

Statement from the National Public Health Emergency Team - Friday 16 October

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The Health Protection Surveillance Centre has today been notified of 3 additional deaths related to COVID-19.

There has been a total of 1,841 COVID-19 related deaths in Ireland.

As of midnight Thursday 15 October, the HPSC has been notified of 1,000 confirmed cases of COVID-19. There has now been a total of 47,427* confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Ireland.

(*Validation of data at the HPSC has resulted in the denotification of 2 confirmed cases. The figure of 47,427 confirmed cases reflects this.)

Of the cases notified today:

- 478 are men / 520 are women
- 71% are under 45 years of age
- the median age is 31 years old
- 254 in Dublin, 102 in Meath, 88 in Cork, 81 in Cavan, 75 in Galway and the remaining 400 cases are spread across 20 counties

As of 2pm today 246 COVID-19 patients are hospitalised, of which 30 are in ICU. There have been 13 additional hospitalisations in the past 24 hours.

Dr. Tony Holohan, Chief Medical Officer, Department of Health said:

"Case numbers are continuing to rise. Right now, we need everyone to cut their social contacts to an absolute minimum. Every time you physically interact with another person, you are providing an opportunity for the virus to spread."

The [COVID-19 Dashboard](#) provides up-to-date information on the key indicators of COVID-19 in the community.

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Today's cases, 14-day incidence rate per 100,000 population and new cases in last 14 days (as of midnight 15 October 2020) (incidence rate based on Census 2016 county population)

County	Today's Cases (to midnight 15/10/20)	14-Day incidence rate per 100,000 population (14 days to midnight 15/10/20)	New Cases during last 14 days (14 days to midnight 15/10/20)
NATIONAL	1,000	217.9	10,377
Cavan	81	735.1	560
Meath	102	402.5	785
Monaghan	15	368.2	226
Donegal	32	365.0	581
Clare	12	308.9	367
Sligo	34	291.4	191
Cork	88	237.3	1,288
Galway	75	228.6	590
Leitrim	18	218.4	70
Westmeath	3	210.7	187
Limerick	22	208.8	407
Kildare	32	203.6	453
Wexford	28	202.4	303
Dublin	254	198.6	2,676
Roscommon	7	196.8	127
Louth	33	180.8	233
Longford	<5	176.2	72
Kerry	9	175.3	259
Laois	8	168.8	143
Offaly	<5	141.1	110
Mayo	26	123.4	161
Kilkenny	23	122.9	122
Carlow	21	119.4	68
Waterford	32	109.3	127
Wicklow	21	91.3	130
Tipperary	22	88.4	141

Hospital statistics

Total number of cases

46,427

Total number hospitalised	3,936
Total number admitted to ICU	508
Total number of deaths	1,586
Total number of healthcare workers	9,839
Number clusters notified	5,265
Cases associated with clusters	24,257
Median age	41

*All statistics measured at midnight on Wednesday 14 October.

Gender of patients

Gender	Number of cases	Change since the day before
Female	24,931	+589
Male	21,450	+613
Unknown	46	+1
Total	46,427	+1,203

*All statistics measured at midnight on Wednesday 14 October.

Age range affected

Age range	Number of cases	Change since the day before
0 - 4	809	+37
5 - 14	1,860	+91
15 - 24	7,148	+334
25 - 34	8,184	+210
35 - 44	7,555	+177
45 - 54	7,369	+165
55 - 64	5,204	+110
65 - 74	2,822	+52
75 - 84	2,805	+18
85+	2,643	+9
Unknown	28	No change

*All statistics measured at midnight on Wednesday 14 October.

How COVID-19 is spreading

Transmission classification	%
Community transmission	27.2
Close contact with confirmed case	65.6

Travel abroad	1.9
Unknown	5.3

*All statistics measured at midnight on Wednesday 14 October.

Note:

In the event that a person tests positive for COVID-19 and hasn't been abroad or had contact with another confirmed case in Ireland, that's known as community transmission.

In the event that a person who tests positive for COVID-19 can be linked to another confirmed case in Ireland, that's known as close contact.

Hospitalised cases by age group

Age range	Number of cases	Change since the day before
0 - 4	41	No change
5 - 14	31	No change
15 - 24	118	+3
25 - 34	250	+2
35 - 44	315	No change
45 - 54	518	+5
55 - 64	588	+2
65 - 74	692	+3
75 - 84	851	+4
85+	530	+1
Unknown	2	No change

*All statistics measured at midnight on Wednesday 14 October.

Cases by county

Note: The Health Protection Surveillance Centre have advised that in the process of validating data and reviewing addresses, county totals may change due to cases being reassigned to another county. Totals can go up or down.

County	Number of cases	Change since the day before
Carlow	339	+6
Cavan	1,451	+63
Clare	964	+13
Cork	3,453	+173
Donegal	1,562	+50
Dublin	19,913	+288
Galway	1,309	+97

Kerry	654	+37
Kildare	3,035	+32
Kilkenny	571	+8
Laois	600	+32
Leitrim	170	+7
Limerick	1,367	+41
Longford	442	+16
Louth	1,254	+16
Mayo	789	+24
Meath	1,781	+123
Monaghan	908	+14
Offaly	848	+12
Roscommon	591	+21
Sligo	340	+24
Tipperary	925	+5
Waterford	440	+19
Westmeath	975	+45
Wexford	685	+27
Wicklow	1,061	+10

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