Statement from the National Public Health Emergency Team - Wednesday 28 October

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The Health Protection Surveillance Centre has today been notified of 6 additional deaths related to COVID-19.

There has been a total of 1,896 COVID-19 related deaths in Ireland.

As of midnight Tuesday 27 October the HPSC has been notified of 675 confirmed cases of COVID-19. There has now been a total of 59,434* confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Ireland.

(*Validation of data at the HPSC has resulted in the denotification of 8 confirmed cases. The figure of 59,434 confirmed cases reflects this.)

Of the cases notified today:

- 309 are men and 364 are women
- 65% are under 45 years of age
- the median age is 35 years old
- 199 in Dublin, 104 in Cork, 67 in Meath, 50 in Limerick, 41 in Kildare and the remaining 214 cases are spread across another 20 counties

As of 2pm today, 328 COVID-19 patients are hospitalised, of which 41 are in ICU. There have been 19 additional hospitalisations in the past 24 hours.

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

"Everyone must be aware of the actions they should take if they have symptoms or are awaiting a test or if they are a contact of a confirmed case.

"If you have symptoms of COVID-19, you must self isolate and phone your GP for further advice.

"If you have been referred for a test or are awaiting a test result, you must self isolate.

"If you are a confirmed case of COVID-19 you must self isolate for 10 days.

"If you are identified or have identified yourself as a close contact of a confirmed case, you must restrict your movements.

"Stay informed on the public health advice around COVID-19 and be prepared to protect yourself and those around you."

The COVID-19 Dashboard provides up-to-date information on the key indicators of COVID-19 in the community.

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Notes

For more information on self-isolation from the HSE, click here. Watch a video on how and when to self-isolate with Chief Medical Officer Dr Tony Holohan here.

For more information on restricting your movements from the HSE, click here. Watch a video on how and when to restrict your movements with Deputy Chief Medical Officer Dr Heather Burns here.

Today's cases, 14-day incidence rate per 100,000 population and new cases in last 14 days (as of midnight 27 October 2020) (incidence rate based on Census 2016 county population)

County	Today's Cases (to midnight 27/10/20)	14-Day incidence rate per 100,000 population (14 days to midnight 27/10/20)	New Cases during last 14 days (14 days to midnight 27/10/20)
IRELAND	**675**	**299.0**	**14,239**
Cavan	12	811.3	618
Meath	67	597.8	1,166
Westmeath	14	452.9	402
Sligo	<5	425.7	279
Galway	13	370.8	957
Cork	104	333.0	1,808
Carlow	13	323.2	184
Monaghan	6	322.5	198
Donegal	20	312.8	498
Limerick	50	310.4	605
Longford	8	308.3	126
Kildare	41	289.9	645
Louth	26	287.9	371
Kerry	17	283.0	418

Roscommon	<5	258.7	167
Mayo	<5	257.5	336
Wexford	<5	257.1	385
Dublin	199	256.9	3,461
Laois	6	255.0	216
Clare	15	249.1	296
Offaly	7	228.3	178
Waterford	<5	224.7	261
Leitrim	<5	196.6	63
Kilkenny	5	173.3	172
Wicklow	12	145.3	207
Tipperary	20	139.1	222

Note:

The lowest national 14-day incidence rate was on 3 July 2020 when the rate was 2.98 cases per 100,000 population.

Hospital statistics

Total number of cases	58,759
Total number hospitalised	4,254
Total number admitted to ICU	538
Total number of deaths	1,636
Total number of healthcare workers	10,241
Number clusters notified	6,291
Cases associated with clusters	28,137
Median age	40

*All statistics measured at midnight on Monday 26 October.

Gender of patients

Gender	Number of cases
Male	27,509
Female	31,196
Unknown	54
Total	58,759

*All statistics measured at midnight on Monday 26 October.

Age range affected

Age range	Number of cases
0 - 4	1,280
5 - 14	3,083
15 - 24	10,150
25 - 34	10,043
35 - 44	9,253
45 - 54	9,017
55 - 64	6,514
65 - 74	3,438
75 - 84	3,120
85+	2,832
Unknown	29

*All statistics measured at midnight on Monday 26 October.

How COVID-19 is spreading

Transmission classification	%
Community transmission	29.2
Close contact with confirmed case	60.7
Travel abroad	1.6
Unknown	8.6

*All statistics measured at midnight on Monday 26 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
0 - 4	43
5 - 14	39
15 - 24	126
25 - 34	265
35 - 44	341
45 - 54	553
55 - 64	636

65 - 74   759
75 - 84   920
85+   570
Unknown 2

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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	506	+9
Cavan	1,994	+19
Clare	1,229	+15
Cork	4,983	+125
Donegal	1,990	+6
Dublin	22,872	+227
Galway	2,154	+46
Kerry	1,015	+21
Kildare	3,604	+22
Kilkenny	728	+12
Laois	778	+12
Leitrim	227	No change
Limerick	1,883	+25
Longford	544	+6
Louth	1,583	+17
Mayo	1,099	+22
Meath	2,739	+18
Monaghan	1,086	+12
Offaly	1,007	+12
Roscommon	732	+3
Sligo	589	+7
Tipperary	1,122	+6
Waterford	678	+20
Westmeath	1,330	+27
Wexford	1,039	+13
Wicklow	1,248	+10

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