CORONAVIRUS SITUATIONAL AWARENESS Summary

date: 16 December 2020

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Please note:

13/10/2020 - denominator data for case and testing rates have been updated to 2019 mid-year population estimates.

20/10/20 - PHE has adjusted its approach to test positivity and testing rate metrics. Previously, any repeat tests for individuals since pandemic onset had been deduplicated. As the likelihood of individuals being tested multiple times has increased over time, test positivity and testing rate data are now deduplicated within each 7-day window. This change has been made in all OST outputs as of 20/10/2020 and applied retrospectively.

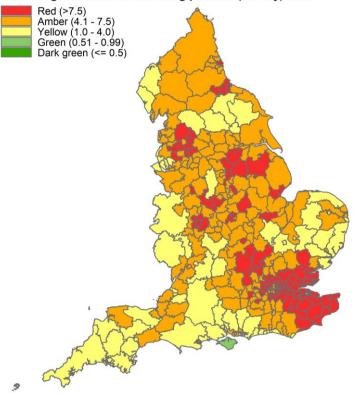
16/11/20 -PHE has updated the way it records the location of people who test positive or negative for COVID-19. It now prioritises addresses given at the point of testing over the details registered on a patient's record in the NHS Digital Patient Demographic Service. This better reflects the distribution of cases and testing. However, it may give rise to differences in previously reported numbers of cases and rates in some areas. The change has been retrospectively applied to tests carried out from 1 September 2020, and data reports were updated to reflect this change on 16 November 2020.

Throughout the SAR:

Lower tier local authorities is used to represent local authority districts, unitary authorities, metropolitan district and London boroughs, Upper tier local authorities is used to represent counties, metropolitan counties, London boroughs and unitary authorities

Testing: Individuals testing positive per 100 tests Data for specimens taken between 5 December and 11 December (7 day) and 28 November and 11 December (14 day)

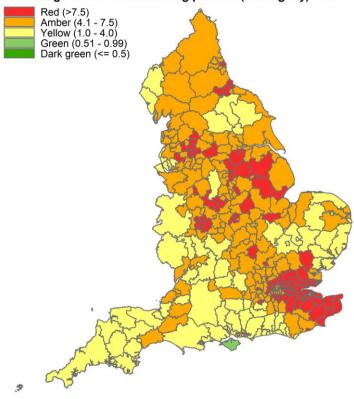
Percentage of individuals testing positive (weekly) RAG



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Local Authorities with the high	ghest percent	ages	
	%		%
Swale	17.1	Broxbourne	15.5
Havering	17	Thurrock	14.9
Barking and Dagenham	16.9	Gravesham	14.8
Redbridge	16.6	Waltham Forest	14.7
Newham	16.1	Dartford	14.2

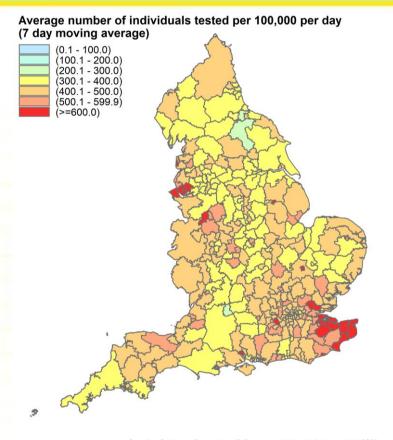
Percentage of individuals testing positive (Fortnightly) RAG



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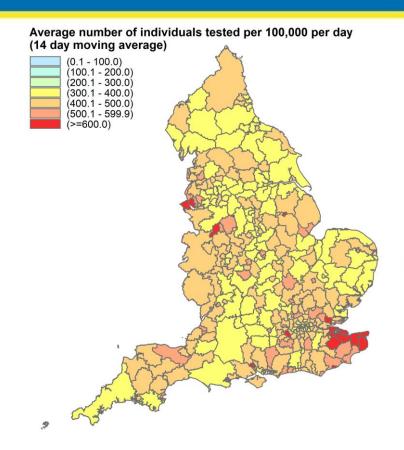
Local Authorities with the high			
	%		%
Swale	16.7	Barking and Dagenham	14.5
Havering	15.2	Medway	13.8
Gravesham	15	Waltham Forest	13.5
Newham	14.5	Tower Hamlets	12.8
Redbridge	14.5	Broxbourne	12.8

Testing: Individuals tested per 100,000 population per day Data for specimens taken between 5 December and 11 December (7 day) and 28 November and 11 December (14 day)



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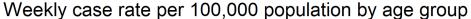
Local Authorities with the highest rate			
	Rate		Rate
Medway	948.6	Dover	722.6
Basildon	831.4	Lincoln	691.1
Wirral	790.8	Hastings	690.2
Liverpool	789	Canterbury	689.1
Southampton	758.6	Cambridge	680

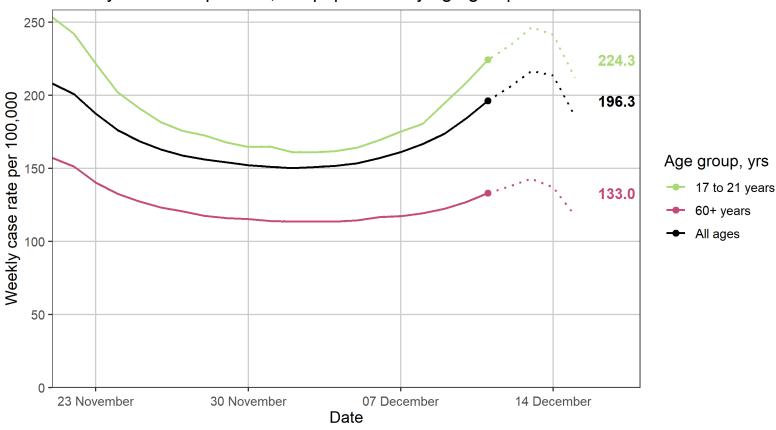


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Local Authorities with the highest rate			
	Rate		Rate
Liverpool	873.5	Basildon	663.3
Southampton	769	Canterbury	663.1
Medway	746.1	Swale	624.8
Lincoln	725.9	Hastings	621.2
Dover	664.7	Runnymede	614.1

Case rate across both pillars 1 and 2 (weekly) – selected ages Data up to the 11 December 2020

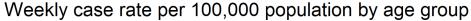


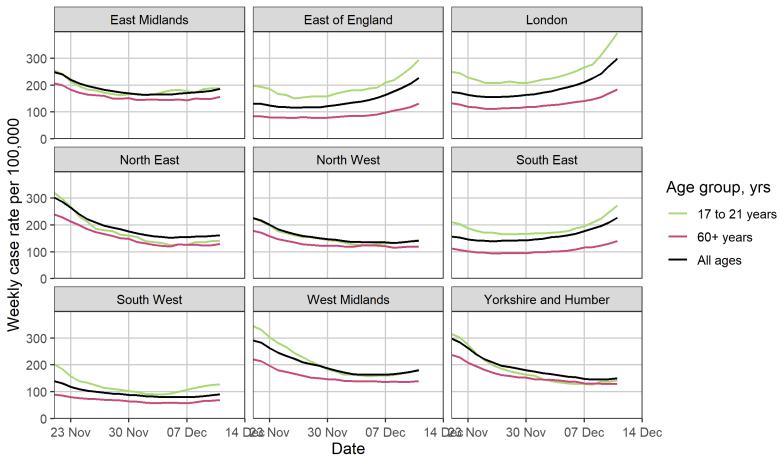


Labels show weekly case rate for 05 December 2020 to 11 December 2020

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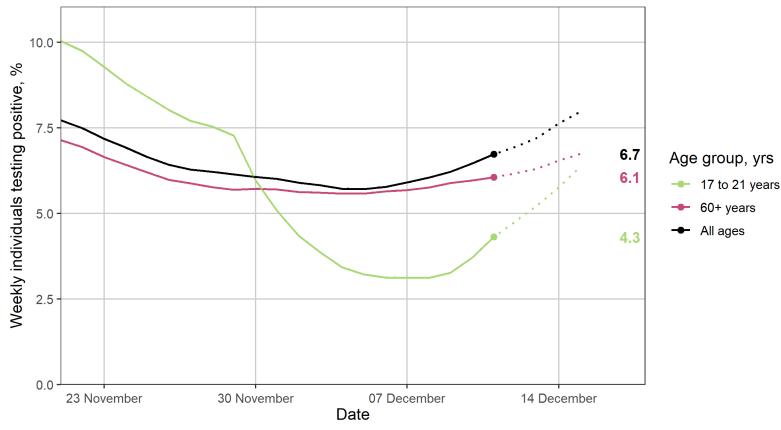
Case rate across both pillars 1 and 2 (weekly) – selected ages Data up to the 11 December 2020





Percentage of individuals testing positive across both pillars 1 and 2 (weekly) – selected ages Data up to the 11 December 2020





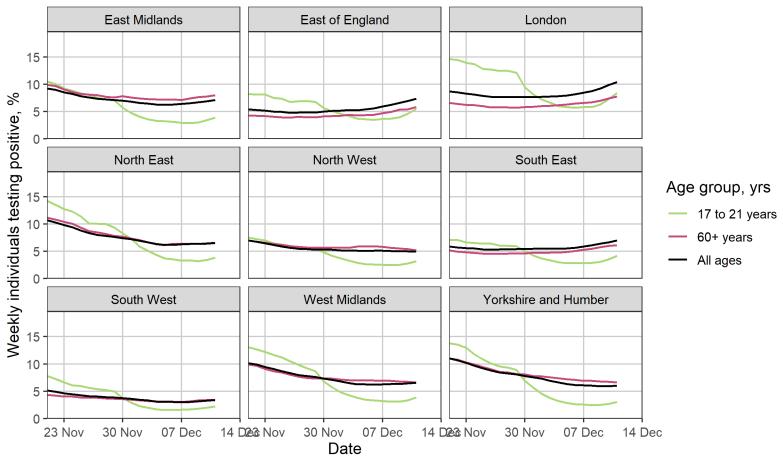
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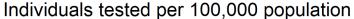
Test positivity and testing rate metrics based on updated methodology from 20th October

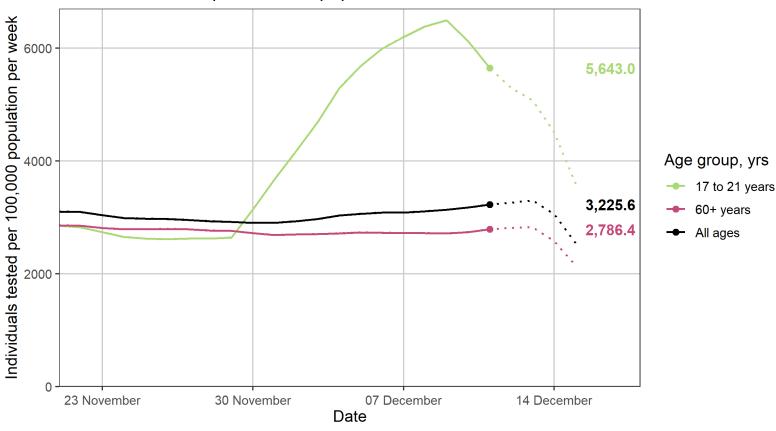
Percentage of individuals testing positive across both pillars 1 and 2 (weekly) – selected ages Data up to the 11 December 2020





Individuals tested across both pillars 1 and 2 (weekly) – selected ages Data up to the 11 December 2020

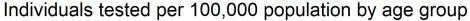


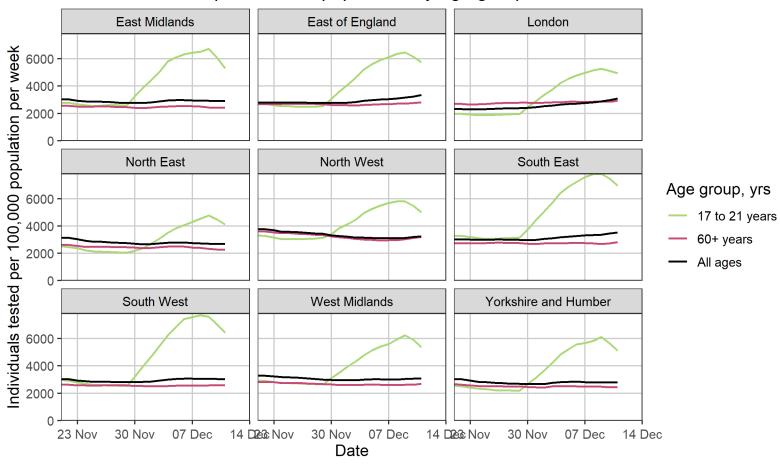


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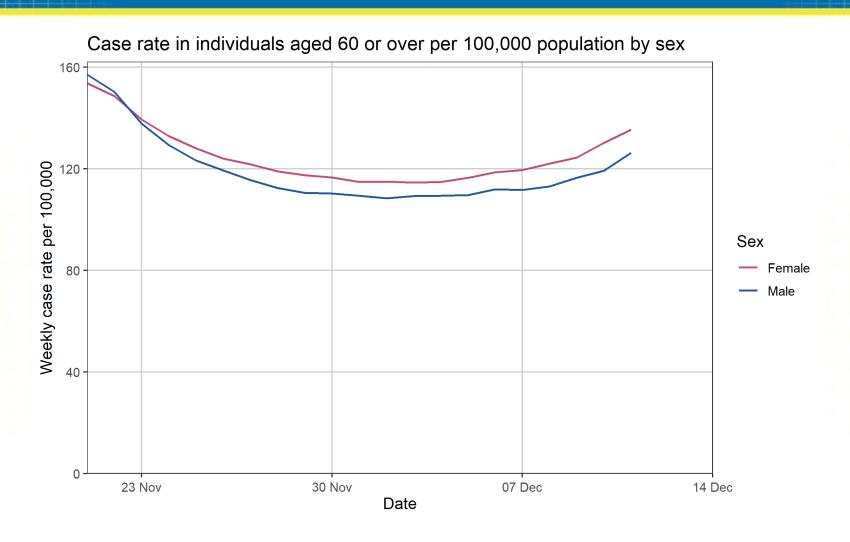
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Individuals tested across both pillars 1 and 2 (weekly) – selected ages Data up to the 11 December 2020



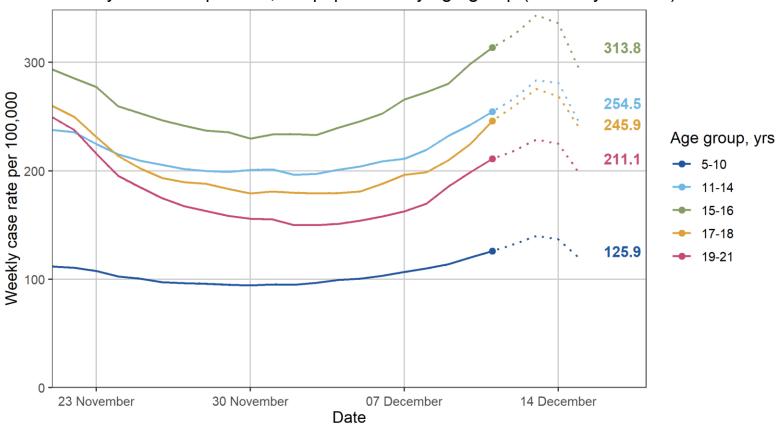


Case rate across both pillars 1 and 2 (weekly) – aged 60 or over Data up to the 11 December 2020



Case rate across both pillars 1 and 2 (weekly) – young people Data up to the 11 December 2020

Weekly case rate per 100,000 population by age group (5 to 21 year olds)

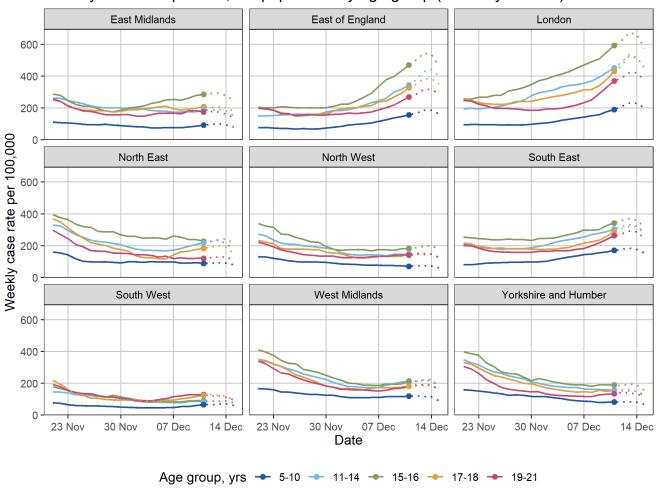


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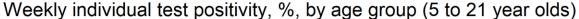
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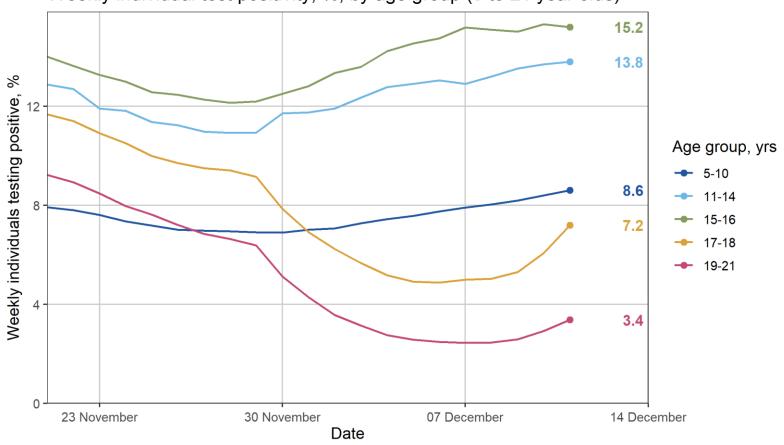
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Percentage of individuals testing positive across both pillars 1 and 2 (weekly) – young people Data up to the 11 December 2020

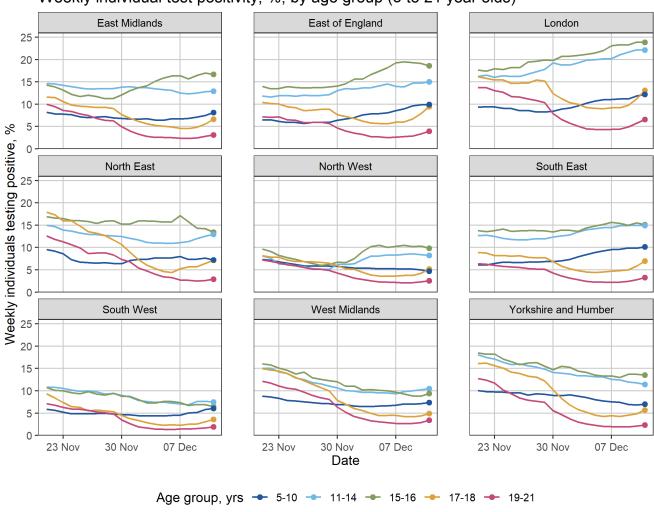




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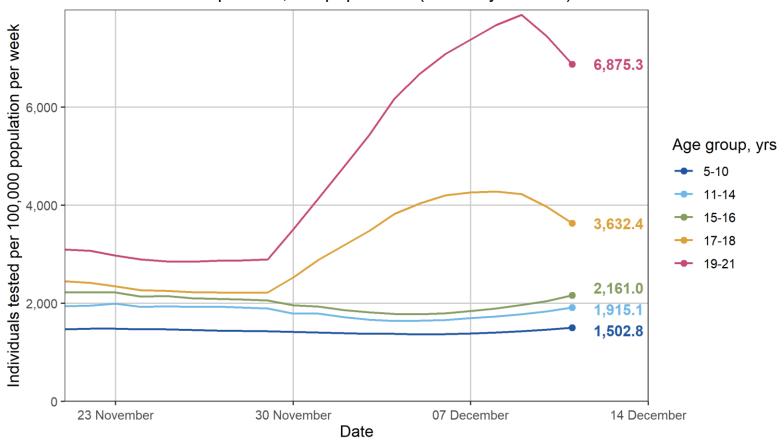
Percentage of individuals testing positive across both pillars 1 and 2 (weekly) – young people Data up to the 11 December 2020

Weekly individual test positivity, %, by age group (5 to 21 year olds)



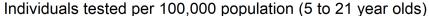
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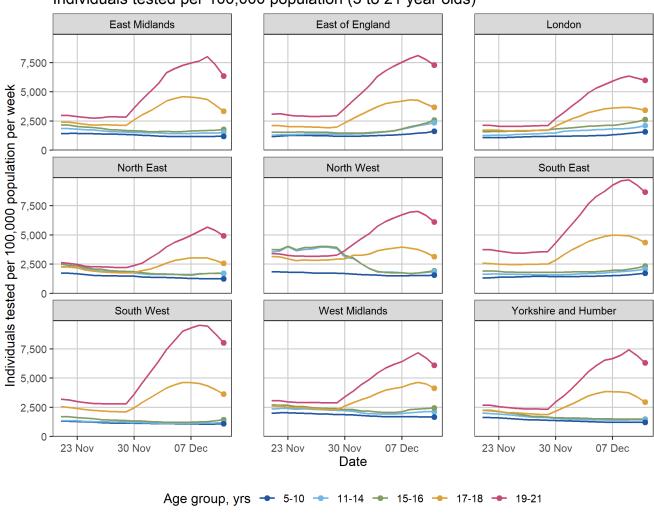




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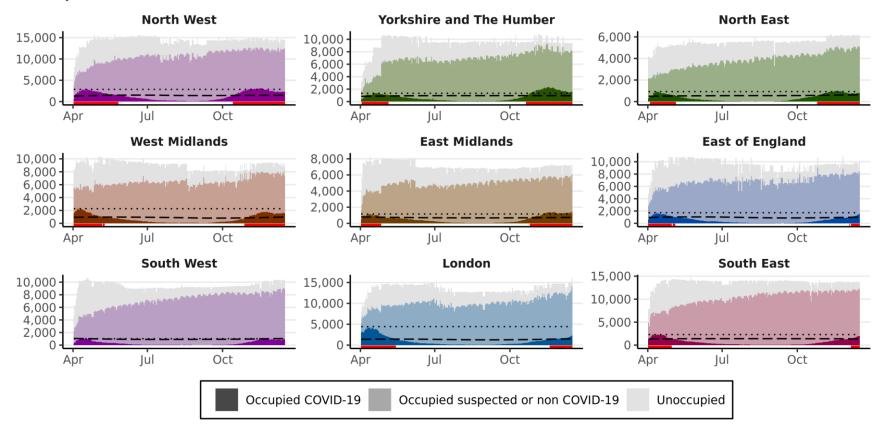




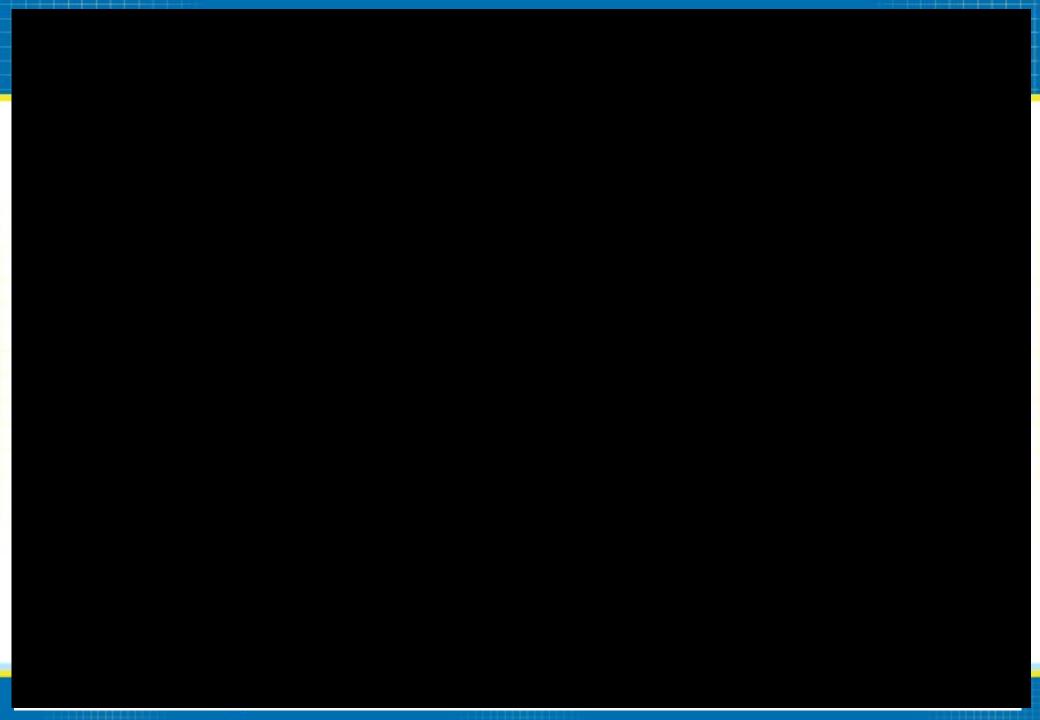
Bed occupancy and capacity by region - general and acute beds

Total bed occupancy and capacity by region

Dotted line shows 'spring peak value', i.e. highest daily COVID-19 bed occupancy recorded between 02 April 2020 and 01 June 2020. Solid bar above axis indicates when daily recorded COVID-19 bed occupancy is above 10% of daily available capacity, which is approximately shown by the dashed line.



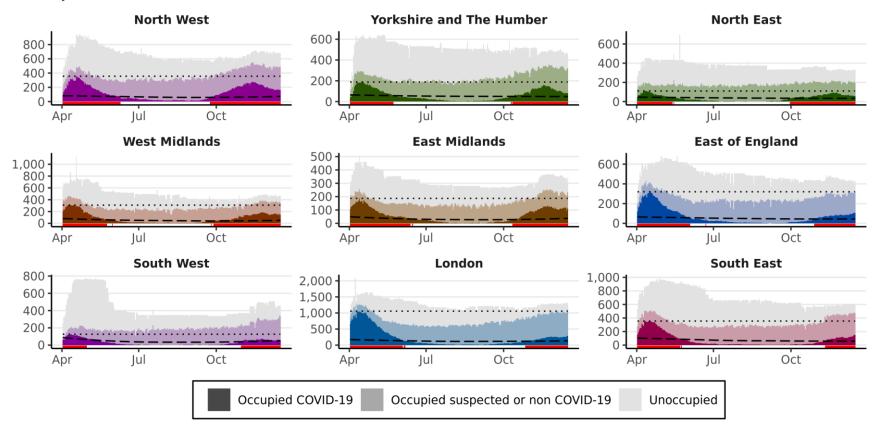
Source: NHS England & Improvement COVID-19 Hospital Activity Data, from 02 April 2020 to 16 December 2020. Produced by Joint Biosecurity Centre.



Bed occupancy and capacity by region - mechanical ventilation beds

Mechanical ventilation bed occupancy and capacity by region

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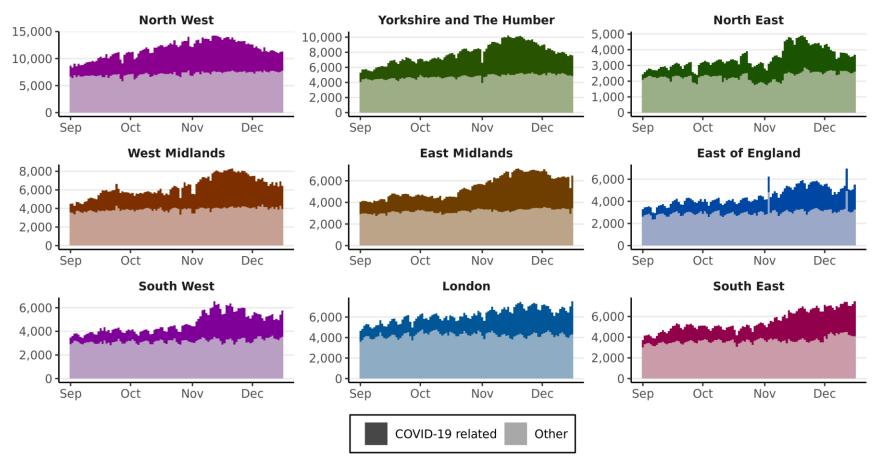


Source: NHS England & Improvement COVID-19 Hospital Activity Data, from 02 April 2020 to 16 December 2020. Produced by Joint Biosecurity Centre.



NHS staff absences by region (COVID-19 related and other)

Daily NHS staff absences by region



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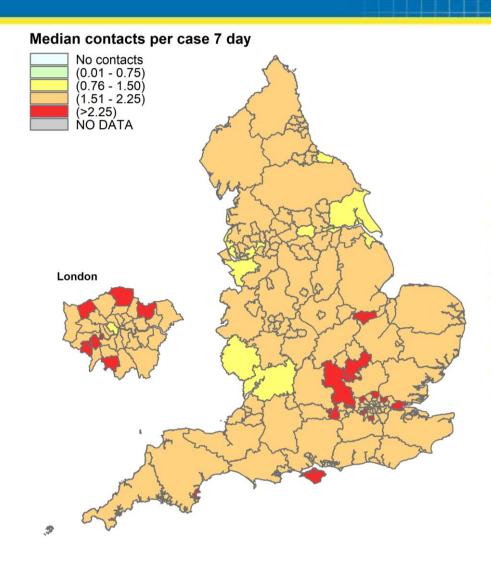




Contact tracing – 7 day Data extracted 14 December 2020 – data up to 13 December 2020

Median number of individual contacts per case by lower-tier local authority, England, overall from **7 December** to **13 December 2020** (NHS Test and Trace).

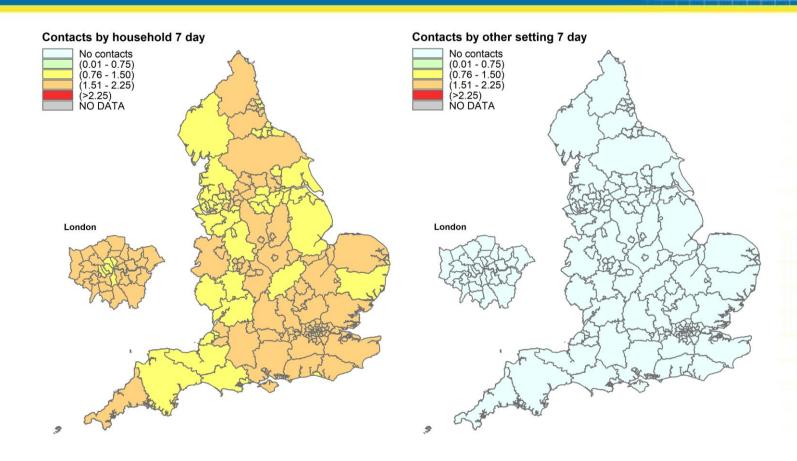
Note this excludes contacts identified as part of complex situations managed by Level 1.



Contact tracing – 7 day Data extracted 14 December 2020 – data up to 13 December 2020

Median number of contacts per case by setting (household or other) by lower-tier local authority, England, overall from **7 December** to **13 December 2020** (NHS Test and Trace).

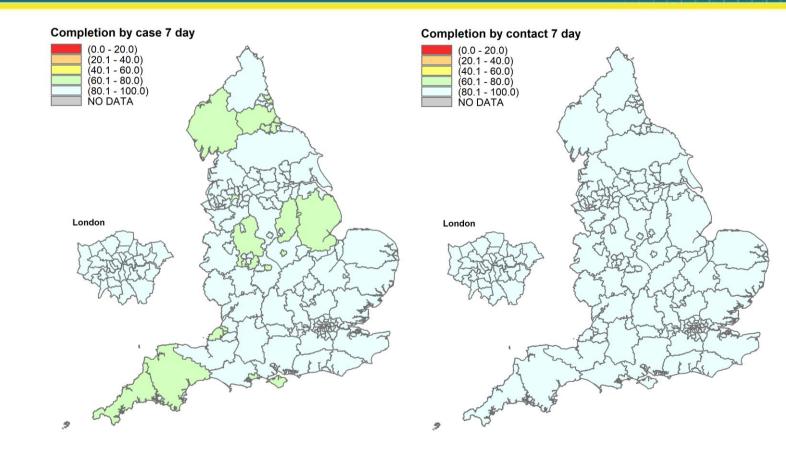
Note that contacts with unknown geography are assigned to the upper-tier local authority of the case that identified them.



Contact tracing – 7 day Data extracted 14 December 2020 – data up to 13 December 2020

Proportion of cases and contacts completing contact tracing by lower-tier local authority, England, overall from **7 December** to **13 December 2020** (NHS Test and Trace).

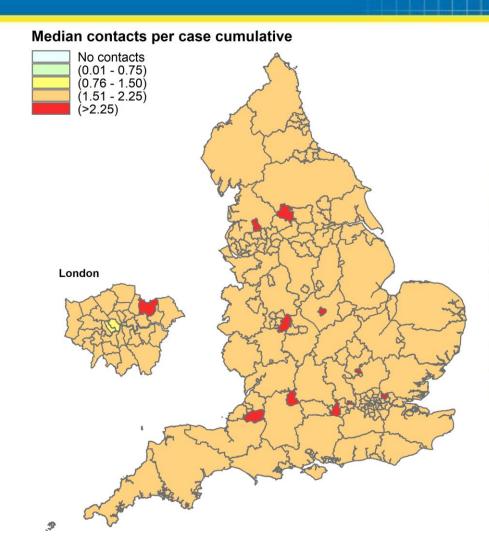
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Contact tracing – cumulative Data extracted 14 December 2020 – data up to 13 December 2020

Median number of individual contacts per case by lower-tier local authority, England, overall from **28 May** to **13 December 2020** (NHS Test and Trace).

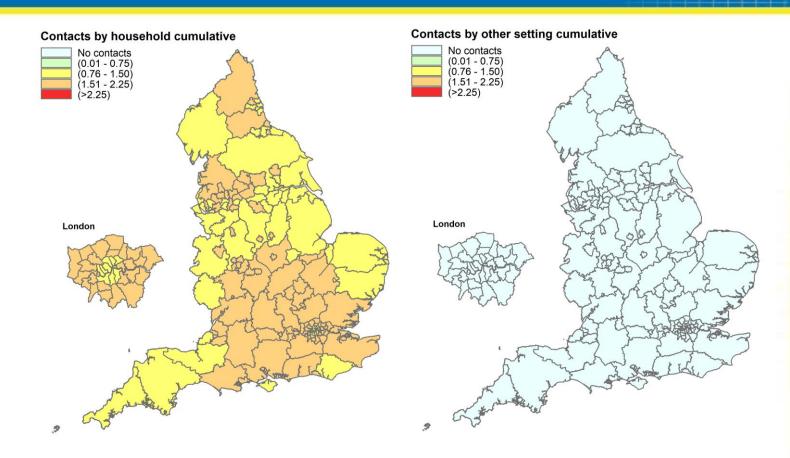
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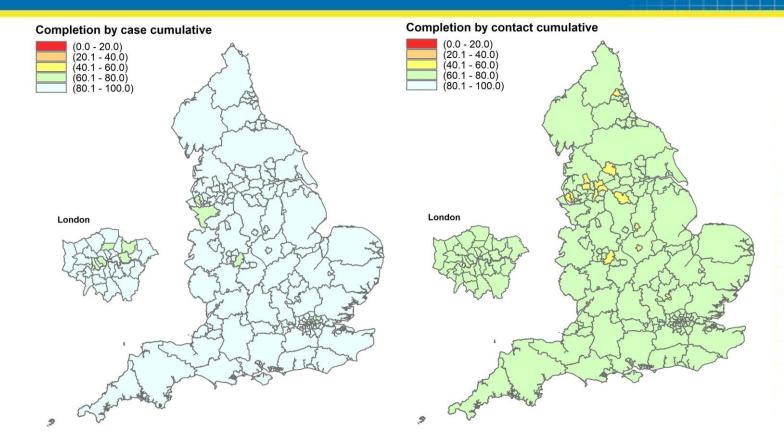
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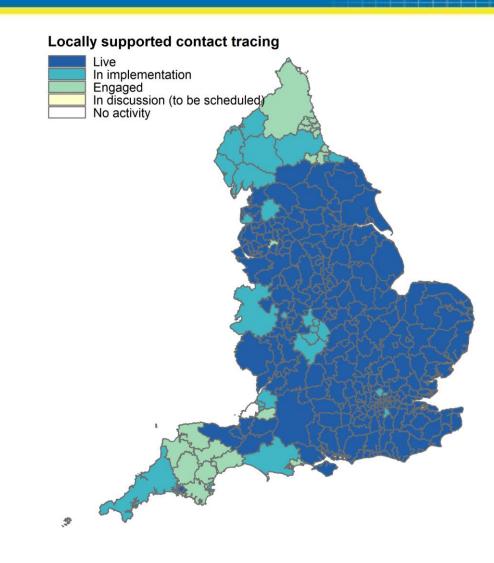
Contact tracing – cumulative Data extracted 14 December 2020 – data up to 13 December 2020

Proportion of cases and contacts completing contact tracing by lower-tier local authority, England, overall from 28 May to 13 December 2020 (NHS Test and Trace).

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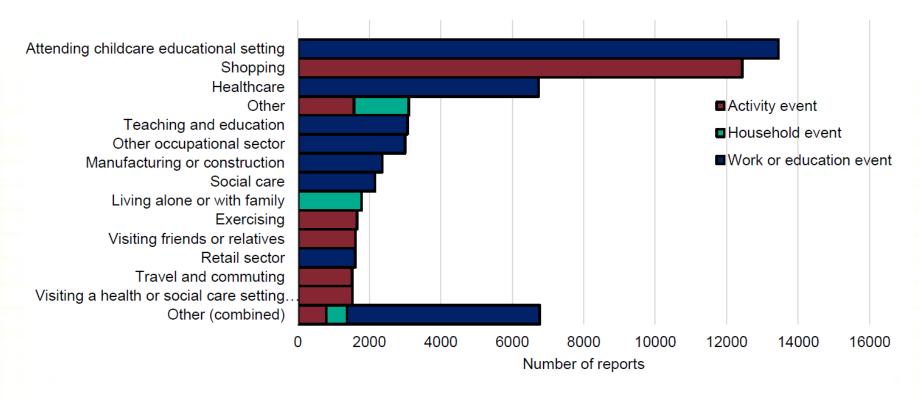


Locally supported contact tracing Data extracted 16 December 2020



Enhanced contact tracing Exposure setting for all reported contacts (Data source: NHS Test and Trace)

Events and activities reported by people testing positive, prior to symptom onset in week 49, England

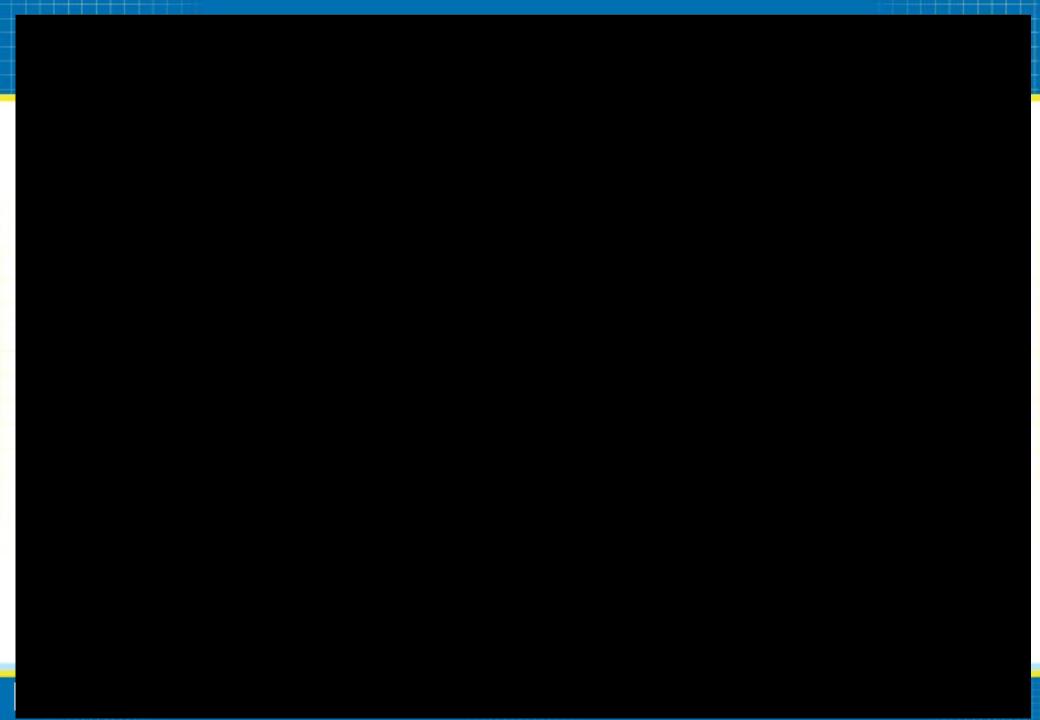


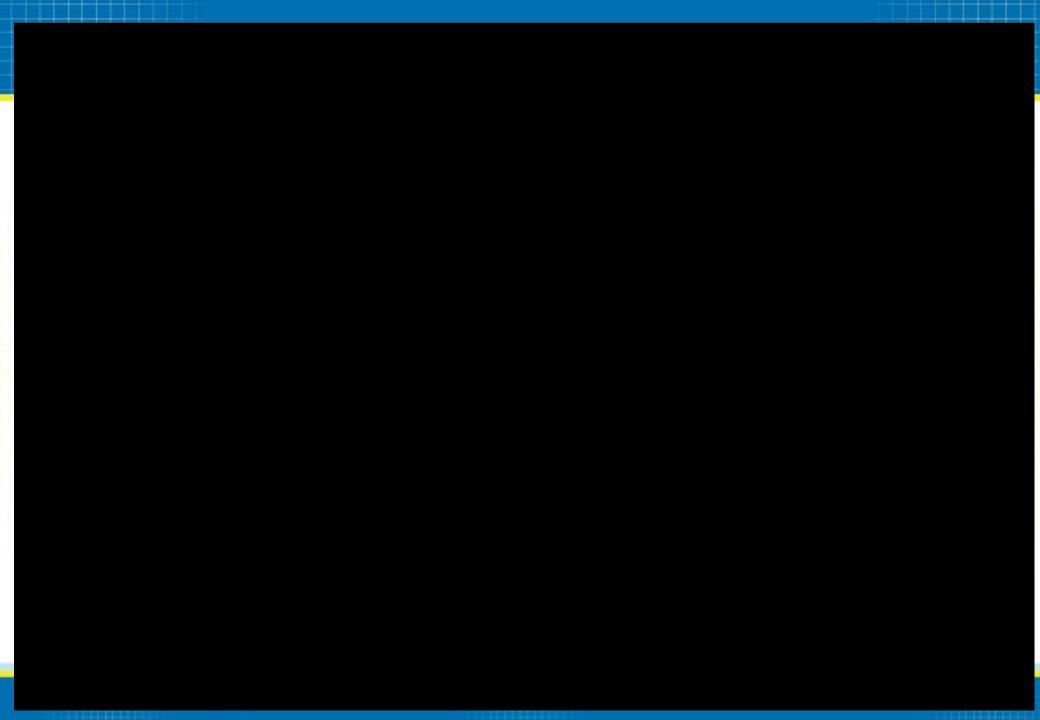
Note: 'Other' includes a wide range of different activities and settings, each of which has small numbers of individuals, as well as activities which did not fit any specific category and were added as Other by the case. This includes: (all within 'activities': Arts entertainment or recreation; Civil service or government; Close contact services; Community and charity activities; Critical national infrastructure; Emergency services; Financial services; Food production; Hospitality; Immigration border services; Information and communication; Military; Personal care; Prison; Private events and celebrations; Public events and mass gathering; event within a shared household; Sport events; Supported living; Teaching and education; Transport; 'Other (combined)' includes all exposure group types that have small counts such as "went to church", "went to the zoo" within that event type.

Data extracted 10 December 2020













Weekly report on Acute Respiratory Infection (ARI) Situations reported to PHE Methodology, data sources and limitations

- We report on new acute respiratory infection (ARI) situations reported to Health Protection Teams (HPTs) and entered on HPZone in the previous reporting week by setting and locality.
- Daily and weekly aggregated surveillance reports are extracted from HPZone to generate the line listing.
- The weekly extracts include situations reported in the previous epidemiological week (Monday to Sunday) by locality and context (setting e.g. school)
- Situations associated with Educational settings and Workplaces undergo further investigation. Individual case
 notes are reviewed by an epidemiologist and an assessment made about whether the criteria for a confirmed
 COVID-19 cluster or outbreak are met. See definitions.
- Situations associated with Educational settings, Workplaces, Other settings and Food Outlets/ Restaurants are also further classified into sub-categories by review of individual records.
- It is important to note that many of these situations remain live and so the description presented here may not necessarily be final.
- Of note a national school helpline started operating on 17 September 2020 and a Universities helpline started operating on 7 October. This is likely to have had an impact on the number of situations/outbreaks being reported to HPTs in these settings.
- The denominator (the overall number of settings in each category) will differ by the setting category, for example
 there are fewer hospitals than workplaces, as will the propensity to report incidents to PHE. Therefore these
 data are more useful for monitoring trends over time than making comparisons across setting categories.
- Schools in England were closed for half-term during weeks 43 or/ and 44.
- The situations captured on HPZone represent a subset of all ongoing clusters and outbreaks in England rather
 than an exhaustive listing. A variety of arrangements are in place with local authorities and other stakeholders
 supporting HPTs, however data are not routinely documented on HPZone. As a result, the number of outbreaks
 reported for some of the regions are underestimates.

Methodology, data sources and limitations

Definitions

Cluster: two or more test-confirmed cases of COVID-19 among individuals associated with a specific non-residential setting with illness onset dates within a 14-day period (in the absence of detailed information about the type of contact between the cases).

Outbreak: two or more test-confirmed cases of COVID-19 among individuals associated with a specific non-residential setting with illness onset dates within 14 days, and one of:

Identified direct exposure between at least 2 of the test-confirmed cases in that setting (for example under one metre face to face, or spending more than 15 minutes within 2 metres) during the infectious period of one of the cases

When there is no sustained local community transmission - absence of an alternative source of infection outside the setting for the initially identified cases



Wastewater Summary Board with 5 Highest Values until 22 November 2020

Figure 1: 7 day rolling average

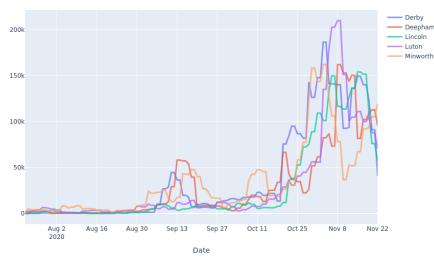


Figure 2: 7 day average of levels of SARS-CoV-2 RNA

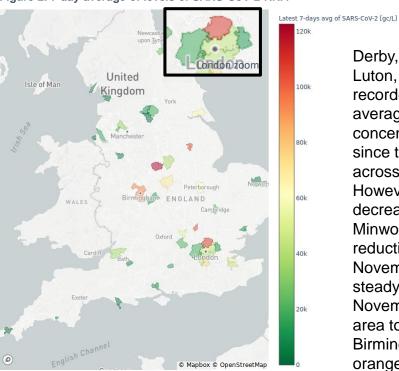


Table 1: areas sampled with highest levels of SARS-CoV-2 over the last week

Site Name	Latest 7-days avg of SARS-CoV-2 [gc/L]	Rank
Derby	122669	1
Deepham	109555	2
Lincoln	108013	3
Luton	105070	4
Minworth	93757	5

Derby, Deepham, Lincoln, Luton, and Minworth have recorded the highest 7-day average of SARS-CoV-2 concentrations in Wastewater since the 22nd November across all of England. However, all are now decreasing apart from Minworth, which saw an initial reduction in the first week of November, but has now seen a steady increase since November 11th, Minworth is an area to the North-East of Birmingham, highlighted in orange in Figure 2, and will be an area of increased vigilance going forward.

Dashboard View of WW Levels of SARS-CoV-2 for Derby contrasted against Pillar 2 Data

There is a strong association between SARS-CoV-2 levels in WW and Pillar 2 data.

This relationship is represented across the majority of sites.

The timeseries shows high levels in Derby, which are starting to decline.

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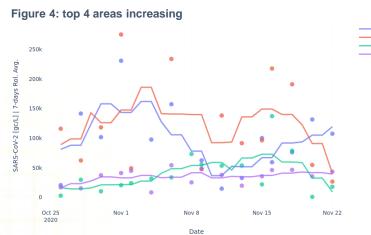
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Figure 3: dashboard extract for Derby

Top 4 Areas Increasing and Decreasing Levels of SARS-CoV-2 RNA in Wastewater

Top 4 Areas with Increasing Levels of SARS-CoV-2 RNA in WW over the last 2 weeks



Site Name	Percent Change 7 day	
Minworth	78.3	
Derby	31.1	
Hull	27.2	
Hogsmill	20.9	

Minworth, Derby, Hull, and Hogsmill are ranked as the top 4 areas with increasing levels of SARS-CoV-2 RNA in wastewater over the last 2 weeks as defined by percentage change between the two last weekly-averaged values. However, it should be noted that Derby and Hull, since around the 18th and 19th are starting to experience a decline over their 7 day averages. Hogsmill appears to be levelling off, but Minworth, at the North-East of Birmingham, as noted previously, is sharply increasing.

Top 4 Areas with Decreasing Levels of SARS-CoV-2 RNA over the last 2 weeks

Figure 5: top 4 areas decreasing



Site Name	_{7 day} Percent Change	
Riverside	-72.7	
Trowbridge	-73	
Barston	-76.3	
Dewsbury	-92.3	

Riverside, Trowbridge, Barston, and Dewsbury are ranked as the top 4 areas with decreasing levels of SARS-CoV-2 RNA in wastewater over the last 2 weeks as defined by percentage change between the two last weekly-averaged values. Dewsbury has fallen so much so since November 6th, the instigation of the National Lockdown, that its SARS-CoV-2 RNA levels have fallen below the limit of detection (the threshold for detecting SARS-CoV-2 RNA via wastewater), indicating low prevalence in the area. Barston also demonstrates a steep decrease in SARS-CoV-2 RNA levels. Finally, Trowbridge and Riverside have also seen significant decreases since the 6th November. Together these data demonstrating the effectiveness of Lockdown measures.





Sources of data and signposting

Internal reports/updates

- Weekly COVID19_Epidemiological Internal Update report
- COVID-19 Exceedance Daily Review
- All regions PHE Situations of Interest daily update
- PHE NHS Test and Trace: Weekly Contact Tracing Report
- PHE Daily Care Home Report
- PHE Educational settings weekly report for NERVTAG
- COVID-19: nowcast and forecast

Published reports

- National flu and COVID-19 surveillance reports
- Weekly Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Surveillance Report
- ONS Coronavirus (COVID-19) Infection Survey, UK
- REACT-1 round 7 updated report

Data sources

Second Generation Surveillance System (SGSS)

Data as of 15 December 2020 00:00hrs

Laboratory-confirmed cases reported to PHE. SGSS data is further de-duplicated and cleaned by the PHE ICC Epidemiology Cell. The dataset includes all positive COVID-19 cases reported through both Pillar 1 and Pillar 2 testing. Numbers in most recent days may rise due to potential delays to data reporting and validation. The number of confirmed cases reflects both the case rate of infection and testing rates.

PHE Unified Sample Dataset (USD)

Data as of 16 December 2020 00:00hrs

Data on individuals testing negative for SARS-CoV2 in both Pillar 1 and 2. This data is deduplicated to only include one record for any individual who has had only negative samples

HPZone case and incident management system

Data as of 16 December 2020 08:00hrs

Only outbreaks reported to PHE are included. Absolute numbers should be interpreted with caution. Reporting practice is known to vary with time and geography. Community outbreaks exclude outbreaks reported from secondary care and care home settings.

Frequency of slide updates

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4-9	Time series charts - selected age groups- cases, postivity & testing	daily	16/12/2020
10	Case Rate over 60's by gender	daily	16/12/2020
11-16	Time series charts - age 5-21 years - cases, postivity & testing	daily	16/12/2020
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