Statement from the National Public Health Emergency Team - Wednesday 24 March

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Today's cases

The Health Protection Surveillance Centre has today been notified of 18 additional deaths related to COVID-19.

Of the deaths reported today, 6 occurred in March, 7 in February and 5 in January.

There has been a total of 4,628 COVID-19 related deaths in Ireland.

As of midnight Tuesday 23 March, the HPSC has been notified of 683 confirmed cases of COVID-19. There has now been a total of 232,164* confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Ireland.

(*Validation of data at the HPSC has resulted in the denotification of 4 confirmed cases. The figure of 232,164 confirmed cases reflects this.)

Of the cases notified today:

- 324 are men and 359 are women
- 75% are under 45 years of age
- the median age is 32 years old
- 308 in Dublin, 68 in Donegal, 49 in Kildare, 35 in Meath, 30 in Offaly and the remaining 193 cases are spread across 21 other counties

As of 8am today, 329 COVID-19 patients are hospitalised, of which 76 are in ICU. There have been 18 additional hospitalisations in the past 24 hours.

Latest update on vaccines

As of last Sunday (21 March), there have been 680,015 doses of COVID-19 vaccine administered in Ireland:

- 495,824 people have received their first dose
- 184,191 people have received their second dose

The <u>COVID-19 data hub</u> provides up-to-date information on the key indicators of COVID-19 in the community including daily data on Ireland's COVID-19 Vaccination Programme.

County-by-county cases

- the 7-day incidence rate is 83
- the 5-day moving average is 573

County	Today's cases (to midnight 23/3/21)	5 day moving average	14-day incidence rate per 100,000 population	New cases during last 14 days
Ireland	683	573	159.3	7,586
Offaly	30	32	443.8	346
Kildare	49	31	249	554
Donegal	68	39	246.9	393
Dublin	308	250	239	3,220
Longford	5	6	237.3	97
Meath	35	34	225.1	439
Carlow	<5	6	166.9	95
Roscommon	1<5	6	153.4	99
Tipperary	23	20	152.3	243
Westmeath	13	10	149.8	133
Galway	24	22	140.3	362
Waterford	<5	13	136	158
Louth	9	13	134.2	173
Wexford	11	16	130.2	195
Laois	18	10	119.2	101
Wicklow	<5	9	96.2	137
Limerick	21	13	95.4	186
Cavan	9	4	93.2	71
Sligo	<5	3	85.5	56
Mayo	11	6	59.8	78
Clare	6	4	54.7	65
Leitrim	<5	1	53.1	17
Monaghan	<5	1	48.9	30
Kerry	7	3	48.7	72
Cork	14	16	42.9	233
Kilkenny	<5	3	33.3	33