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Guidance

Number of coronavirus (COVID-19) cases and risk in the UK

The latest number of coronavirus (COVID-19) cases and risk level in the UK.

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Stay alert to stop coronavirus spreading.

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Number of cases and deaths

As of 9am on 2 June, there have been 4,615,146 tests, with 135,643 tests on 1 June.

277,985 people have tested positive.

As of 5pm on 1 June, of those tested positive for coronavirus in the UK, 39,369 have died. This new figure includes deaths in all settings, not just in hospitals. The equivalent figure under the old measure would have been 31,136.

	Tests	People tested	Positive	Deaths in all settings
Daily	135,643	Unavailable	1,613	324
Total	4,615,146	Unavailable	277,985	39,369

Breakdown of testing by testing strategy 'pillars'

- Pillar 1: swab testing in Public Health England (PHE) labs and NHS hospitals for those with a clinical need, and health and care workers
- Pillar 2: swab testing for the wider population, as set out in government guidance

- Pillar 3: serology testing to show if people have antibodies from having had COVID-19
- Pillar 4: serology and swab testing for national surveillance supported by PHE, ONS, Biobank, universities and other partners to learn more about the prevalence and spread of the virus and for other testing research purposes, for example on the accuracy and ease of use of home testing

See the government's national testing strategy (<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-scaling-up-testing-programmes>) for more information on the different pillars.

Read our testing methodology document (<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-testing-data-methodology>) about reporting statistics on testing.

Daily

	Pillar 1	Pillar 2	Pillar 3	Pillar 4	Total
People tested	20,669	Unavailable	--		Unavailable
Tests	29,998	69,605	30,357	5,683	135,643
Positive	528	1,085	--		1,613

Cumulative

	Pillar 1	Pillar 2	Pillar 3	Pillar 4	Total
People tested	1,248,046	Unavailable	--		Unavailable
Tests	1,731,901	2,489,260	119,088	274,897	4,615,146
Positive	187,238	90,747	--		277,985

Pillar 2 breakdown of test types

	In-person (tests processed)	Delivery (tests sent out)	Total tests
Daily	24,847	44,758	69,605
Cumulative	1,209,249	1,280,011	2,489,260

Pillar 4 breakdown of test types

	In-person (tests processed)	Delivery (tests sent out)	Total tests
Daily	3,311	2,372	5,683
Cumulative	89,027	185,870	274,897

2 June notes

Reporting on the number of people tested has been temporarily paused to ensure consistent reporting across all pillars. This is due to a small percentage of cases where the same person has had more than one test or tested positive more than once for coronavirus in pillar 2. Corrections will be made to any figures if they have subsequently been found to have an error.

The daily total for tests is 4,837 higher than the difference between today's and yesterday's cumulative totals. This is due to revisions to historical data for pillar 1 (removing 41 tests) and pillar 2 (removing 4,796 tests).

The daily total for pillar 2 in-person tests is 5,374 higher, and for delivery routes is 578 lower than the difference between today's and yesterday's cumulative totals. This is due to revisions to historical pillar 2 data following further information being made available to support data processing.

The daily total for cases is 40 lower than the difference between today's and yesterday's cumulative totals. This is due to a revision of historical data for pillar 1 in Scotland.

Testing capacity as of 2 June

At 9am on 2 June, testing capacity was 220,213.

	Pillar 1	Pillar 2	Pillar 3	Pillar 4	Total
Lab capacity	63,213	116,000	40,000	1,000	220,213

Coronavirus tests are processed in several separate labs. Projected lab capacity is an estimate of each lab's constrained capacity each day based on the staff, chemical reagents and other resources it has available. These estimates are made locally by the labs themselves.

Further information on the methodology of how capacity is reported is available in the testing methodology document (<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-testing-data-methodology>).

Time series

- See a time series of testing statistics: 2 June 2020 (https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/889446/COVID-19_-_time_series_of_testing_2_June_2020.csv) (CSV, 45.5KB)
- See a time series of capacity statistics: 2 June 2020 (https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/889445/2020-06-02_COVID-19_UK_testing_capacity_time_series.csv) (CSV, 10.4KB) (updated every Tuesday at 9:30am)
- See a time series of daily deaths: 2 June 2020 (https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/889424/COVID-19_UK_deaths_time_series_2_June.csv) (CSV, 3.63KB)

Correspondence with the Statistics Regulator about testing data

The Chair of the Office for Statistics Regulation wrote to us about presentation of statistics about testing.

Read the letter from the regulator (<https://www.statisticsauthority.gov.uk/correspondence/sir-david-norgrove-letter-to-matt-hancock-regarding-covid-19-testing/>).

Read our response, published on 27 May (<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-testing-data-letter-to-the-office-for-statistics-regulation>).

General notes

Data on UK tests, positive cases and deaths is updated on this page daily at 2pm or shortly after. The figures for test results and for deaths are compiled from different sources. This is why the figures for deaths are reported from an earlier point in time than the figures for test results.

Daily totals reflect actual counts reported for the previous day. Each day there may be corrections to previous reported figures. This means that previously published daily counts will not necessarily sum to the latest cumulative figure. It also means that today's cumulative count may not match the previous day's cumulative count plus today's daily count.

Notes on deaths figures

From 29 April, figures for deaths include all cases where there is a positive confirmed test for coronavirus. The figures include deaths with lab-confirmed COVID-19 in all settings, not just those in hospital, and this provides us with a single figure on an equivalent basis for the whole of the UK.

These UK figures are compiled from validated data provided by each of the four nations of the UK. Figures from Health Protection Scotland, Public Health Wales and the Public Health Agency (Northern Ireland) have always included tested cases outside hospital. Figures for England from 29 April onwards are provided by Public Health England and draw together several different data sources, including data from NHS England and Improvement, to produce this broader measure.

This approach allows us to compile deaths data on a daily basis using up-to-date figures across all settings. The data includes deaths with lab-confirmed COVID-19 reported as at 5pm the previous day. The amount of time between occurrence of death and reporting in these figures may vary slightly and in some cases could be a few days, so figures at 5pm may not include all deaths for that day.

The [PHE](#) method draws on data from 3 data sources and individual records of deaths are included in the figures as soon as they are available in any of these 3 sources.

As announced previously, from 1 June we have stopped publishing a separate count of deaths in hospital as our daily count now provides a count of deaths in all settings. Figures for deaths in hospital in England continue to be published by NHS England (<https://www.england.nhs.uk/statistics/statistical-work-areas/covid-19-daily-deaths/>).

In addition to these figures, the Office for National Statistics ([ONS](#)) publishes weekly counts of deaths in which COVID-19 was mentioned on the death certificate. This publication is issued every Tuesday, starting on 31 March 2020. The [ONS](#) series includes cases in all settings, and also includes some cases where COVID-19 is suspected but no test has taken place. [ONS](#) detailed data covers England and Wales only, but from 28 April their publication includes a headline summary of registered deaths in the whole of the UK. Their report each Tuesday covers deaths registered up to 11 days before publication.

Joint [DHSC](#) and [ONS](#) transparency statement about COVID deaths figures

(<https://www.ons.gov.uk/news/statementsandletters/thedifferentusesoffiguresondeathsfromcovid19publishedbydhscandtheons>)

Material published by [PHE](#)

[PHE](#) updates a daily dashboard (<https://coronavirus.data.gov.uk/>) to show trends in UK data on positive tests and deaths and to provide confirmed cases in each local authority and NHS region in England.

Risk level

The risk to the UK is high.

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1. 2 June 2020

Corrections have been made to the table 'Pillar 4 breakdown of test types'.

2. 2 June 2020

Updated figures and added new table: 'Pillar 4 breakdown of test types'.

3. 2 June 2020

Notes about testing data sources and methodology have been moved to a new page: 'Coronavirus (COVID-19): testing data methodology'. Figures will be updated later today.

4. 1 June 2020

Updated figures.

5. 31 May 2020

- Updated figures
6. 30 May 2020
Updated figures and added pillar 3 definition under testing capacity
 7. 29 May 2020
Updated figures.
 8. 28 May 2020
Updated figures.
 9. 27 May 2020
Added new information about testing and capacity times series
 10. 27 May 2020
Updated figures.
 11. 26 May 2020
Updated figures.
 12. 25 May 2020
Updated figures.
 13. 24 May 2020
Updated figures.
 14. 23 May 2020
Updated the daily figures for number of cases and deaths. Due to technical difficulties with data collection we cannot provide people tested figures today.
 15. 22 May 2020
Updated figures.
 16. 21 May 2020
Updated figures.
 17. 20 May 2020
Updated figures.
 18. 19 May 2020
Updated figures.
 19. 18 May 2020
Updated figures.
 20. 17 May 2020
Updated figures.
 21. 16 May 2020
Updated figures.
 22. 15 May 2020
Updated figures.
 23. 14 May 2020
Updated figures.
 24. 13 May 2020
Updated figures.
 25. 12 May 2020
Updated figures.
 26. 11 May 2020
Updated figures.
 27. 10 May 2020
Updated figures.
 28. 9 May 2020
Updated figures
 29. 8 May 2020
Figures updated.
 30. 7 May 2020

- Updated figures.
31. 6 May 2020
Updated figures.
32. 5 May 2020
Updated figures.
33. 4 May 2020
Updated figures.
34. 3 May 2020
Updated figures.
35. 2 May 2020
Updated on 2 May with daily figures
36. 1 May 2020
Updated figures.
37. 30 April 2020
Updated figures.
38. 30 April 2020
Updated with figures reported on 29 April, including deaths in all settings, and updated notes on reporting of deaths figures. Figures for 30 April will follow later today.
39. 28 April 2020
Updated figures.
40. 27 April 2020
Updated figures.
41. 26 April 2020
Updated figures.
42. 25 April 2020
Updated figures.
43. 24 April 2020
Updated figures.
44. 23 April 2020
Updated figures.
45. 22 April 2020
Updated figures.
46. 21 April 2020
Updated figures.
47. 20 April 2020
Updated figures.
48. 19 April 2020
Updated figures
49. 19 April 2020
Updated figures
50. 18 April 2020
Updated figures
51. 17 April 2020
Updated figures.
52. 16 April 2020
Updated figures.
53. 15 April 2020
Updated figures.
54. 14 April 2020
Updated figures.
55. 13 April 2020

- Updated figures
56. 12 April 2020
Changed the total number of tests concluded from 352,974 to 350,575. The updated figure only includes tests carried out under pillars 1 and 2 of the government's national testing strategy
57. 12 April 2020
In breakdown by pillar section, corrected total people tested figure in cumulative table
58. 12 April 2020
Updated figures
59. 11 April 2020
Updated figures.
60. 10 April 2020
Updated figures and included breakdown of people tested under pillars 1 and 2 of the government's national testing strategy.
61. 9 April 2020
Updated figures.
62. 8 April 2020
Updated figures and added figures table.
63. 7 April 2020
Updated figures.
64. 6 April 2020
Updated figures to include cumulative tests.
65. 5 April 2020
Updated figures
66. 4 April 2020
Updated figures
67. 3 April 2020
Updated daily figures
68. 2 April 2020
Updates figures for testing
69. 1 April 2020
Updated figures.
70. 1 April 2020
Added information on how figures for deaths are compiled and reported.
71. 31 March 2020
Updated figures.
72. 30 March 2020
Updated figures.
73. 29 March 2020
Updated figures.
74. 28 March 2020
Updated figures.
75. 27 March 2020
Updated figures.
76. 26 March 2020
Updated figures. From today, 26 March 2020, recorded deaths will be as of 5pm the previous day.
77. 25 March 2020
Update to the figures for testing in UK
78. 24 March 2020
Updated figures.
79. 23 March 2020
Updated test result figures.

80. 22 March 2020
updated figures.
81. 22 March 2020
updated figures.
82. 21 March 2020
Updated figures on test results.
83. 20 March 2020
Added updated figures.
84. 19 March 2020
Updated figures and time
85. 19 March 2020
Updated test figures
86. 18 March 2020
Updated figures.
87. 18 March 2020
Updated figures on test results.
88. 17 March 2020
Updated figures.
89. 16 March 2020
Updated test result figures.
90. 15 March 2020
Update on case numbers, those who have tested positive and those who have sadly died.
91. 14 March 2020
Updated numbers.
92. 13 March 2020
Updated test result figures.
93. 12 March 2020
The UK risk level has been raised to high.
94. 12 March 2020
Added new guidance for people with symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19).
95. 12 March 2020
Updated test result figures.
96. 11 March 2020
Update to figures.
97. 10 March 2020
Updated figures.
98. 9 March 2020
Updated Italy advice.
99. 9 March 2020
Updated figures.
100. 8 March 2020
"to be determined" figures corrected - from 22 to 20.
101. 8 March 2020
Updated lockdown areas.
102. 8 March 2020
Regions updated.
103. 8 March 2020
updated figures.
104. 7 March 2020
Now with regional breakdown
105. 7 March 2020

Update on stats and switch to 7am to improve reporting. Regionalised data to be published later today

106. 6 March 2020

Updated test result figures.

107. 5 March 2020

Updated returning traveller advice for Italy.

108. 5 March 2020

Added updated figures for test results, including number of cases in each NHS England region.

109. 4 March 2020

Updated test result figures.

110. 3 March 2020

Updated figures for tests

111. 2 March 2020

Added updated figures on UK test results.

112. 1 March 2020

Updated figures.

113. 29 February 2020

Updated stats and also made clear from now on stats will be accurate as of 0900 that day for consistency and accuracy.

114. 28 February 2020

Updated figures.

115. 27 February 2020

Updated figures.

116. 26 February 2020

Updated figures.

117. 25 February 2020

Updated test result figures.

118. 25 February 2020

Updated advice for returning travellers.

119. 24 February 2020

Updated test result figures.

120. 23 February 2020

Updated figures.

121. 22 February 2020

Updated numbers.

122. 21 February 2020

Update to test figures

123. 20 February 2020

Updated test figures.

124. 19 February 2020

Updated daily figures on test results.

125. 18 February 2020

Updated daily figures on test results.

126. 17 February 2020

Updated figures.

127. 16 February 2020

Daily update to testing numbers.

128. 15 February 2020

Updated figures.

129. 14 February 2020

Updated test result figures.

130. 13 February 2020

- Updated test result figures.
131. 12 February 2020
Updated figures.
132. 11 February 2020
Updated figures for those tested in the UK.
133. 10 February 2020
Updated figures for those tested in UK
134. 9 February 2020
Updated statistics on coronavirus tests.
135. 9 February 2020
Fourth case of coronavirus in England
136. 8 February 2020
Updated test figures
137. 7 February 2020
Updated figures for coronavirus checks and removal figures of passengers returned from Wuhan as all are outside the incubation period.
138. 6 February 2020
Updated advice from the Chief Medical Officer.
139. 6 February 2020
Updated figures
140. 5 February 2020
Updated figures - no new cases
141. 4 February 2020
Updated advice for travellers
142. 4 February 2020
Added link to FCO travel advice for British nationals.
143. 4 February 2020
Updated test figures – no further positive cases.
144. 3 February 2020
Added Northern Ireland contact number for those who have returned from Wuhan or Hubei Province in the last 14 days, or from elsewhere in China and have developed symptoms.
145. 3 February 2020
updated figures - no new cases
146. 2 February 2020
Updated figures - no new cases.
147. 1 February 2020
Updated test figures – no further positive cases.
148. 31 January 2020
Added coronavirus public information video.
149. 31 January 2020
Updated the advice for travellers from China.
150. 31 January 2020
Updated test figures.
151. 31 January 2020
Update regarding first confirmed cases of coronavirus in England.
152. 30 January 2020
Addition of CMO statement
153. 30 January 2020
Updated information on risk level
154. 30 January 2020
Updated figures – no confirmed cases

155. 29 January 2020
Updated figures - no confirmed cases.
156. 28 January 2020
Updated figures - no confirmed cases
157. 28 January 2020
Updated advice for travellers from Wuhan.
158. 27 January 2020
Updated advice for travellers from Wuhan.
159. 27 January 2020
Updated test figures - no confirmed cases
160. 26 January 2020
Updated figures - no confirmed cases.
161. 25 January 2020
Tests figure update - no confirmed cases.
162. 25 January 2020
Updated advice
163. 24 January 2020
First published.

Related content

- Coronavirus (COVID-19): UK government response (<https://www.gov.uk/government/topical-events/coronavirus-covid-19-uk-government-response>)
- COVID-19: infection prevention and control (IPC) (<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-infection-prevention-and-control>)
- Foreign travel checklist (<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/foreign-travel-checklist>)

Detailed guidance

- Travel advice: coronavirus (COVID-19) (<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/travel-advice-novel-coronavirus>)

Collection

- COVID-19: guidance for health professionals (<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/wuhan-novel-coronavirus>)

Explore the topic

- Infectious diseases (<https://www.gov.uk/health-and-social-care/health-protection-infectious-diseases>)
- Health and wellbeing during coronavirus (<https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus-taxon/health-and-wellbeing>)
- Protecting yourself and others from coronavirus (<https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus-taxon/protecting-yourself-and-others>)