

# Birmingham Weekly COVID-19 Statistics

Weekly report: 20<sup>th</sup> December to 26<sup>th</sup> December 2020

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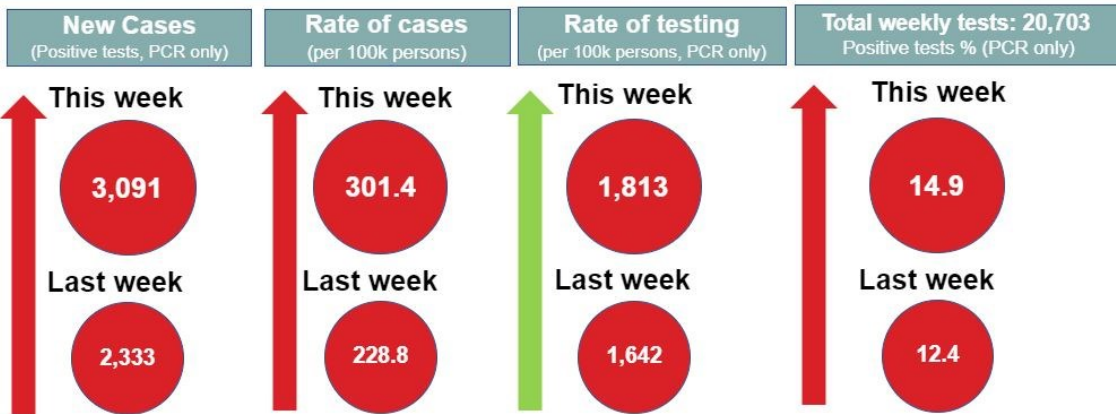
Source: SGSS, NHS Digital

There has been an increase in both the rate of cases and percentage of positive tests in the last week. This is reflective of the concerning increase in cases nationally.

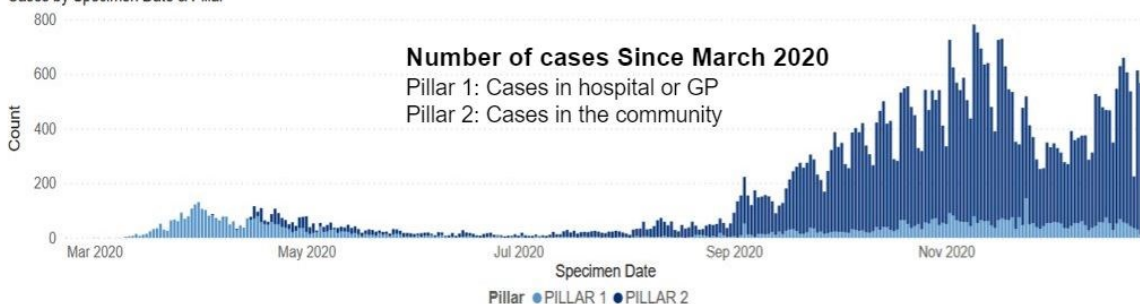
Testing for asymptomatic individuals is now available in the city at the [Utilita Arena \(old NIA\)](#) site. Whilst the number of tests in asymptomatic individuals is increasing, the rates of tests for symptomatic people has levelled off and needs to be encouraged. There remains plenty of testing capacity for symptomatic people at the two drive-through sites and all walk-through sites.

People continue to be admitted to hospital and intensive care, in both under 65yr olds as well as over 65yrs olds. This is putting a lot of pressure on the NHS alongside winter pressures.

Spread often happens in the household and we recommend people go to [www.germdefence.org](http://www.germdefence.org) to look at how you can all reduce spread at home.



Cases by Specimen Date & Pillar



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Most wards in the city have seen case numbers rise between this week and the week before.

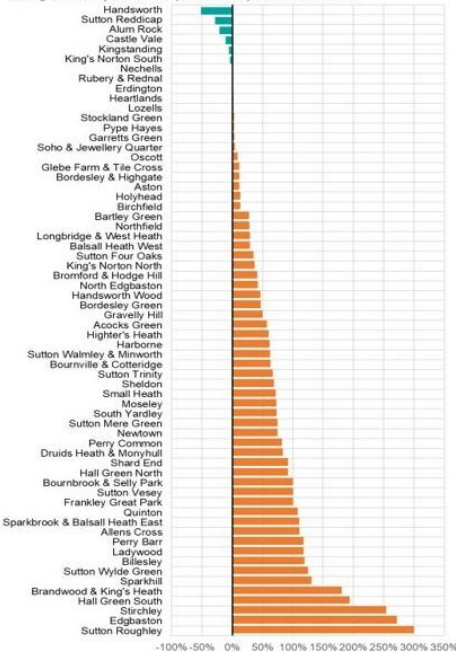
Case rates take accounts of the different population sizes across different wards so is a more useful way of looking at differences between different areas than just looking at case numbers.

The wards with the highest case rates (cases per 100,000 residents) in the last week are:

- Sparkbrook & Balsall Heath East (460)
- Hall Green South (449)
- ~~Lozells~~ (438)
- Hall Green North (438)
- ~~Sparkhill~~ (414)
- Handsworth Wood (412)
- Small Heath (407)
- Birchfield (406)
- Shard End (406)
- Yardley East (396)

## Case number change in Birmingham (ward level)

Change in weekly cases compared to the previous two weeks



Comparison of seven-day total cases from 11 Dec to 25 Dec by wards level covering Birmingham.

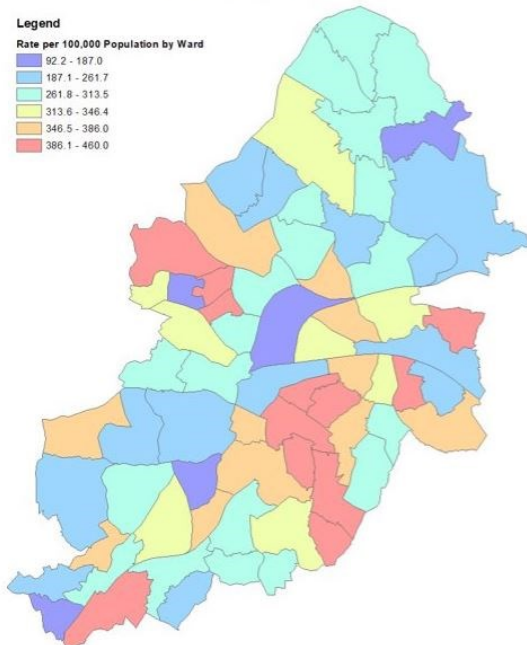
Source: PHE, updated on 29 Dec 11:45

## Confirmed Cases by Ward 19th December to 25th December (Pillar 1 & Pillar 2 Tests)

Legend

Rate per 100,000 Population by Ward

- 92.2 - 187.0
- 187.1 - 261.7
- 261.8 - 313.5
- 313.6 - 346.4
- 346.5 - 386.0
- 386.1 - 460.0



Source: PHE Covid-19 Situational Awareness Explorer (weekly line listing) produced 29th December 2020. Produced by Birmingham Public Health Division (2020). © Crown copyright and database rights 2020 Ordnance Survey 100021326.