

Coronavirus – today's figures

In a briefing to MSPs conducted virtually, the First Minister, Nicola Sturgeon, has issued the figures today 15 October 2020 of the number of people diagnosed with Covid-19 in the last 24 hours.

The First Minister says that Test and Protect is taking a lot of the strain, but this is a 'critical moment'. All of the current guidance will remain in place for now, and there will be no relaxation of any of the rules. The 6 and 2 rule will continue to apply.

The figures as at 15 October 2020 are as follows:

Number of new cases of Covid-19 reported in Scotland today – **1,351** new cases which is **17.6** % of those tested

Total number of cases is now **44,036**

Number of deaths reported today of people who have tested positive within the last 28 days – **13** which means a total of **2,585** deaths under that measurement.

Number of people in Intensive Care Units in Scotland – **51** which is an increase of **2** since yesterday

Number of people in hospital with recently confirmed Covid-19 – **601** an increase of **31** from yesterday

Public Health Scotland confirmed that the number of new cases in Lothian is **161**