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# Latest updates on COVID-19 (Coronavirus)

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## April 4

17 deaths and 331 new cases confirmed

The Health Protection Surveillance Centre has today been informed that 17 patients diagnosed with COVID-19 in Ireland have died:

- 15 deaths located in the east, 1 in the south, 1 in the west of the country
- the patients included 4 females and 13 males
- 13 patients were reported as having underlying health conditions
- the median age of today's reported deaths is 77

There have now been 137 COVID-19 related deaths in Ireland.

The median age of deaths in Ireland is 81.

The Health Protection Surveillance Centre has been informed of 331 new confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Ireland, as of 1pm, Saturday 4 April. There are now 4,604 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Ireland.

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[See an analysis of the 4,014 cases of COVID-19 in Ireland as of 2 April 2020.](#)

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Minister for Health announces enhanced measures to support nursing home residents in response to COVID-19

The Minister for Health, Simon Harris, has announced further measures to support nursing homes residents in the context of the overarching response to COVID-19.

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## April 1 - 3

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### April 3

22 deaths and 424 new cases confirmed

The Health Protection Surveillance Centre (HSPC) has been informed that 22 patients diagnosed with COVID-19 in Ireland have died.

There have now been 120 deaths from COVID-19 in Ireland. The median age of COVID-19-related deaths in Ireland is 82.

A further 424 cases of COVID-19 have been confirmed in Ireland. The total number of confirmed cases now stands at 4273 in Ireland.

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[See an analysis of the 3,655 cases of COVID-19 in Ireland as of 1 April 2020.](#)

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Minister signs regulations to help with prescriptions during COVID-19

The Minister for Health, Simon Harris, has made changes to ensure that patients will no longer have to bring paper scripts to pharmacists to get prescriptions or repeat prescriptions. Instead - these prescriptions will be emailed to the pharmacy from the prescribing doctor via the HSE's Healthmail system.

As well as this, prescription lengths have been increased - so people with a prescription for 6 months will have the validity period extended to 9 months.

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### April 2

13 deaths and 402 new cases confirmed

The Health Protection Surveillance Centre has today been informed that 13 patients diagnosed with COVID-

19 in Ireland have died.

- 9 deaths located in the east, 1 in the south, 3 in the west of the country
- the patients included 4 females and 9 males
- 10 patients were reported as having underlying health conditions

There have now been 98 COVID-19 related deaths in Ireland. The median age of deaths in Ireland is 82.

There have been 402 new confirmed cases of COVID-19 bringing the number of cases to 3,849 in total.

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[See an analysis of the 3,282 cases of COVID-19 in Ireland as of 31 March 2020.](#)

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## April 1

The Health Protection Surveillance Centre has today been informed that 14 patients diagnosed with COVID-19 in Ireland have died.

- 10 deaths located in the east, 4 in the south
- the patients included 7 females and 7 males
- 8 patients were reported as having underlying health conditions

There have now been 85 COVID-19 related deaths in Ireland. The median age of deaths in Ireland is 82.

The Health Protection Surveillance Centre has been informed of 212 new confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Ireland, as at 1pm, Wednesday 1 April. There are now 3,447 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Ireland.

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[See an analysis of the 2,990 cases of COVID-19 in Ireland as of 30 March 2020.](#)

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## January - March

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