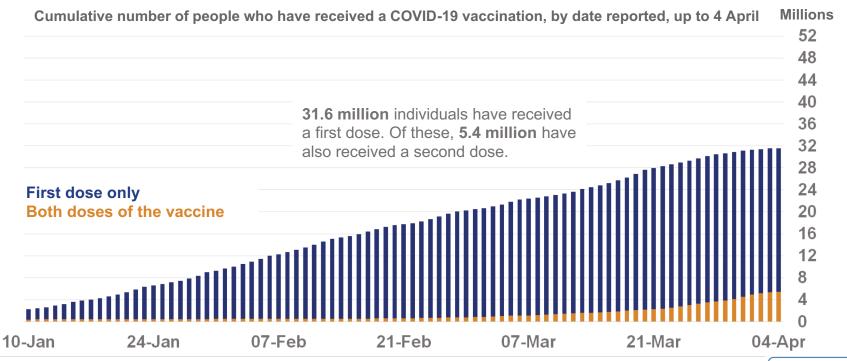
Test 1: The vaccine deployment programme continues successfully

The number of people who have received a vaccination for COVID-19 in the UK

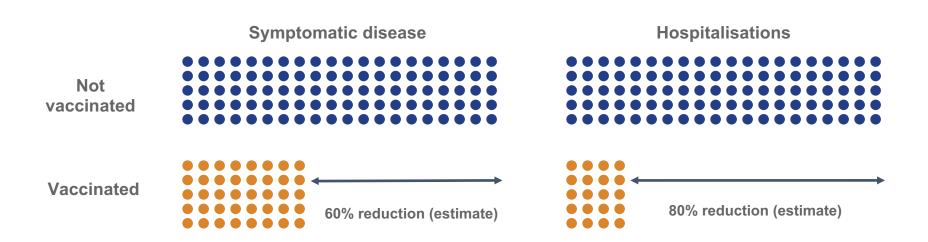






Test 2: Evidence shows vaccines are sufficiently effective in reducing hospitalisations and deaths in those vaccinated

Estimated reduction in symptomatic disease and hospitalisations after one dose of the Pfizer or AstraZeneca vaccine for people aged 80+







Test 3: Infection rates do not risk a surge in hospitalisations which would put unsustainable pressure on the NHS

The number of people in hospital with COVID-19 in the UK

Number of people in hospital each day, up to 1 April 40,000 35,000 On 1 April, **3,536** people 30,000 were in hospital with COVID-19 25,000 First peak on 12 April 2020 20,000 15,000 7-day rolling 10,000 average 5,000 01-Jan 01-Sep 01-Oct 01-Nov 01-Dec 01-Feb 01-Mar 01-Apr







Test 4: Our assessment of the risks is not fundamentally changed by new Variants of Concern

The number of cases associated with Variants of Concern (VOCs) in the UK, up to 31 March

NOTE: Not all identified cases are genomically sequenced, so some VOC cases may go undetected

Variant	Lineage	Country first detected	Total genomically confirmed and probable cases	Change since last update on 24 March
VOC-20DEC-01	B.1.1.7	England (Kent)	173,042	+17,513
VOC-20DEC-02	B.1.351	South Africa	469	+57
VOC-21JAN-02	P1	Japan ex Manaus, Brazil	32	+5
VOC-21FEB-02	B.1.1.7 with E484K	England (Bristol)	43	0





Statistical notes

Number of people who have received a vaccination for COVID-19, UK:

Number of people who have received a first dose or both a first and a second dose of a vaccination for COVID-19, by day on which the vaccine was reported. Data are reported daily, and include all vaccination events that are entered on the relevant system at the time of extract. This includes reported vaccines that were administered up to and including the date shown. England data includes vaccinations reported in the National Immunisation Management Service which is the system of record for the vaccination programme in England, including both hospital hubs and local vaccination services. Data are extracted at midnight on the date of report. Welsh data includes vaccinations reported in the Welsh Immunisation System. Data is extracted at 10pm on the date of report. No data was reported for 15 and 16 January 2021. The newly reported number for 17 January 2021 includes vaccinations reported on 15 to 17 January 2021. Scottish data includes vaccinations reported in the Vaccination Management Tool. Data is extracted at 8:30am on the day following the date of report. No data was reported for 15 and 16 January 2021. The newly reported number for 17 January 2021 includes vaccinations reported on 15 to 17 January 2021. Northern Ireland data are extracted at the end of day of the date of report.

Risk of symptomatic disease and hospitalisation from COVID-19 for vaccinated and unvaccinated people aged 80+:

Public Health England is monitoring the effectiveness of COVID-19 vaccines using existing surveillance systems and studies as well as new enhanced surveillance. Vaccine effectiveness is being estimated against a range of outcomes including symptomatic disease, hospitalisations, infection and transmission. These figures present data on the early effect of vaccination with the Pfizer/BioNTech (BNT162b2) and AstraZeneca (ChAdOx1) vaccines on symptomatic COVID-19, infection and hospitalisation, as well as the population level impact on hospitalisations and deaths.

People in hospital with COVID-19, UK:

Total number of people in hospital with COVID-19 in the UK. Definitions are not always consistent between the four nations. England data now covers all Acute Trusts, Mental Health Trusts and the Independent Sector and are reported daily by trusts to NHS England and NHS Improvement. Welsh data include confirmed COVID-19 patients in acute hospitals only, including those recovering. The 7-day rolling mean average is plotted on the chart on the middle day of each seven day period.

Variants of Concern, UK:

The VOC-20DEC-01 variant was first detected in the UK and was first sequenced in the UK in September 2020. The VOC-20DEC-02 variant was first detected in South Africa and was first sequenced in the UK in December 2020. The VOC-21JAN-02 variant was first detected in Japan in travellers from Brazil in January 2021 and was first detected in the UK in February 2021. The VOC-21FEB-02 variant was first detected in the UK in December 2020. Genomically confirmed cases are those where all lineage defining positions can be assessed. Probable cases are those where the sequencing is of a lower quality and not all lineage defining positions are called. Not all identified cases are genomically sequenced, so some variants of concern cases may go undetected.

Further information and data:

UK - COVID-19 in the UK; for further information contact coronavirus-tracker@phe.gov.uk

Welsh Government - NHS activity and capacity during the COVID-19 pandemic

Scottish Government - COVID-19 daily data for Scotland

Northern Ireland - COVID-19 statistics

