

COVID-19 Statistics

As at 17 January 2022

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About this release

This weekly release by Public Health Scotland presents data on COVID-19 across NHS Scotland.

Main Points

- As at 16 January 2022, there have been 1,097,158 confirmed COVID-19 cases by PCR (polymerase chain reaction) only; 27,944 of these were recorded in the most recent week, a decrease of 65.2% from the previous week
- There has been a 7.1% increase in the number of Lateral Flow Device (LFD) asymptomatic tests carried out in the last week. There have been 20,098,516 LFD tests carried out in Scotland since 19 November 2020, of which 222,827 were positive (1.1%)
- On 05 January 2022, the Scottish Government announced that asymptomatic people who return a positive lateral flow test (LFT) will no longer have to confirm their positive result with a PCR test. From 06 January 2022 to 16 January 2022 there have been 123,573 people in Scotland who have tested positive for COVID-19 on either a PCR or LFD test
- In the last week from 08 January to 14 January 2022, in an age-standardised population, the rate of acute COVID-19 related hospital admissions in individuals that received a booster or third dose of a COVID-19 vaccine was between 2.3 to 3.9 times lower than in individuals who are unvaccinated or have only received one or two doses of a COVID-19 vaccine
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- In the week ending 11 January 2022, there were 1,040 admissions to hospital with a laboratory confirmed test of COVID-19, a decrease of 4% from the previous week. The highest number of new admissions are now in those aged 80+
- The proportion of all people who were admitted to hospital within 14 days of a laboratory confirmed COVID-19 positive test has declined, from 12% in the week ending 31 January 2021, to 1% in the most recent week ending 02 January 2022
- In the week ending 16 January 2022 there were 31 new admissions to Intensive Care Units (ICUs) for confirmed COVID-19. This is a decrease of 46.3% from the week ending 09 January 2022

Additional charts and data are available to view in the [interactive dashboard](#) accompanying this report.

Wider Impact Detailed Analysis

The response to the COVID-19 pandemic is likely to have a wider impact on health and care as a result of the lockdown, economic pressures and changes to health services.

A range of analyses on the impact of COVID-19 across aspects of NHS Scotland is available on the [interactive information tool](#).

Background

Since the start of the outbreak, Public Health Scotland (PHS) has been working closely with the Scottish Government and health and care colleagues to support the surveillance and monitoring of COVID-19 amongst the population. There is a large amount of data being regularly published regarding COVID-19 (for example, [Coronavirus in Scotland – Scottish Government](#) and [Deaths involving coronavirus in Scotland – National Records of Scotland](#)). This report complements the range of existing data currently available.

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Further information

Data from this publication are available from the [publication page](#) on our website.

The next release of this publication will be 26 January 2022.

Open Data

Data from this publication are available to download from the [Scottish Health and Social Care Open Data Portal](#).

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