

Wirral COVID-19 Report

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Period: 15/02/2021 to 21/02/2021

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COVID-19 alert level: National Lockdown (Stay at Home)

The number of people testing positive for **COVID-19 in Wirral is currently extremely high.**

There is widespread community transmission (e.g., between family members), with new positive COVID-19 cases being seen each day across Wirral and in all age groups.

The current level of **334 cases per week** (in the 7 days to 21/02/2021), the most recent day for which figures are complete).

The latest weekly rate of **COVID-19 in Wirral is 110 per 100,000 population** while the **latest positivity rate is 4.6%** (percentage of positive tests of all tests carried out in the last 7 days).

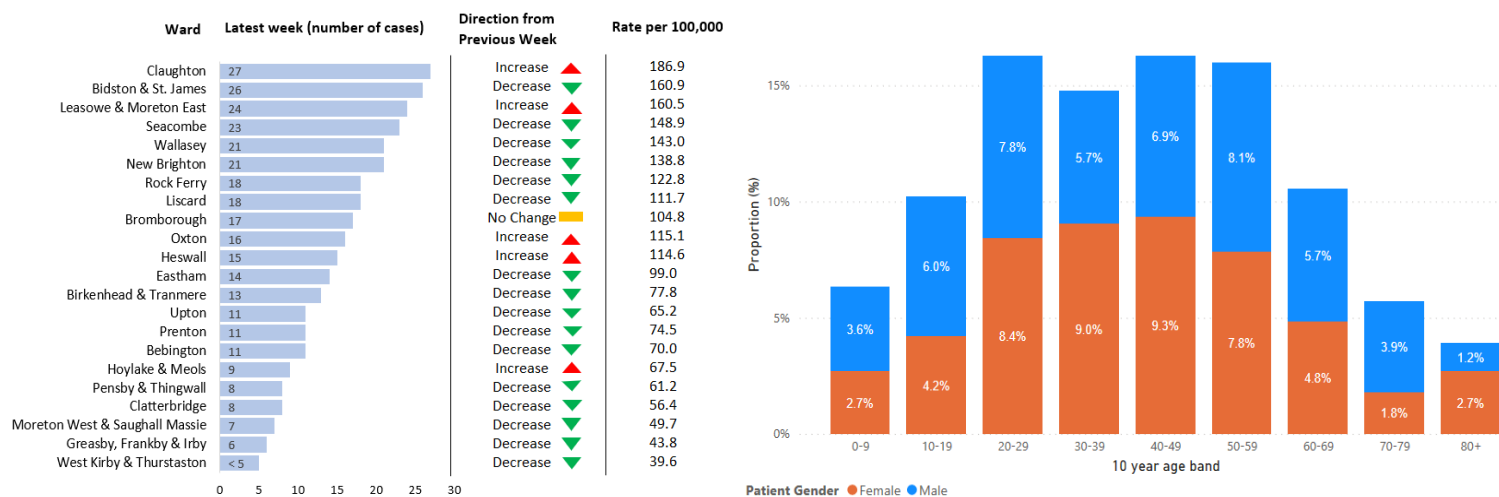
By 10-year age band, the largest percentage number of cases in the 7-days to 21/02/2021 **were in those 20-29 (16.3%), then those aged 40-49 (16.3%), 50-59 (16.0%) and 30-39 (14.8%).** Almost two-thirds of cases in these 7-days were in these age bands (see table below).

There were slightly more cases in women compared to men in the 7-days to 21/02/2021; **50.6% female, 48.8% male and 0.6% unknown.**

The wards with the largest number of confirmed cases (in the 7-days to 21/02/2021) **Claughton (27), Bidston St James (26) and Leasowe and Moreton East (24).**

The ethnicity of confirmed cases (in the 7-days to 21/02/2021) **was 82.0% White British, 12.0% unknown and 6.0% from BAME and/or mixed heritage backgrounds.**

Weekly ONS data (published on 23/02/2021) showed **117 registered deaths in Wirral, of which 39.3% (or 46 in actual numbers) were COVID-19 deaths.** Total deaths from COVID-19 in Wirral are now 896.



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	6.3%
10-19	10.2%
20-29	16.3%
30-39	14.8%
40-49	16.3%
50-59	16.0%
60-69	10.5%
70-79	5.7%
80+	3.9%

Ward	Cases w-e 21-02-2021	Direction from Previous Week
Cloughton	27	Increase
Bidston & St. James	26	Decrease
Leasowe & Moreton East	24	Increase
Seacombe	23	Decrease
New Brighton	21	Decrease
Wallasey	21	Decrease
Liscard	18	Decrease
Rock Ferry	18	Decrease
Bromborough	17	No Change
Oxton	16	Increase
Heswall	15	Increase
Eastham	14	Decrease
Birkenhead & Tranmere	13	Decrease
Bebington	11	Decrease
Prenton	11	Decrease
Upton	11	Decrease
Hoylake & Meols	9	Increase
Clatterbridge	8	Decrease
Pensby & Thingwall	8	Decrease
Moreton West & Saughall Massie	7	Decrease
Greasby, Frankby & Irby	6	Decrease
West Kirby & Thurstaston	Less than 5	Decrease