-19 Report

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Period: 27/11/2020 to 03/12/2020

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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 **168 cases per week (in the 7 days to 3rd December 2020**, the most recent day for which figures are available).

The latest weekly rate of **COVID-19 in Wirral is 53 per 100,000 population** while the **latest positivity rate is 2.3%** (percentage of positive tests of all tests carried out in the last 7 days).

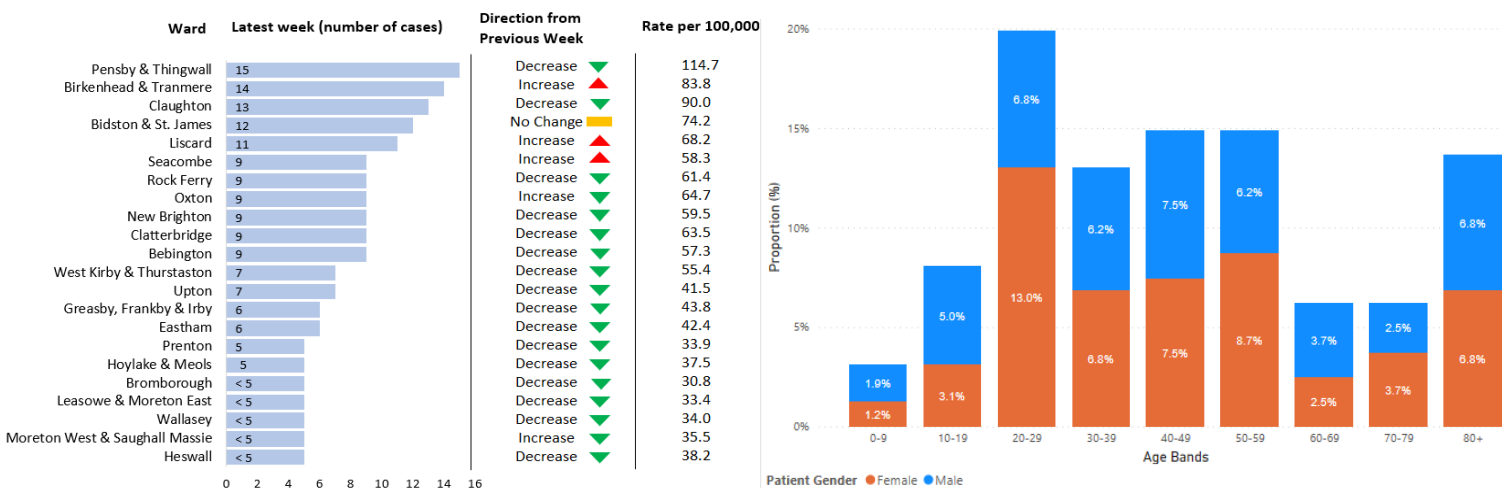
By 10-year age band, the largest percentage number of cases in the **7-days to 03/12/2020** were in those **aged 20-29 (20%)** followed by those aged **50-59 (15%)**, **40-49 (15%)** and **80+ (14%)**. Almost two-thirds of all the cases in this week were in just these age bands (see table below).

There were slightly more cases in women compared to men in the 7-days to 03/12/2020; **51% female, 45% male and 4% unknown**.

The wards with the largest number of confirmed (in the 7-days to 03/12/2020) were **Pensby & Thingwall (15)**, **Birkenhead & Tranmere (14)** and **Claughton (14)** (see table below for all Wards).

The ethnicity of confirmed cases (in the 7-days to 03/12/2020) was **83% White British, 12% unknown and 5% from BAME and/or mixed heritage backgrounds**.

Weekly data from ONS (published on 08/12/2020) showed there had been **66 registered deaths in Wirral, of which 18% (or 12 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.**