

Coronavirus – deaths involving Covid-19 for week to 19 July 2020

Deaths involving COVID-19 Week 29 – 13th to 19th July 2020

According to statistics published by National Records of Scotland (NRS) today, as at 19 July 2020, 4,193 deaths have been registered in Scotland where the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) was mentioned on the death certificate.

Between 13 to 19 July, six deaths were registered that mentioned COVID-19 on the death certificate, representing the twelfth weekly reduction in a row and the lowest weekly total since the pandemic began.

Deaths involving COVID-19 accounted for less than 1% of all deaths registered from 13th to 19th July, showing a significant decline from the peak in week 17, 20th to 26th April, when COVID-19 deaths accounted for 36% of all deaths.

Pete Whitehouse, Director of Statistical Services, said:
“Every life that is lost because of this virus is a tragedy and brings heartbreak to families across the country.

“Today’s publication shows a continuing decline in the number of people dying from COVID-19. Since the peak week in mid-April, when 661 COVID-19 related deaths were registered, the number of these deaths has thankfully declined for twelve consecutive weeks, to 6 in the latest week.

“National Records of Scotland will continue to work with Scottish Government and Health Protection Scotland (HPS) to monitor and understand the progress and impact of this virus

across the country.”

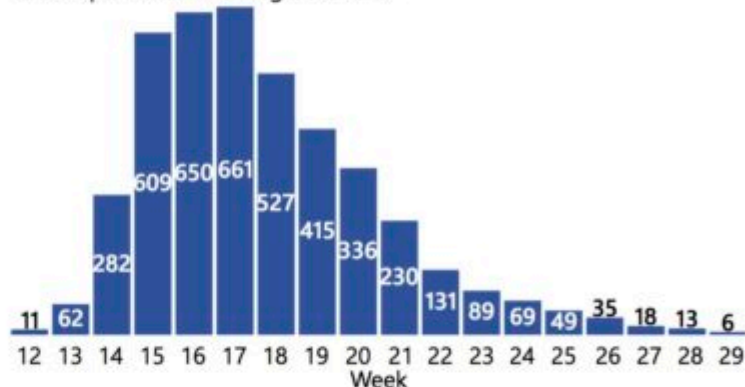
Deaths involving coronavirus (COVID-19) up to 19th July 2020

Summary

As of 19th July, 4,193 deaths had been registered which mentioned COVID-19

The highest number of COVID-19 deaths were registered in week 17 (20th to 26th April). Deaths have decreased weekly since then to reach a level of 6 in week 29.

Deaths per week involving COVID-19



Most excess deaths have occurred in care homes

Between weeks 12 and 29 (16th March to 19th July) there were 2,365 (54%) more deaths in care homes than average. COVID-19 was the underlying cause in 1,873 (79%) of these excess deaths.

In the same period, there were 2,717 excess deaths which took place at home or in a non-institutional setting (53% above average). COVID-19 was the underlying cause in 240 (9%) of these excess deaths.

After peaking in week 15, hospital deaths fell below average levels in week 19 and are now 229 (2%) below average levels for the full period.

2020 deaths by location

