

Coronavirus (COVID-19) in the UK





Easy Read Summary

for

United Kingdom

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Information

This information comes from the UK Government.

This easy read document explains the key statistics presented in the UK Coronavirus COVID-19 dashboard.

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Testing

Testing is where we do a test to see who has Coronavirus. Some people are tested more than once.

There were **364,388** tests reported on 16 December 2020.

Between 20 April and 16 December 2020, there have been **46,373,777** tests.



Confirmed cases

A confirmed case is where a person has had a positive test result for Coronavirus.

There were **35,383** new people with a confirmed positive test result reported on 17 December 2020.

Between 31 January and 17 December 2020, there have been **1,948,660** people who have had a confirmed positive test result.

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Healthcare

Some people with Coronavirus have to go into hospital.

1,725 people with Coronavirus had to go into hospital on 13 December 2020.

Between 23 March and 13 December 2020, there have been **243,474** people who have had to go into hospital with Coronavirus.

There were **18,009** people in hospital with Coronavirus on 15 December 2020.

Some people who go to the hospital need to use a special device called a Mechanical Ventilator to help them breathe.

There were **1,340** Coronavirus patients in hospital beds with a mechanical ventilator on 16 December 2020.



Deaths

Sadly, many people have died.

There were **532** deaths within 28 days of a positive test for Coronavirus reported on 17 December 2020.

Between 2 March and 16 December 2020, there have been **66,050** deaths within 28 days of a positive Coronavirus test.