

Key messages

- [Covid-19: Get tested!](#)
- [Mental health services available for those needing support](#)
- Gloucestershire Music will be reopening the Colwell Arts Centre for its instrument hire scheme from 26 August. A full risk assessment and measures, such as appointment system and cleaning regime, are in place.
- We have been made aware the national online portal to book COVID-19 tests is experiencing problems as it has reached capacity. We have no local control over this in Gloucestershire. Please check the Department of Health and Social Care website for more information - <https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-of-health-and-social-care>

Mobile Testing Unit (MTU) locations⁶:

- University Of Gloucestershire, Entrance 3, Park Campus, The Park, Cheltenham (20 - 22 August)
- Royal Agricultural University, Stroud Road, Cirencester (23 - 29 August)
- Stow RFC, Oddington Road, Stow on the Wold (30 - 31 August)

National updates

[The future of public health](#) - recent national announcements do not affect the local public health team at this time

[Government creates new National Institute for Health Protection](#)

[Coronavirus \(COVID-19\): travel corridors](#)

[Coronavirus \(COVID-19\): safer travel guidance for](#)

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Gloucestershire Covid-19 stats

[Link to graph showing daily cases by local authority](#)

Total Confirmed Cases¹ - 1,967

Cheltenham - 455

Cotswold - 223

Forest of Dean - 169

Gloucester - 566

Stroud - 282

Tewkesbury - 272

Deaths in NHS Trusts² - 230

Deaths in all settings that occurred up to 7 August but were registered up to 15 August³ - 582

Deaths in care homes⁴ - 261

Key links

[National Guidance](#)

[General NHS advice](#)

[Latest advice and developments from Gloucestershire NHS](#)

[Gloucestershire's Community Help Hub](#)

[Council service updates](#)

[passengers](#)

[Study finds very low numbers of COVID-19 outbreaks in schools](#)

[More than half a billion pounds to help people return home from hospital](#)

[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

To make sure your questions get answered promptly by the team, please continue to send your questions directly to democratic.services@gloucestershire.gov.uk

¹ The above data reflects nationally published data [available here](#).

² 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](#).

³ Weekly death figures provide provisional counts of the number of deaths registered in England and Wales for which data are available. From 31 March 2020 these figures also show the number of deaths involving coronavirus (Covid-19), based on any mention of Covid-19 on the death certificate. Figures by place of death may differ to previously published figures due to improvements in the way we code place of death. This figure does not include deaths of those resident outside England and Wales or those records where the place of residence is either missing or not yet fully coded. For this reason counts may differ to published figures when summed. Bank Holidays could affect the number of registrations made within those weeks.

⁴ Care homes vary in size and in the characteristics of their residents. Outbreak data is also being reported publicly here: <https://www.gov.uk/government/statistical-data-sets/covid-19-number-of-outbreaks-in-care-homes-management-information>. The figures here are slightly lower than our local figures due to a time lag. The number of cases (confirmed or suspected) has not been reported due to limitations in data accuracy which means comparison is not possible. This information is being used for operational purposes. As testing in care homes increases we will review

whether adding this information will add additional strategic insight.

⁵ CQC publish figures on deaths where Covid-19 was suspected in the notification from the care home, as well as all cause mortality (since 10 April 2020). It is probable that not all deaths due to Covid-19 will be notified as such, conversely Covid-19 may be mentioned but not have been a contributory factor in a death). While CQC numbers are more comprehensive than local reporting, they are not currently reported by district council.

⁶ Please note that there is a possibility of last minute changes if the MTU's are diverted to assist with outbreak control both in this county or elsewhere.