

Key messages

Gloucestershire updates

- Supporting care homes - care home staff have access to extra training regarding PPE and cleanliness which is being provided by our NHS and CCG partners.
- Gloucestershire County Council Planning Committee will take place remotely tomorrow, 14 May 2020. Watch live on YouTube from 10am tomorrow - <https://youtu.be/HXyVB78jvrw>
- Yesterday 269 people were tested at the mobile testing unit at Oxstalls Tennis Centre in Gloucester. For more information, including how to book a test, visit: www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/gloucestershire-county-council-news/news-may-2020/mobile-covid-19-testing-site-set-up-in-county

National updates

- [Government expands expert team to rapidly roll out coronavirus test and trace programme](#)
- The [ONS weekly death registrations data for England and Wales](#) which is released every Tuesday, includes data split down to LA level.
- ONS has published an analysis of Covid-19 related deaths by related deaths by occupation, England and Wales: deaths registered up to and including 20 April 2020 available [here](#)
- [New guidance on spending time outdoors](#)
- [Coronavirus: safer public places – urban centres and green spaces](#) - Guidance for owners and operators
- [Coronavirus – Planning update](#)

Daily stats

Total UK Tests - **2,007,146**

Total UK Cases - **226,463**

Total UK Deaths - **32,692**

Total Confirmed Cases in South West - **7,092**

Total Confirmed Cases in Gloucestershire* - **1,330**

Total Confirmed Cases in:

- Cheltenham - **317**
- Cotswold - **151**
- Forest of Dean - **107**
- Gloucester - **383**
- Stroud - **195**
- Tewkesbury - **177**

Total Deaths in Gloucestershire** - **209**

Help hub stats

- I can offer help – 3382
- I need help – 2789
- Someone I know needs help – 1087
- My business can help – 336

Key links

[National Guidance](#)

[General NHS advice](#)

- [Coronavirus – compulsory purchase guidance](#)
 - [Coronavirus – Community Infrastructure Levy guidance](#)
 - [Actions for educational and childcare settings to prepare for wider opening from 1 June 2020](#) - Added an initial planning framework for schools in England.
 - [COVID-19: guidance for care of the deceased](#) - Updated guidance on sharing information with others, residual risk of infection from the deceased and the use of body bags, and the use of PPE for those who are responsible for care of the deceased.
 - [New guidance published to ensure transport network is safe for those who need to use it](#)
 - [Coronavirus: safer transport guidance for operators](#)
 - [Chancellor extends furlough scheme until October](#)
- [Latest advice and developments from Gloucestershire NHS](#)
 - [Gloucestershire's Community Help Hub](#)
 - [Council service updates](#)
 - [Make an adult social care referral](#)
 - [Business advice and support](#)
 - [Looking after your wellbeing](#)
 - [Support for children and families during Covid-19](#)

Your questions answered

Adequate population testing is key to defeating the current epidemic the testing system available across our county will have to turn results around quickly. Please can you report how quickly Covid-19 test results are being made available to residents/keyworkers? Does the Director of Public Health consider this time frame to be adequate?

Testing is being done through various routes in the county. Health and care worker staff are testing through the 'Pillar 1' testing provision provided at Brockworth.

A wider group of people eligible for testing can access the 'Pillar 2' mobile testing site at Oxstalls Tennis Centre, Longlevens until the 17 May. Alternatively there are Pillar 2 sites further afield through regional testing sites in Bristol and Worcester.

There are additional routes for testing in care homes.

It is important that people receive timely results and locally through the Pillar 1 site, results should be delivered to the individual within 72 hours. Often, it is much quicker than this.

We're seeing nationally that levels of deprivation and socio-economics are having an affect on Covid-19 suffering. Are Public Health in Gloucestershire analysing this information and are they able to share how different communities are being affected?

Emerging UK and international data suggest that people from Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic (BAME) backgrounds are being disproportionately affected by Covid-19. Public Health England has been asked by the Department of Health and Social Care to investigate this.

Locally, in Gloucestershire we are also aware of emerging evidence which suggests that Covid-19 is having a disproportionate effect on people from BAME backgrounds and those living in more deprived areas. From the information at a local level from Office of National Statistics (ONS) we are not able to analyse inequalities in mortality from Covid-19, however we are analysing local sources of information. The ONS is a source of information and they do not provide this to the council before it is made public.

As part of the response to Covid-19 there are a number of groups which have been set up specifically to reduce the impact for vulnerable groups. These include;

- a community resilience cell
- a homelessness cell
- the recovery cell is actively reviewing information and action to reduce inequalities.

In Gloucestershire the acute hospital trust has sent out communications to all BAME staff and posted sources of support on their intranet. BAME staff members are encouraged to contact the occupational health team to discuss individual circumstances. In addition, there is an active BAME network which is providing support on this issue.

*The above data reflects nationally published data [available here](#).

**This section contains information on deaths of patients who have died in hospitals in Gloucestershire and had tested positive for Covid-19 at time of death or where Covid-19 was mentioned on the death certificate. All deaths are recorded against the date of death rather than the date the deaths were announced. It is based on national NHS data [published here](#).

The data in this briefing is updated at 9am each day based on the figures released at 2pm the previous day.