

COVID-19 STATISTICS NORTHERN IRELAND

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COVID-19 Testing

Testing



Notes



New Cases	2,524
Cases last 7 days	14,460
Total Cases	676,487

COVID-19 Inpatients

Inpatients



Notes



COVID Inpatients	538
Admissions last 7 days	219
Discharges last 7 days	307

COVID-19 Deaths

Deaths



Notes



Deaths	2
Deaths last 7 days	21
Total COVID Deaths	3,287

COVID-19 Occupancy

Occupancy



Notes



ICU COVID Confirmed	7
ICU Available	14
Hospital Occupancy	108%

Care Home Outbreaks

Care Home



Notes



Confirmed COVID	156
Other Respiratory	0
Concluded Outbreaks	1,352

Notes on Statistics

Pre-release
Access List



Updates to
Dashboard



Other COVID Related Statistics



Daily Dashboard Data

The Dashboard data file is available to download daily at:

<https://www.health-ni.gov.uk/articles/covid-19-daily-dashboard-updates>

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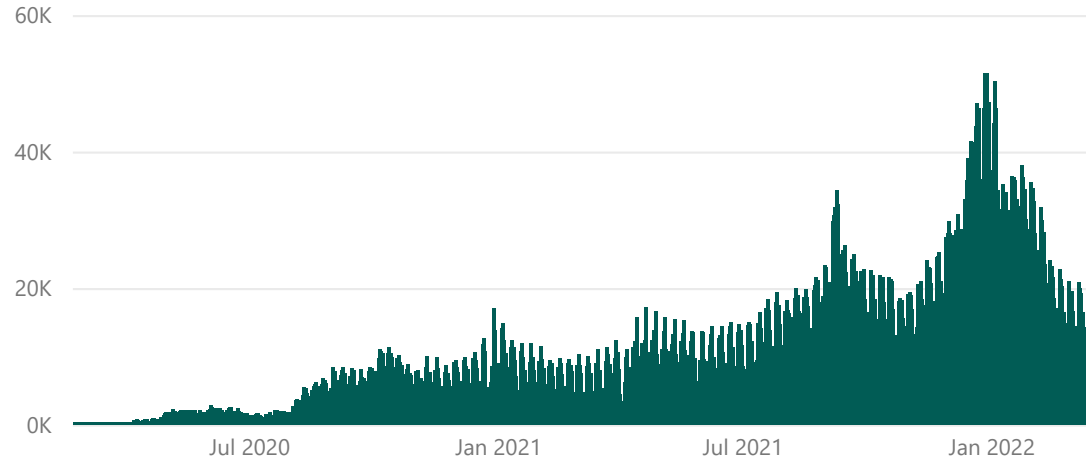
COVID-19 TESTING SUMMARY



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From 31 January 2022, all COVID-19 cases are reported on an episode based definition which includes possible re-infections. Please see notes section for further details.

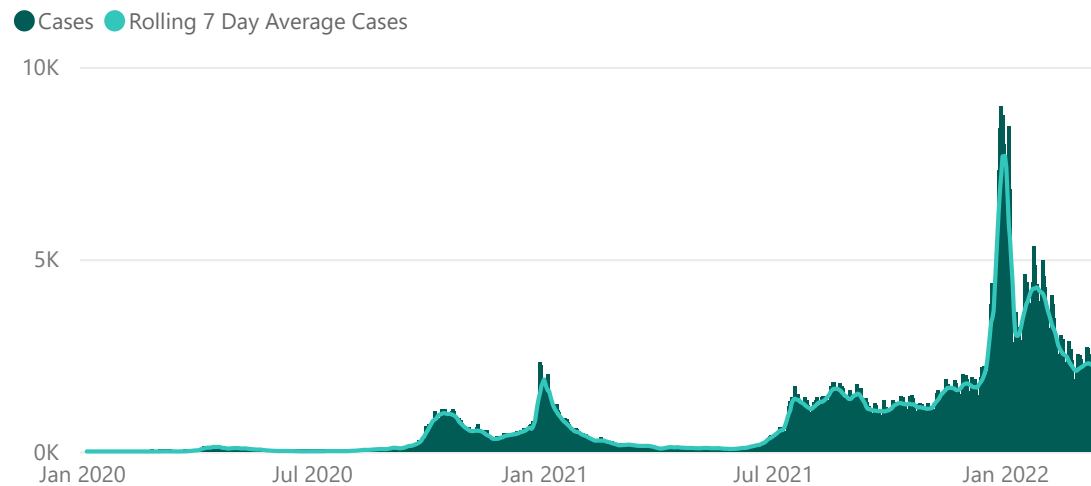
Tests (PCR & LFT) by Specimen Date



Tests Last 7 Days

103,161 ↓
112,019 previous 7 days

Cases (Infections / Re-Infections) by Specimen Date



Cases Last 7 Days

14,460 ↓
14,912 previous 7 days



The cumulative number of tests is a count of the total test results (PCR & LFT), and may include multiple tests for an individual person. Completed tests are presented separately by the method of testing, either PCR tests conducted in laboratories or rapid lateral flow tests (LFT) that give results in less than an hour, without needing to go to a laboratory. Information on the number of cases (infections / re-infections) refers to PCR or LFT tests. **Daily change** is the difference between the cumulative numbers reported at midnight on 22 March - 23 March 2022.

<h3>Lab-Reported Tests (PCR)</h3> <p>Daily Change <u>9,929</u></p> <p>Cumulative number of PCR Tests <u>5,661,069</u></p>	<h3>Rapid Lateral Flow Tests (LFT)</h3> <p>Daily Change <u>9,601</u></p> <p>Cumulative number of LFT Tests <u>2,958,266</u></p>	<h3>Cases</h3> <p>Daily Change <u>2,524</u></p> <p>Cumulative number of Cases <u>676,487</u></p>	<h3>Cases Last 7 Days</h3> <p>Last 7 Days <u>14,460</u></p> <p>Previous 7 Days <u>14,912</u></p>
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Cumulative Number of (i) PCR Tests, (ii) LFT Tests, (iii) Cases (Infections / Re-Infections), and the Change in the Numbers Reported Yesterday

Number at Midnight	PCR Tests	Change	LFT Tests	Change	First Infections	Change	Re-Infections	Change	Total Cases	Change
23 March 2022	5,661,069	9,929	2,958,266	9,601	638,077	2,170	38,410	354	676,487	2,524
22 March 2022	5,651,140	7,298	2,948,665	9,101	635,907	1,949	38,056	320	673,963	2,269
21 March 2022	5,643,842	8,180	2,939,564	10,861	633,958	2,508	37,736	391	671,694	2,899
20 March 2022	5,635,662	4,217	2,928,703	8,979	631,450	1,784	37,345	223	668,795	2,007
19 March 2022	5,631,445	4,050	2,919,724	6,836	629,666	1,472	37,122	168	666,788	1,640
18 March 2022	5,627,395	5,340	2,912,888	8,189	628,194	1,490	36,954	218	665,148	1,708
17 March 2022	5,622,055	5,851	2,904,699	8,111	626,704	1,553	36,736	245	663,440	1,798

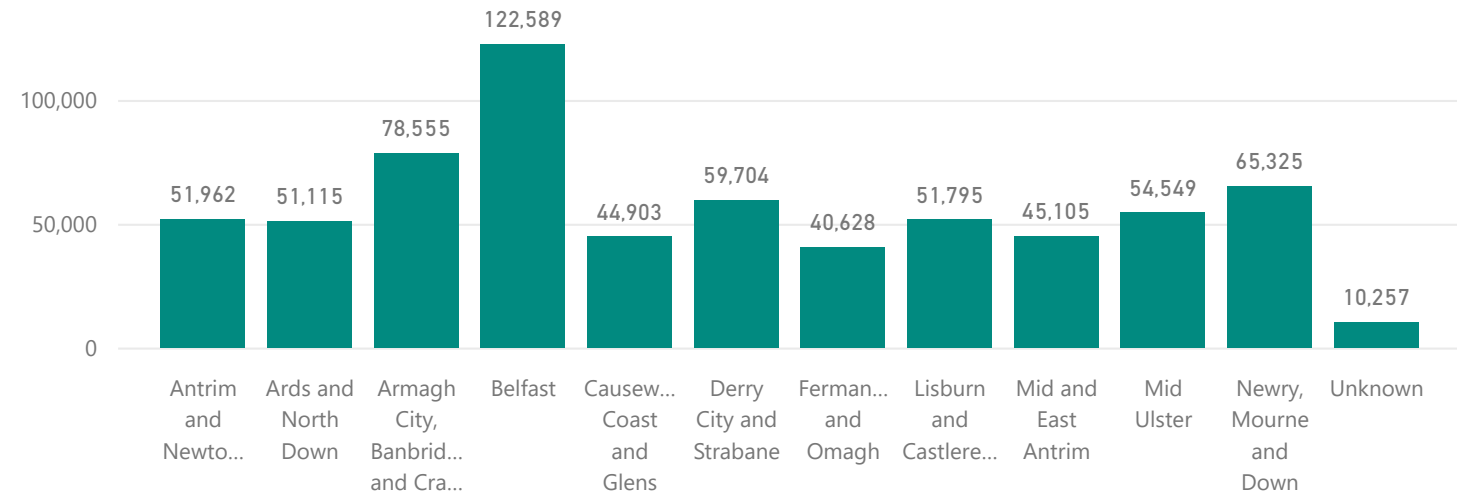
It is not possible to generate the daily change on any other testing page, as data on pages 5 - 13 is based on the date a sample was taken, whilst the daily change may include tests taken over the last week.

Information is presented below on the number of Infections and Re-Infections within a 90-Day period by Local Government District (LGD). This will result in an individual being reported more than once if they have a positive (PCR or LFT) test more than 90 days after their most recent positive test. It is important to note that (i) LGDs assigned as 'Not Known' refer to individuals with insufficient address / postcode details and (ii) the Daily Change refers to the change in the cumulative number of cases (infections and re-infections) between midnight 22 March and 23 March 2022, which may not be comparable with data presented by Date of Specimen.

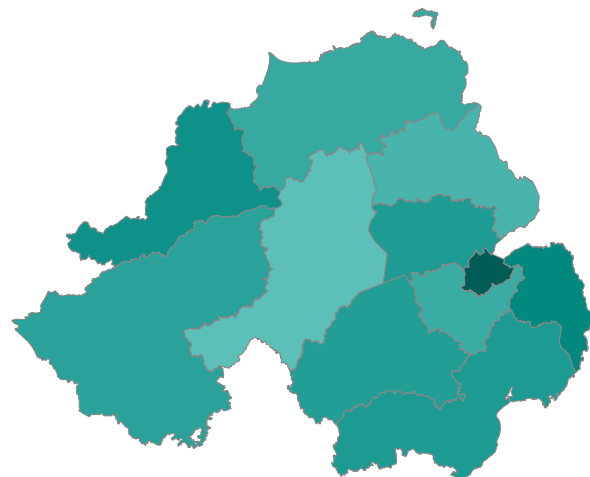
Change in Cumulative Number of Cases by LGD

Local Government District	Yesterday	Today	Daily Change Infections
Antrim and Newtownabbey	51,744	51,962	218
Ards and North Down	50,850	51,115	265
Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon	78,343	78,555	212
Belfast	122,116	122,589	473
Causeway Coast and Glens	44,718	44,903	185
Derry City and Strabane	59,463	59,704	241
Fermanagh and Omagh	40,427	40,628	201
Lisburn and Castlereagh	51,618	51,795	177
Mid and East Antrim	44,947	45,105	158
Mid Ulster	54,420	54,549	129
Newry, Mourne and Down	65,105	65,325	220
Unknown	10,212	10,257	45
Northern Ireland	673,963	676,487	2,524

Cumulative Number of Cases by LGD



Change in Cumulative Number of Cases by LGD

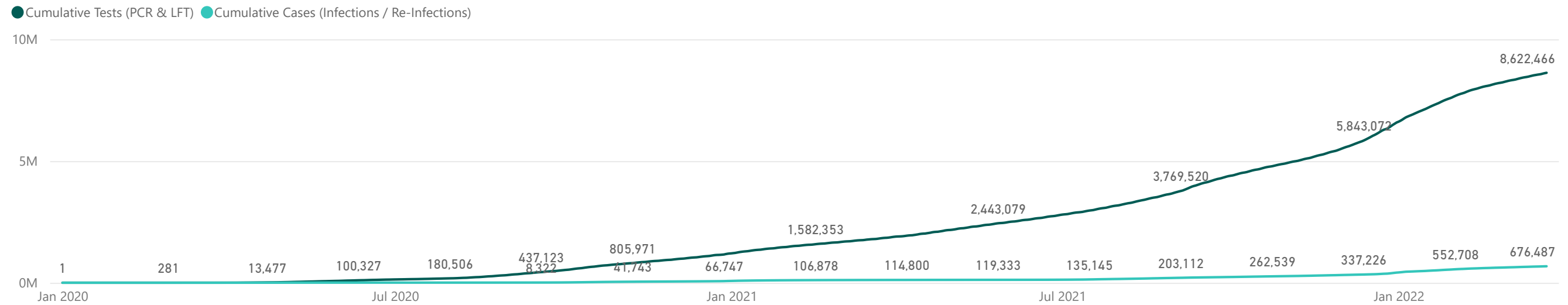


Cumulative Number of Tests (PCR & LFT) and Cases per 100k Pop.

Local Government District	Total Tests (PCR & LFT)	Cases	Cases per 100k population
Antrim and Newtownabbey	669,202	51,962	36,146
Ards and North Down	792,315	51,115	31,542
Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon	923,784	78,555	36,162
Belfast	1,544,116	122,589	35,786
Causeway Coast and Glens	569,854	44,903	30,980
Derry City and Strabane	589,370	59,704	39,511
Fermanagh and Omagh	460,574	40,628	34,625
Lisburn and Castlereagh	711,450	51,795	35,367
Mid and East Antrim	622,383	45,105	32,347
Mid Ulster	598,900	54,549	36,622
Newry, Mourne and Down	759,297	65,325	35,958
Unknown	381,221	10,257	
Northern Ireland	8,622,466	676,487	35,689

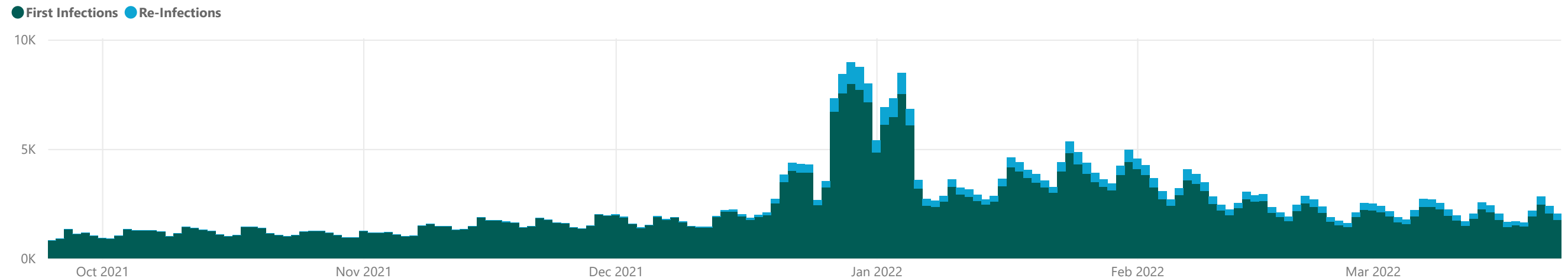
Information below shows (i) the total number of tests (PCR & LFT) and (ii) the number of cases (infections / re-infections) by Specimen Date.

Cumulative Number of (i) Tests (PCR & LFT) and (ii) Cases (Infections / Re-Infections) by Specimen Date



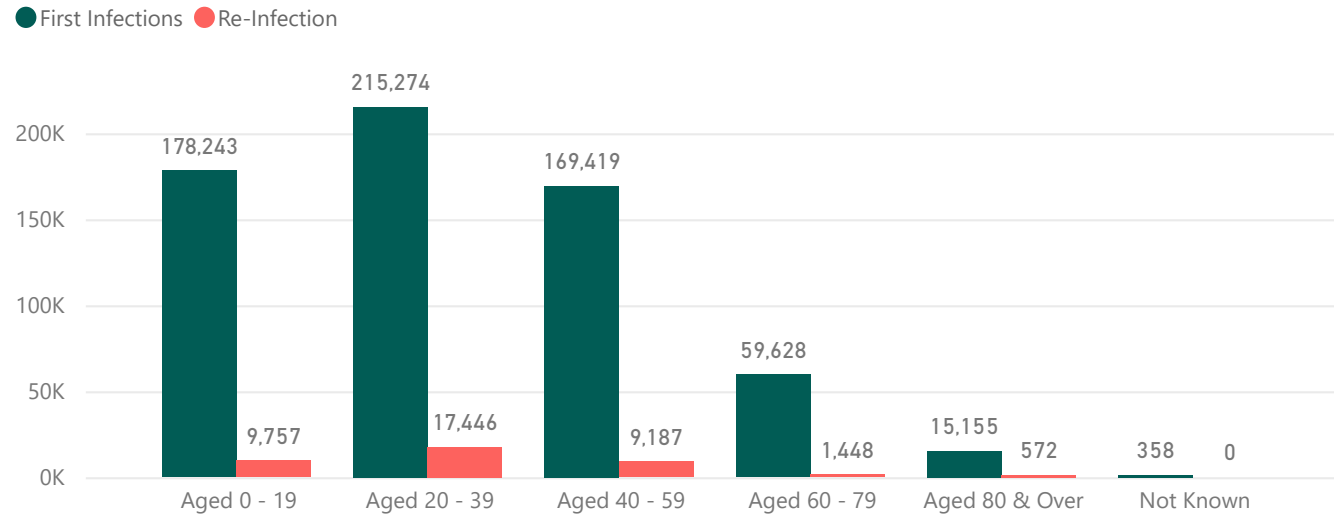
Information below refers to the number of cases (i) first infections and (ii) re-infections by the specimen date.

Cases (Infections / Re-Infections) by Specimen Date (Last 6 Months)

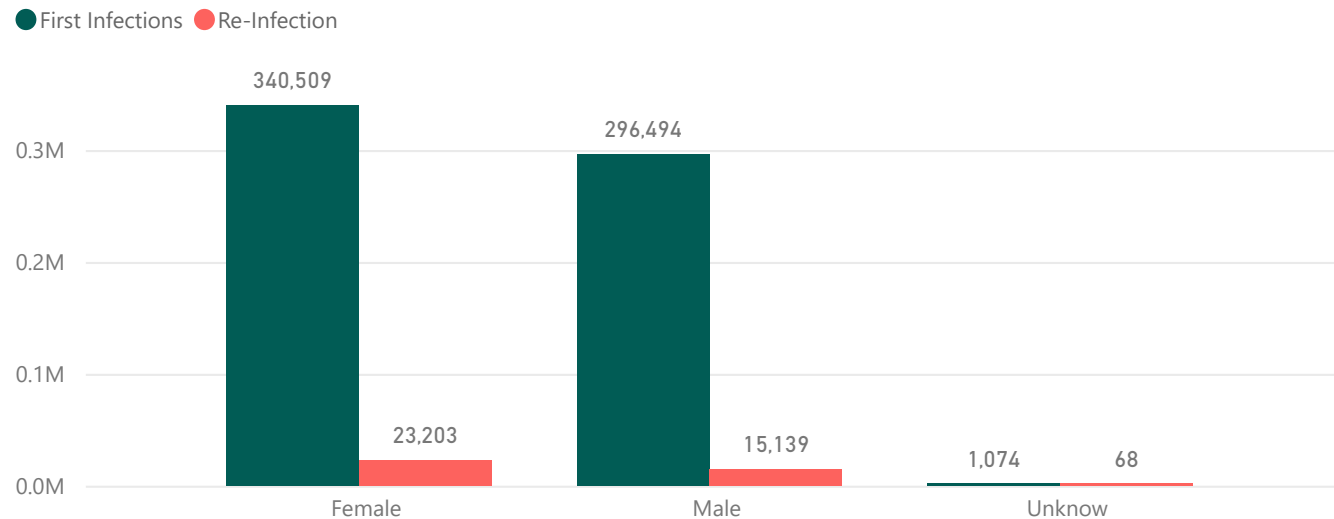


Information below shows (i) the number of Cases (Infections / Re-Infections) by Age Group (20 year), (ii) the number of Cases by Gender, and (iii) the number of Cases by Local Government District, Age Group (20 Year) and Gender.

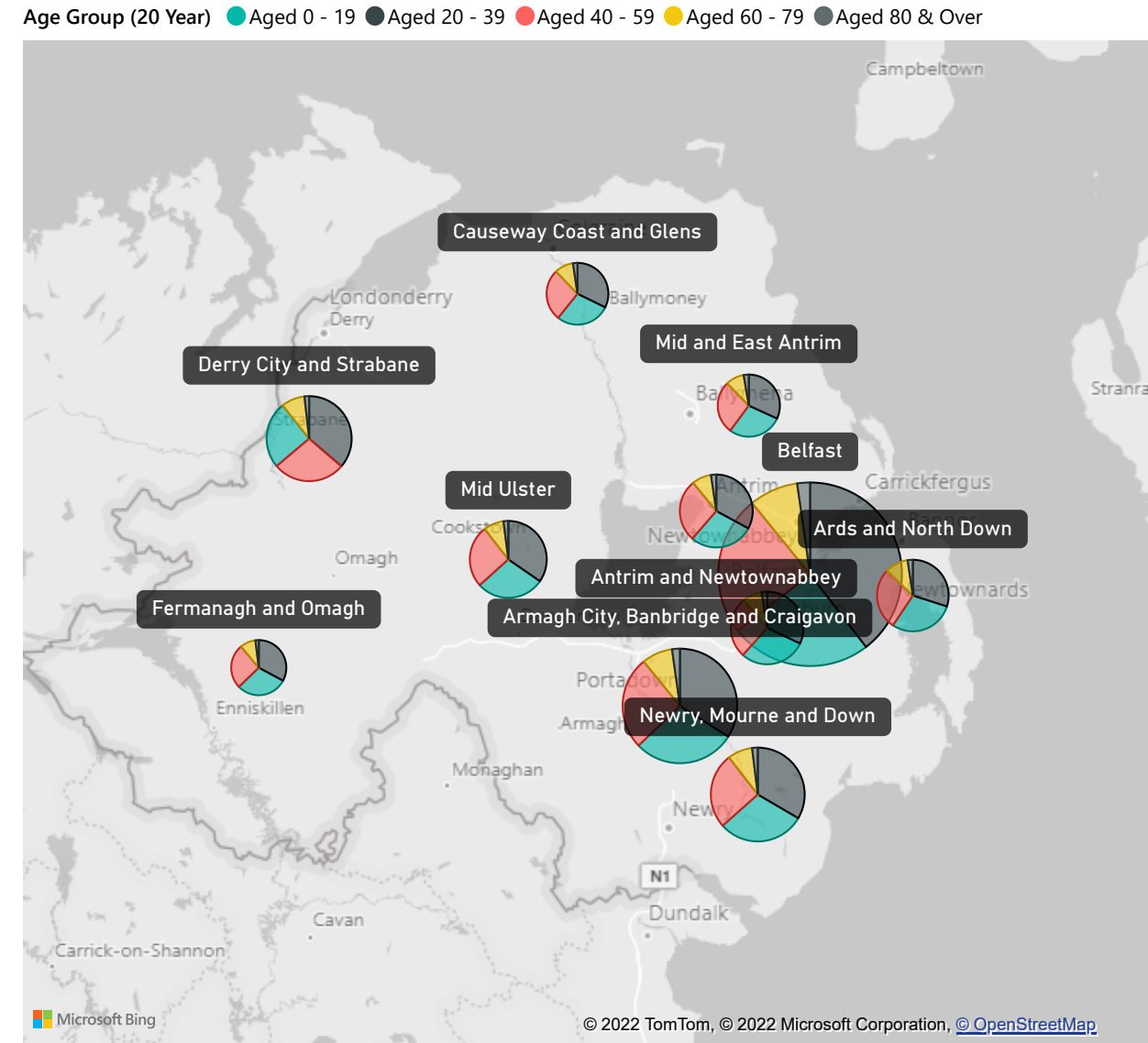
Number of Cases by Age Group (20 Year)



Number of Cases by Gender



Number of Cases by Local Government District, Age Group (20 Year) and Gender



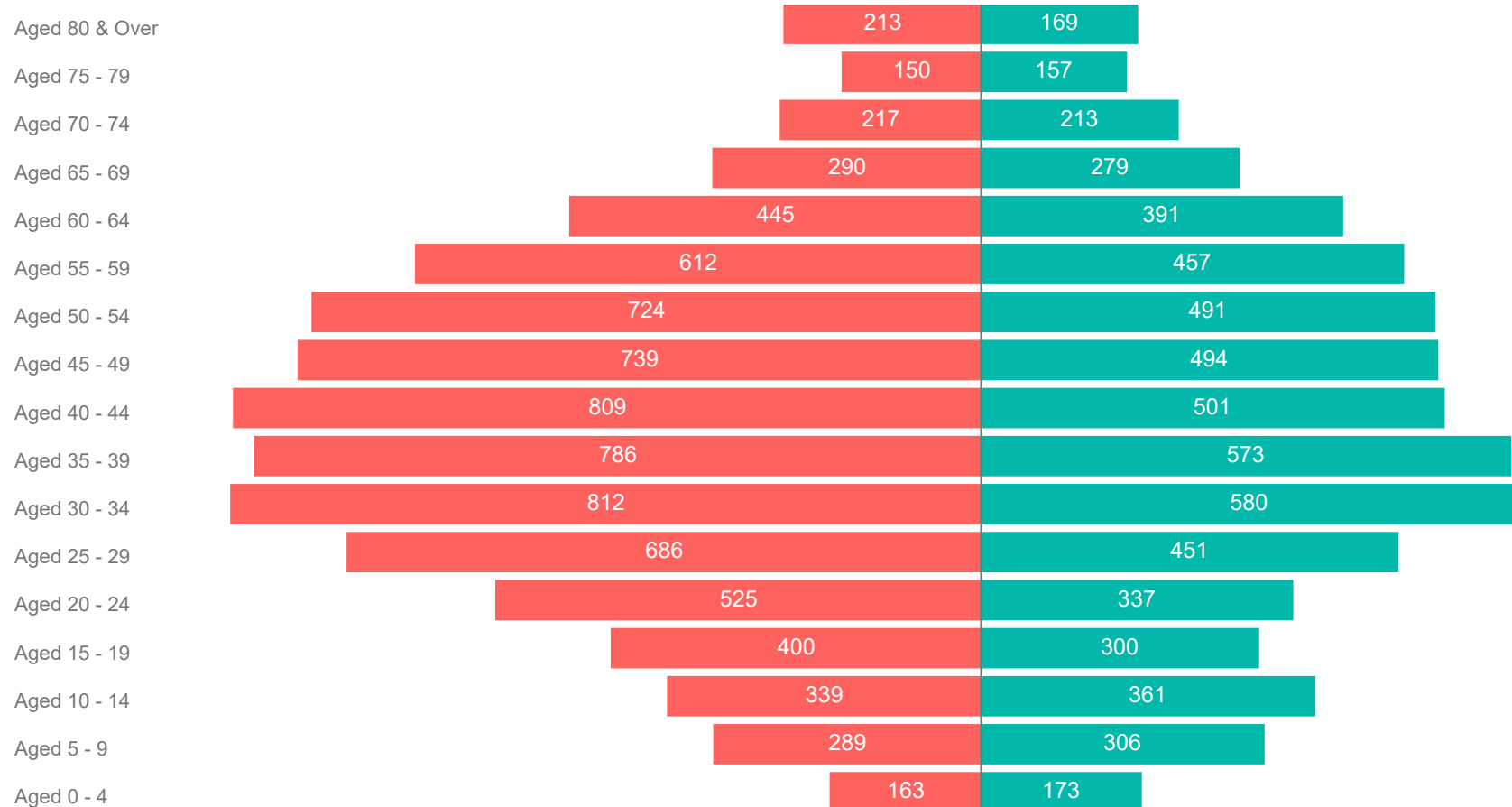
Information below presents a breakdown by 5 year age group and gender of (i) the number of cases (infections / re-infections) during the last 7 days, (ii) the number of tests (PCR / LFT) during the last 7 days, (iii) the percentage of cases during the last 7 days, and (iv) the number of cases per 100k Population during the last 7 days.

To view each chart please select one of the titles in the toolbar below

Number Cases	Number of Tests	Percentage Breakdown	Rate per 100k Population
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(ii) Number of Cases (Infections / Re-Infections) by Age & Gender (Last 7 Days)

● Female ● Male



During the last 7 days:

* 103,161 tests for COVID-19 in Northern Ireland;

* 14,460 cases (infections / re-infections) COVID-19 in Northern Ireland;

* highest percentage of cases were for those Aged 30 - 34 (9.6 %);

* highest number of cases per 100k population were Females Aged 40 - 44 (1,326).

Positive Cases in my Local Area

To view information on the number of cases in a specific area during the last 7 days, enter your full postcode in the box below with no spaces.

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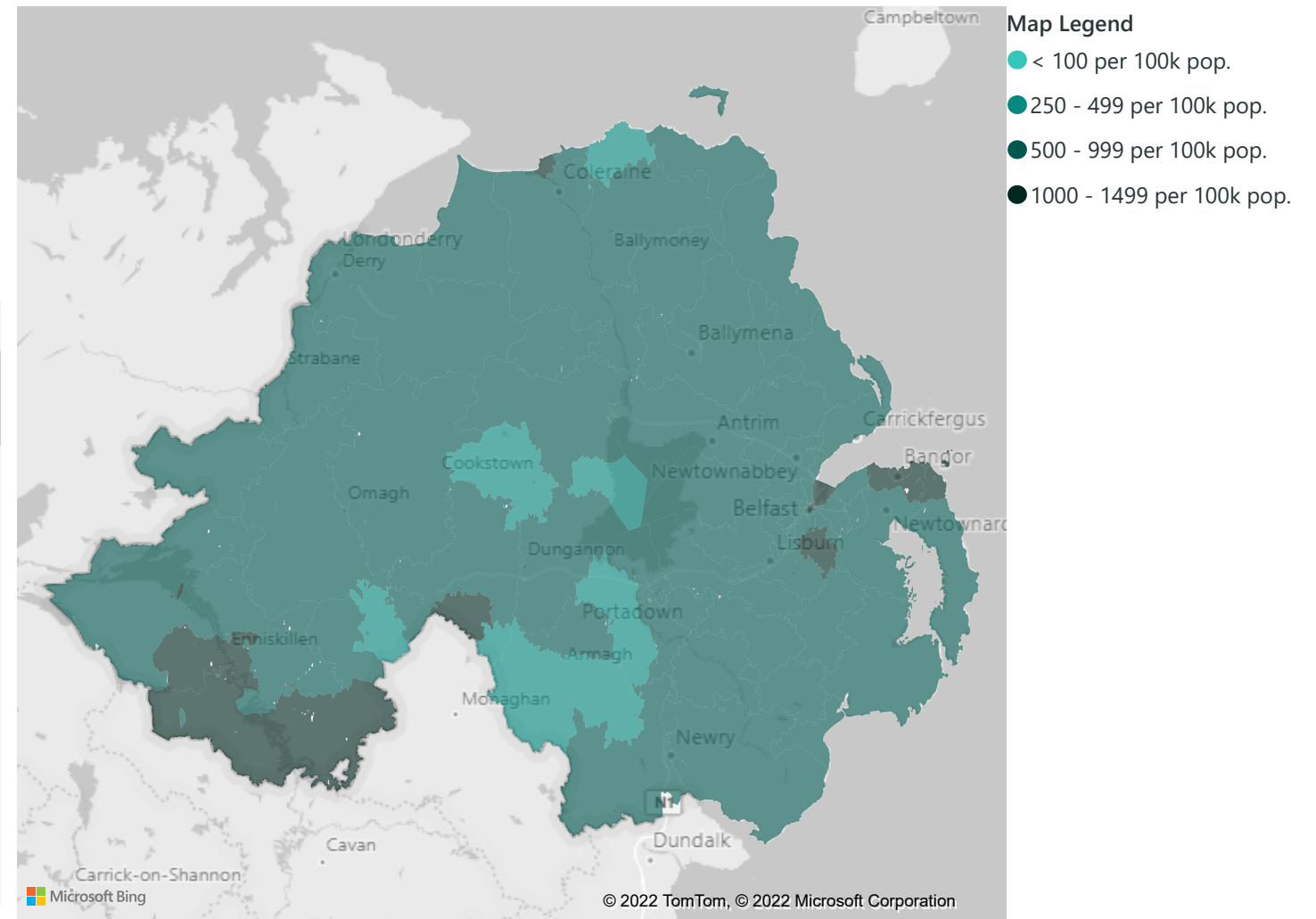
Number of Tests and Cases during Last 7 Days (17 - 23 March 2022) by Postal District

Postal_District	Cases	Cases per 100k pop.	Total Tests
BT1	31	1,148.1	198
BT10	111	879.6	772
BT11	206	758.5	1,159
BT12	162	549.2	979
BT13	149	615.4	981
BT14	228	673.6	1,343
BT15	198	739.4	1,491
BT16	151	842.6	1,396
BT17	256	751.8	1,482
BT18	114	845.7	1,139
BT19	411	1,063.7	2,952
BT2	12	1,052.6	58
BT20	282	1,085.0	2,040
BT21	80	1,010.1	641
BT22	166	732.9	1,172
Total	14,460	762.9	103,161

Information:

The map below provides a visualisation of the 7-day incidence rate of COVID-19 cases per 100,000 population within each postal district in Northern Ireland, and is updated on a daily basis.

Cases in last 7 Days per 100K Pop. by Postal District (17 - 23 March 2022)



COVID-19 Testing in Last 14 Days

Data Updated at midnight on 23 March 2022



Information below refers to the number of cases (infections / re-infections) during the **last 7 days** (17 March - 23 March 2022) compared with the **previous 7 days** (10 March - 16 March 2022).

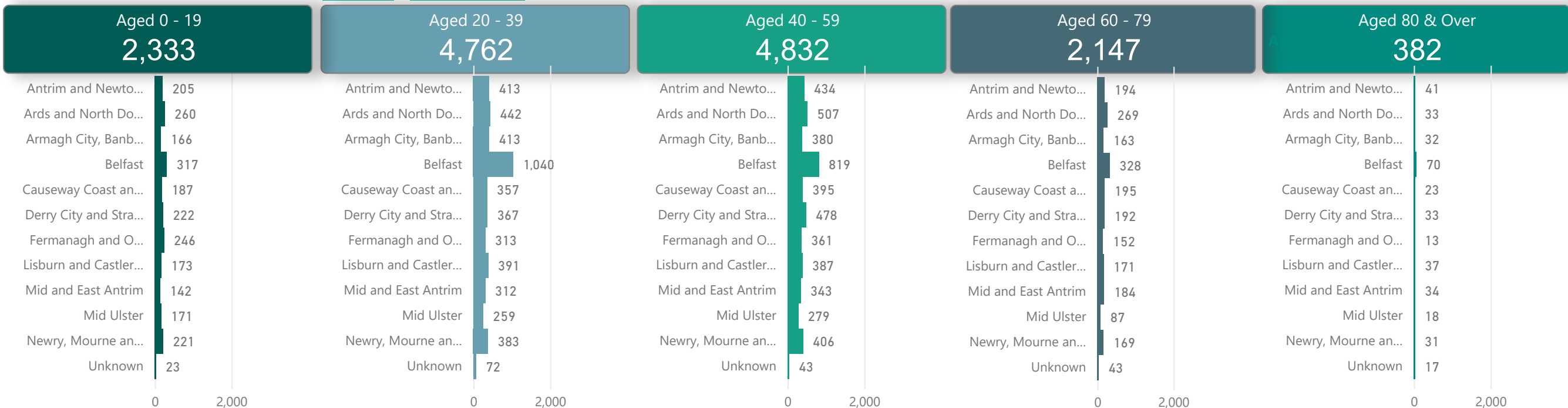
Number of Cases, Cases per 100k and Tests during Last 7 Days by LGD

Local Government District	Cases Last 7 Days	Last 7 Day Cases per 100K	Tests Last 7 Days
Antrim and Newtownabbey	1,287	895	8,952
Ards and North Down	1,511	932	11,416
Armagh City, Banbridge and Craig...	1,154	531	9,133
Belfast	2,575	752	17,607
Causeway Coast and Glens	1,157	798	7,218
Derry City and Strabane	1,292	855	7,001
Fermanagh and Omagh	1,086	926	6,192
Lisburn and Castlereagh	1,160	792	9,457
Mid and East Antrim	1,015	728	7,746
Mid Ulster	814	546	5,500
Newry, Mourne and Down	1,211	667	7,711
Unknown	198		5,228
Northern Ireland	14,460	763	103,161

Number of Cases, Cases per 100k and Tests during Previous 7 Days by LGD

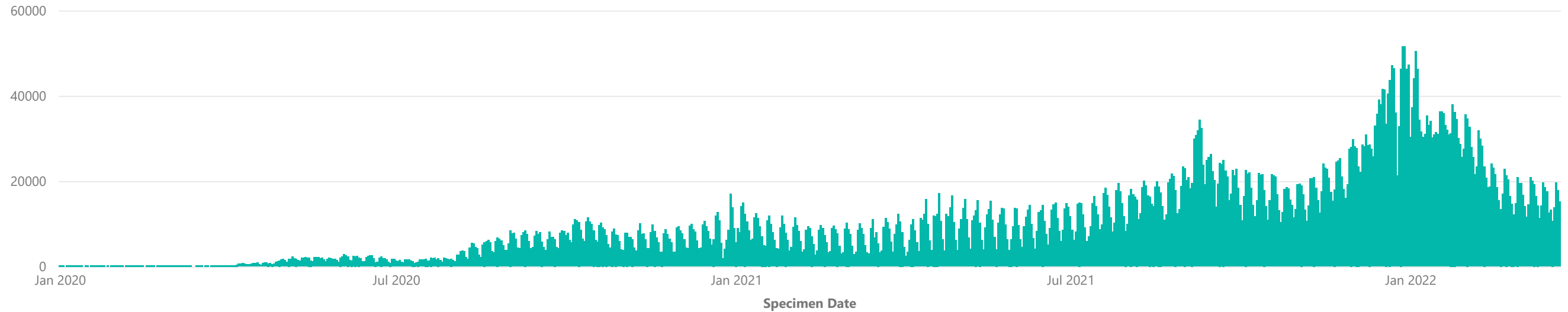
Local Government District	Cases Previous 7 Days	Previous 7 Day Cases per 100K	Tests Previous 7 Days
Antrim and Newtownabbey	1,410	981	9,684
Ards and North Down	1,513	934	12,269
Armagh City, Banbridge and Craig...	1,271	585	10,202
Belfast	2,637	770	19,462
Causeway Coast and Glens	1,171	808	7,616
Derry City and Strabane	1,200	794	6,824
Fermanagh and Omagh	1,091	930	6,673
Lisburn and Castlereagh	1,430	976	10,948
Mid and East Antrim	1,112	797	8,694
Mid Ulster	727	488	5,414
Newry, Mourne and Down	1,147	631	7,939
Unknown	203		6,294
Northern Ireland	14,912	787	112,019

Number of Cases during the last 7 days (17 March - 23 March 2022) by LGD



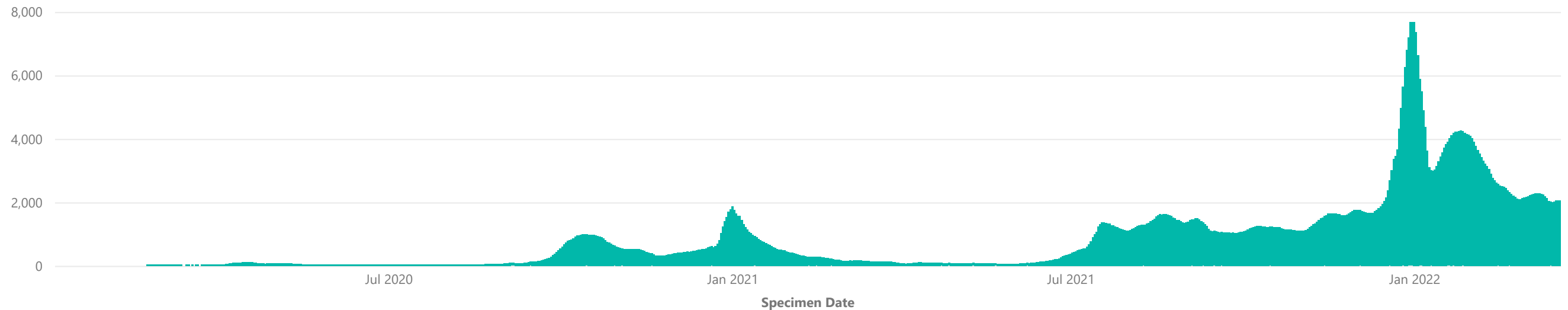
Information below refers to the number of Tests (PCR & LFT) by the specimen date.

Number of Tests (PCR & LFT) by Specimen Date



Information is presented below on the 7-day rolling average of cases (infections / re-infections), by the specimen date.

7 Day Rolling Average (mean) of Cases (Infections / Re-Infections) by Specimen Date



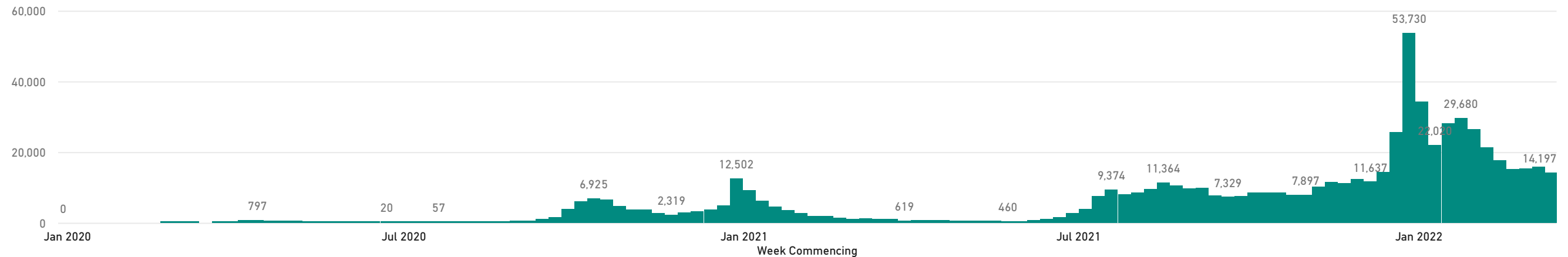
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Number of Cases (Infections / Re-Infections) each Week (All LGDs)



Number of Cases (Infections / Re-Infections) each Week by Age Group (All LGDs)

Week Commencing	Under 20 Tested	Cases Aged Under 20	Aged 20-39 Tested	Cases Aged 20-39	Aged 40-59 Tested	Cases Aged 40-59	Aged 60-79 Tested	Cases Aged 60-79	Aged 80+ Tested	Cases Aged 80+	Total Tests	Total Cases
W/C: 14/03/2022	12,597	2,577	24,874	4,592	39,233	4,564	22,476	2,065	6,810	399	106,044	14,197
W/C: 07/03/2022	15,264	3,352	28,387	5,068	42,672	4,931	23,378	2,072	6,795	408	116,545	15,836
W/C: 28/02/2022	14,838	3,410	28,517	5,085	43,212	4,655	22,907	1,828	7,246	424	116,786	15,403
W/C: 21/02/2022	15,074	2,996	30,989	5,095	45,524	4,803	23,610	1,848	7,454	447	122,711	15,192
W/C: 14/02/2022	17,226	3,832	35,413	6,026	48,992	5,390	24,787	1,908	7,027	439	133,496	17,597
W/C: 07/02/2022	30,996	6,063	44,666	7,022	60,432	5,994	27,566	1,887	7,725	433	171,444	21,401
W/C: 31/01/2022	43,690	9,209	51,711	8,017	69,768	7,057	28,645	1,817	7,709	321	201,609	26,424
W/C: 24/01/2022	53,779	12,233	58,228	8,160	72,872	7,293	28,082	1,636	7,696	356	220,703	29,680
W/C: 17/01/2022	52,607	12,412	70,188	7,680	76,468	6,319	28,766	1,383	7,560	307	235,668	28,104
W/C: 10/01/2022	39,660	8,111	73,388	6,968	75,441	5,237	29,229	1,358	8,144	342	225,956	22,020
Total	1,535,932	186,967	2,666,830	230,227	2,656,192	176,141	1,229,838	60,002	474,836	15,528	8,569,694	669,219

Weekly COVID-19 Cases by Age Group

Information on this page refers to the number of Cases (Infections / Re-Infections) each week from February 2020, a week starts on a Monday and ends on a Sunday.

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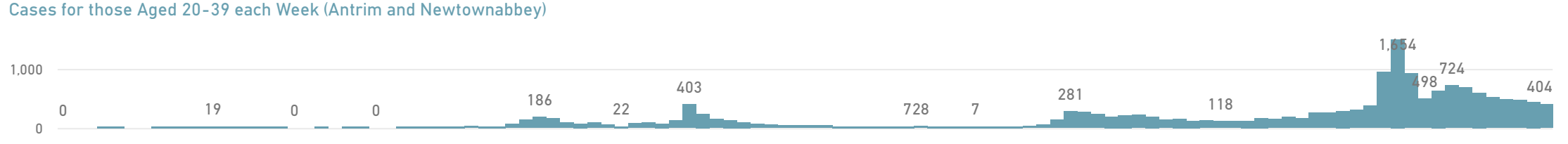
Antrim and Newtownabbey

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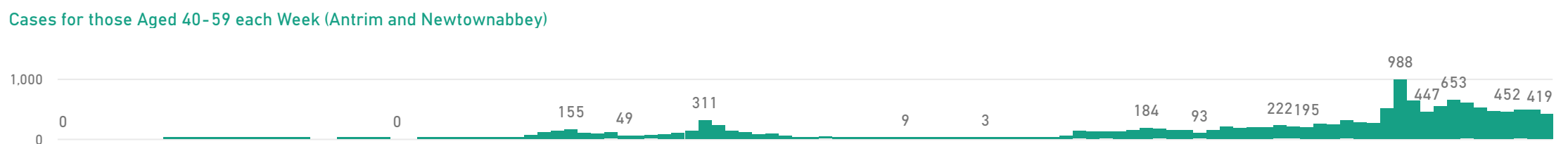
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14,693



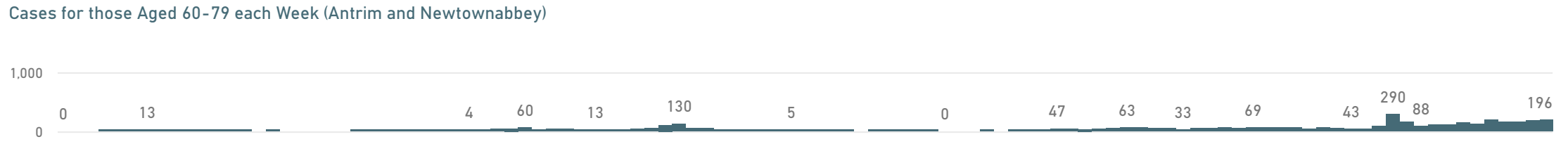
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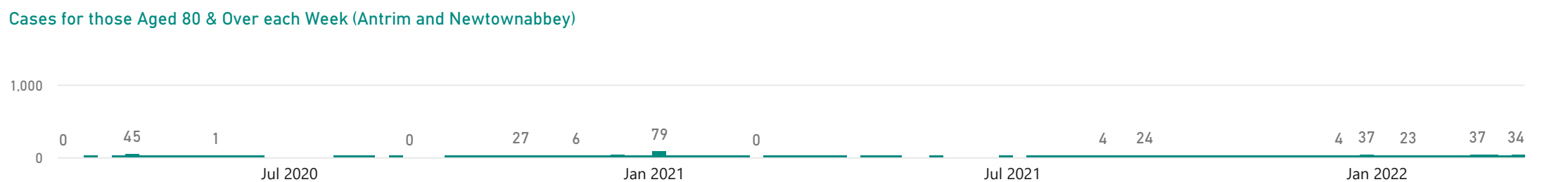
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Aged 80 & Over
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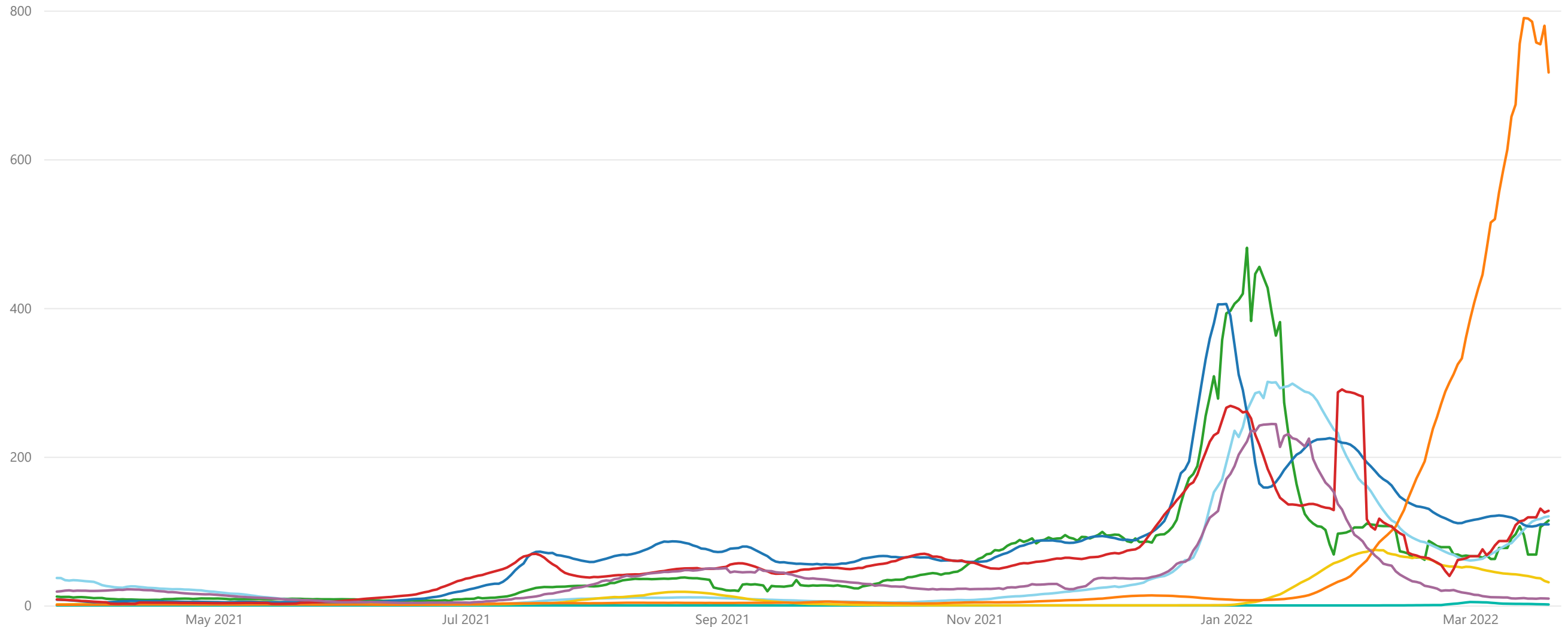
COVID-19 New Cases Per 100k by Country



Information below refers to a 7 day rolling average of new confirmed cases of COVID-19 per 100,000 population. Confirmed cases in Northern Ireland refers to individuals with a positive lab completed test.

7 Day Rolling Average of New COVID-19 Cases (per 100k)

China Ireland Italy Japan NI South Korea United Kingdom US



COVID-19 Doubling Case Rate (Last 7 Days)



The table below compares doubling times of **confirmed cases** in the last seven days with the doubling time in the seven days before; as well as the number of confirmed cases in the last seven days with the number of confirmed cases in the seven days before that. The 'change' column compares whether cases doubled **faster** or **slower** or remained about the same; or if countries reported **more** or **less** or about the same number of cases.

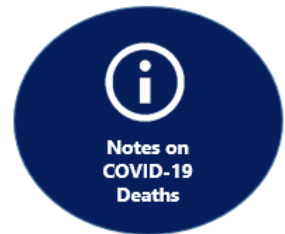
The number of confirmed cases in Northern Ireland is doubling at a **slower rate** (224.6 days) over the last 7 days compared with the doubling rate in the 7 days before that (213.0 days). Confirmed cases in Northern Ireland refers to individuals with a positive lab completed test.

Doubling Rates & Case Numbers in the Last 7 Days

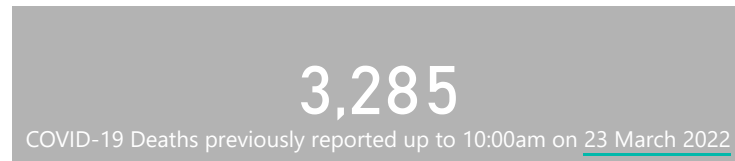
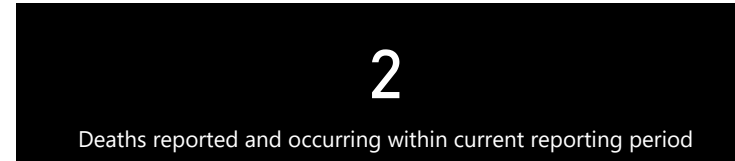
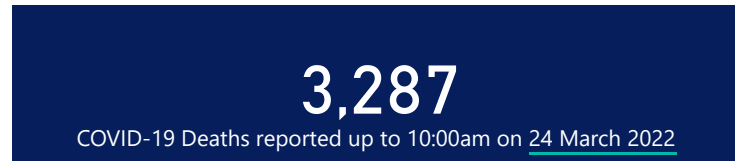
Country	Doubling Time Last 7 Days	Doubling Time 7 Days Before That	Change in Doubling Time	New Cases Last 7 Days	New Cases 7 Days Before That	Change in New Cases
China	43.9	22.1	21.8	128,450	216,428	-87,978
France	157.8	220.9	-63.1	721,367	501,881	219,486
Germany	76.0	58.3	17.6	1,189,272	1,438,998	-249,726
Ireland	170.3	177.5	-7.2	39,462	36,823	2,639
Italy	132.2	160.4	-28.2	506,984	404,124	102,860
Japan	106.6	76.4	30.2	275,386	363,836	-88,450
Northern Ireland	224.6	213.0	11.6	14,460	14,912	-452
South Korea	17.9	12.2	5.7	2,572,244	2,710,942	-138,698
Spain	462.5	693.3	-230.8	118,744	78,530	40,214
United Kingdom	162.1	177.4	-15.2	604,843	537,271	67,572
US	1,811.5	1,731.8	79.7	213,577	222,790	-9,213

COVID-19 DEATHS SUMMARY

Current Reporting Period = 10am on 23 March 2022 - 10am on 24 March 2022



Breakdown of Deaths During Current Reporting Period



New Deaths Reported

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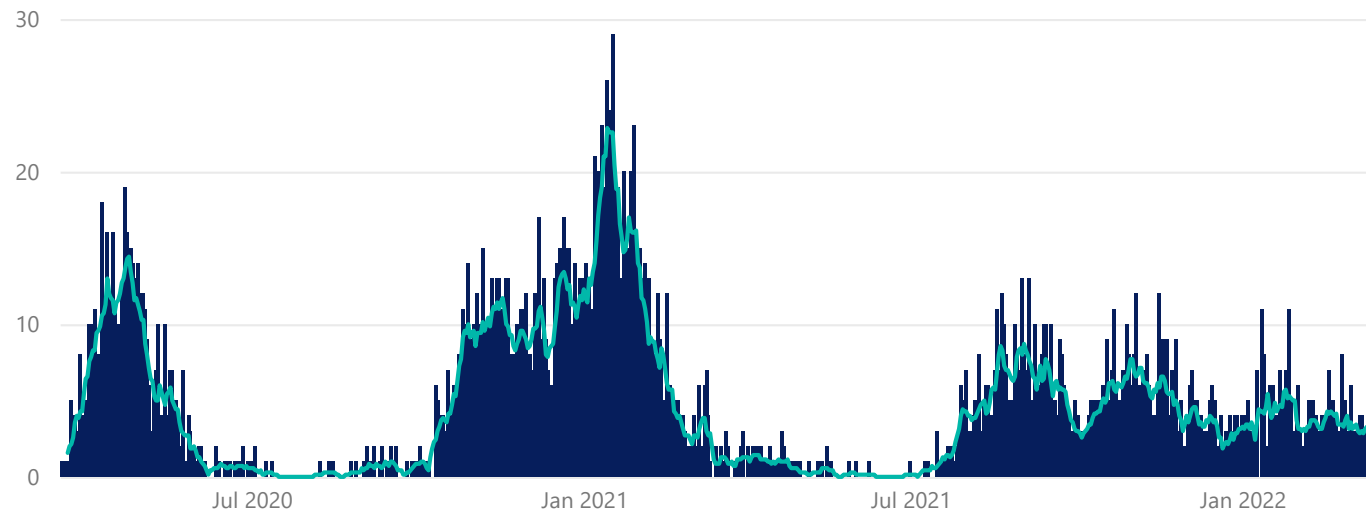
Total Deaths

3,287

Deaths Last 7 Days

21 
19 previous 7 days

COVID-19 Deaths Reported by Date of Death with 7 Day Rolling Average





Breakdown of Deaths During Current Reporting Period

3,287

COVID-19 Deaths reported up to 10:00am on 24 March 2022

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3,285

COVID-19 Deaths previously reported up to 10:00am on 23 March 2022

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Deaths reported and occurring within current reporting period

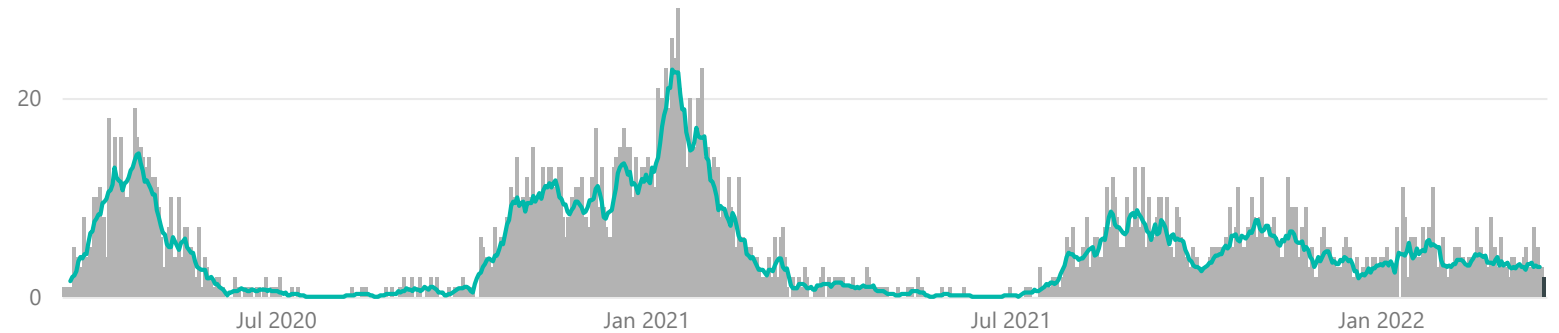
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Deaths reported, but not occurring within current reporting period

Previously Reported Deaths and Deaths in Current Reporting Period by Date of Death

● Previously Reported Deaths ● Deaths Reported in Current Reporting Period ● Rolling 7 Day Avg. Deaths



Cumulative COVID-19 Deaths by Date of Death



Note 1: Deaths in current reporting period include deaths which will have occurred in that period, along with deaths which have only been reported within that period. For example, A death may occur on Thursday 30th April but not be reported until Saturday 2nd May

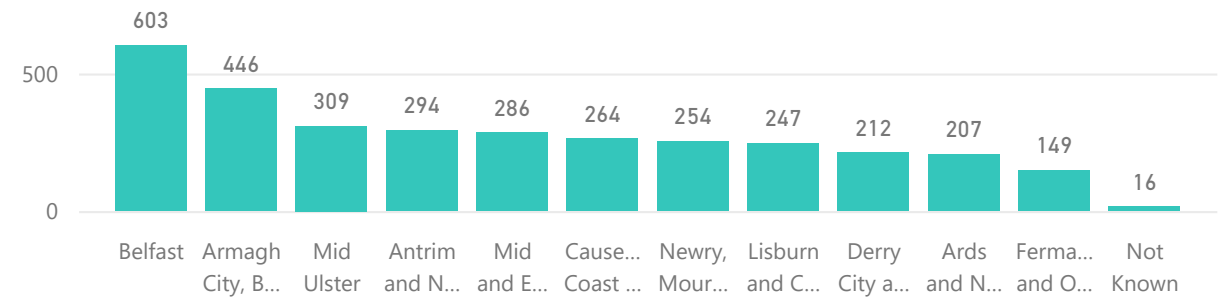
Note 2: Current Reporting Period = 10am on 23 March 2022 - 10am on 24 March 2022



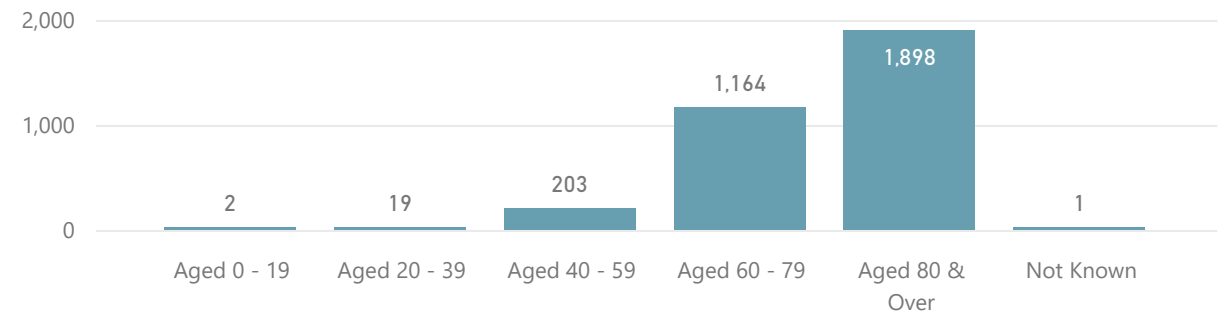
Weekly COVID-19 Deaths by Local Government District

Local Government District	Deaths in Last 7 Days	Deaths in Previous 7 Days
Antrim and Newtownabbey	1	3
Ards and North Down	1	1
Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon	4	5
Belfast	5	0
Causeway Coast and Glens	3	1
Derry City and Strabane	1	0
Fermanagh and Omagh	3	1
Lisburn and Castlereagh	1	2
Mid and East Antrim	0	2
Mid Ulster	0	2
Newry, Mourne and Down	2	1
Not Known	0	1
Total	21	19

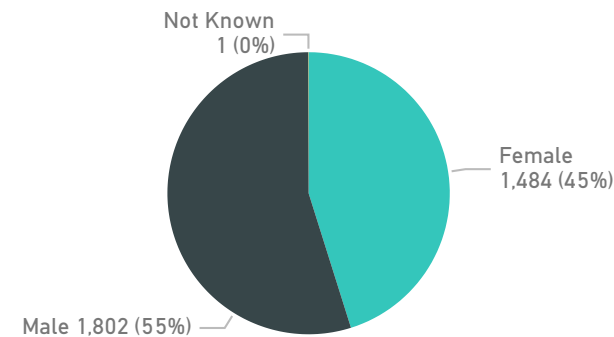
COVID-19 Deaths by Local Government District



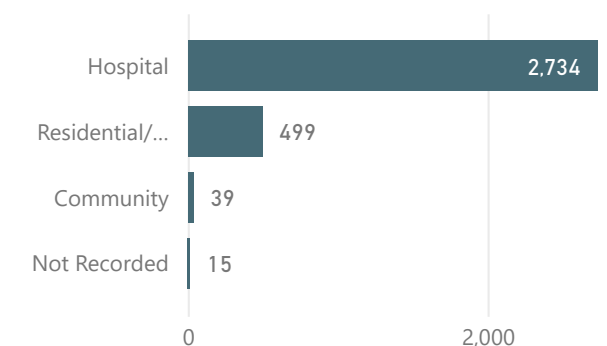
COVID-19 Deaths by Age Group



COVID-19 Deaths by Gender



COVID-19 Deaths by Setting



Note 1: Deaths in current reporting period include deaths which will have occurred in that period, along with deaths which have only been reported within that period. For example, A death may occur on Thursday 30th April but not be reported until Saturday 2nd May

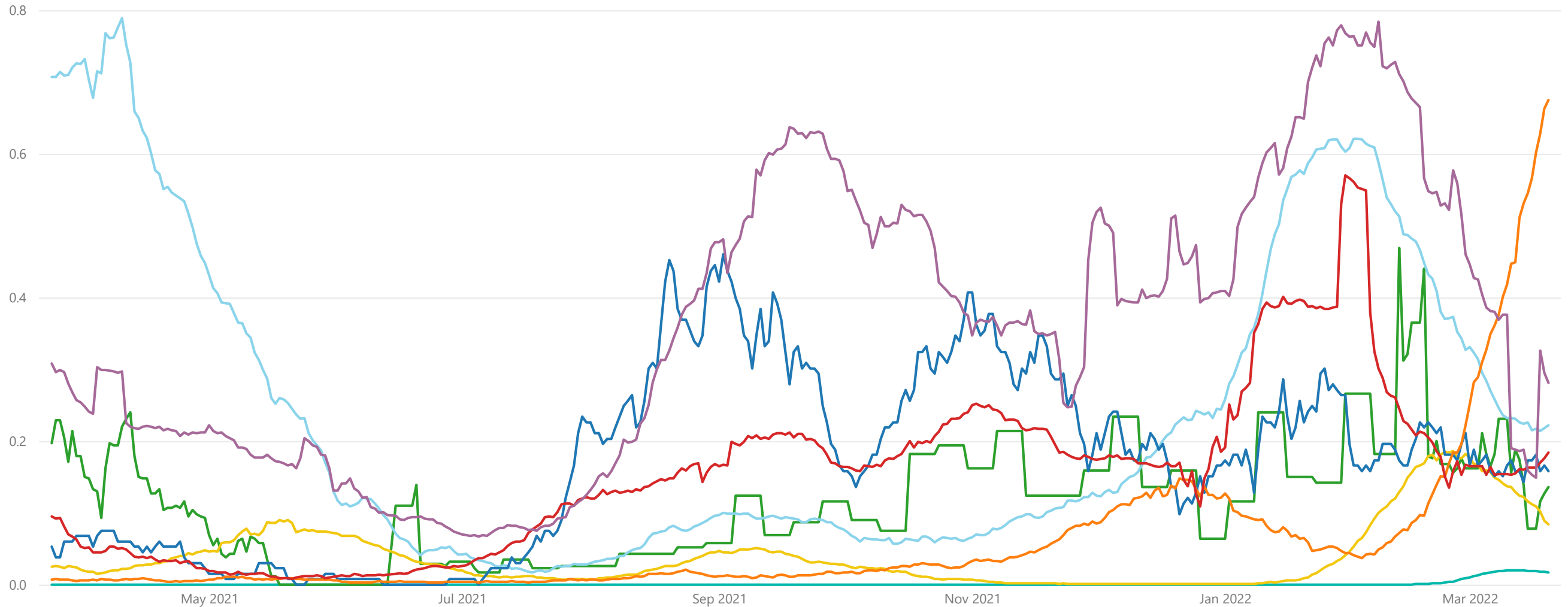
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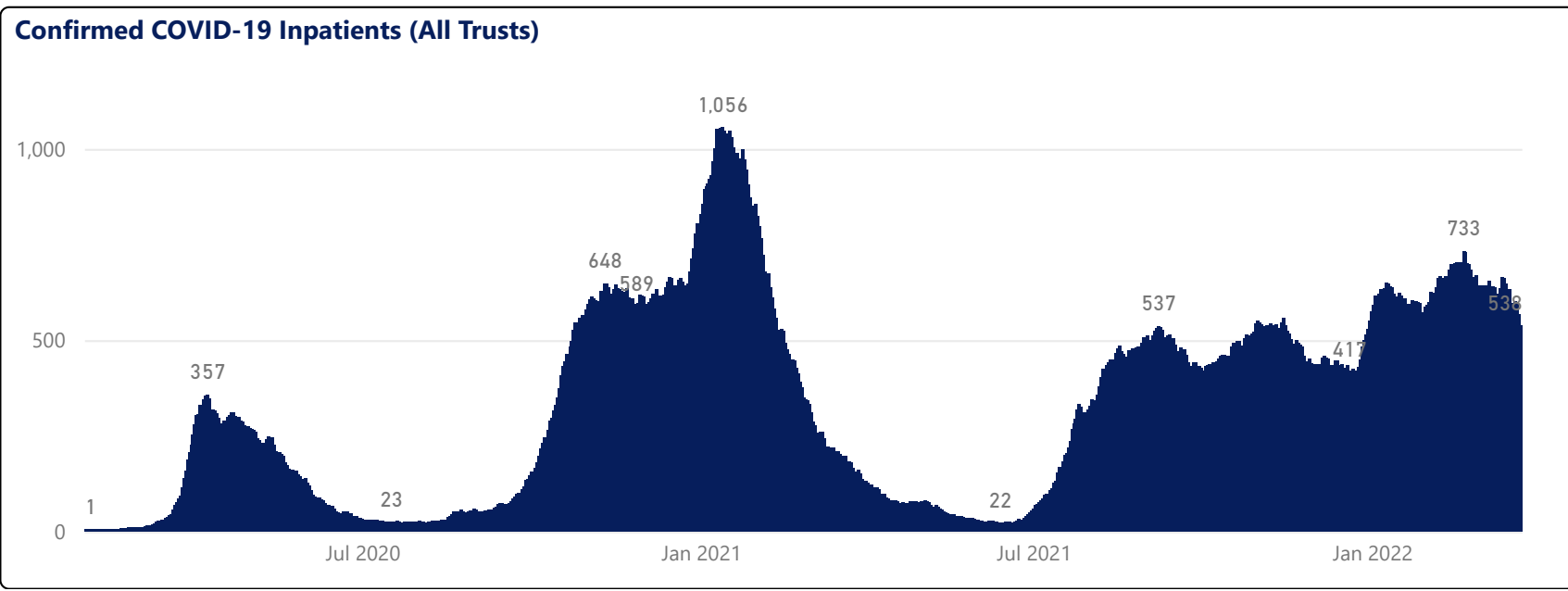
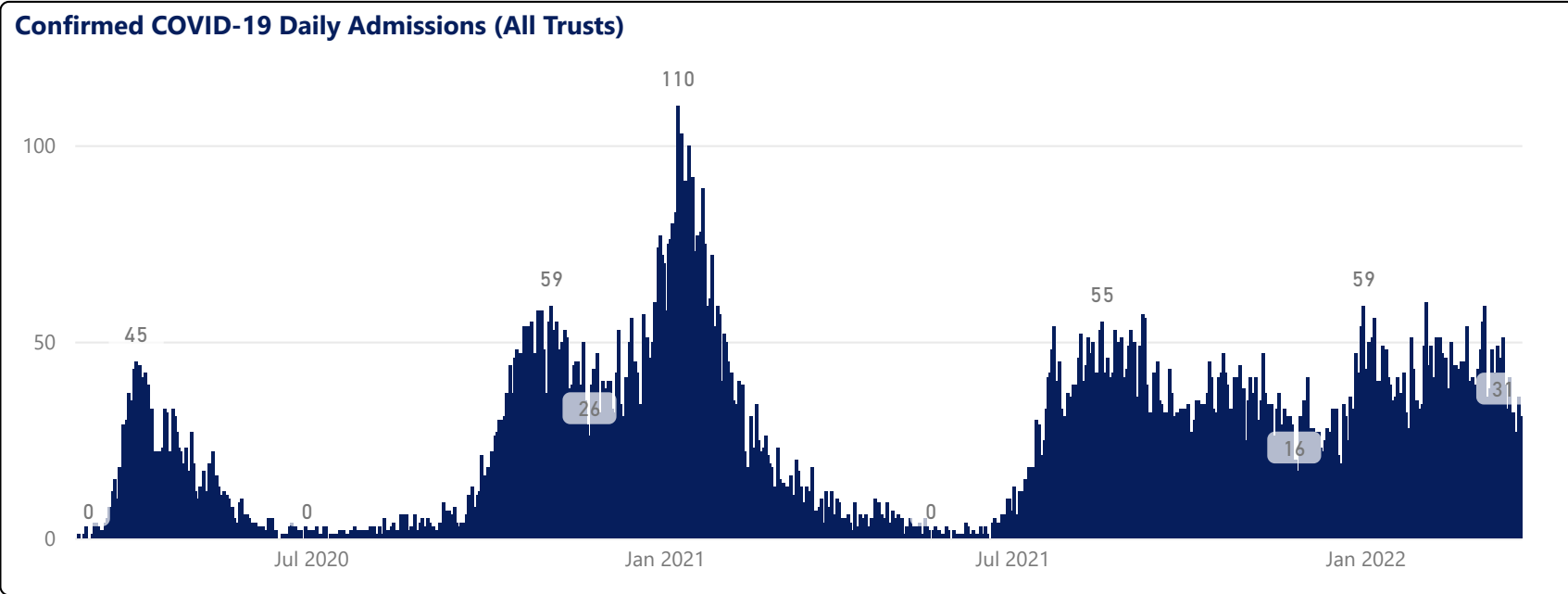


Information below refers to a 7 day rolling average of new deaths attributed to COVID-19 per 100,000 population. Deaths in Northern Ireland refers to individuals who have had a positive test for COVID-19 and died within 28 days, whether or not COVID-19 was the cause of death. **Information detailed below for Ireland is updated on a weekly basis following an IT disruption across their HSE systems.**

7 Day Rolling Average of New COVID-19 Deaths (per 100k)

● China ● Ireland ● Italy ● Japan ● NI ● South Korea ● United Kingdom ● US





Admissions Last 7 Days

219



296

previous 7 days

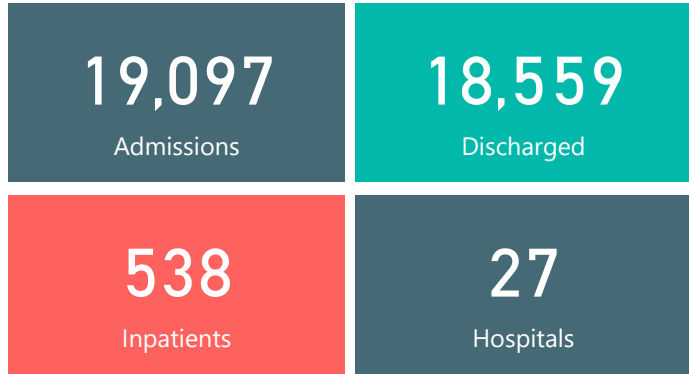
Inpatients at Midnight

538

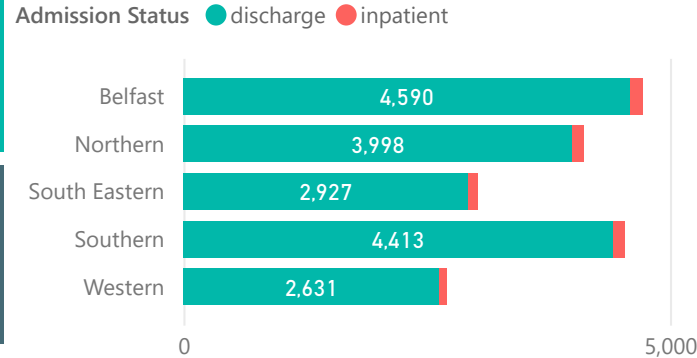


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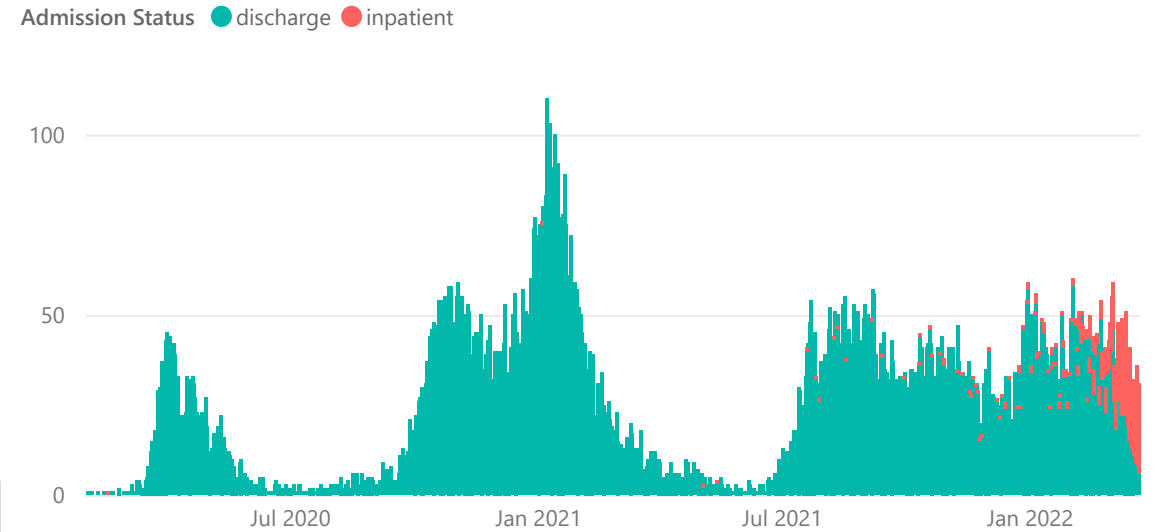
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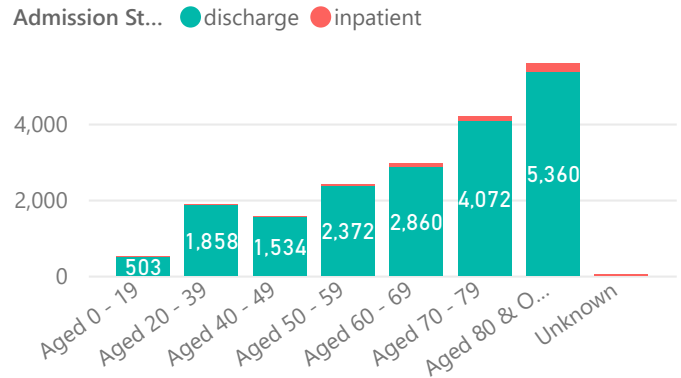
COVID-19 Admissions by Trust & Patient Status



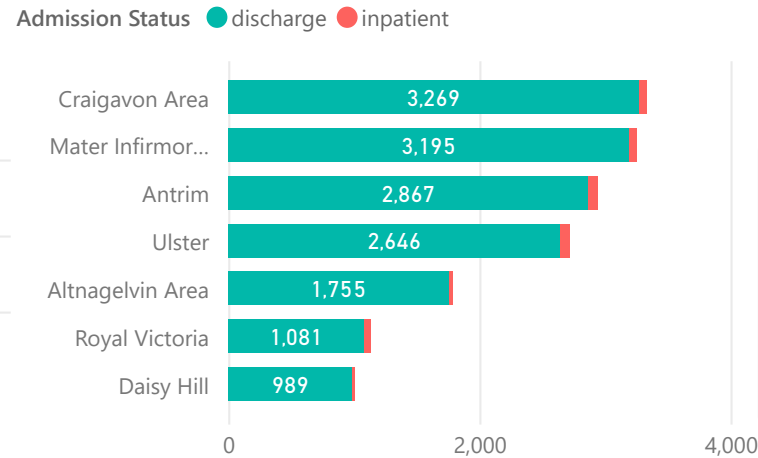
COVID-19 Admissions by Admission Date & Patient Status



COVID-19 Admissions by Age Group & Patient Status



COVID-19 Admissions by Hospital & Patient Status



COVID-19 Admissions, Discharges & Inpatients at Midnight for the Last 8 Days

Date	Admissions	Discharged	Inpatients
16 March 2022	18,878	18,252	626
17 March 2022	18,919	18,285	634
18 March 2022	18,947	18,350	597
19 March 2022	18,979	18,384	595
20 March 2022	19,003	18,402	601
21 March 2022	19,030	18,433	597
22 March 2022	19,066	18,499	567
23 March 2022	19,097	18,559	538

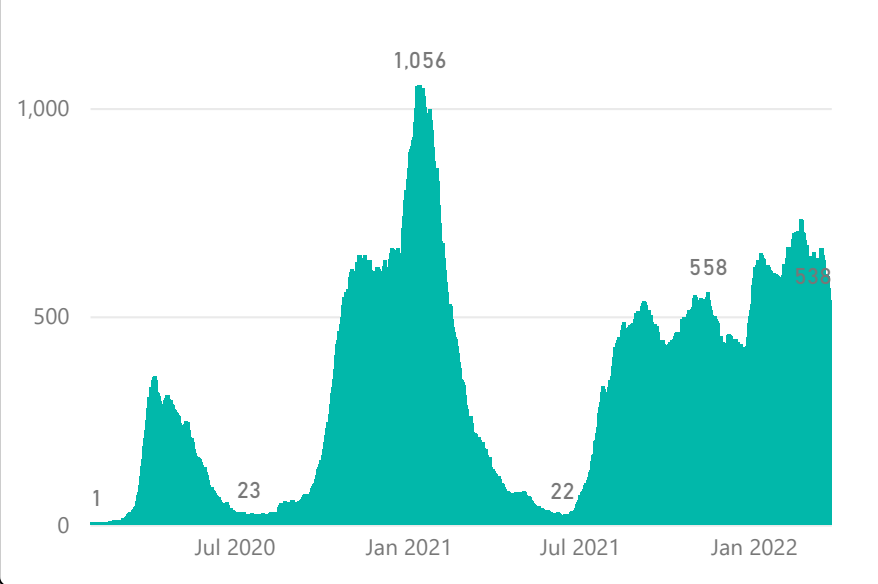
Change in Admissions & Discharges by HSC Trust

HSC Trust	Admissions in Last 7 Days	Discharges in Last 7 Days	Admissions in Last 14 Days	Discharges in Last 14 Days
Belfast	47	78	107	156
Northern	59	76	138	156
South Eastern	49	54	101	114
Southern	50	85	134	159
Western	14	14	35	31
Total	219	307	515	616

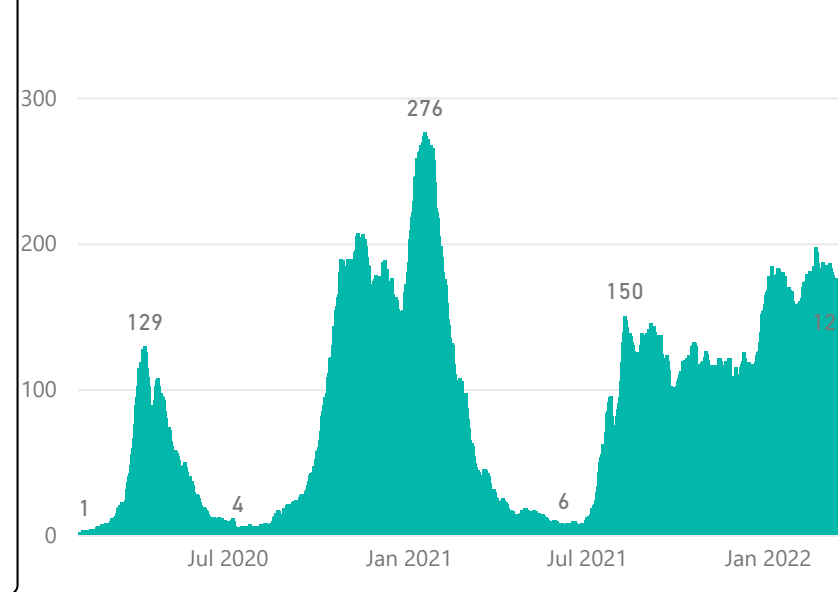
Note 1: Discharges include: discharge under medical grounds, self-discharge or death.
Note 2: Admissions data is sourced from a live administrative system which is continually being amended and updated, as such previous days' admission data may be revised.
Note 3: Figures include patients admitted for other reasons but who subsequently test positive for COVID-19.



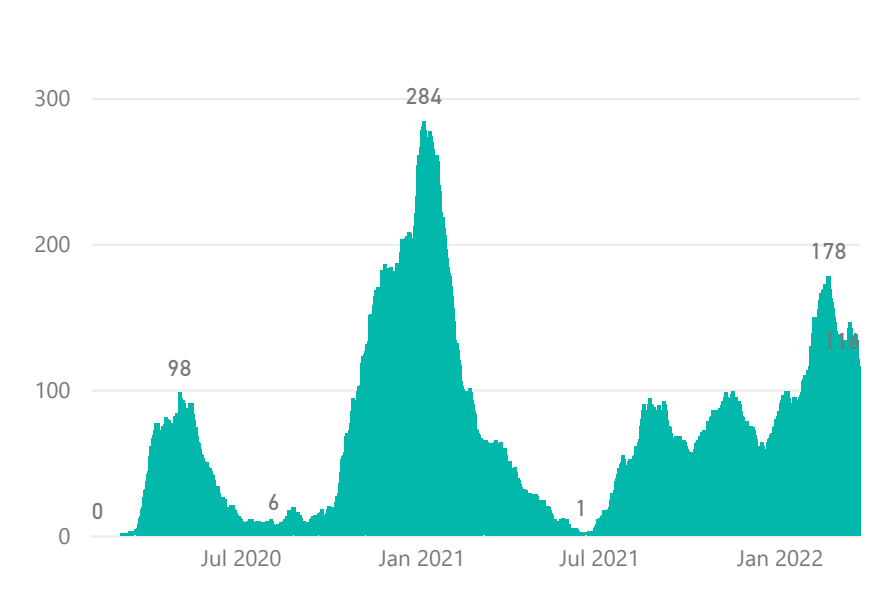
Confirmed COVID-19 inpatients (All Trusts)



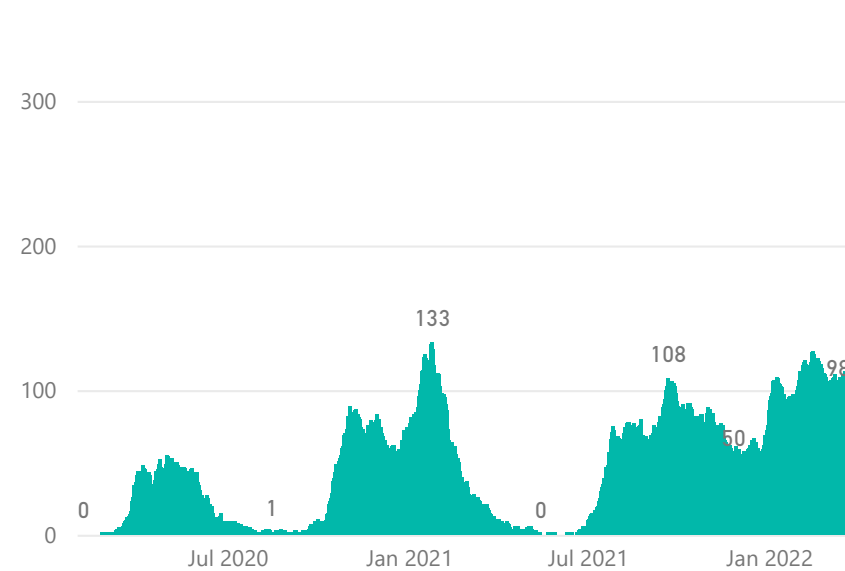
Confirmed COVID-19 inpatients (Belfast Trust)



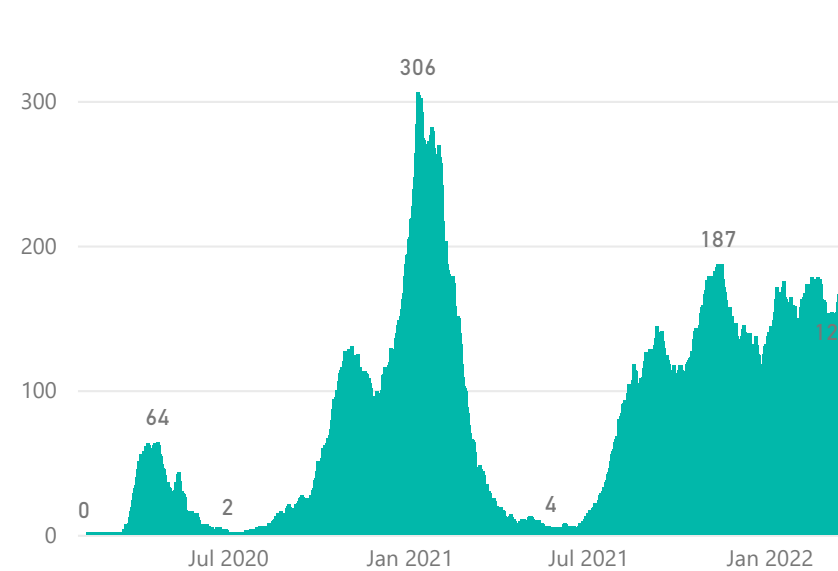
Confirmed COVID-19 inpatients (Northern Trust)



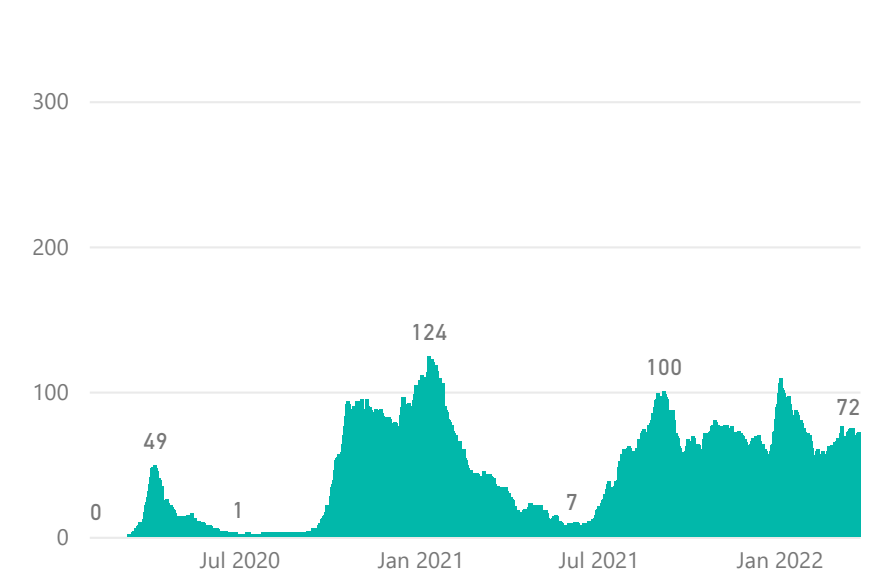
Confirmed COVID-19 inpatients (South Eastern Trust)



Confirmed COVID-19 inpatients (Southern Trust)



Confirmed COVID-19 inpatients (Western Trust)



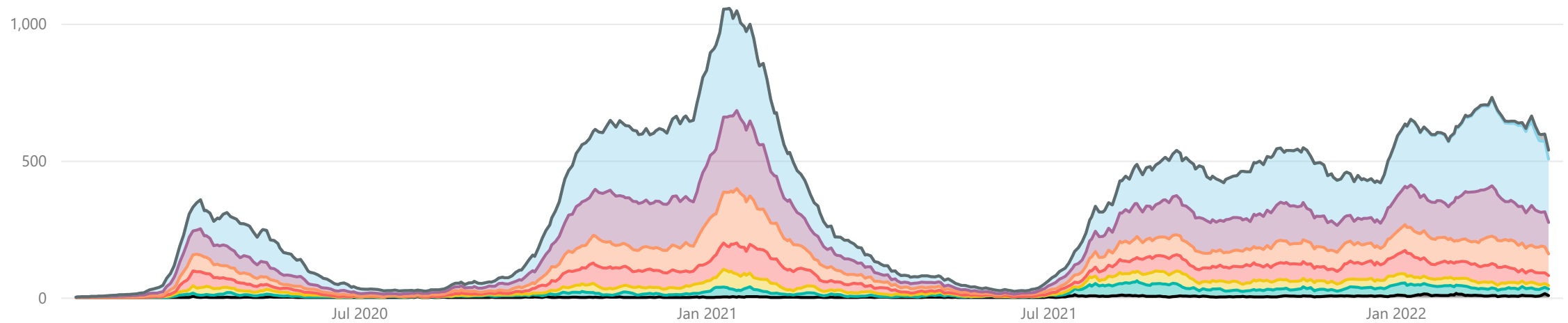
Note: Information on this page refers to the number of inpatients in hospital at midnight by age band, date, Health and Social Care Trust and sex. Please click on the buttons below to make a selection.

SELECT SEX:

- All
- Female
- Male
- Unknown

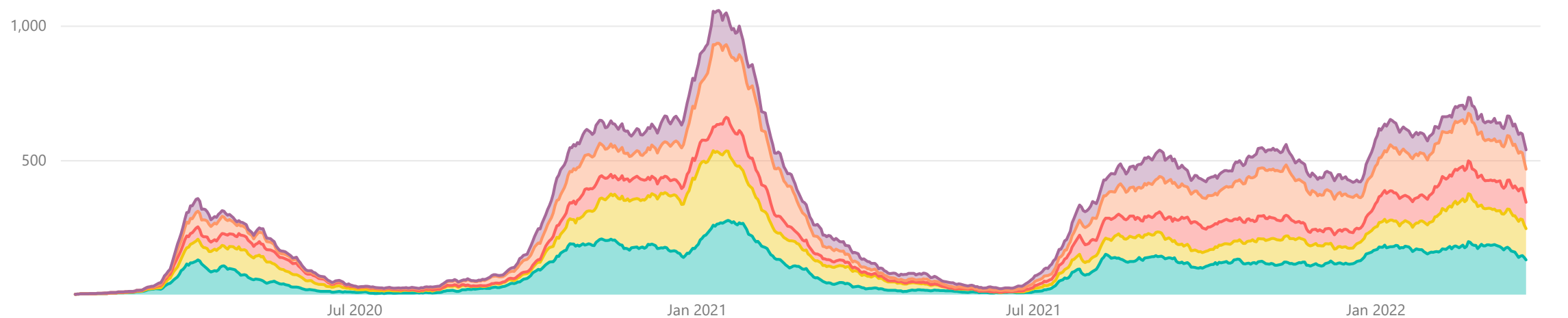
Inpatients at Midnight by Age Band for All

● Aged 0 - 19
 ● Aged 20 - 39
 ● Aged 40 - 49
 ● Aged 50 - 59
 ● Aged 60 - 69
 ● Aged 70 - 79
 ● Aged 80 & Over
 ● Unknown



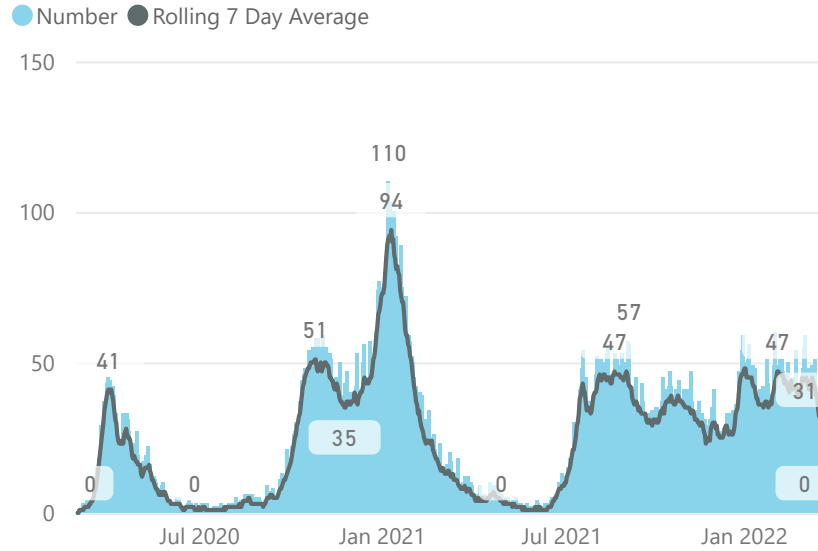
Inpatients at Midnight by Trust for All

● Belfast
 ● Northern
 ● South Eastern
 ● Southern
 ● Western

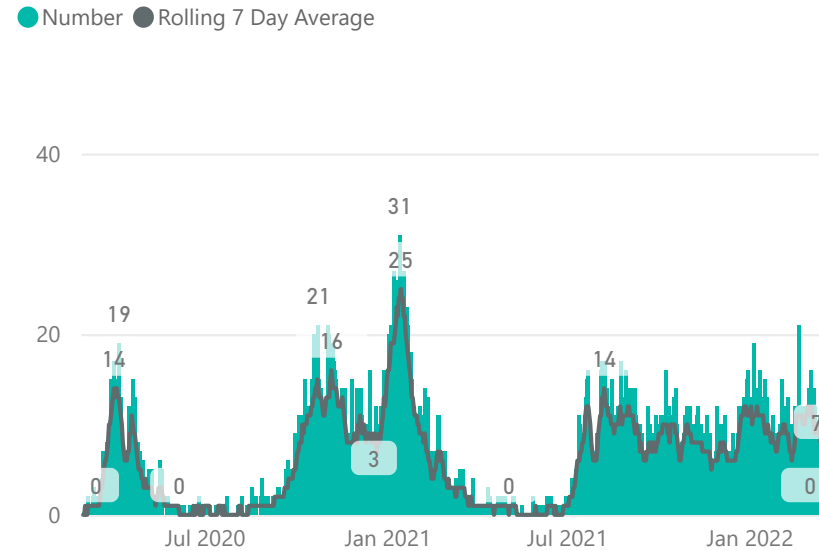




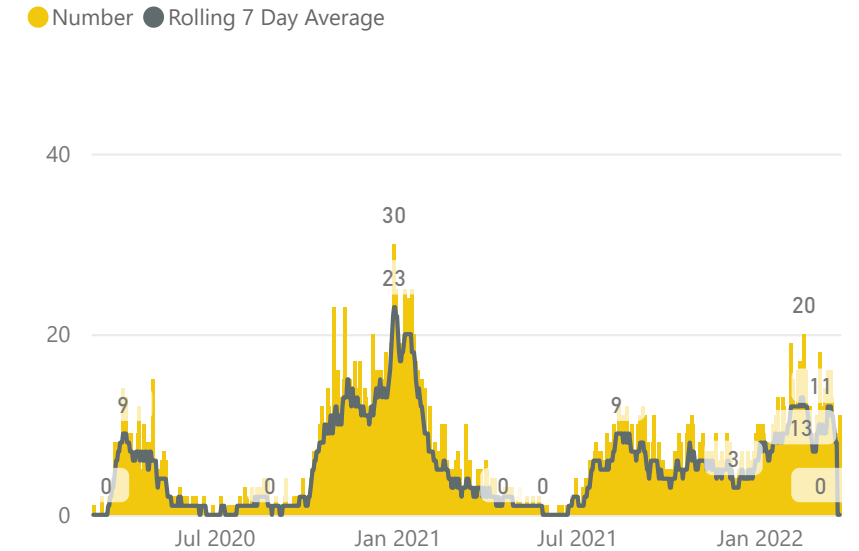
Confirmed COVID-19 daily admissions (All Trusts)



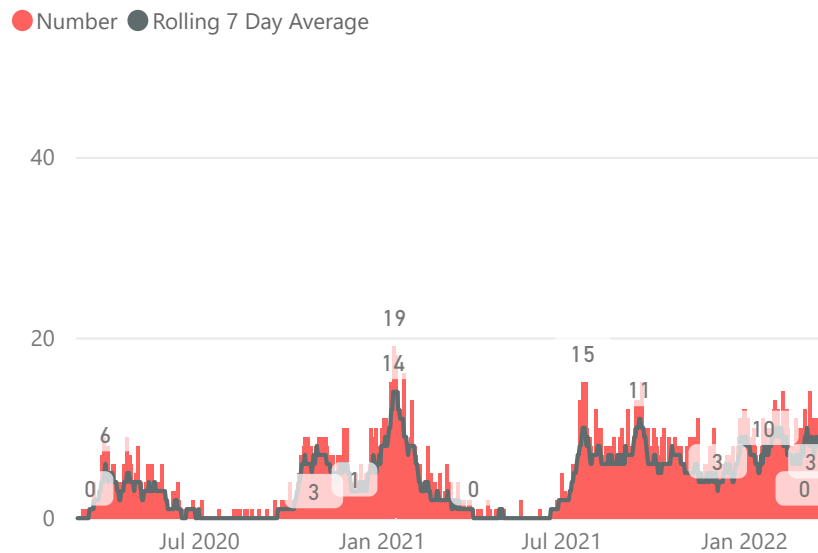
Confirmed COVID-19 daily admissions (Belfast Trust)



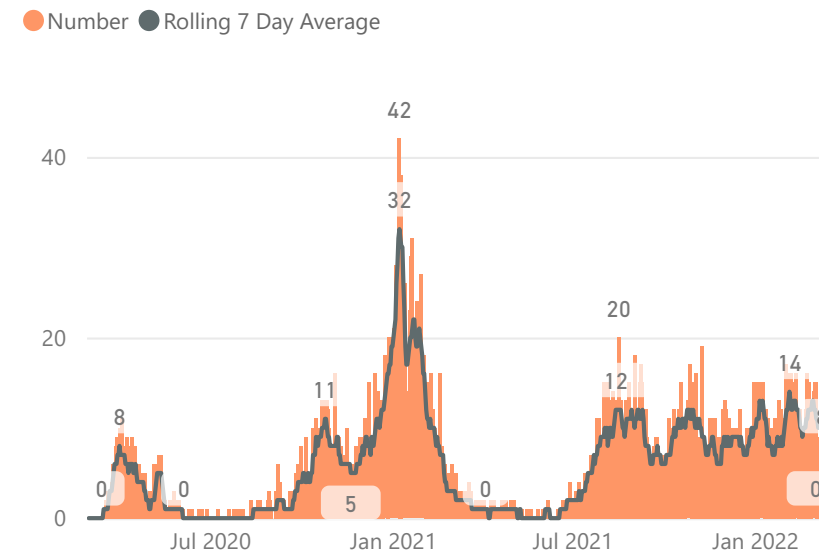
Confirmed COVID-19 daily admissions (Northern Trust)



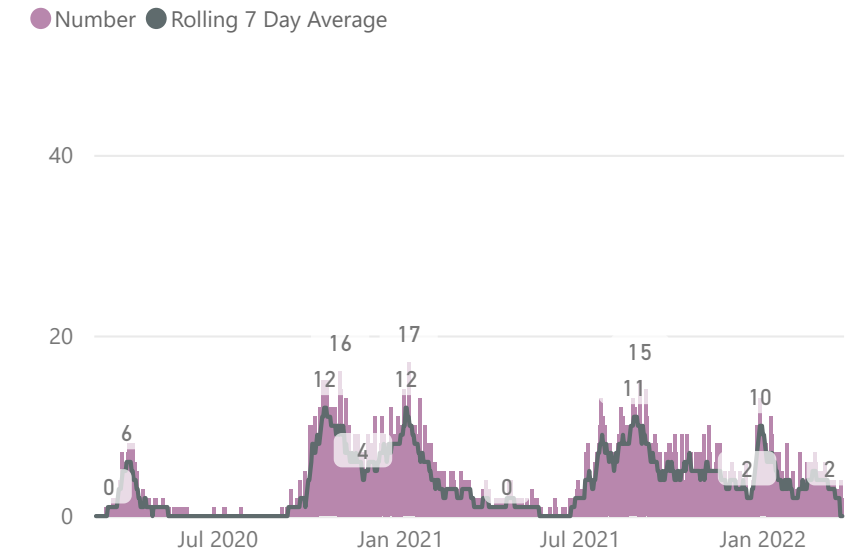
Confirmed COVID-19 daily admissions (South Eastern Trust)



Confirmed COVID-19 daily admissions (Southern Trust)



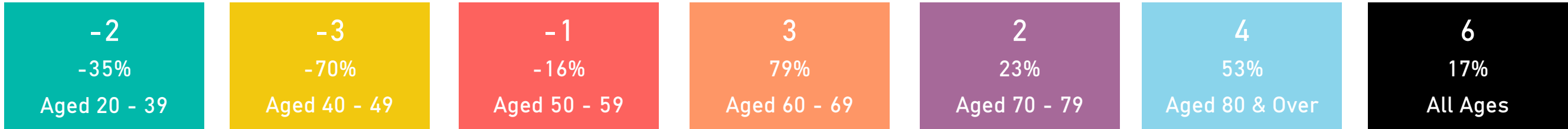
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COVID-19 Admissions - 7 Day Rolling Average Change

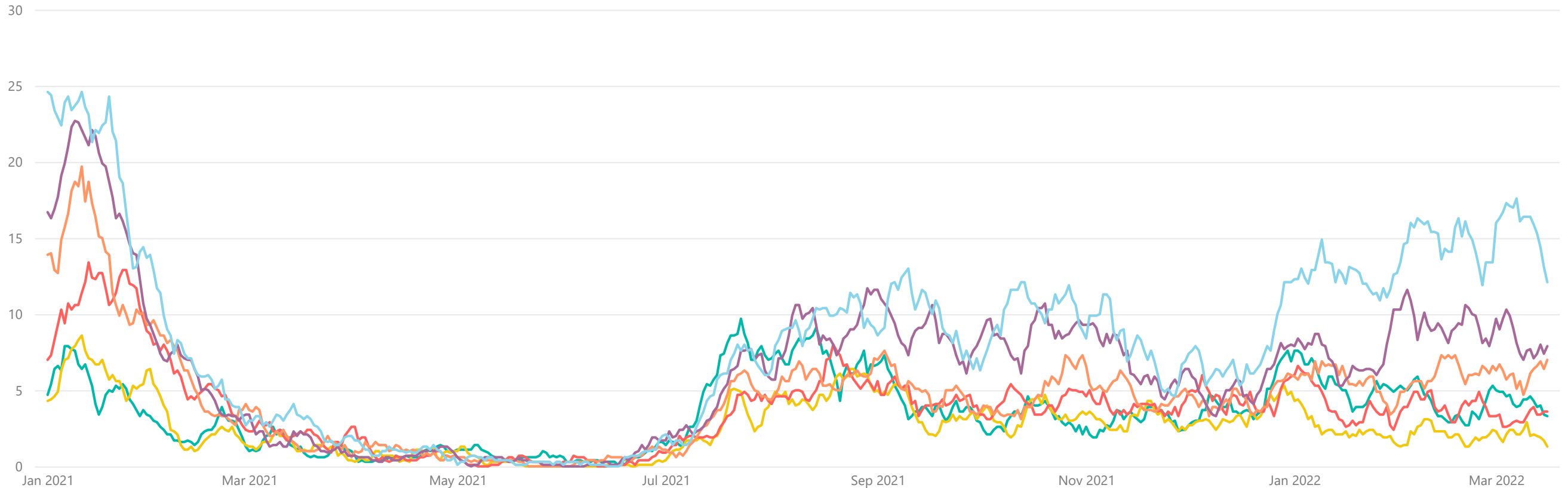


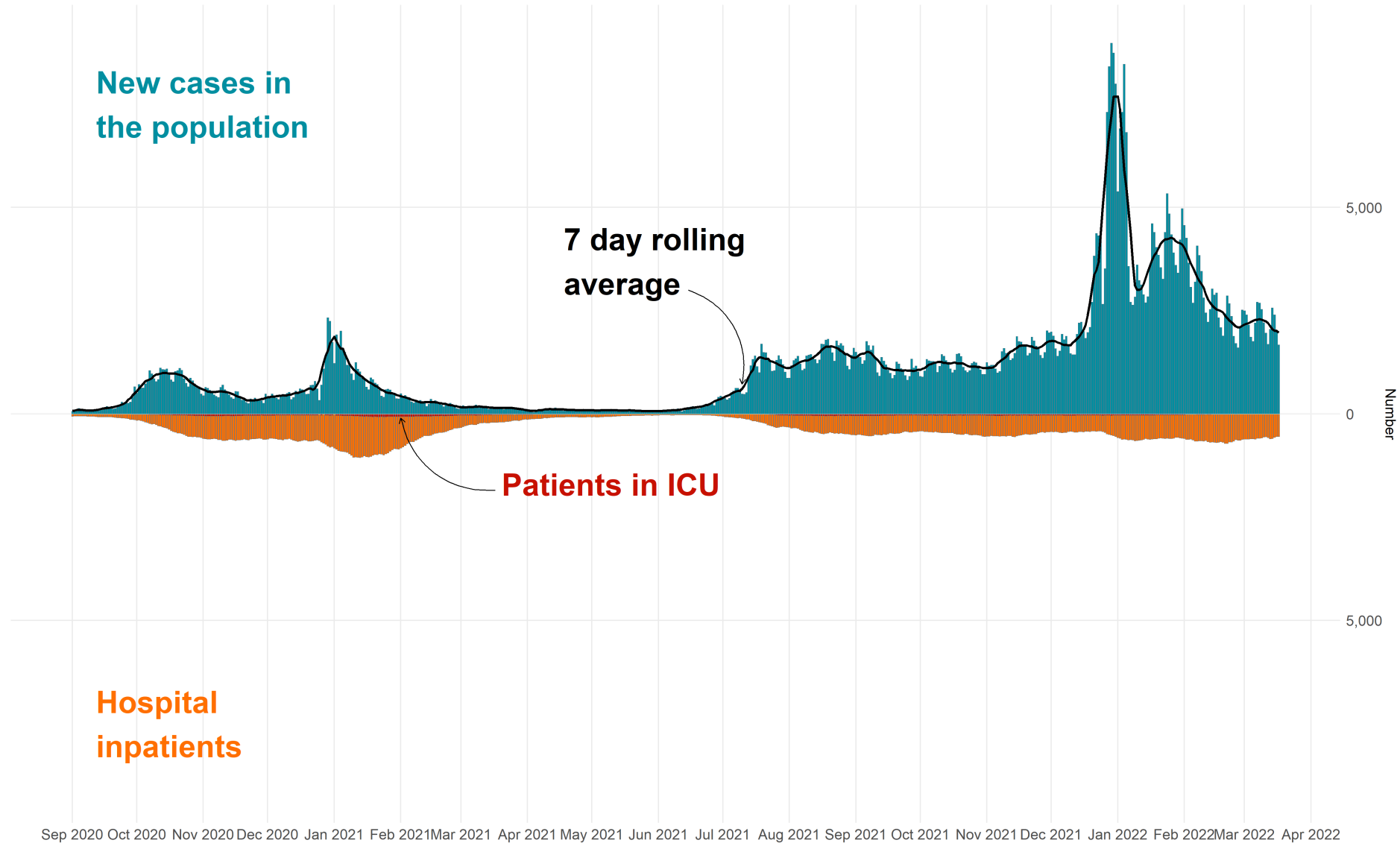
Information below details a 7 day rolling average of hospital admissions for each age group. Ages 0 - 19 and unknown ages are excluded. The number and percentage change in admissions from 90 days ago are detailed in the boxes below.



7 Day Rolling Average of Daily Admissions

● Aged 20 - 39 ● Aged 40 - 49 ● Aged 50 - 59 ● Aged 60 - 69 ● Aged 70 - 79 ● Aged 80 & Over





COVID-19 OCCUPANCY SUMMARY

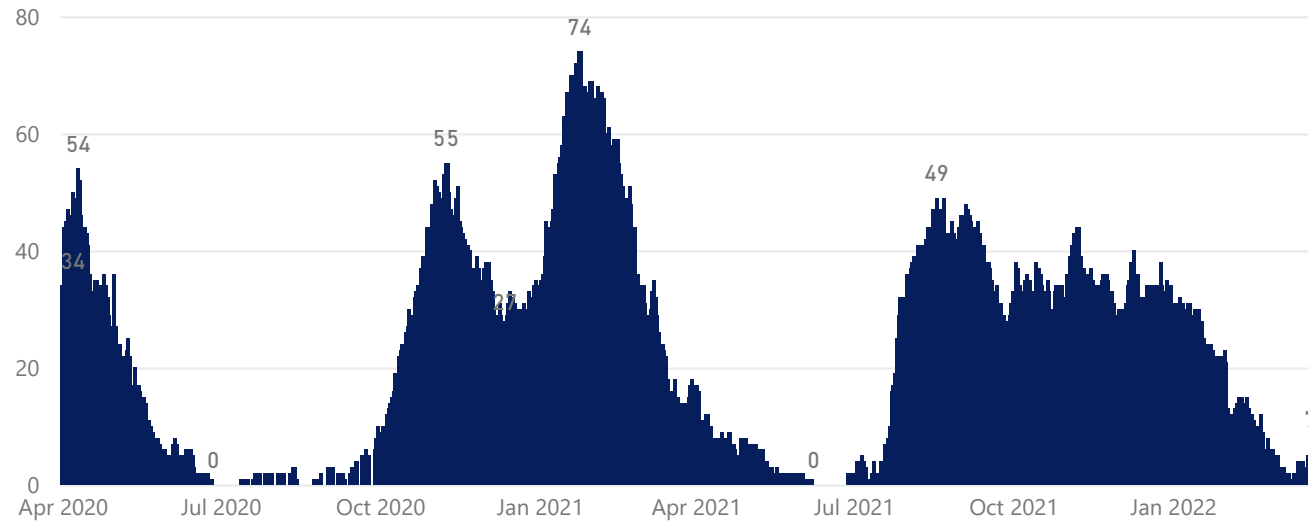


ICU Occupancy

Hospital Bed Occupancy

Notes on Bed Occupancy

Number of COVID-19 Occupied ICU Beds



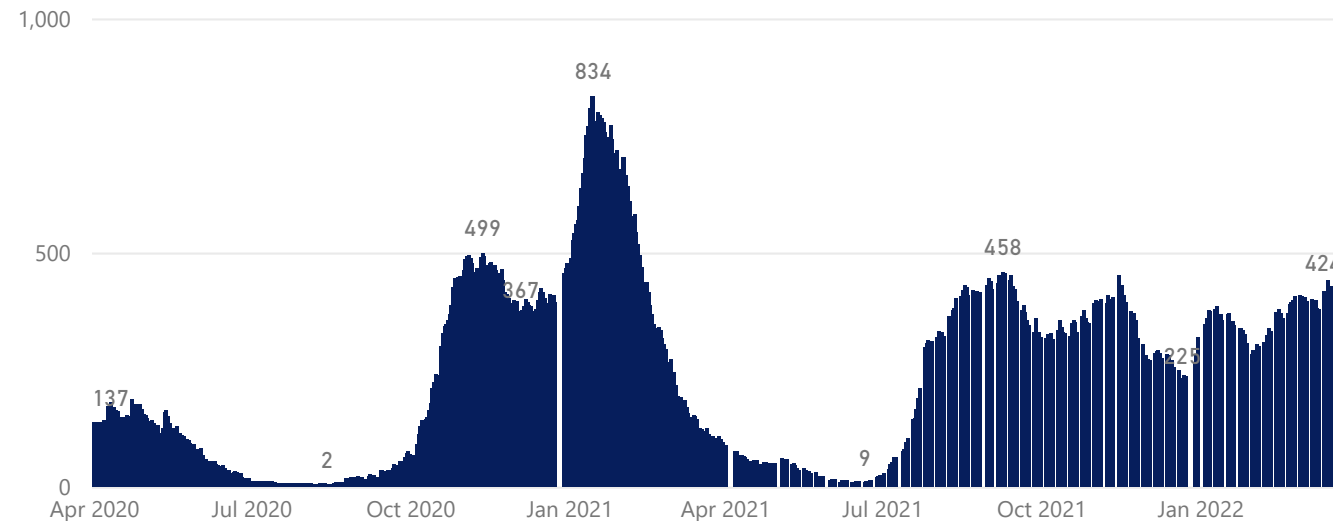
ICU COVID Occupied

7 Today

7 Yesterday

84%
% ICU Occupancy

Number of COVID-19 Occupied General Beds



COVID Occupied Beds

424 Today

434 Yesterday

108%
% Beds Occupied



88
Total ICU Beds

7
ICU Covid Occupied

67
Other ICU Occupied

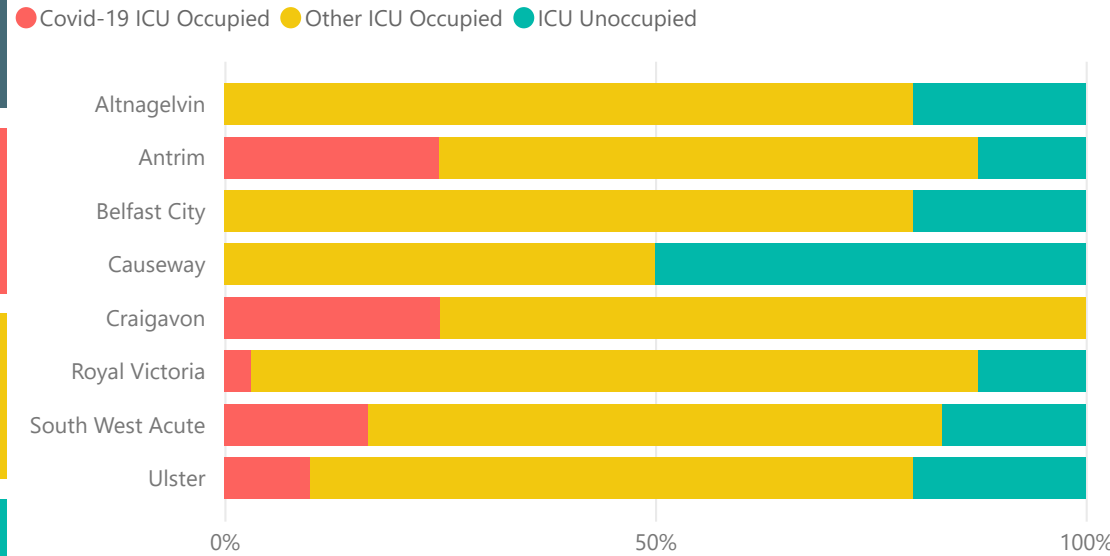
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Unoccupied Beds

33
Total Ventilated Patients

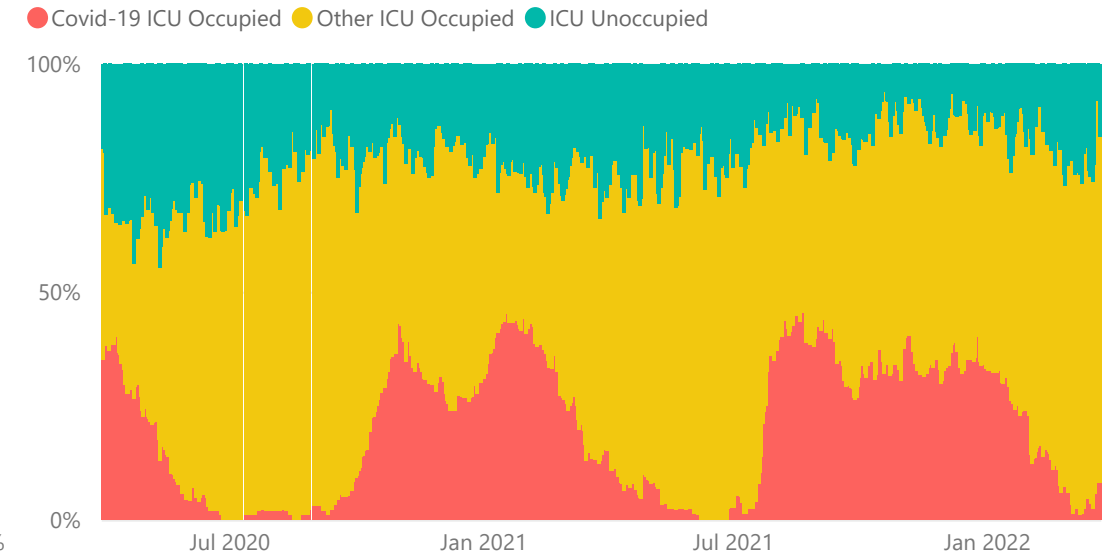
4
Covid-19 Ventilated

29
Non Covid-19 Ventilated

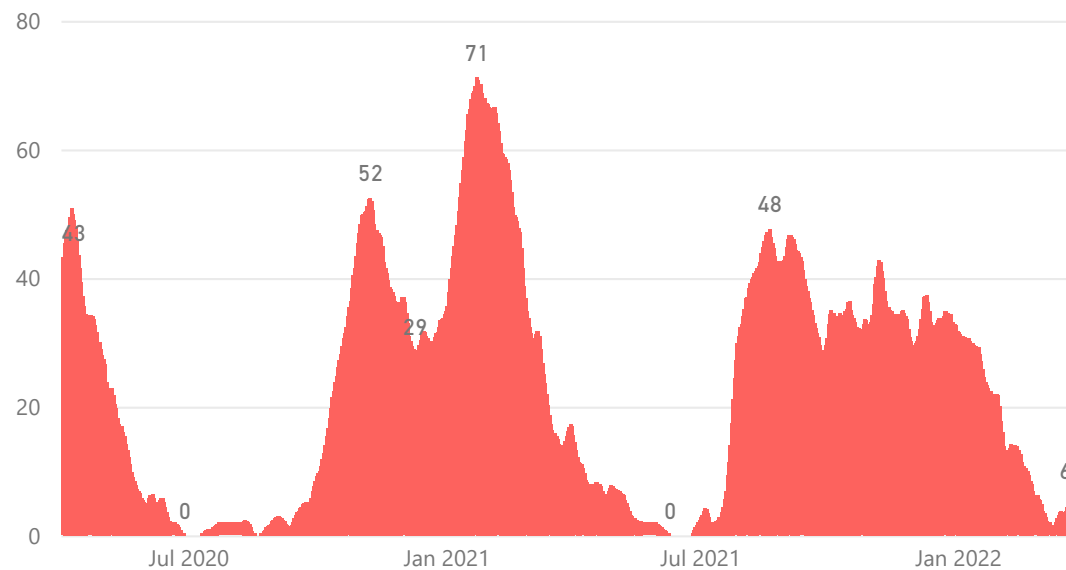
% of ICU Beds Covid-19 Occupied, Other Occupied and Unoccupied Today



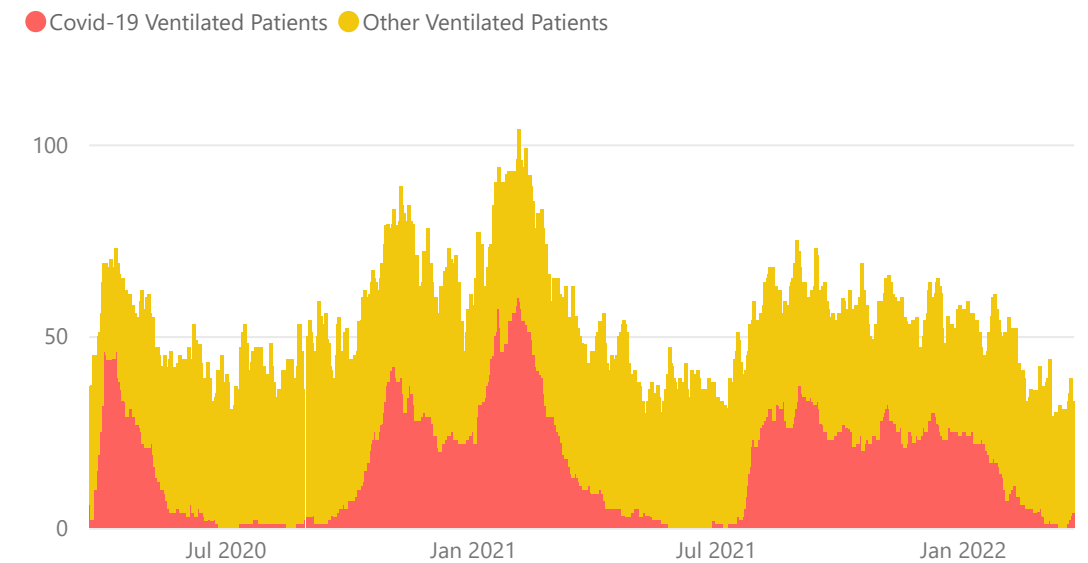
% of ICU Beds Covid-19 Occupied, Other Occupied and Unoccupied



Covid-19 ICU Bed Occupancy : 5 Day Rolling Average



Covid-19 Ventilated Patients and Other Ventilated Patients



General Beds Occupancy

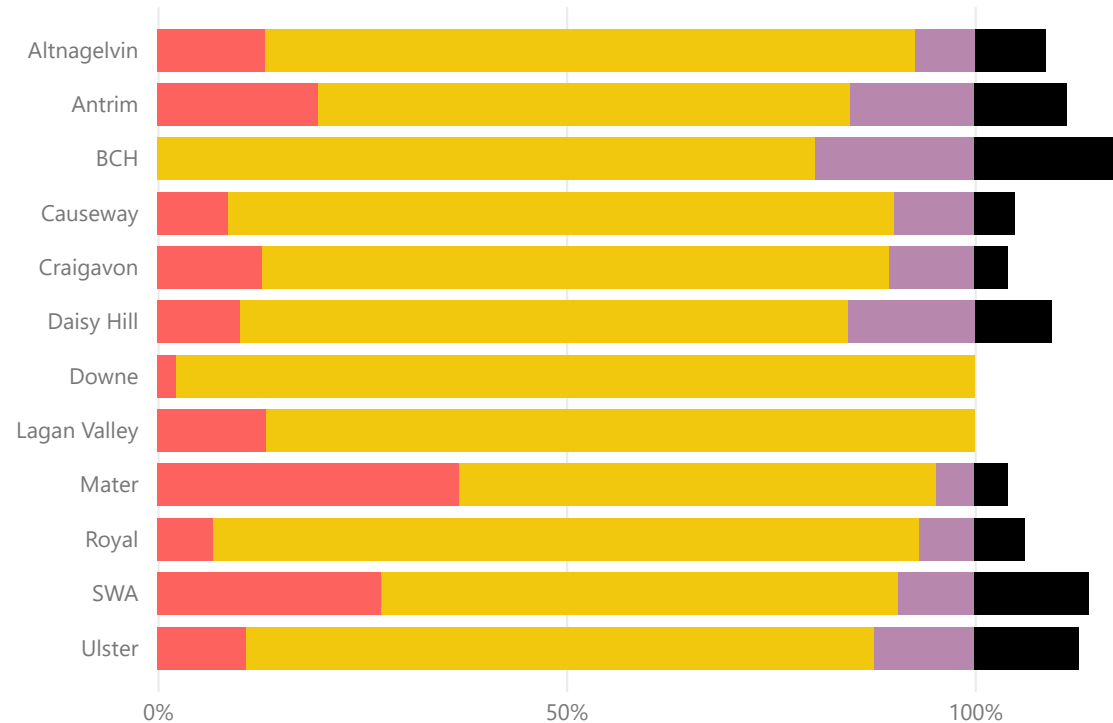
General Beds Occupancy at 9am on 23 March 2022



Following the introduction of a more representative measurement of general bed occupancy levels, data reported prior to 18th October should not be compared with data reported from this date. The revised method is intended to provide a more accurate indicator of the operational bed pressures. Further information on this change in methodology can be found in the occupancy notes section at the end of this dashboard.

% of Beds Covid-19 Occupied, Other Occupied and Unoccupied

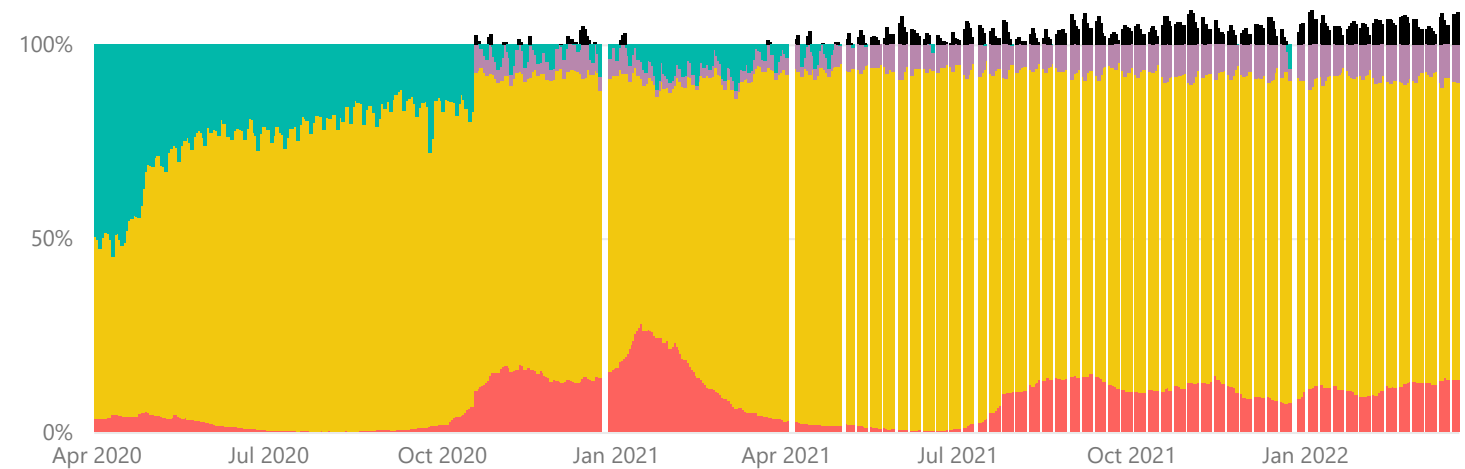
● Covid Occupied ● Other Occupied ● Awaiting Admission Today ● Unoccupied ● % Over Capacity



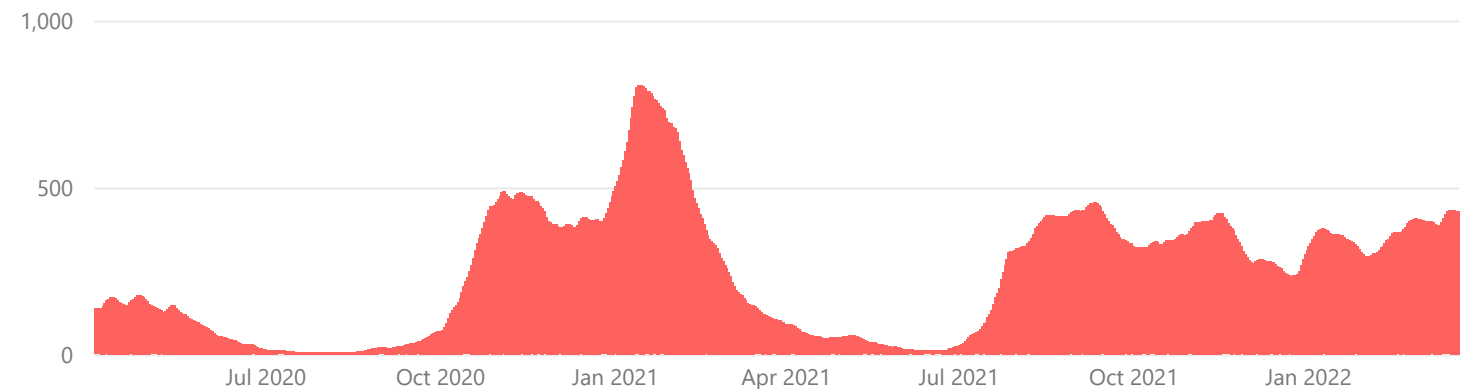
Any hospital site displaying an occupancy capacity beyond 100% indicates that the hospital is operating beyond its current available bed capacity. Whilst individual hospitals may display unoccupied beds, the Northern Ireland position may be over capacity when the total Northern Ireland bed availability is calculated.

Bed Occupancy - % Occupied and Unoccupied

● Covid Occupied ● Other Occupied ● Awaiting Admission ● Unoccupied ● % Over Capacity

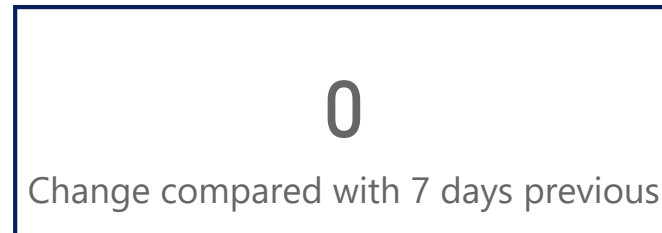
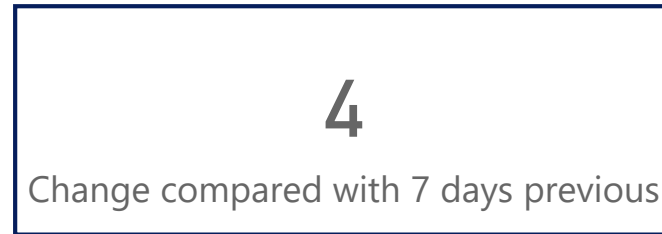


Covid-19 Bed Occupancy : 5 Day Rolling Average by Date

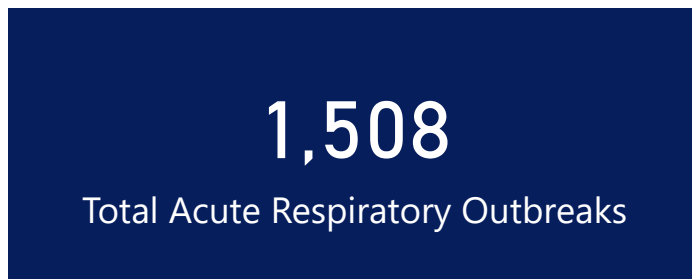




Active Outbreaks as at 24 March 2022

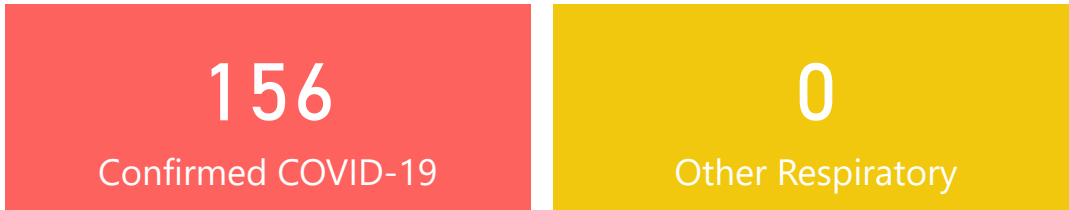


Outbreaks Since 15 March 2020





Active Outbreaks



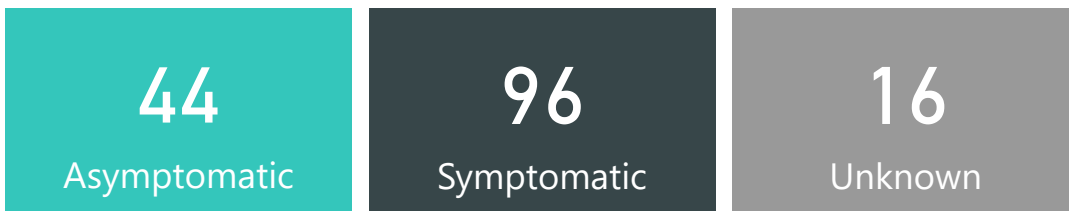
An outbreak relates to two or more cases of the same disease e.g. COVID-19 in a facility, within a 14-day period among either residents or staff in the care home. This includes all registered care homes, both Trust managed and independent.

Outbreaks Since 15 March 2020



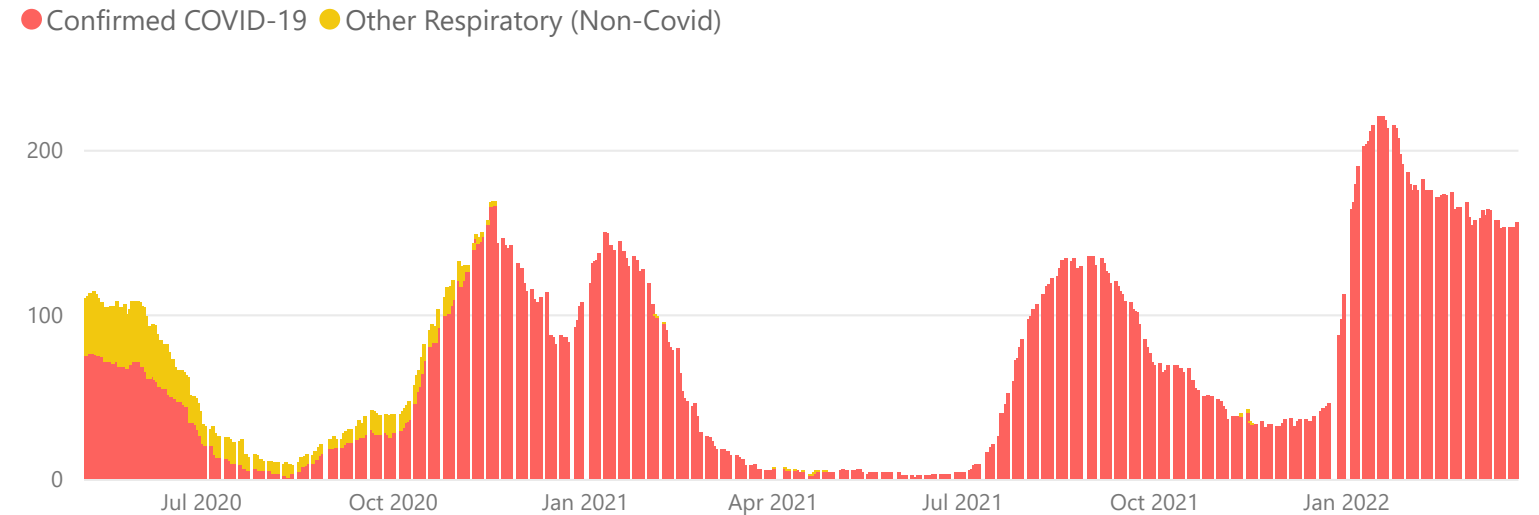
An outbreak can be declared concluded when there have been no new cases for 14 days after symptom onset of the most recent case and when an outbreak concluded notification has been submitted to the PHA following a terminal clean of the facility. These figures are cumulative totals from the onset of the pandemic.

Of the 156 Active Confirmed COVID-19 Outbreaks

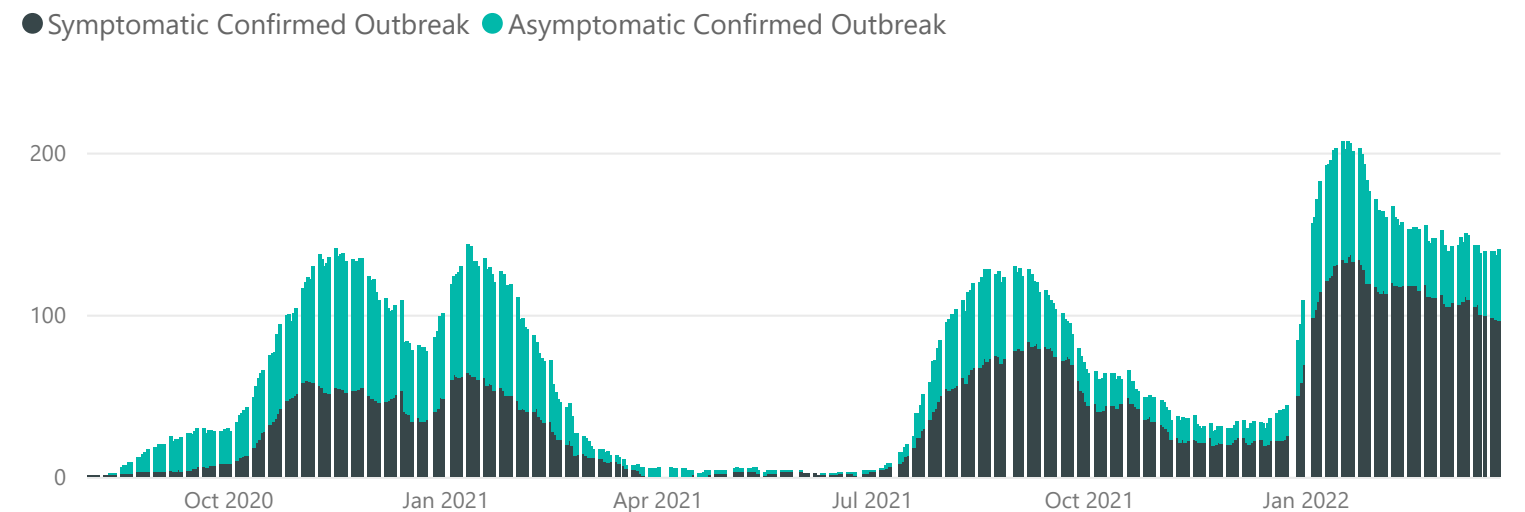


Information on asymptomatic or symptomatic outbreaks in care homes at the time of the test is available for outbreaks reported since August 3rd 2020. This does not currently include Trust managed care homes. This will be included in the future subject to data availability.

Care Homes with a Confirmed COVID-19 and Other Respiratory (Non-Covid) Outbreaks by Reporting Date



Care Homes with an Asymptomatic or Symptomatic Confirmed COVID-19 Outbreak by Reporting Date



COVID-19 Care Home Outbreaks

Outbreaks as at 22 March 2022 by Geographic Area



Outbreaks as at 22 March 2022

154
Confirmed COVID-19

An outbreak relates to two or more cases of the same disease e.g. COVID-19 in a facility, within a 14-day period among either residents or staff in the care home. This includes all registered homes, both Trust managed and independent.

Geographic Area	Number of Outbreaks in Care Homes	Number of Care Homes
▲		
Belfast	27	86
Northern	41	128
South Eastern	33	109
Southern	23	75
Western	30	67
Total	154	465

Information on outbreaks by geographic area is available on a weekly basis and as such will not be comparable to the number of active outbreaks presented in other areas of the dashboard. Statistical disclosure controls are applied when the number of outbreaks in a particular geographic area are less than 10.

TECHNICAL GUIDANCE ON COVID-19 DEATHS



Death extracts are provided daily to the DOH detailing the count of deaths reported to the PHA where the deceased has had a positive test for COVID-19 and died within 28 days, whether or not COVID-19 was the cause of death. PHA sources include reports by healthcare workers (e.g. HSC Trusts, GPs) and information from local laboratory reports. Local Government Districts are defined by the deceased's residential setting. Interpretation of the figures should take into account that totals by date of death, particularly for recent prior days, are likely to be updated in future releases.

DATA QUALITY

Data is refreshed each day to include any deaths that have been reported during the current reporting period (from 10.00 am one day previous until 10.00 am on the day of reporting). Deaths submitted by HSC Trusts after 10.00am will be reported in the Daily COVID report for the following day. There may also be deaths reported to the PHA a number of days after the death occurred. Data will be refreshed and revisions to previous reported figures by date of death will be provided in the latest report.

DATA REPORTED

Data is reported in the following ways:

- Total number of deaths reported up to the end of the current reporting period
- Total number of deaths reported in the current reporting period
- Total number of deaths reported up to the end of the current reporting period, split by Local Government District (LGD)
- Total number of deaths reported up to the end of the current reporting period, split by Gender
- Total number of deaths reported up to the end of the current reporting period, split by Age Group
- Daily updated counts of deaths reported split by date of death

The Community setting includes deaths recorded as occurring in Community, Hospice and Other settings. Information displayed reflects deaths reported to the PHA up to the end of the current reporting period, and includes individuals who have had a positive test for COVID-19 and died within 28 days, whether or not COVID-19 was the cause of death. A broader picture on COVID-19 fatalities is provided in the weekly NISRA bulletin which details deaths across hospital and community settings. NISRA figures are derived from the formal process of death registration and may include cases where the doctor completing the death certificate diagnosed suspected cases of COVID-19.



TECHNICAL GUIDANCE ON COVID TESTING

COVID-19 cases are identified by (i) taking specimens from people at testing centres across Northern Ireland and sending these specimens to laboratories to be tested, or (ii) rapid lateral flow tests (LFT). From 31 January 2022, the information reported by DoH and the UKHSA refers to episodes of infection, including reinfection episodes. Episodes of infection are defined by a rolling 90-day period between positive test results, with the episode beginning with the earliest positive specimen date. All subsequent positive specimen dates for the same individual within 90 days of the last are included in the one episode. Subsequent positive specimens for the same individual more than 90 days after the last are counted in a separate episode (a possible reinfection episode).

DATA PROVISION

Data on PCR tests for (i) Pillar 1 (HSC Trust Labs.) and Pillar 2 (National Initiative), and (ii) Rapid Lateral Flow (LFT) tests are refreshed in the Regional Data Warehouse at 10:30am each day and refer to the position at the end of the previous working day. DoH extract this information at 11am each day.

Pillar 1 (HSC Trusts)

PCR tests are reported for the 5 HSC Trust laboratories listed below:

- Regional Virus Laboratory (Belfast);
- Antrim Testing Laboratory (commenced 23/03/2020);
- Craigavon Area Testing Laboratory (commenced 28/03/2020);
- Altnagelvin Area Testing Laboratory (commenced 03/04/2020); and,
- Ulster Testing Laboratory (commenced 15/05/2020).

Pillar 2 (National Initiative)

Alongside PCR testing by HSC Trust laboratories, there is a programme of testing for the SARS-COV2 virus being carried out at National Testing Centres by appointment only. Information on PCR tests for the National Initiative are available from 28th April 2020, and refer to samples / specimens taken at regional testing centres (below), mobile testing units, and by patients in their own homes.

Rapid Lateral Flow Tests

From 1st March 2021, the COVID Dashboard has included results of Rapid Lateral Flow (LFT) tests reported to the National directory.

Episode of Infection (Case)

As indicated above, from 31 January 2022, DOH commenced reporting **Episodes of infection** and these are defined by a rolling 90-day period (13 weeks) between positive test results, with the episode beginning with the earliest positive specimen date; where **day 0** is the specimen date of the first positive result. A single positive test result with no further positive results within a 90-day period is also considered an episode.

It should also be noted that following the change to reporting episodes of infection, negative test results will no longer be reported on the Daily COVID-19 Dashboard.

[Go to Page 2 note for COVID Testing by selecting the information icon in top right hand corner.](#)

TECHNICAL GUIDANCE ON COVID TESTING (Continued)



Episode of Infection (Case)

See examples in the diagram below of a (i) Single Episode and (ii) an Episode of Re-Infection. In the worked example, the black squares indicate a valid episode of infection (over 90 days) whilst the blue squares indicate positive test results which are within the 90 day period and therefore not counted as additional episodes of infection.

(i) Single episode:

Example 1: A single positive test results on day 0

Example 2: Positive test results on days 0 and 90

Example 3: Positive test results on days 0, 85 and 93

(ii) First Episode and Episode of Re-Infection

Example 4: Positive test results on days 0 and 91

	Day																				Outcome				
	0	1	2	3	4	5	7	...	84	85	84	85	86	87	88	89	90	91	92	93		94	95	96	
<i>Example 1</i>	■																								One episode
<i>Example 2</i>	■																■								One episode
<i>Example 3</i>	■																	■							One episode
<i>Example 4</i>	■																		■						Two episodes



TECHNICAL GUIDANCE ON COVID TESTING (Continued)

DATA REPORTING

The DoH currently reports the following information on the COVID-19 Dashboard:

- Number of COVID Tests (PCR and LFT);
- Number of Episodes of infection (cases);
- Number of first episodes of infection; and,
- Number of episodes of re-infection.

Daily Change in Cumulative Testing Figures for both PCR and LFT (Page 4)

The daily change reported on the COVID-19 Testing page (page 4) refers to the change in the cumulative number of (i) PCR (laboratory completed tests), (ii) LFT (Rapid Lateral Flow) tests, (iii) Episodes of first infections, (iv) Episodes of re-infection, and (v) Total cases (all episode of infection that meet 90 day episode definition).

It is important to note that the daily change may refer to samples taken over the last week, and not just over the last 24 hours, and therefore **SHOULD NOT** be compared with data on other testing pages that is presented by the Specimen Date.

Data Presented by Specimen Date

Apart from the daily change in cumulative numbers, all other testing information is presented by the specimen date, when the swab was taken, rather than the date of the authorised result of the PCR or LFT. Whilst this gives the most accurate analysis of how cases progress over time it does mean that the latest days' figures are usually incomplete, so it shouldn't be seen as a sudden large drop in cases.

Weekly Cumulative Testing (Page 10 & 11)

The weekly testing information reported on pages 8 and 9 of the dashboard refers to the number of tests and episodes of infection (90 day definition) during each week from February 2020, where a week starts on a Monday and ends on a Sunday.

Local Government District (LGD)

PCR / LFT tests and Episodes of infection are aggregated to LocalGovernment Districts, though a number of cases cannot be matched to this geography due to missing / incorrect postcodes.

TECHNICAL GUIDANCE ON COVID-19 ADMISSIONS



The Patient Administrative System (PAS) is a patient level administrative data source that provides information on patient care delivered by health and social care hospitals in Northern Ireland. Data from PAS are routinely uploaded to the Regional Data Warehouse, which is managed by the Business Service Organisation (BSO).

DATA QUALITY

The Department sources data on COVID-19 admissions and inpatients from the Regional Data Warehouse. Up to the 1st December 2020, a daily download was taken at 08:30 from the Admissions & Discharges universe of the Regional Data Warehouse reflecting admissions as of midnight prior to the download date. From 2nd December 2020 two additional daily downloads are taken from; (i) Recent Admissions & Discharges universe which includes data for the two most recent days, and (ii) Admissions & Discharges Specialty universe which is used to identify a number of inpatients in the Belfast HSC Trust. Data from each of these sources are merged and duplicate records are removed from the data.

Patients admitted with confirmed COVID-19 are identified using the specific Method of Admission Codes (CC, CE, CS or CP) or Specialty Code (COVC). These codes are used for any patient admitted to hospital with confirmed COVID-19. If an inpatient tests positive for COVID-19 the Method of Admission code is revised to one of the confirmed coronavirus codes above. If an inpatient tests positive for COVID-19 and then subsequently tests negative the Method of Admission code remains as one of the confirmed coronavirus codes above.

Information is constantly being revised as records are updated by HSC Trusts and therefore figures for historical dates may change. When technical issues arise or errors in the data are discovered, the HSCB email to inform DOH.

ADMISSIONS / DISCHARGES

A patient may be admitted more than once, for example:

- Admitted on two or more separate occasions
- Admitted to hospital A within one HSC Trust and later transferred and admitted to hospital B in a different HSC Trust. The admission to hospital B will be recorded as a new admission.

Consequently, patients may also be discharged more than once and these discharges will be included in the discharge total.

INTERNAL TRANSFERS

If a patient with confirmed COVID-19 is transferred between hospitals within the same HSC Trust they are admitted using the CC, CE, CS or CP Method of Admission Codes. The Method of Discharge is recorded as ID – Internal Discharge.

The Belfast Trust identifies confirmed COVID-19 patients by using the specialty code (COVC). Any internal transfers will be admitted using the IA Method of Admission Code.

TECHNICAL GUIDANCE ON BED OCCUPANCY



The Department sources data on Intensive Care Units from the CCANI network each day. CCaNNI provide the data to the Department as an excel spreadsheet, providing the ICU and ventilation position for each Intensive Care Unit as of the morning of reporting. The ICU capacity presented includes additional surge capacity available on the day of reporting. The spreadsheet includes for each Unit:

- the number of available ICU beds;
- the number of beds occupied by COVID-19 confirmed patients;
- the number of beds occupied by COVID-19 suspected patients; and
- the total number of beds occupied.

From 27 April 2021, the method of recording occupancy levels in Intensive Care Units changed. From this date, these data exclude Paediatric ICU patients and include just 4 of the commissioned level 2 Cardiac ICU beds in the region. These 4 Cardiac ICU beds are included within the Royal Victoria (RICU) site breakdown. Belfast Trust manage bed stock dynamically across their sites in line with best practice infection control, taking available resource and demand into account. Beds currently collapsed in the Mater Hospital are therefore redistributed between the Belfast City (BCH) and Royal Victoria (RICU) sites. The number of ICU beds occupied now includes patients on route to the ICU site.

Prior to 18th October, the Department sourced data on General Beds Occupancy from the Health and Social Care Board (HSCB) each day. Trusts were required to submit information on the number of beds occupied, available and closed within each of their hospital sites to the HSCB at 11am each morning to reflect data as at the previous midnight. Within this return, Trusts provided the total bed complement of the hospital site, the number of beds closed, the number occupied by lab confirmed COVID-19 patients, non-lab confirmed (suspected) COVID-19 patients, the total number of beds occupied and the number of beds still available.

From 18th October onwards, the methodology for calculating bed occupancy has changed. Previously, the General Beds data displayed a static picture of beds which were physically occupied at a given point in time. This did not however take into account the dynamic nature of bed modelling and the flow of patients in and out of hospital over the course of a day. The revised methodology now includes patients where a 'Decision to Admit' (DTA) has been made, e.g. from an Emergency Department, thereby projecting more accurate occupancy levels across hospital sites. Trusts are also being asked to provide additional Admissions data as at 9am on the morning of reporting to help assess operational pressures which are impacting upon bed occupancy. The revised methodology now includes adult only acute and geriatric inpatient beds at the 12 main hospital sites as presented on the Dashboard; it excludes Paediatric, Obstetric, Mental Health and Day Beds, as well as beds in smaller hospital sites which may have been included in the previous returns submitted by Trusts. Data prior to 18th October should not be compared with data from this date, however the time series has been retained to demonstrate the trend in COVID-19 occupancy levels.

General Beds Occupancy data presents the current daily position, with variables as follows:

- total number of available general beds across Northern Ireland;
- % occupancy = (current number of beds occupied + beds awaiting admission today) / total available beds;
- total number occupied = current number of beds occupied + beds awaiting admission today;
- the number of general beds occupied by confirmed COVID-19 patients;
- the number of general beds occupied by non COVID-19 patients = total number currently occupied - number occupied by COVID-19 patients;
- total number awaiting admission today across the region;
- number of unoccupied beds = total number of beds available - total number of beds occupied; where this number is a minus,, a zero will be displayed and the number above capacity will instead be shown
- number above/below capacity = total number of beds occupied - total number of beds available

TECHNICAL GUIDANCE ON COVID-19 CARE HOME OUTBREAKS



Data on care home outbreaks are provided daily on weekdays to the DOH detailing the count of outbreaks reported to the PHA.

DATA REPORTED

Possible Case of COVID-19*

Any resident (or staff) with symptoms of COVID-19 (high temperature, new continuous cough or loss of taste/smell), or new onset of influenza like illness or worsening shortness of breath.

*Symptoms may be more nuanced in older people with co-morbidities in care homes who may present with Flu Like Illness (FLI), respiratory illness, new onset confusion, reduced alertness, reduced mobility, or diarrhoea and sometimes do not develop fever. This may be true for COVID-19, so such changes should alert staff to the possibility of new COVID infection. All possible cases will be tested for COVID-19 to confirm diagnosis.

Confirmed Case of COVID-19

Any resident (or staff) with laboratory confirmed diagnosis of COVID-19. Confirmed COVID-19 cases are further categorised into two subcategories:

Symptomatic Confirmed COVID-19 case

A symptomatic laboratory-confirmed case is a person infected with COVID-19 who has symptoms of COVID-19 at the time of the test.

Asymptomatic Confirmed COVID-19 case

An asymptomatic laboratory-confirmed case is a person infected with COVID-19 who does not have symptoms of COVID-19 at the time of the test.

Outbreak Definition

Two or more cases of the same disease e.g. COVID-19 in a facility, within a 14-day period among either residents or staff in the care home.

Declaring the End of an Outbreak/Outbreak Concluded

An outbreak can be declared over when there are no new cases for 14 days after symptom onset of most recent case.

All Respiratory Outbreaks

All respiratory outbreaks that are reported to duty room and includes both COVID-19 confirmed and other respiratory outbreaks.

Confirmed COVID-19 Care Home Outbreak

Identification of two or more confirmed COVID-19 cases (both symptomatic and asymptomatic detection), among either residents or staff in the care home, within a 14-day period.

Confirmed COVID-19 outbreaks are further categorised into two subcategories:

Symptomatic Confirmed COVID-19 outbreaks

Identification of two or more confirmed COVID-19 symptomatic cases among either residents or staff in the care home, within a 14-day period.

Asymptomatic Confirmed COVID-19 outbreaks

Identification of two or more confirmed COVID-19 asymptomatic cases among either residents or staff in the care home, within a 14-day period.



CHANGES TO DASHBOARD

Announced 8th May 2020

From 8th May Admissions and Inpatient numbers will be broken down into confirmed and suspected COVID-19 cases.

Announced 11th May 2020

From 11th May additional charts on a rolling 5 day average occupancy rate in G&A / ICU Beds are now available.

Announced 13th May 2020

From 13th May, information on the rate of positive lab completed tests per 100,000 population has been included.

Announced 28th May 2020

From 28th May information on COVID-19 death settings and historical trend analysis of COVID-19 care home outbreaks have been added to the dashboard.

Announced 1st June 2020

From 1st June, additional pages have been added for COVID-19 testing trend analysis (7 day rolling average of positive tests & percentage of all tests identified as positive) and additional information on COVID-19 admissions. Ongoing validation of admissions data has resulted in revised figures being published from 1st June.

Announced 9th June 2020

From 10th June 2020 data on suspected COVID-19 patient admissions and inpatients will be removed from the dashboard and reporting will focus on confirmed cases only.

Announced 12th June 2020

From 15th June 2020, information will be presented on the numbers of ventilated COVID / Non-COVID patients. We will also include a breakdown of COVID / Non COVID general bed occupancy.

Announced 23rd June 2020

From 25th June all beds and ventilation data will focus on confirmed COVID-19 cases only.

Announced 23rd June 2020

From 26th June reporting will commence on the outcomes of laboratory completed tests at National Testing Centres.

Announced 26th June 2020

Change to Reporting Frequency-From week commencing 29th June the COVID-19 dashboard will no longer be updated at weekends.

Announced 6th July 2020

From 6th July a page detailing deaths reported on the Saturday and Sunday of each weekend will be added. This will be updated each Monday on the dashboard.

Pre-Release Access List:



COVID-19 Statistical Dashboard

For this statistical publication the following Department of Health officials may receive up to 24 hour pre-release access to the data (statistical staff producing this release are not included):

- Minister
- Special Adviser to the Minister
- Permanent Secretary
- Chief Medical Officer
- Chief Nursing Officer
- Deputy Secretary (2)
- Director of Communications
- Director of COVID-19 Response
- Deputy Chief Medical Officer
- Chief Scientific Advisor

The Executive Office

- First Minister
- Deputy First Minister
- Head of Civil Service
- Permanent Secretary
- Special Adviser to First Minister
- Special Adviser to Deputy First Minister
- Director of EU Relations
- Director of Finance and Corporate Services
- Deputy Director, Covid Recovery and Strategy