

Birmingham Weekly COVID-19 Statistics

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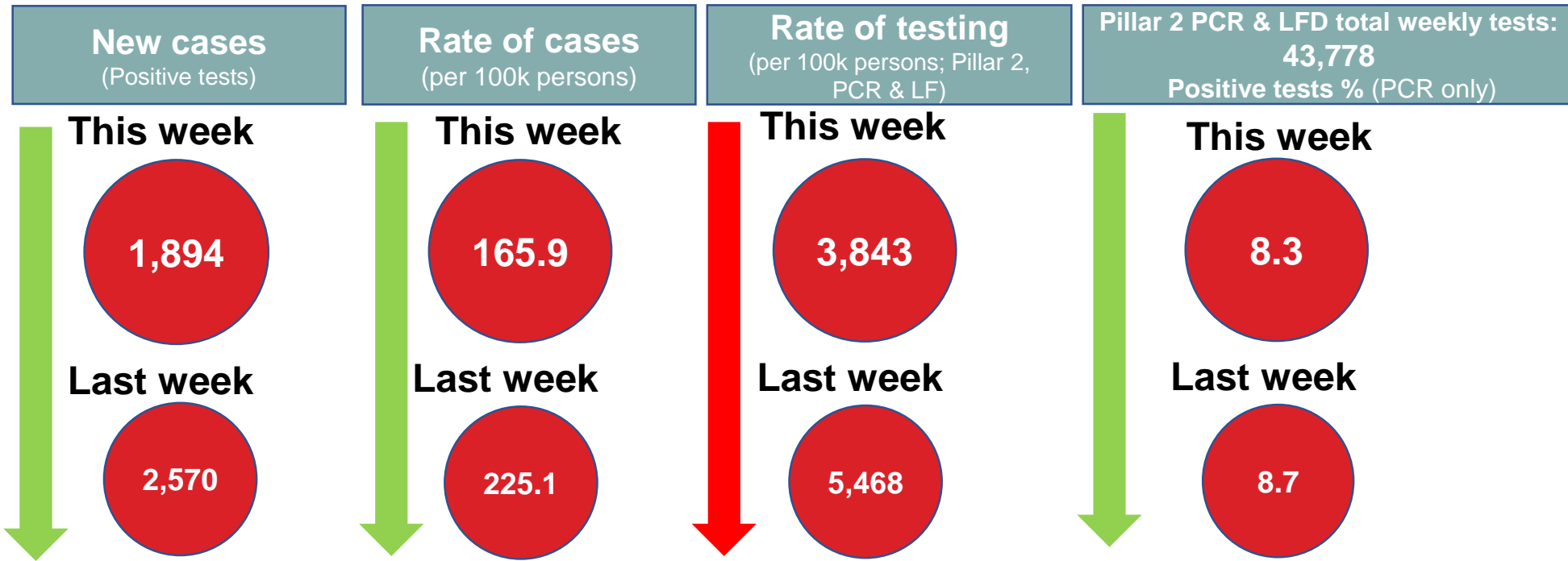
Source: SGSS, NHS Digital

There are signs that the impact of the national lockdown is bringing down case numbers. However rates of testing have also fallen so we cannot be confident yet that this is a real fall, especially as the fall in the % of positive PCR tests is only small.

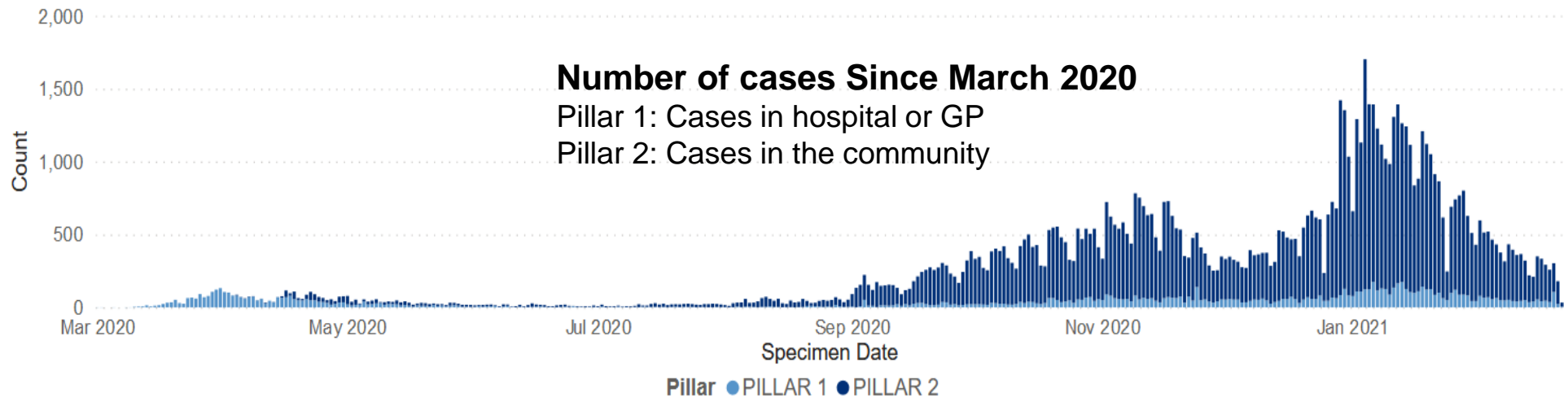
Most of the identified contacts of cases that are in the same household or household visitors. Spread often happens in the household but it isn't inevitable, and www.germdefence.org can help.

We also continue to see clusters in workplaces and it is important that all employers take action to protect staff, including regular testing. **Anyone who is unable to work from home, or in a care or support bubble, should be testing every 3 days with lateral flow test which can help identify people who are infectious but don't have symptoms.** Testing for asymptomatic individuals is now available [across the city](#) including, fixed sites in Shard End, Sheldon, Kingstanding, Handsworth and Ladywood, 3 mobile sites, as well as through a growing number of over 70 community pharmacies.

The average daily Covid admissions has fallen to around 75 new cases a day across the hospitals in the city. Pressure on the NHS remains very high and although there are



Cases by Specimen Date & Pillar



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20 wards showed an increase in case numbers over the last week, however the actual number of cases is quite low (<62) except for Soho & Jewellery Quarter.

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

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

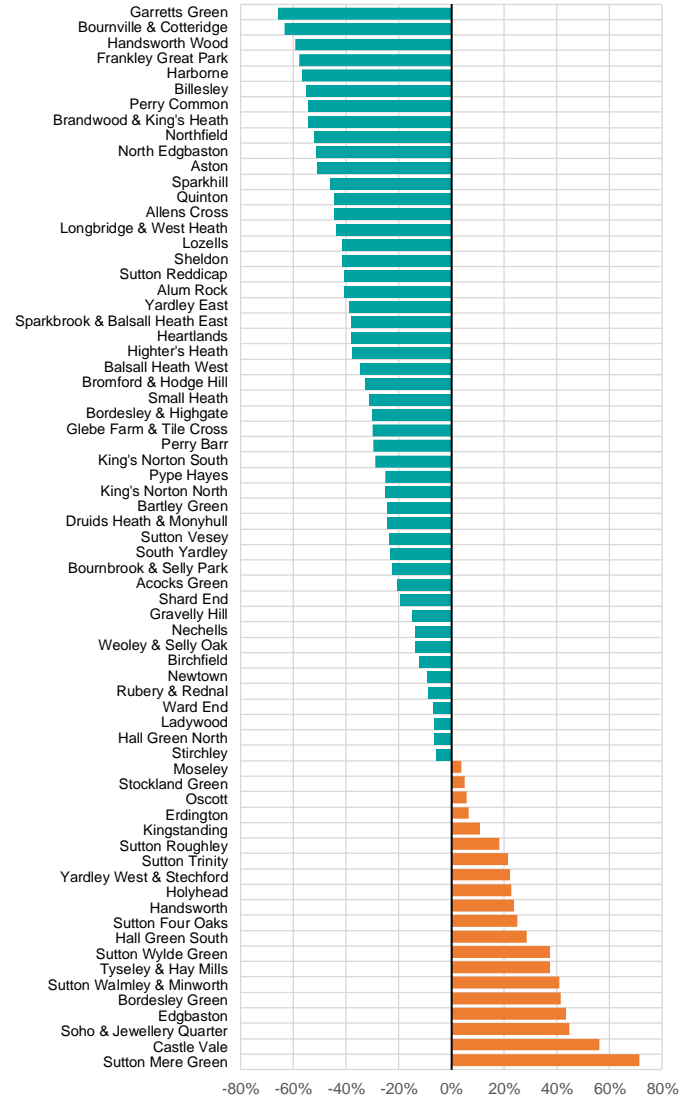
- Soho & Jewellery Quarter (512)
- Bordesley Green (323)
- Ward End (301)
- Tyseley & Hay Mills (267)
- Yardley West & Stechford (260)
- Bartley Green (258)
- Stockland Green (257)
- Castle Vale (255)
- King's Norton South (239)
- Birchfield (231)

The increased case rate in Soho & Jewellery Quarter is linked to two specific outbreaks in specific settings which are being managed in partnership with Public Health England.

Case rates remain highest in the 30-to-49 year group and are highest in our Asian communities, although testing rates have fallen in many of our Asian communities.

Case number change in Birmingham (ward level)

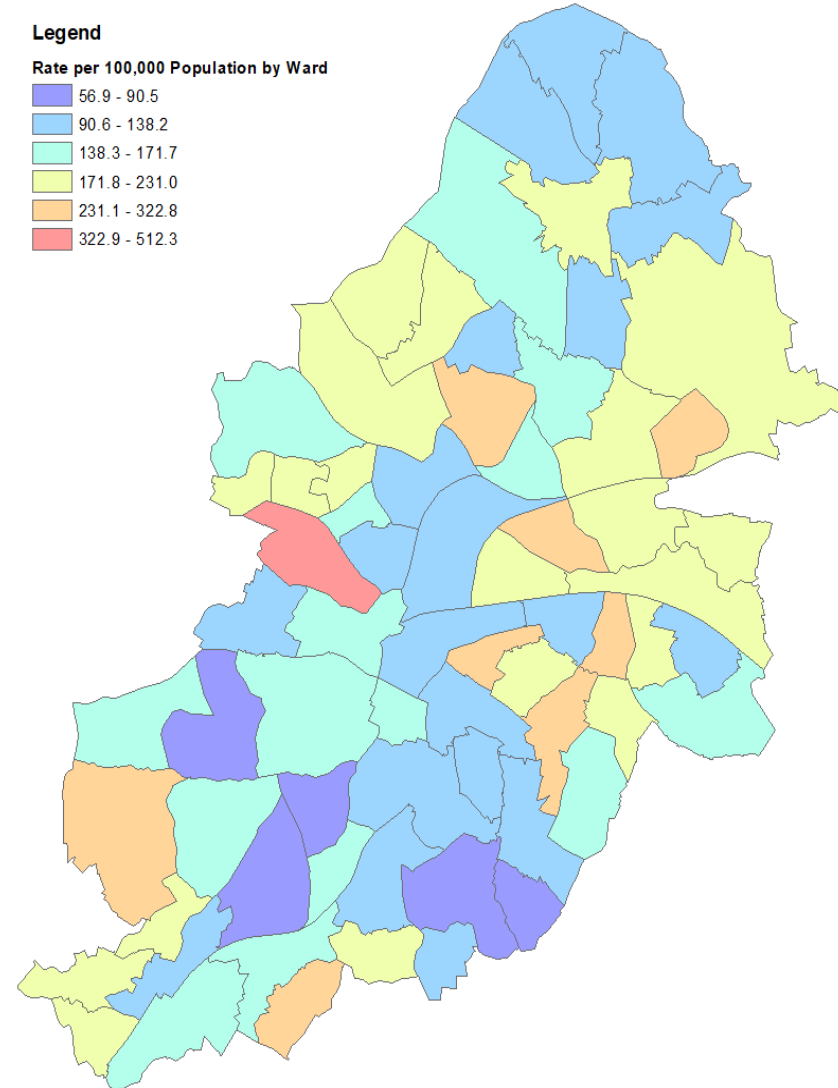
Change in weekly cases compared to the previous week



Comparison of seven-day total cases from 12 Feb to 19 Feb by wards level covering Birmingham.

Source: PHE, updated on 22 Feb 12:50

Confirmed Cases by Ward 13th to 19th February 2021 (Pillar 1 & Pillar 2 Tests)



Source: PHE Covid-19 Situational Awareness Explorer (weekly line listing) produced 22nd February 2021. Produced by Birmingham Public Health Division (2021).

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Cases by Ward 13th February to 19th February 2021

Electoral Ward Name	No. Positive cases per 100,000	Difference from previous fortnight	Electoral Ward Name	No. Positive cases per 100,000	Difference from previous fortnight	Electoral Ward Name	No. Positive cases per 100,000	Difference from previous fortnight
Sutton Mere Green	122	72%	Ward End	301	-7%	Highter's Heath	133	-38%
Castle Vale	255	56%	Rubery & Rednal	194	-8%	Sparkbrook & Balsall Heath East	138	-38%
Soho & Jewellery Quarter	512	45%	Newtown	137	-9%	Heartlands	134	-38%
Edgbaston	149	43%	Birchfield	231	-12%	Yardley East	183	-39%
Bordesley Green	323	42%	Weoley & Selly Oak	158	-14%	Sutton Reddicap	130	-41%
Sutton Walmley & Minworth	194	41%	Nechells	113	-14%	Alum Rock	201	-41%
Sutton Wylde Green	124	38%	Gravelly Hill	157	-15%	Sheldon	171	-41%
Tyseley & Hay Mills	267	38%	Shard End	203	-19%	Lozells	143	-42%
Hall Green South	86	28%	Acocks Green	144	-20%	Longbridge & West Heath	152	-44%
Sutton Four Oaks	109	25%	Bournbrook & Selly Park	57	-22%	Allens Cross	186	-44%
Handsworth	205	24%	Sutton Vesey	148	-23%	Quinton	147	-45%
Holyhead	217	23%	South Yardley	214	-24%	Sparkhill	124	-46%
Yardley West & Stechford	260	22%	Druids Heath & Monyhull	213	-24%	Aston	124	-51%
Sutton Trinity	184	22%	Bartley Green	258	-24%	North Edgbaston	138	-52%
Sutton Roughley	112	18%	King's Norton North	153	-25%	Northfield	125	-52%
Kingstanding	195	11%	Pype Hayes	194	-25%	Brandwood & King's Heath	116	-54%
Erdington	159	6%	King's Norton South	239	-29%	Perry Common	137	-54%
Oscott	179	6%	Perry Barr	184	-30%	Billesley	91	-55%
Stockland Green	257	5%	Glebe Farm & Tile Cross	204	-30%	Harborne	79	-57%
Moseley	129	4%	Bordesley & Highgate	133	-30%	Frankley Great Park	186	-58%
Stirchley	158	-6%	Small Heath	199	-31%	Handsworth Wood	160	-59%
Ladywood	148	-6%	Bromford & Hodge Hill	198	-33%	Bournville & Cotteridge	84	-63%
Hall Green North	131	-6%	Balsall Heath West	172	-34%	Garretts Green	121	-66%