

# COVID-19: What is the situation in Northern Ireland?

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The Public Health Agency Health Protection surveillance team has established surveillance systems which are used to monitor COVID-19 activity in Northern Ireland. The systems allow us to monitor trends, inform public health measures to reduce COVID-19 transmission, and to measure the impact of public health measures to reduce COVID-19 transmission in both hospital and community settings.

As of 18 April at 9:30am testing has resulted in 148 new positive cases, bringing the total number of confirmed cases in Northern Ireland to 2,486.

To date, 193 people who tested positive have sadly died.

The Public Health Agency COVID-19 advice page can be found [here](#). Surveillance reports can be found [here](#).

### Information sources

As this situation is rapidly changing the most up-to-date guidance can be found on the Public Health England website:

[www.gov.uk/government/collections/coronavirus-covid-19-list-of-guidance](http://www.gov.uk/government/collections/coronavirus-covid-19-list-of-guidance)

Advice for medical professionals can be found at: [www.gov.uk/government/collections/wuhan-novel-coronavirus](http://www.gov.uk/government/collections/wuhan-novel-coronavirus)

For information on guidance for healthcare professionals on COVID-19 infection in pregnancy

see: <https://www.rcog.org.uk/en/guidelines-research-services/guidelines/coronavirus-pregnancy/>

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A new COVID-19 NI app has been developed and includes a symptom checker and the latest advice for people living in Northern Ireland.

You can download the app from Google Play and the Apple App Store.

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