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Key messages

- Gloucestershire is now subject to the Government's Tier 2 restrictions. Find out more on the Government website [here](#).
- Gloucestershire County Council has announced which services will reopen or stay the same with the Tier 2 restrictions. You can find out more about these services visiting our [webpage](#).
- Last week, Government announced that there will be greater easing of restrictions over Christmas (between 23 and 27 December only) and you will be able to form a '[Christmas bubble](#)' with up to three households.
- This week Gloucestershire County Council has taken delivery of 6000 lateral Flow Devices (LFD) from the Department of Health and Social Care, as part of a pilot, located at the Royal Agricultural University, which began yesterday (3 December). Tests are being offered to all students and staff at the University and near by Cirencester College and Deer Park School. Students and teachers who sign up will be

4 December 2020

Gloucestershire Covid-19 stats

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

In week 48 (Monday 23rd November– Sunday 29th November) there were 646 confirmed cases of COVID19.

Of these cases:

- 225 were in Gloucester
- 117 were in Cheltenham
- 105 were in Stroud
- 92 were in Tewkesbury
- 37 were in Cotswold

tested twice a week.

For more information on the tests: [Lateral flow Devices \(LFD\)](#)

- In addition to the county council's pilot, The University of Gloucestershire and Hartpury University are delivering schemes for their students and staff. The NHS is also rolling out regular testing to all their frontline staff in Gloucestershire Hospitals Trust and Gloucestershire Health and Care Trust.

Mobile Testing Unit (MTU) locations⁶:

- University Of Gloucestershire, Entrance 3, Park Campus, The Park, Cheltenham, GL50 2RH (3 December)
- Tewkesbury RFC, Gander Lane, Tewkesbury, GL20 5PG (3 December)
- University Of Gloucestershire, Entrance 3, Park Campus, The Park, Cheltenham, GL50 2RH (4 December)
- Hartpury University & Hartpury College, Gloucester, GL19 3BE (4 December)
- University Of Gloucestershire, Entrance 3, Park Campus, The Park, Cheltenham, GL50 2RH (5 December)
- Hartpury University & Hartpury College, Gloucester, GL19 3BE (5 December)
- University Of Gloucestershire, Entrance 3, Park Campus, The Park, Cheltenham, GL50 2RH (6 December)
- Hartpury University & Hartpury College, Gloucester, GL19 3BE (6 December)
- Stow RFC, Oddington Road, Stow on the Wold, GL54 1JJ (7 December)
- University Of Gloucestershire, Entrance 3, Park Campus, The Park, Cheltenham, GL50 2RH (7 December)

- 70 were in Forest of Dean

* Please note these figures are provisional and subject to change. (Source: <https://coronavirus.data.gov.uk/> as at 16:00 02/12/2020)

The rate of cases in the last 7 days per 100,000 is 106.4 in Gloucestershire, 92.0 in the South West, and 153.9 in England.

In week 47 (Saturday 14th November – Friday 20th November) there were 26 deaths mentioning “novel coronavirus (COVID-19)”, which is 19.7% of all deaths, this compares with 21 (16.8% of all deaths) in Week 46

*Please note these figures are based on all deaths registered by the 28th November, they are provisional and will be subject to change. They include deaths that make any mention of COVID-19 on the death certificate. (Source: Source: Weekly **provisional** figures on deaths occurring and registered in England and Wales by Local Authority)

Deaths in NHS Trusts² - 306 (54 new)

Deaths in care homes⁴ - 281 (2 new)

Key links

[National Guidance](#)

[General NHS advice](#)

- Dursley Rugby Club, Hounds Green, Dursley GL11 6AJ (8 December)
- University Of Gloucestershire, Entrance 3, Park Campus, The Park, Cheltenham, GL50 2RH (8 December)
- University Of Gloucestershire, Entrance 3, Park Campus, The Park, Cheltenham, GL50 2RH (9 December)
- Hartpury University & Hartpury College, Gloucester, GL19 3BE (9 December)
- Stratford Park Leisure Centre, Stratford Road, Stroud, GL5 4AF (10 December)
- Tewkesbury RFC, Gander Lane, Tewkesbury, GL20 5PG (10 December)
- Stratford Park Leisure Centre, Stratford Road, Stroud, GL5 4AF (11 December)
- Tewkesbury RFC, Gander Lane, Tewkesbury, GL20 5PG (11 December)

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[Support for children and families during Covid-19](#)

National updates

- [Full list of local restriction tiers by area](#)
- [Community testing – explainer](#)
- [COVID-19 vaccination programme](#)
- [Guidance for the Christmas period](#)
- [Making a Christmas bubble with friends and family](#)
- [Care home residents to be reunited with families by Christmas](#)
- [UK government secures additional 2 million doses of Moderna COVID-19 vaccine](#)
- [Boost for high street as Jenrick extends opening hours for Christmas shopping](#)

- [Community testing to help lift restrictions in highest tiers](#)
- [Ofsted warns of risk to children 'out of sight' during pandemic](#)

For all coronavirus guidance, please visit:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/coronavirus-covid-19-list-of-guidance>

Great Western Railway: Christmas and New Year Services

Services will run normally on 23 December. Christmas Eve late afternoon and evening services will be amended to prepare for GWR's usual closure on Christmas Day and Boxing Day. Heathrow Express trains will run on Boxing Day. There are no planned improvement works in this area affecting our services between Christmas and New Year. London Paddington remains open and services to London will operate normally throughout. If you are travelling via Bristol Temple Meads or Gatwick Airport there are some local changes from Sunday 27 December which can be viewed on the [Christmas travel page](#). Always [check your journey](#) before you travel and book in advance reserving a seat and view [advice about travelling with confidence](#).

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.



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