Wirral COVID-19 Report		
Produced on 29 th December 2020	Report source: Public Health England (COVID-19 Situational Awareness Explorer)	
Period: 18/12/2020 to 24/12/2020	Produced by Wirral Council Public Health Intelligence Team	
Local COVID-19 alert level: High (Tier 2)		

The number of people testing positive for COVID-19 is once again increasing in Wirral.

There is still widespread community transmission, with new positive COVID-19 cases being seen each day across Wirral and in all age groups.

The current level of **711 cases per week (in the 7 days to 24th December 2020**, the most recent day for which figures are available).

The latest weekly rate of **COVID-19 in Wirral is 210 per 100,000 population** while the **latest positivity rate is 7%** (percentage of positive tests of all tests carried out in the last 7 days).

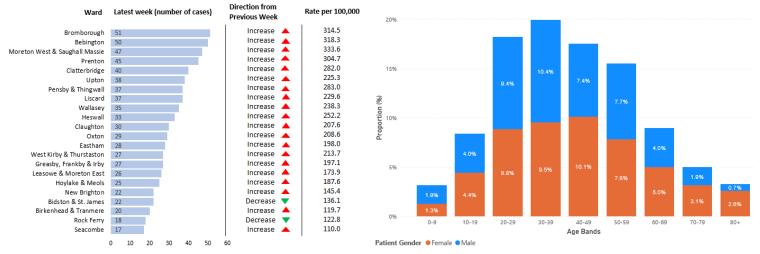
By 10-year age band, the largest percentage number of cases in the **7-days to 24/12/2020 were in those aged those aged 30-39 (20%)**, followed by those aged 20-29 (18%), aged 40-49 (18%) and 50-59 (16%). Almost three-quarters of cases in this week were in these age bands (see table below).

There were slightly more cases in women compared to men in the **7-days to 24/12/2020; 52% female, 47% male and 1% unknown**.

The wards with the largest number of confirmed cases (in the 7-days to 24/12/2020) were Bromborough (51), Bebington (50) and Moreton West and Saughall Massie (47) (see table below).

The ethnicity of confirmed cases (in the 7-days to 24/12/2020) was 82% White British, 11% unknown and 7% from BAME and/or mixed heritage backgrounds.

Weekly data from ONS (published on 22/12/2020) showed there had been 79 registered deaths in Wirral, of which 10% (or 8 in actual numbers) were COVID-19 deaths (will be updated on 30/12/20).



To protect yourself and others, you must:

- Wash your hands with soap and water often, and as soon as you get home. Use hand sanitiser gel if soap and water is not available
- Stay at least 2 metres away from anyone you do not live with, or who is not in your support bubble
- Wear a face covering over your mouth and nose where social distancing is not possible outdoors and indoors. By law, you must now wear them in most indoor settings including public transport, shops, post-offices, banks, beauty salons, visitor attractions and entertainment venues, libraries, community centres, places of worship and public areas in hotels.
- If you are contacted by NHS Test and Trace, follow their instructions. If you have symptoms of coronavirus you must self-isolate, get a test; stay at home until you get a result; your household or support bubble must also stay at home until you get your result.

Age Bands	Percentage of Cases
0-9	3%
10-19	8%
20-29	18%
30-39	20%
40-49	18%
50-59	16%
60-69	9%
70-79	5%
80+	3%

Ward	Cases w-e 24/12/2020	Direction from Previous Week
Bromborough	51	Increase
Bebington	50	Increase
Moreton West & Saughall Massie	47	Increase
Prenton	45	Increase
Clatterbridge	40	Increase
Upton	37	Increase
Pensby & Thingwall	37	Increase
Liscard	37	Increase
Wallasey	35	Increase
Heswall	33	Increase
Claughton	29	Increase
Oxton	29	Increase
Eastham	28	Increase
Greasby, Frankby & Irby	27	Increase
West Kirby & Thurstaston	27	Increase
Hoylake & Meols	25	Increase
Leasowe & Moreton East	25	Increase
Bidston & St. James	22	Decrease
New Brighton	22	Increase
Birkenhead & Tranmere	20	Increase
Rock Ferry	17	Decrease
Seacombe	17	Increase