



Weekly Report on the Epidemiology of COVID-19 in Ireland Week 15, 2021

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Please note:

- The epidemiological weeks in this report, run from Sunday to Saturday. Please refer to the <u>HPSC website</u> for a complete list of epidemiological weeks with start and end dates for 2020/2021.
- Reference dates:
 - Week 15 2021 (11th April 2021 to 17th April 2021)
 - Week 48 2020 (22nd to 28th November 2020)
 - Week 10 2020 (1st to 7th March 2020) The beginning of the pandemic in Ireland
- Data for this report were extracted from Computerised Infectious Disease Reporting (CIDR) system on 19/04/2021 and are provisional and subject to ongoing review, validation and update. As a result, figures in this report may differ from previously published figures.
- **Note**: At the end of week 53 2020 a significant number of cases were awaiting processing, as a result the number of cases reported in week 53 2020 is reduced and the number of cases reported in week 1 2020 is inflated, when data are presented by notification date

Summary characteristics of COVID-19 cases notified in Ireland



	(week 1	otal 10, 2020- 5, 2021)	Week 1	5, 2021	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
Total number of confirmed cases	243,508		2,593		
Incidence rate of confirmed cases per 100,000 population	5113.7		54.5		
Number of cases hospitalised	13,982	5.7	95*	3.7	
Number of cases admitted to ICU	1,481	0.6	<5*	0.2	
Number of deaths among confirmed cases	4,568	1.9	0	0.0	
Case fatality ratio (CFR %)	1.9		0.0		
Incidence rate of confirmed deaths per 100,000 population	95.9		0.0		
Number of cases associated with clusters	76,061	31.2	480	18.5	
Number of imported cases	1,515	0.6	17	0.7	
Number of cases in healthcare workers	28,352	11.6	81	3.1	
Males	116,225	47.7	1,278	49.3	
Females	127,196	52.2	1,310	50.5	
M:F ratio	0.91		0.98		
Median (years)	37		32		
Mean age (years)	40		33		
Age range (years)	0 - 108		0 - 92		

^{*} The number of cases hospitalised and admitted to ICU described in the above table relate only to COVID-19 cases who were notified during this reporting period, and where the outcome is known at the time of reporting. It does not reflect all hospitalisations and ICU admissions related to COVID-19 which occurred during the period covered by the report. It also does not reflect the final number of cases hospitalised or admitted to ICU for these cases notified during this period as the outcome may not yet have occurred, or is yet to be notified

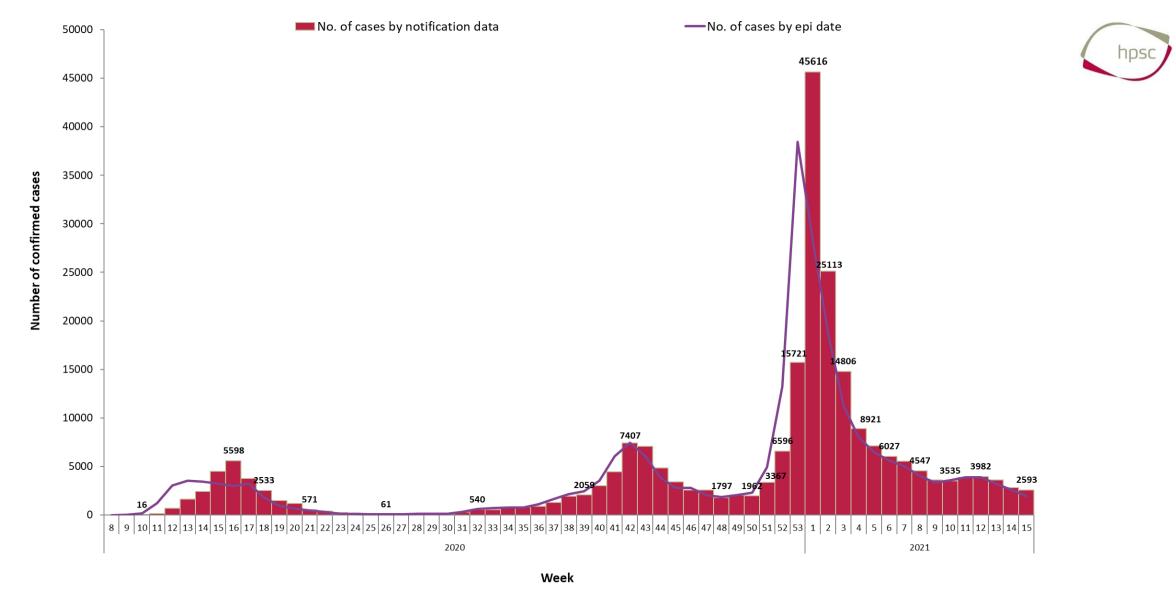


Figure 1a: Number of confirmed COVID-19 cases by notification week and <u>epidemiological date</u> in Ireland between week 8, 2020 and week 15, 2021

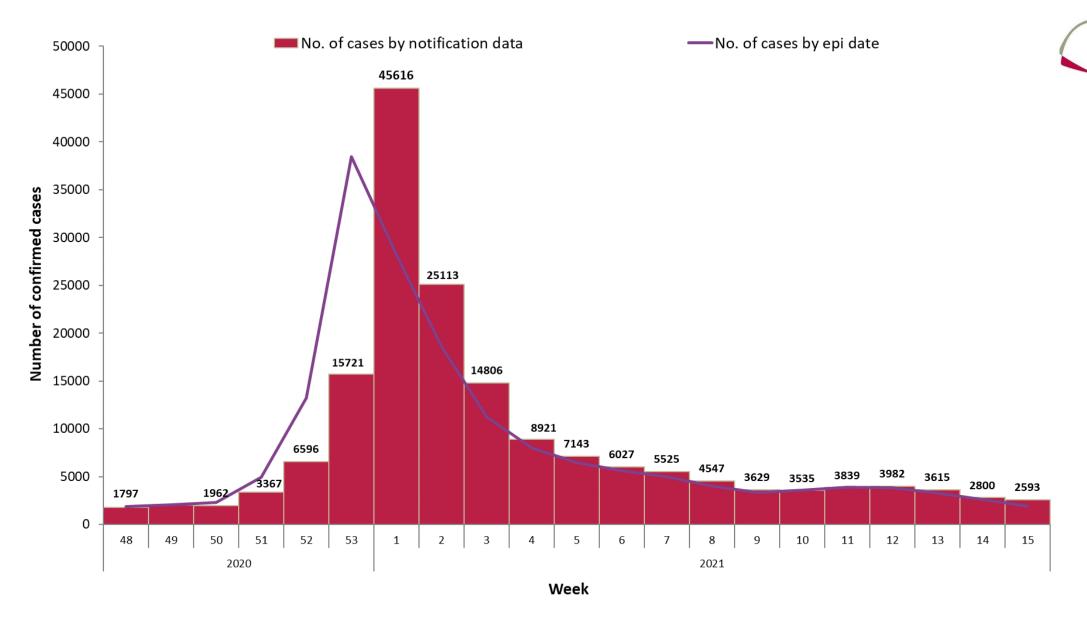


Figure 1b: Number of confirmed COVID-19 cases by notification week and <u>epidemiological date</u> in Ireland between week 48, 2020 and week 15, 2021



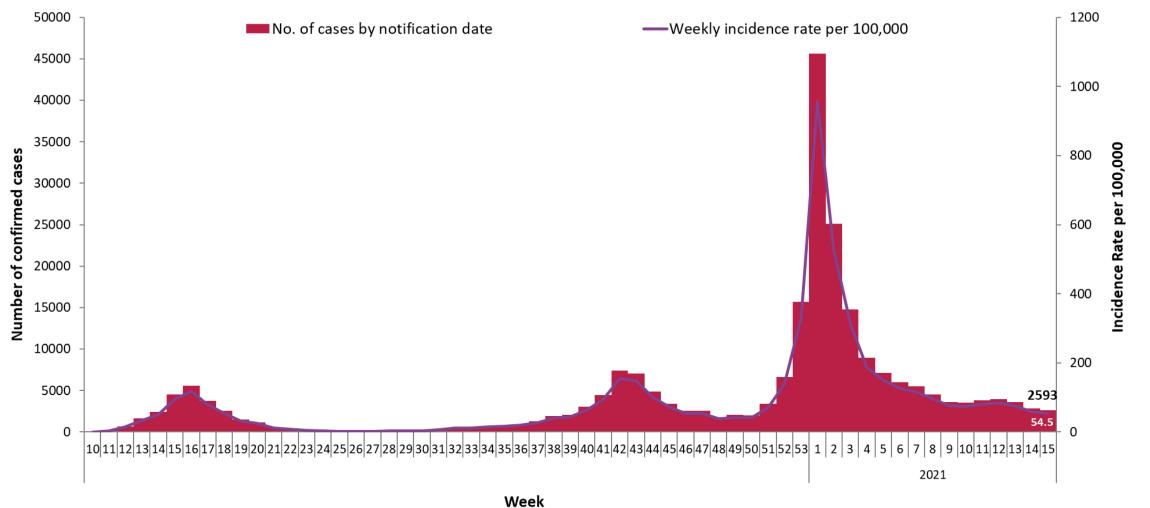


Figure 2: Number of confirmed COVID-19 cases by notification week and weekly incidence rate per 100,000 population in Ireland between week 10, 2020 and week 15, 2021

Population data were taken from Census 2016

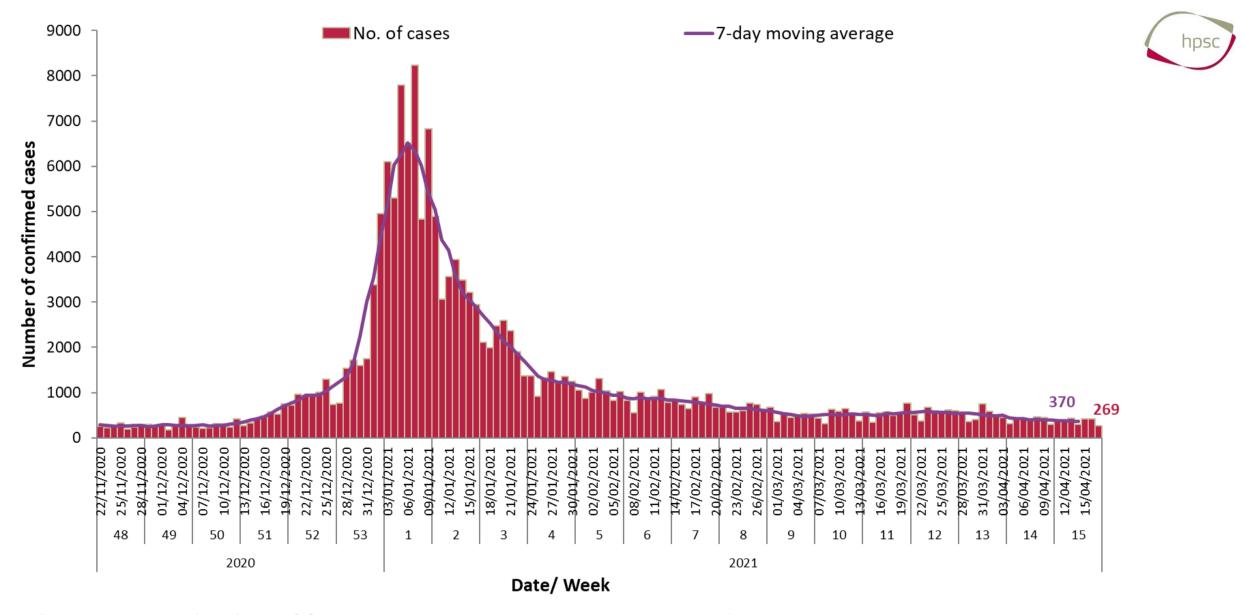


Figure 3: Number of confirmed COVID-19 cases, and 7-day moving average, by notification date in Ireland between week 48, 2020 and week 15, 2021

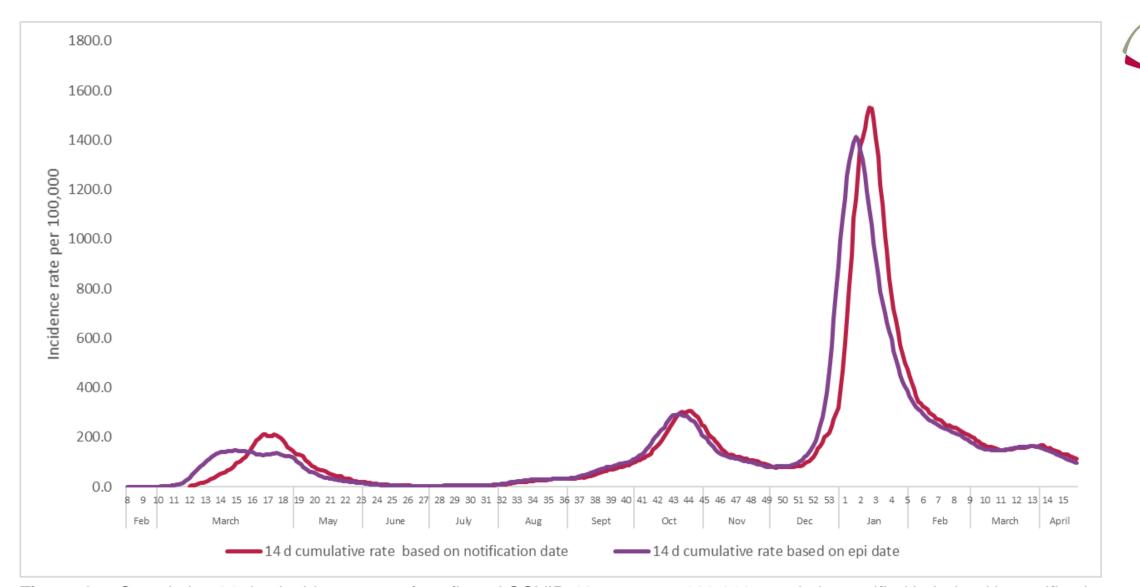


Figure 4a: Cumulative 14-day incidence rate of confirmed COVID-19 cases per 100,000 population notified in Ireland by notification and epidemiological date between week 8, 2020 and week 15, 2021

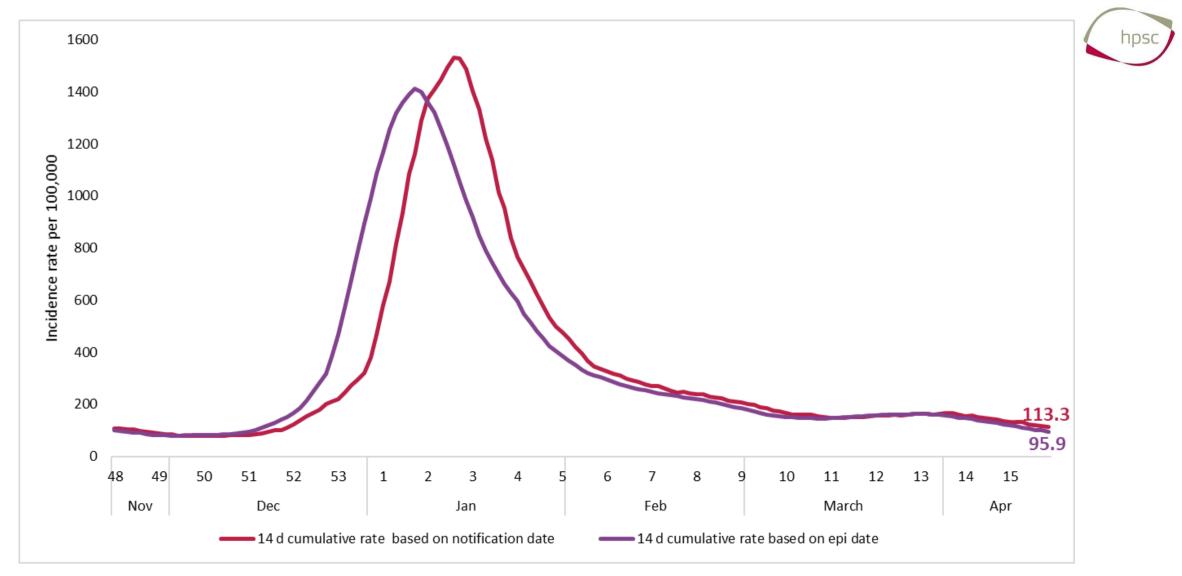
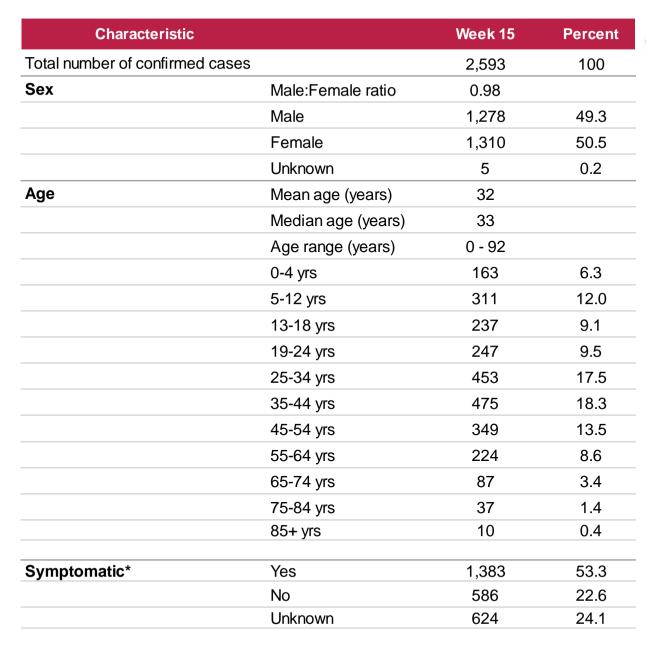


Figure 4b: Cumulative 14-day incidence rate of confirmed COVID-19 cases per 100,000 population notified in Ireland by notification and epidemiological date between week 48, 2020 and week 15, 2021

Table 1: Characteristics of confirmed COVID-19 cases notified in Ireland during week 15, 2021



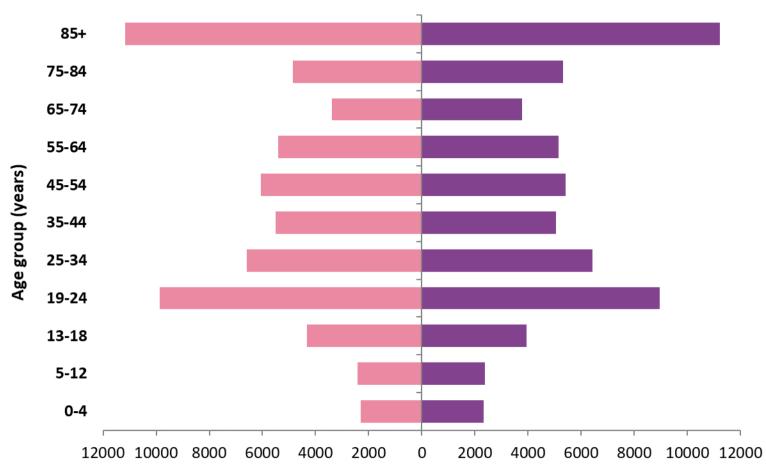


^{*}Symptom status is recorded at the time of test and is not updated; therefore, a proportion of the asymptomatic cases may subsequently develop symptoms however this will not be captured in the data



Figure 5a: Cumulative age- and sex-specific incidence rates of confirmed COVID-19 cases per 100,000 population notified in Ireland between week 10, 2020 and week 15, 2021

(excluding 41 cases for whom age is unknown, 87 cases for whom sex is unknown and one case for whom both are unknown)



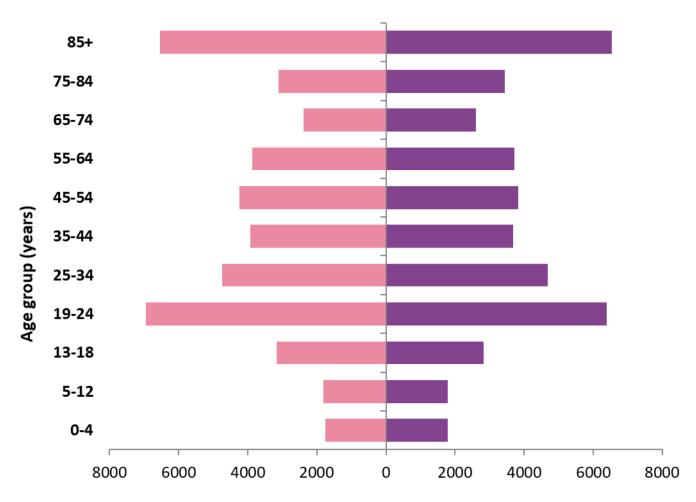
Cumulative age- and sex-specific rate per 100,000 population from week 10, 2020 to week 15, 2021

■ Female ■ Male



Figure 5b: Cumulative age- and sex-specific incidence rates of confirmed COVID-19 cases per 100,000 population notified in Ireland between week 48, 2020 and week 15, 2021

(excluding 117 cases for whom age is unknown, and 78 cases for whom sex is unknown)



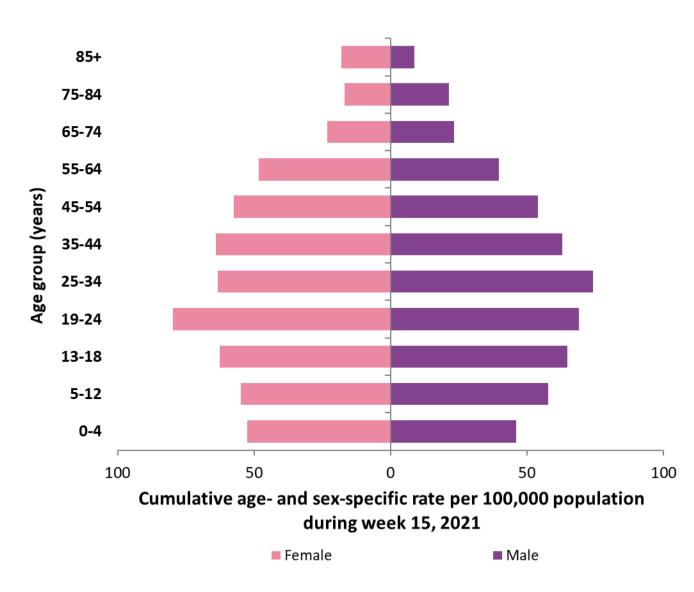
Cumulative age- and sex-specific rate per 100,000 population from week 48, 2020 to week 15, 2021

■ Female ■ Male



Figure 5c: Cumulative age- and sex-specific incidence rates of confirmed COVID-19 cases per 100,000 population notified in Ireland during week 15, 2021

(excluding 5 cases for whom sex is unknown)



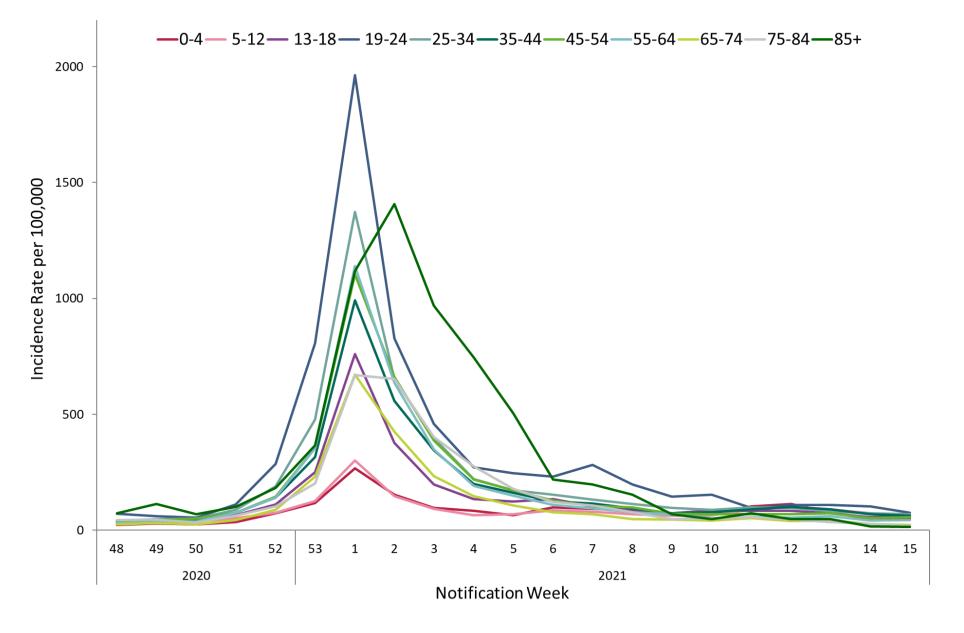


Figure 6a: Weekly age-specific incidence rates of confirmed COVID-19 cases per 100,000 population in Ireland between week 48, 2020 and week 15, 2021

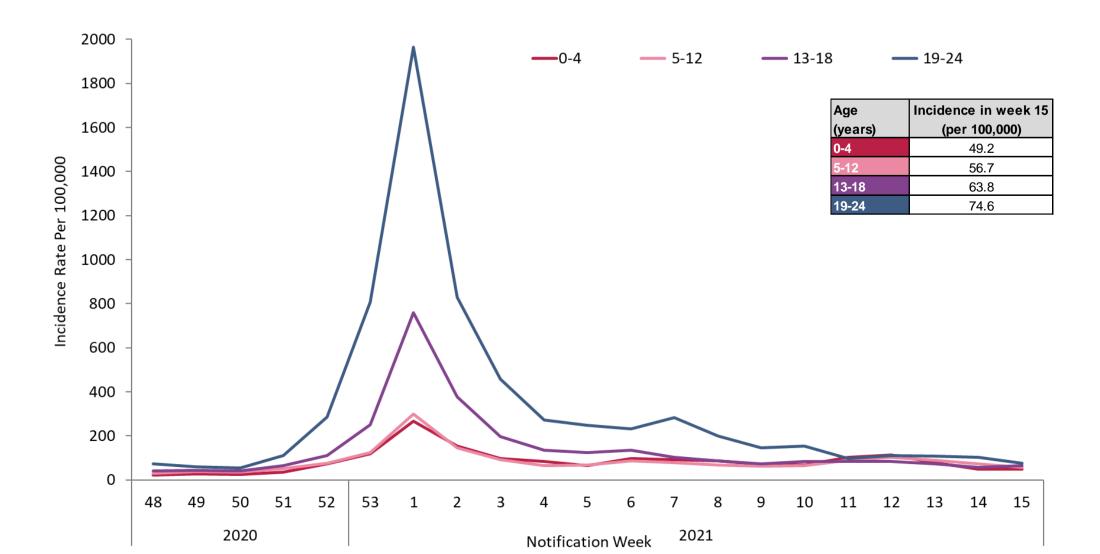




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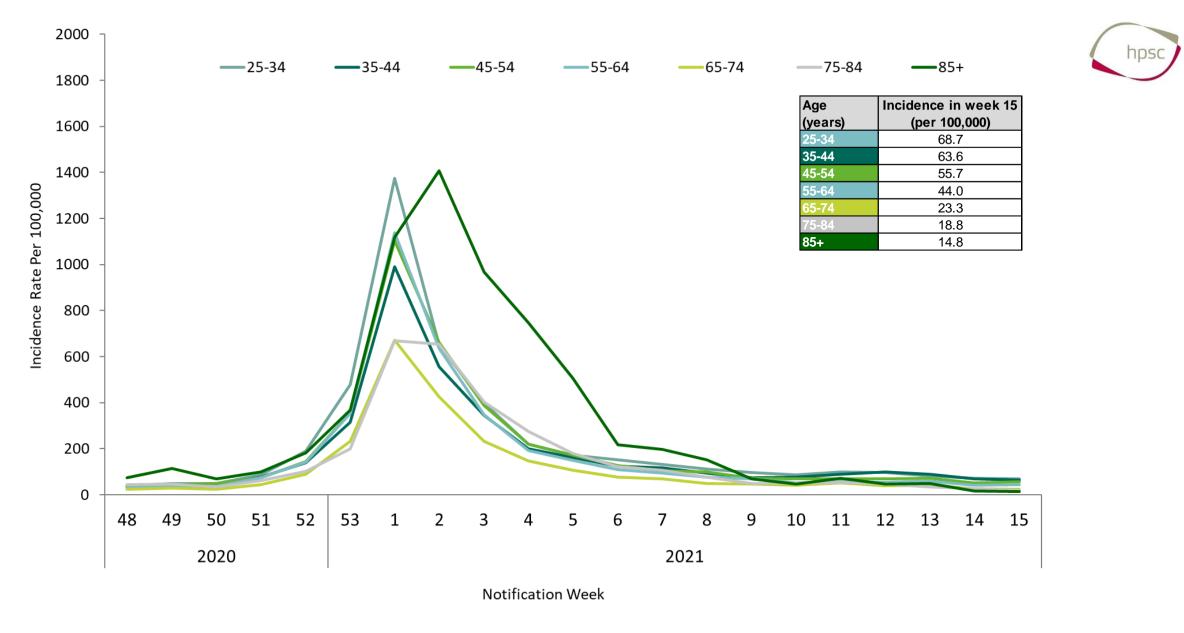


Figure 6c: Weekly age-specific incidence rates of confirmed COVID-19 cases per 100,000 population in Ireland between week 48, 2020 and week 15, 2021



		Age Range												
		0-4	5-12	13-18	19-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65-74	75-84	85+	National	
	48	23.2	29.7	40.9	72.2	39.0	37.1	39.6	30.5	24.1	44.8	74.0	37.7	
	49	28.7	38.1	43.1	60.7	48.8	40.3	44.1	35.8	30.3	45.8	114.0	42.5	
2020	50	24.7	36.5	40.9	55.3	50.3	41.6	49.0	37.3	24.9	33.6	68.1	41.2	
2020	51	35.3	51.4	65.1	112.0	88.0	75.8	75.2	75.3	44.2	62.1	100.7	70.7	
	52	72.4	74.9	110.9	286.2	190.0	139.8	145.8	141.1	88.9	102.8	182.1	138.5	
	53	117.9	125.4	249.7	806.4	478.5	316.2	355.1	352.7	231.3	201.0	367.1	330.1	
	1	266.4	299.8	759.7	1964.3	1374.3	991.6	1104.6	1139.4	670.9	669.2	1117.6	957.9	
	% 2 % 3	152.6	146.0	376.2	828.5	652.1	557.1	660.5	635.8	425.4	653.4	1407.7	527.4	
	≥ 3	97.1	91.5	197.0	458.6	398.5	345.6	387.4	349.1	233.7	402.5	968.1	310.9	
	UO 4	84.2	63.8	135.1	271.1	221.0	200.2	218.8	192.2	146.7	274.8	746.1	187.3	
	Notification 6 9 6 4	64.9	68.2	124.3	246.7	171.5	161.7	173.2	149.1	106.6	179.1	506.3	150.0	
	jjj 6	98.3	85.3	135.1	230.7	152.4	124.0	127.6	110.0	77.6	121.6	217.6	126.6	
	Ž ₇	91.7	79.5	103.1	281.7	131.8	115.8	104.0	95.1	68.8	106.9	196.9	116.0	
2021	8	86.0	68.7	87.5	198.4	112.8	95.3	99.2	76.8	48.2	76.8	152.5	95.5	
	9	70.9	62.7	74.3	144.9	96.0	73.1	70.9	69.6	46.3	48.9	69.6	76.2	
	10	66.4	64.2	85.0	153.7	87.8	77.8	68.2	51.9	42.0	49.9	47.4	74.2	
	11	103.2	88.6	83.4	96.9	98.3	89.4	69.0	55.6	51.1	55.5	72.5	80.6	
	12	113.7	102.8	84.0	109.9	96.3	100.7	70.0	53.2	39.1	46.3	47.4	83.6	
	13	77.2	89.3	72.4	109.0	82.2	90.4	72.8	60.3	42.0	35.1	48.8	75.9	
	14	48.9	72.7	56.2	103.3	72.2	69.1	51.4	41.5	26.8	26.5	16.3	58.8	
	15	49.2	56.7	63.8	74.6	68.7	63.6	55.7	44.0	23.3	18.8	14.8	54.5	

Figure 7: Heat map of weekly age-specific incidence rates of confirmed COVID-19 cases per 100,000 population in Ireland between week 48, 2020 and week 15, 2021

COVID-19 cases in children 18 years and under by notification date



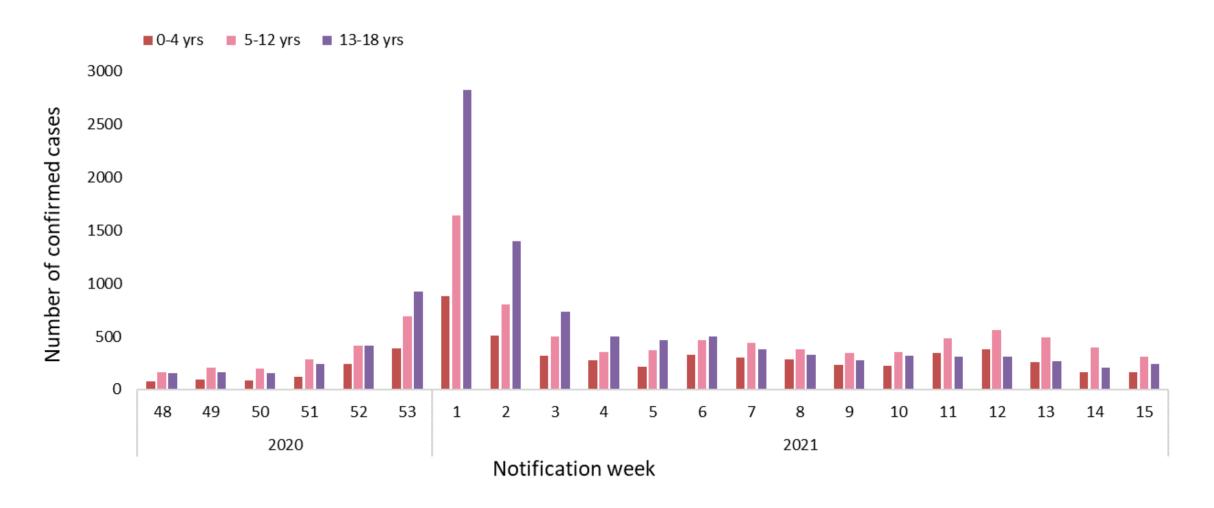


Figure 8: Weekly number of age-specific confirmed COVID-19 cases by notification week in Ireland between week 48, 2020 and week 15, 2021

COVID-19 incidence rate by HSE area in children 18 years and under



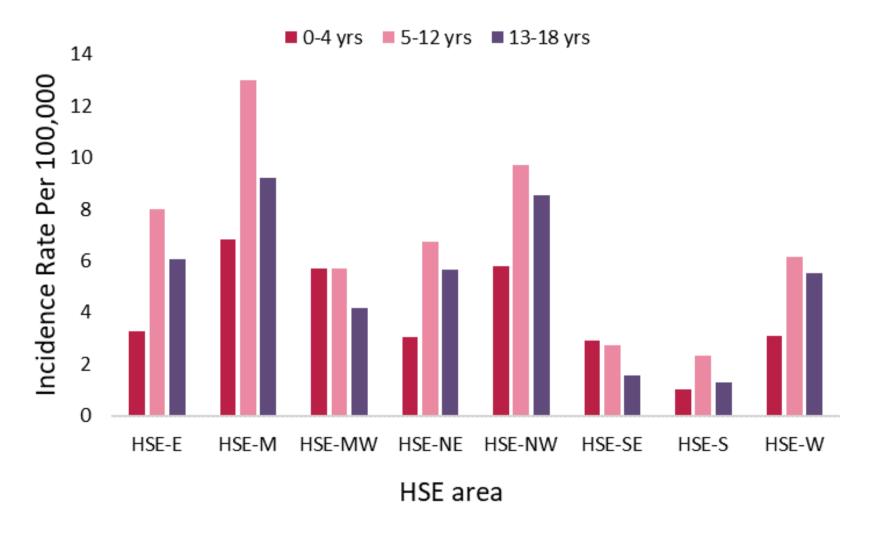


Figure 9: Age-specific incidence rates of confirmed COVID-19 cases per 100,000 population, by HSE area, notified in Ireland during week 15, 2021

Table 2: Characteristics of confirmed COVID-19 cases by county notified in Ireland, during week 15, 2021

County	Cas	ses	M:F ratio	Median age	Incidence Rate		
County	N %		WI.F FALIO	(years)	per 100,000		
Donegal	204	7.9	0.8	31	128.1		
Offaly	86	3.3	0.9	30	110.3		
Kildare	203	7.8	0.8	36	91.2		
Dublin	1021	39.4	1.1	33	75.8		
Meath	146	5.6	1.5	32	74.9		
Longford	29	1.1	1.6	43	71.0		
Laois	57	2.2	1.1	31	67.3		
Cavan	47	1.8	0.6	29	61.7		
Limerick	109	4.2	0.7	30	55.9		
Westmeath	49	1.9	0.9	22	55.2		
Carlow	28	1.1	0.6	22.5	49.2		
Leitrim	15	0.6	1.5	39	46.8		
Waterford	53	2.0	0.5	36	45.6		
Louth	56	2.2	0.8	27.5	43.4		
Roscommon	28	1.1	0.9	24	43.4		
Monaghan	25	1.0	1.1	38	40.7		
Galway	104	4.0	0.9	26.5	40.3		
Mayo	52	2.0	1.4	31.5	39.8		
Wicklow	45	1.7	0.8	37	31.6		
Clare	30	1.2	0.9	33	25.2		
Wexford	37	1.4	1.3	33	24.7		
Tipperary	39	1.5	1.0	36	24.4		
Kerry	36	1.4	0.9	29.5	24.4		
Kilkenny	15	0.6	1.1	44	15.1		
Cork	77	3.0	0.9	33	14.2		
Sligo	<5	-	1.0	40.5	3.1		





		Carlow	Cavan	Clare	Cork	Donegal	Dublin	Galway	Kerry	Kildare	Kilkenny	Laois	Leitrim	Limerick	Longford	Louth	Mayo	Meath	Monaghan	Offaly	Roscommon	Sligo	Tipperary	Waterford	Westmeath	Wexford	Wicklow	National
	48	31.6	19.7	14.3	24.5	111.2	43.6	20.2	21.0	21.1	83.6	28.3	3.1	60.5	41.6	75.3	36.8	24.1	31.0	23.1	23.2	21.4	45.1	41.3	13.5	7.3	52.7	37.7
	49	72.0	40.7	19.4	13.4	112.4	50.9	31.0	12.2	27.4	86.7	26.0	12.5	79.5	44.0	83.0	43.7	25.1	97.7	34.6	24.8	15.3	44.5	21.5	13.5	12.0	68.1	42.5
2020	50	82.6	68.3	12.6	12.9	107.4	42.2	28.7	8.1	30.1	111.9	69.7	12.5	50.8	97.9	93.1	65.9	34.4	39.1	30.8	20.1	33.6	38.9	46.5	15.8	24.0	35.8	41.2
2020	51	110.7	106.3	14.3	38.9	154.5	81.8	23.3	99.5	55.3	84.7	105.1	12.5	99.5	46.5	144.3	50.6	74.3	86.3	34.6	21.7	59.5	27.0	59.4	28.2	143.6	31.6	70.7
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	a 53	242.4	506.7	396.4	282.4	553.4	276.3	275.5	299.2	164.9	305.3	333.0	287.1	613.1	340.1	775.9	491.2	371.2	858.5	310.4	313.0	497.4	197.4	233.3	247.8	281.2	118.7	330.1
	Week 1	1082.0	976.7	990.6	1054.8	853.1	1196.9	454.2	761.0	806.3	851.5	540.8	424.4	1224.2	567.6	1430.7	669.7	768.0	1668.1	554.1	416.8	630.2	614.2	1301.5	451.7	1178.2	498.5	957.9
	_	669.2	447.6	471.3	527.6	532.1	561.2	630.1	281.0	398.2	314.4	429.8	149.8	641.9	178.6	810.8	970.8	458.4	1010.0	404.0	503.5	212.1	411.1	571.5	243.3	665.2	313.8	527.4
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	4 علا	263.5	141.8	109.4	151.8	185.3	229.6	170.5	81.9	147.9	84.7	146.4	74.9	172.4	181.0	284.8	223.0	184.1	415.4	215.5	68.2	138.9	147.3	285.8	117.2	241.1	127.8	187.3
	<u></u> 5	187.9	116.8	75.7	120.1	128.1	181.5	163.9	71.1	152.8	72.6	160.6	84.3	140.6	127.2	184.7	155.5	163.6	347.0	136.0	62.0	112.9	73.3	207.4	121.7	209.7	108.1	150.0
	Notification	159.8	153.6	63.1	60.1	70.4	185.1	150.4	35.9	125.8	59.5	154.7	59.3	115.4	119.9	156.7	123.4	136.9	166.2	203.9	57.3	56.5	83.4	127.4	119.4	106.9	67.4	126.6
	'	89.6	112.9	80.8	37.2	80.4	157.0	180.2	12.9	144.7	48.4	147.6	96.7	139.0	173.7	135.0	136.4	111.3	164.5	221.9	48.0	45.8	109.7	136.9	100.3	64.1	50.6	116.0
2021	8	100.1	61.7	69.0	28.7	107.4	131.3	97.7	36.6	104.7	33.3	113.3	59.3	139.6	193.3	131.9	93.5	110.7	78.2	180.9	55.8	41.2	82.1	73.2	139.7	38.7	48.4	95.5
	9	58.0	48.6	55.5	27.6	53.4	116.7	54.3	27.8	73.7	30.2	62.6	21.8	72.9	220.2	105.5	69.7	109.2	52.1	166.8	58.9	32.0	62.7	38.7	102.5	34.7	49.1	76.2
	10	43.9	21.0	21.0	26.2	94.2	106.9	65.1	26.4	144.7	13.1	31.9	18.7	71.8	178.6	66.7	55.9	96.4	44.0	224.5	66.6	44.3	48.3	56.8	67.6	45.4	39.3	74.2
	11	84.3	65.6	36.2	19.9	117.5	121.6	70.1	26.4	107.0	23.2	56.7	21.8	44.1	115.0	66.7	16.1	120.5	24.4	179.6	85.2	54.9	103.4	79.2	68.7	77.5	52.0	80.6
	12	29.9	84.0	26.9	22.3	166.5	124.6	49.2	6.8	114.6	27.2	107.4	37.4	54.9	75.8	92.3	42.9	108.7	17.9	260.4	51.1	13.7	92.1	41.3	117.2	70.8	67.4	83.6
	13	26.3	98.5	24.4	34.4	85.4	117.4	43.8	18.3	105.6	9.1	137.0	28.1	39.0	75.8	72.9	50.6	99.5	52.1	192.4	51.1	10.7	52.6	25.8	146.4	54.8	51.3	75.9
	14	12.3	63.0	13.5	24.1	75.4	94.9	43.8	16.9	107.4	6.0	68.5	21.8	28.2	75.8	52.0	42.9	73.3	63.5	85.9	37.2	12.2	32.6	25.0	75.5	32.7	44.9	58.8
	15	49.2	61.7	25.2	14.2	128.1	75.8	40.3	24.4	91.2	15.1	67.3	46.8	55.9	71.0	43.4	39.8	74.9	40.7	110.3	43.4	3.1	24.4	45.6	55.2	24.7	31.6	54.5

Figure 10: Heat map of weekly incidence rates of confirmed COVID-19 cases per 100,000 population, by county, notified in Ireland between week 48, 2020 and week 15, 2021

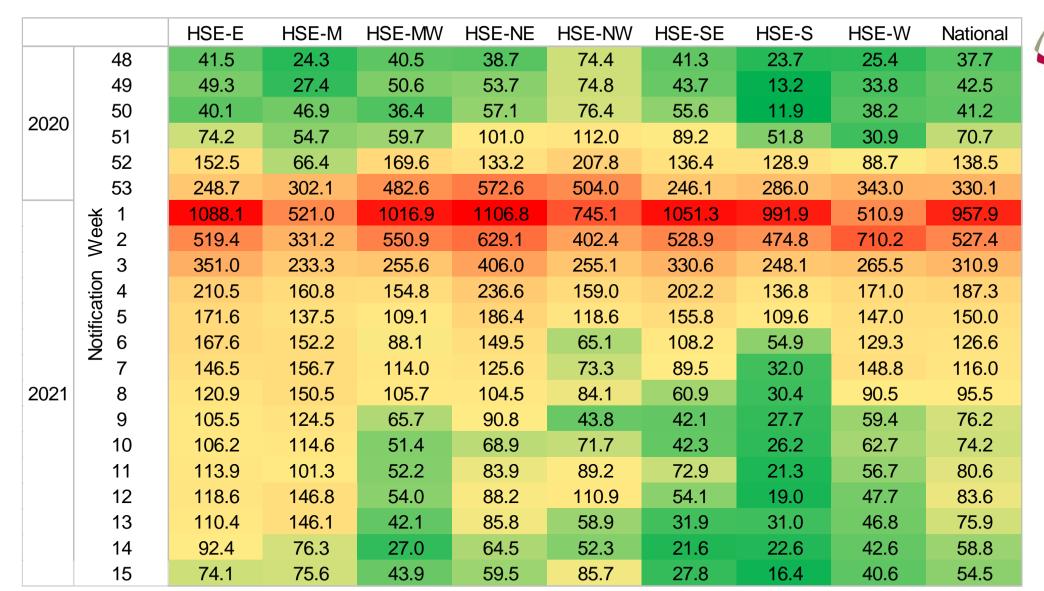




Figure 11: Weekly Incidence rates of confirmed COVID-19 cases per 100,000 population, by HSE area, notified in Ireland between week 48, 2020 and week 15, 2021

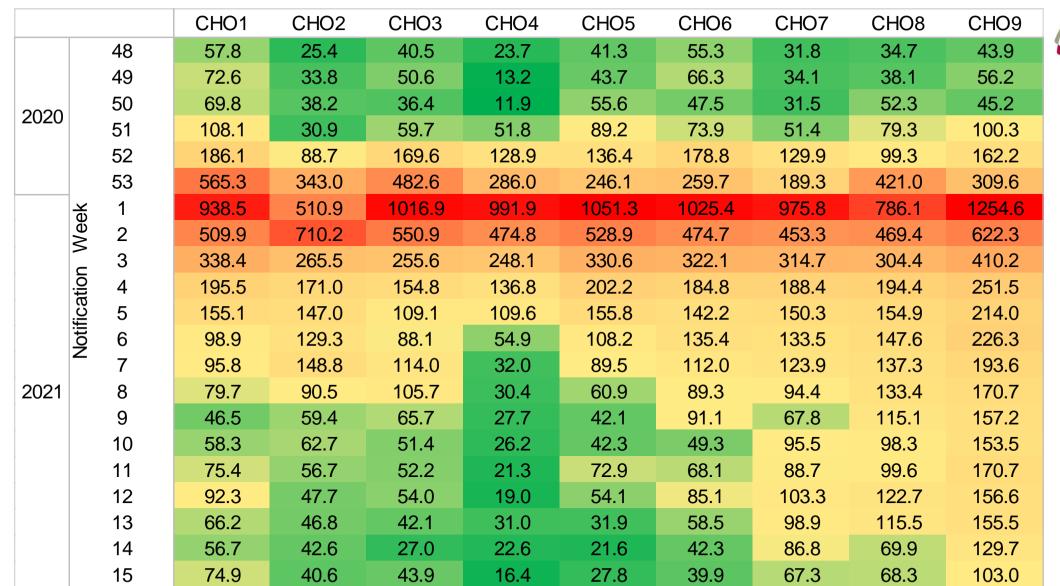




Figure 12: Weekly Incidence rates of confirmed COVID-19 cases per 100,000 population by CHO notified in Ireland between week 48, 2020 and week 15, 2021

	CCA	CCA1	CCA2	CCA3	CCA4	CCA5	CCA6	CCA7	CCA8
	LHO	Dublin South	Dublin South East	Dublin South City	Dublin South West	Dublin West	Dublin North West	Dublin North Central	Dublin North
	48	38.2	69.5	34.0	44.1	35.4	43.8	64.0	32.0
0000	49	41.9	80.8	32.7	38.5	44.4	60.7	69.2	44.8
2020	50	28.7	75.2	30.7	26.7	42.5	34.7	62.1	43.6
	51	48.5	141.5	46.7	44.1	62.4	104.0	133.3	77.6
	52	127.1	321.7	120.1	134.9	171.9	172.4	241.3	106.9
	53	194.7	458.4	217.4	206.3	198.9	327.5	415.3	232.3
	<u>+</u> 1	798.1	1741.3	955.7	1148.6	1165.2	1441.7	1447.1	990.2
	Notification Week	318.2	769.6	388.8	518.3	574.2	730.7	702.5	487.7
	<u> </u>	234.4	493.9	290.1	284.0	411.3	502.9	502.0	281.3
	ti. 4	149.2	265.1	132.1	202.0	306.4	306.3	296.3	181.0
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	7	64.7	220.7	73.4	110.0	169.9	190.3	329.3	115.4
2021	8	56.6	160.9	56.7	91.4	128.7	154.6	319.6	94.9
	9	63.2	156.8	38.0	59.0	104.9	160.9	269.1	87.6
	10	55.1	47.7	47.4	73.3	105.6	146.4	274.9	86.8
	11	56.6	91.3	53.4	79.6	115.2	172.4	263.3	114.2
	12	52.9	131.0	60.0	104.4	137.8	177.7	177.3	127.3
	13	36.7	81.6	65.4	124.9	106.9	182.1	151.4	136.6
	14	33.1	45.3	59.4	84.5	94.6	157.0	117.7	115.0
	15	38.9	45.3	33.3	58.4	82.4	146.4	82.8	80.3

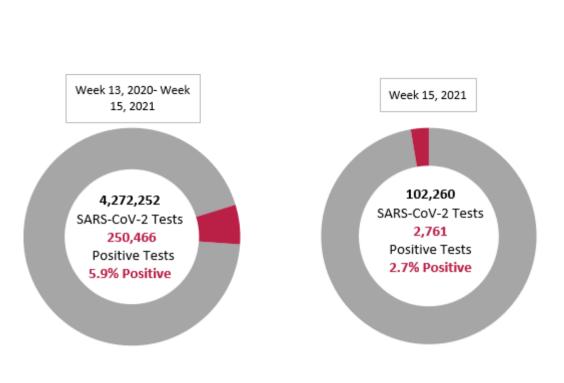


Figure 13: Weekly Incidence rates of confirmed COVID-19 cases per 100,000 population cases by Dublin Local Health Offices (LHOs) notified in Ireland between week 48, 2020 and week 15, 2021

Note: Local health offices (LHOs) came into operation on 1st September 2005, replacing Community Care Areas (CCAs). LHO population denominators are used in this report rather than CCA population denominators. The LHO rates were calculated using Census 2016 LHO denominator data extracted from the HSE Health Atlas and are not a direct match to the corresponding CCAs.

Laboratory data for COVID-19 cases





200000 ——% Positive ■ Negative tests Positive tests 180000 160000 20 140000 120000 100000 80000 60000 40000 20000 13 15 17 19 21 23 25 27 29 31 33 35 37 39 41 43 45 47 49 51 53 2 4 6 8 10 12 14 2021 Week Number

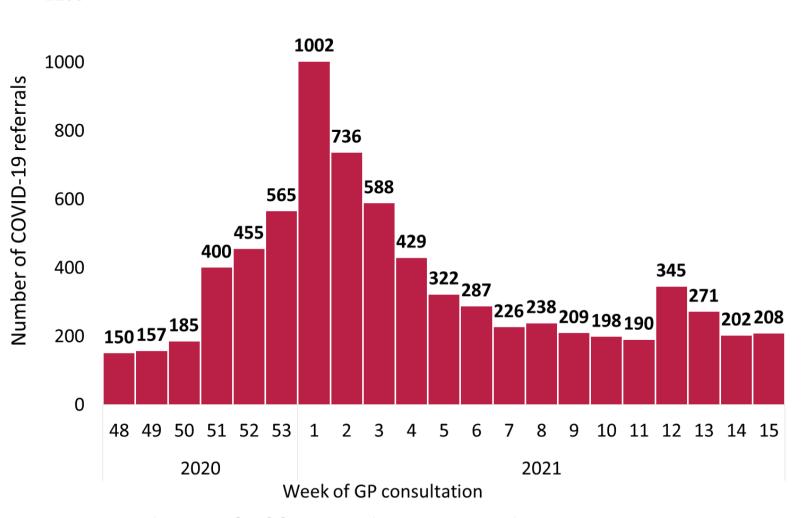
Figure 14a: Number of SARS-CoV-2 tests and positive tests* in Ireland between week 13, 2020 and week 15, 2021

Figure 14b: Number of SARS-CoV-2 negative and positive tests* completed in Ireland between week 13, 2020 and week 15, 2021

^{*}Positive tests refers to all positive specimens and includes duplicates and individuals who were retested

Number of sentinel GP COVID-19 referrals by week of consultation





- The Irish Sentinel GP
 Surveillance Scheme is a
 collaboration between the
 Health Protection Surveillance
 Centre, the National Virus
 Reference Laboratory and the
 Irish College of General
 Practitioners.
- The sentinel GP network comprises 60 general practices and 166 practitioners, covering 6.6% of the national population (CSO Census 2016).

Figure 15a: Number of sentinel GP COVID-19 referrals by week of consultation, weeks 48 2020-15 2021, Ireland. The epidemiological week is Monday-Sunday (ISO week) in line with influenza/COVID-19 international reporting to European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC).

1200

% SARS-CoV-2 positivity data from sentinel GP COVID-19 referrals tested by NVRL



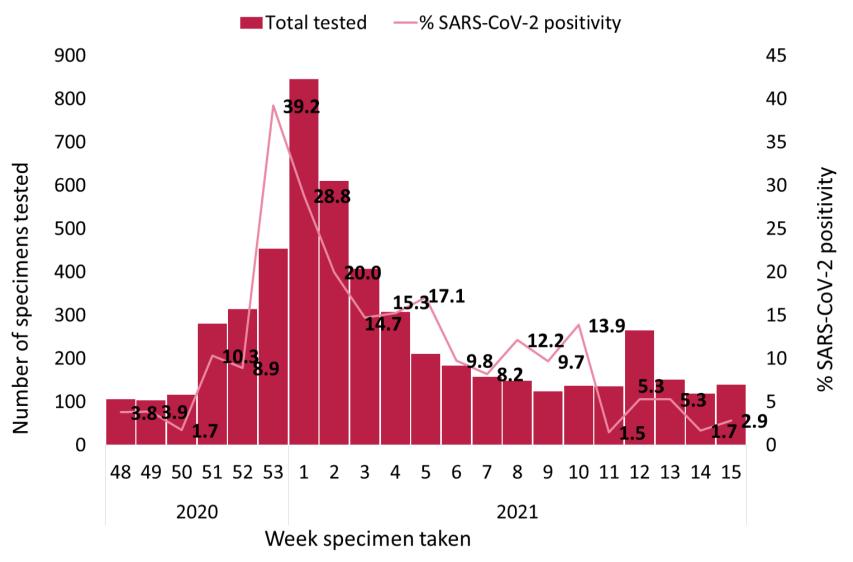


Figure 15b: % SARS-CoV-2 positivity data from sentinel GP COVID-19 referrals tested by the NVRL by week specimen was taken, weeks 48 2020 to 15 2021. The Epidemiological week is Monday to Sunday (ISO week) in line with influenza/COVID-19 international reporting to ECDC.

Hospitalisations and ICU admissions among COVID-19 cases



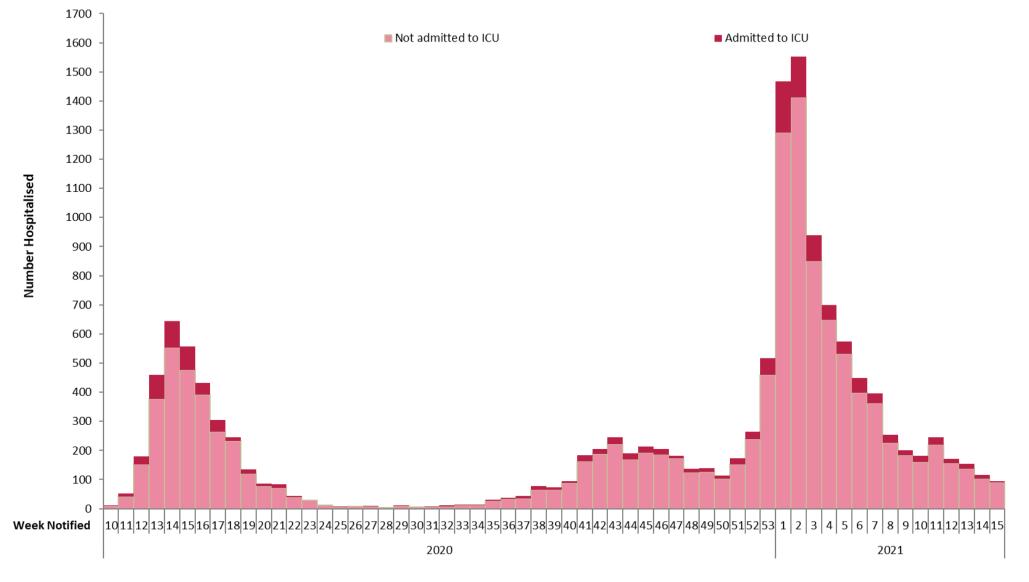


Figure 16: Number of hospitalised COVID-19 cases based on ICU admission status in Ireland between week 10, 2020 and week 15, 2021*
*Please note that the most recent weeks may not yet reflect all admissions.





	Number	Percent
Total number of deaths	4,836	
confirmed	4,568	94.5
probable	95	2.0
possible	173	3.6
Number hospitalised who died	2,571	53.2
admitted to ICU who died	453	9.4
not admitted to ICU who died	2,118	43.8
Number of imported cases who died	5	0.1
Number of HCWs who died	17	0.4
Number with underlying conditions who died	4,218	87.2
Males who died	2,542	52.6
M:F ratio	1.11	
Median age (years)	83	
Mean age (years)	81	
Age range (years)	0 - 105	

Age group (years) Female Male **Percent** Total <45 yrs 29 25 54 1.1 45-54 yrs 29 51 80 1.7 55-64 yrs 93 5.3 162 255 65-74 yrs 263 477 740 15.5 75-84 yrs 691 932 1,623 33.9 85+ yrs 1,167 866 2,033 42.5 Unknown 0.0 **Total** 2,269 2,516 4,785 Percent 47.4 52.6

Table 3: Summary of deaths in all COVID-19 cases notified in Ireland between week 10, 2020 and week 15, 2021

Table 4: Number of deaths in all COVID-19 cases by sex and age group notified in Ireland between week 10, 2020 and week 15, 2021

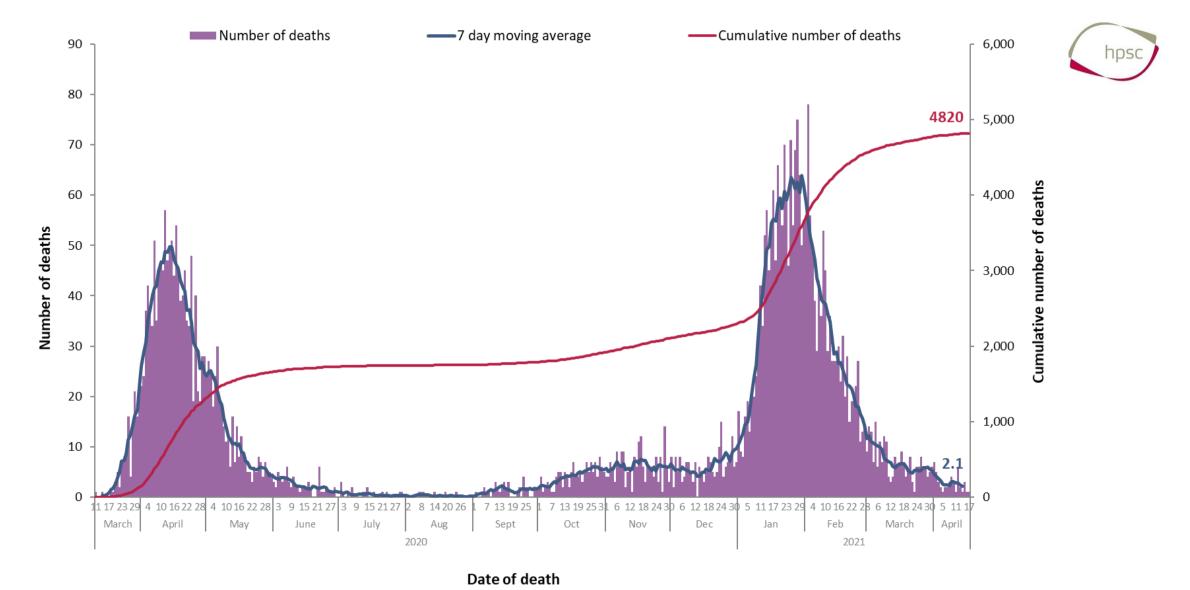


Figure 17a: Daily and 7-day moving average number of deaths among COVID-19 cases notified in Ireland by date of death and cumulative total between week 10, 2020 and week 15, 2021

^{*} Date of death is not yet available for 15 cases





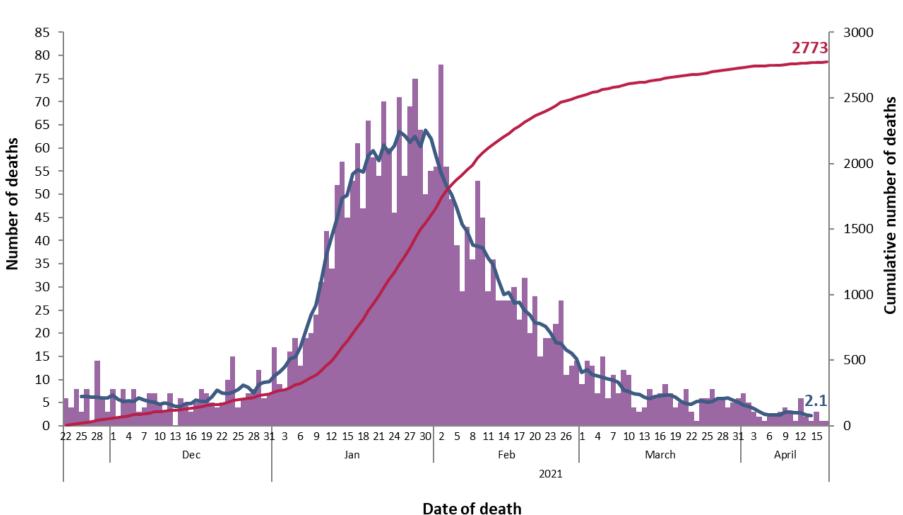


Figure 17b: Daily and 7-day moving average number of deaths among COVID-19 cases notified in Ireland by date of death and cumulative total, between week 48, 2020 and week 15, 2021

Please note: a lag in time between reporting of deaths and data extraction is expected and as such most recent dates will not yet reflect all deaths on that date

Number of deaths

Please refer to the Health Protection Surveillance (HPSC) website for specific reports on



- 14 Day report epidemiology of COVID-19 in Ireland
- Outbreaks/clusters in Ireland COVID-19 weekly report
- <u>Underlying Conditions</u> in confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Ireland weekly report
- Healthcare Workers in Ireland COVID-19 weekly report

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Technical Notes



1. Data Source

- Data are based on statutory notifications and were extracted from Computerised Infectious Disease Reporting (CIDR) system. Data are provisional and subject to ongoing review, validation and update. As a result, figures in this report may differ from previously published figures.
- Slide 24 data provided by Deloitte Ireland LLP
- Slides 25 and 26 include data reported from the Irish sentinel GP network.

2. Epidemiological date

 Epidemiological date is based on the earliest of dates available on the case and taken from date of onset of symptoms, date of diagnosis, laboratory specimen collection date, laboratory received date, laboratory reported date or event creation date/notification date on CIDR. By using this date rather than event creation/ notification date, adjusts for any delays in testing/notification. Further information on epidemiological dates and weeks can be found on the HPSC website.

3. Population data

Population data were taken from Census 2016. Data were aggregated into the following age groups for the analysis: 0-4 years, 5-12 years, 13-18 years, 19-24 years, 25-34 years, 35-44 years, 45-54 years, 55-64 years, 65-74 years, 75-84 years and ≥ 85 years.