## Coronavirus — today's figures

The latest figures detailing the number of people diagnosed with Covid-19 in the last 24 hours in Scotland have been announced by the First Minister, Nicola Sturgeon just ahead of First Minister's Questions at Holyrood.

The First Minister said that the R number will be announced later today but will probably be under 1. She has confirmed that the moves announced on Tuesday will begin on Friday. There are changes to outdoor meetings, and more school pupils will return on Monday. Ms Sturgeon said that the best advice is still to Stay at Home and remember FACTS.

## The statistics in Scotland as at 11 March 2021 are shown below.

As at 7 March 2021, **9,725** deaths were registered in Scotland where Covid-19 was mentioned on the death certificate according to weekly statistics reported by <u>National Records of Scotland</u>.

Date	Newly reported cases of Covid-19	10	New tests	Test positivity rate (bold denotes days under 5.0% and the highest in recent weeks)		Number of deaths according to daily measurement	Patients in ICU with confirmed Covid-19	Patients in hospital with confirmed Covid-19	Total number of positive cases since beginning of pandemic		Number of daily vaccinations recorded for previous day with highest daily figure in bold (includes lst and 2nd doses)	
11 March 2021	591			2.5%	22	7,483	42	556	207,747	1,825,800	25,315	16,642

10 March 2021	691	96	24,998	3.1%	20	7,461	50	582	207,156	1,809,158	28,855	132,760
9 March 2021	466	62	16,342	3.3%	19	7,441	50	614	206,465	1,789,377	19,672	123,686
8 March 2021	501	67	11,529	5.0%	1	7,422	59	654	205,999	1,774,659	17,711	118,732
7 March 2021	390	63	14,057	3.2%	Θ	7,421	61	628	205,498	1,759,750		115,930
6 March 2021	555	72	22,992	3.0%	12	7,421	63	639	205,108	1,743,869	32,081	114,081
5 March 2021	498	73		3.1%	11	7,409	64	666		1,717,672	29,064	108,197
4 March 2021	500	71	24,723	2.5%	27	7,398	69	726	204,055	1,688,808	34,237	100,058
3 March 2021	543	77	24,377	2.6%	35	7,371*	69	750	203,555	1,661,879	35,623	92,550
2 March 2021	542	104	14,537	4.4%	33	7,164	71	784	203,012	1,634,361		84,445
1 March 2020	386	70		4.5%	Θ	7,131	71	824	202,470			
High and low numbers of newly reported cases since mid December 2020												
27 February 2021	525	106	19,615	3.1%	18	7,129	74	898	201,512	1,570,153	27,224	72,178
4 February 2021	1,149	159	27,668	4.9%	53	6,322	127	1,812	183,418	694,347	45,085	9,031
Highs and lows in January												
7 January 2021	2,649	357		11.3%	78		100	1,467	143,715			
31 December 2021	2,622		28,295	10.1%	68		70	1,174				
16 December 2020	689			5.9%	38		49	1,031		18,644		

You can also see the latest numbers laid out visually on the Travelling Tabby website <u>here</u>. It is updated at 3pm daily.

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[su\_spoiler class="my-custom-spoiler" title="International travellers"]Everyone who arrives directly in Scotland by air from outside the Common Travel Area (the CTA, comprising United Kingdom, Ireland, the Isle of Man, and the Channel Islands) must:

provide a Coronavirus (COVID-19) test and get a negative result during the 3 days before you travel before departure for arrivals from Monday 15 February, book and pay for managed isolation in a quarantine hotel for at least 10 days from arrival. This applies to arrivals from all countries outside the CTA and includes British citizens. Book your managed isolation using this booking portal. If you are experiencing any difficulty booking through the booking portal, please ring +44 1274 726424.

complete an online passenger locator form before travelling, and provide contact details, travel details and the address of their final destination. You will need to enter the booking reference for your managed isolation package. be tested on day of 2 and 8 during of your 10 day quarantine follow the national rules on Coronavirus in Scotland [/su spoiler]

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Guidance"]

To minimise the risk of spreading the virus, you must stay at home as much as possible. By law, in a level 4 area, you can only leave your home (or garden) for an essential purpose.

There is a list of examples of reasonable excuses below. Although you can leave home for these purposes, you should stay as close to home as possible. Shop on-line or use local shops and services wherever you can. Travel no further than you need to reach to a safe, non-crowded place to exercise in a socially distanced way. To minimise the risk of spread of Coronavirus it is crucial that we all avoid unnecessary travel.

Examples of reasonable excuses to go out:

for work or an activity associated with seeking employment, or to provide voluntary or charitable services, but only where that cannot be done from your home.

for education including, school, college, university or other

essential purposes connected with a course of study. for essential shopping, including essential shopping for a vulnerable person. You should use online shopping or shops and other services in your immediate area wherever you can. to obtain or deposit money, where it is not possible to do so from home. for healthcare, including COVID-19 testing and vaccination. for childcare or support services for parents or expectant parents. for essential services, including services of a charitable or voluntary nature such as food banks, alcohol or drug support services. to access public services where it is not possible to do so, including from home: services provided to victims (such as victims of crime), social-care services, accessing day care centres, services provided by the Department for Work and Pensions, services provided to victims (including victims of crime), asylum and immigration services and interviews, waste or recycling services, to provide care, assistance, support to or respite for a vulnerable person to provide or receive emergency assistance. to participate in or facilitate shared parenting. to visit a person in an extended household. to meet a legal obligation including satisfying bail conditions, to participate in legal proceedings, to comply with a court mandate in terms of sentence imposed or to register a birth. for attendance at court including a remote jury centre, an inquiry, a children's hearing, tribunal proceedings or to resolve a dispute via Alternative Dispute Resolution. for essential animal welfare reasons, such as exercising or feeding a horse or going to a vet. local outdoor recreation, sport or exercise, walking, cycling, golf, or running that starts and finishes at the same place

(which can be up to 5 miles from the boundary of your local authority area) as long as you abide by the rules on meeting other households

to attend a marriage ceremony or registration of a civil partnership.

to attend a funeral or for compassionate reasons which relate to the end of a person's life. This includes gatherings related to the scattering or interring of ashes, a stone setting ceremony and other similar commemorative events.

if you are a minister of religion or worship leader, for the purposes of leading an act of worship (broadcast or online), conducting a marriage or civil partnership ceremony or a funeral.

to donate blood.

for activities in connection with moving home (including viewing a property), or for activities in connection with the maintenance, purchase, sale, letting, or rental of residential property that the person owns or is otherwise responsible for. Travelling for the purposes of undertaking essential work on a property other than your main residence should not be used as a pretext for a holiday. You should not stay longer than for the length of time required to undertake the necessary work.

to avoid injury, illness or to escape a risk of harm.

for those involved in professional sports, for training, coaching or competing in an event.

to visit a person receiving treatment in a hospital, staying in a hospice or care home, or to accompany a person to a medical appointment.

to register or vote in a Scottish or UK Parliament, Local Government or overseas election or by-election, including on behalf of someone else by proxy

to visit a person detained in prison, young offenders institute, remand centre, secure accommodation or other place of detention.

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[su\_spoiler class="my-custom-spoiler" title="First Minister's announcement 9 March 2021"] From Friday, therefore, we intend to relax the law so that up to 4 adults from up to 2 households will be able to meet outdoors.

And, in addition, we will make clear in our guidance that this will allow for social and recreational purposes, as well as essential exercise.

Meeting will be possible in any outdoor space, including private gardens.

But please, do stick to the new rules. Gatherings must be a maximum of 4 people, from 2 households. And you should only go indoors if that is essential in order to reach a back garden, or to use a toilet.

And, for now, please stay as close to home as possible.

We hope to be in a position to relax — at least to some extent — travel restrictions within Scotland in the weeks ahead, but our advice is that it would not be safe to do so just yet.

For young people aged 12 to 17 we want to be even more flexible, to enable more interaction with friends.

So for 12 to 17 year olds, outdoor meetings will also be limited to a maximum of 4 people. But the 2 household limit won't apply.

That means 4 friends from 4 different families will be able to get together outdoors.

And this will hopefully allow young people to see more of their friends than is currently the case.

We are also proposing some changes to the rules on outdoor exercise and activities.

From Friday, outdoor non-contact sports and organised group exercise will be permitted for all adults, in groups of up to 15 people.

We will also ensure that there is some flexibility around the travel rules for young people — so that children are not prevented from taking part in sport, if for example they belong to a club that is a bit outside their own local authority area.

These are minor changes I know that, but I do think they are important changes.

They have also been made possible by the hard sacrifices the majority of people across the country have made.

And we will seek to build on them as quickly as possible in the weeks ahead.

The other careful change that we feel able to make, at this stage, relates to places of worship.

I can confirm that, assuming no deterioration in the situation with the virus between now and then, we intend to allow communal worship to restart from Friday 26 March.

This is in time for Passover, Easter, Ramadan and Vaisakhi.

In addition, the limit on attendance at communal services will be increased from 20, which was the limit in place before lockdown, to 50 – assuming of course that a place of worship is spacious enough to accommodate that many people with 2 metre physical distancing.

Now I know that the restrictions on communal worship have been really difficult for many people, despite the exceptional, quite exceptional efforts made by faith groups to reach out to their communities.

This change is relatively minor, it is proportionate, which we

believe can be achieved relatively safely, and which will hopefully enable more people to draw strength, comfort and inspiration from acts of collective worship. [/su\_spoiler]

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