

Ontario reports 1,242 new COVID-19 cases, including 3 in greater Kawarthas region

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Fourth straight day of more than 1,000 cases, and seventh straight day of double-digit deaths

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Ontario health minister Christine Elliott announces additional public health support for Peel Region at Queen's Park on November 9, 2020, in response to a record increase in COVID-19 cases in Peel Region over the weekend. (CPAC screenshot)

Here's an update on COVID-19 cases in Ontario as well as in the greater Kawarthas region.

Today, Ontario is reporting 1,242 new cases, a small decrease of 87 from yesterday's record increase of 1,329 new COVID-19 cases. It's the fourth straight day of more than 1,000 new daily cases.

There's been a record increase of new cases in Toronto (483) which, along with Peel (279) and York (107), make up the majority of the new cases. There are significant increases in Ottawa (74) and Hamilton (57) with smaller increases in Halton (37), Middlesex-London (37), Waterloo (32), Windsor-Essex (20), Niagara (18), Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph (16), Durham (14), Simcoe Muskoka (10), and Eastern Ontario Health Unit (9).

Cases are also increasing in northern Ontario, in Sudbury (8), Thunder Bay (7), and Algoma Public Health (6), which have normally seen either no cases or single cases since the beginning of the pandemic. The remaining 17 health units are reporting 5 or fewer new cases, with only 5 health units reporting no new cases at all.

On Saturday (November 7), Peel's medical officer of health issued directives that are stricter than those required for Ontario's 'Red-Control' level — Peel is currently the only health unit in that level — including no wedding receptions, the closure of meeting and event spaces, no celebratory social gatherings in business establishments, and only seating of people from the same household in bars, restaurants, and food establishments.

In response to the record increase in cases in Peel yesterday (385), the Ontario government announced on Monday (November 9) it is establishing three new community-based testing centres in Brampton, implementing mobile testing sites including one in Brampton, opening limited walk-in availability at assessment centres for those who can't book an appointment online or by phone, implementing up to 7 pharmacies or specimen collection centres, allocating additional case and contact management support to Peel Regional Health Unit, and investing \$42 million for up to 234 new beds at three hospitals and their alternate health facilities in Peel Region.

Of today's cases, 53% are among people under 40 years of age. With 821 more cases resolved since yesterday, the percentage of resolved cases has decreased by 0.2% to 85.1%. The positivity rate has jumped to 5.0% from the 3.7% rate reported on November 6, meaning that 50 out of every 1,000 tests performed were positive for COVID-19 on November 8.

For the seventh day in a row, there has been a double-digit increase in the number of deaths, with 12 new deaths today, 6 of which were in long-term care facilities. Hospitalizations have decreased by 7 to 367, but 42 hospitals did not submit data for today's report so this number may increase when reporting compliance increases. There are 4 fewer patients with COVID-19 in ICUs, and 2 additional patients on ventilators.

A total of 26,646 tests were completed yesterday, and the backlog of tests under investigation has decreased by 9,130 to 26,646.

There are 79 new cases in Ontario schools, a decrease of 6 from November 6, with 39 student cases, 13 staff cases, and 27 cases among unidentified individuals. There are 10

cases in licensed child care settings, an increase of 2 from November 6, with 10 cases among children and no cases among staff.

In the greater Kawarthas region, there is 1 new case to report in Peterborough, 1 new case in Kawartha Lakes, and 1 new case in Northumberland. Three additional cases have been resolved in Peterborough, an additional case has been resolved in Kawartha Lakes, an existing case in Northumberland has been transferred to another health unit, and an additional case in Northumberland has been resolved.

There are no new cases to report in Haliburton or Hastings and Prince Edward counties. An additional 2 cases in Haliburton have been resolved, and an additional 2 cases in Hastings and Prince Edward counties have been resolved.

None of the new cases in Ontario schools and child care settings are in the greater Kawarthas region.

There are currently 12 active cases in the greater Kawarthas region, including 6 in Peterborough, 3 in Hastings and Prince Edward counties, 1 in Kawartha Lakes, 1 in Northumberland, and 1 in Haliburton.

Since the pandemic began in the greater Kawarthas region, there have been 158 confirmed positive cases in the Peterborough area (150 resolved with 2 deaths), 188 in the City of Kawartha Lakes (168 resolved with 32 deaths), 51 in Northumberland County (49 resolved with 1 death), 22 in Haliburton County (21 resolved with no deaths), and 82 in Hastings and Prince Edward counties (74 resolved with 5 deaths). The most recent death was reported in Northumberland on September 8.

Province-wide, there have been 85,395 confirmed cases, an increase of 1,242 from yesterday, with 72,636 cases resolved (85.1% of all cases), an increase of 821. There have been 3,245 deaths, an increase of 12 from yesterday, with 2,069 deaths in long-term care homes, an increase of 6 from yesterday. The number of hospitalizations has decreased by 7 to 367, but 42 hospitals did not submit data for today's report so this number may increase when reporting compliance increases. The number of hospitalized patients with COVID-19 in ICUs has decreased by 4 to 84, and the number of patients on ventilators has increased by 2 to 54. A total of 5,410,979 tests have been completed, an increase of 28,401 from yesterday, with 26,646 tests under investigation, a decrease of 9,130 from yesterday.

The provincial data in this report is pulled from Ontario's integrated Public Health Information System (iPHIS) at 4 p.m. the previous day. Health unit data is more current, and is usually reflected in the provincial data the following day.

Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit

The Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit's service area is the City of Kawartha Lakes, Northumberland County, and Haliburton County.

The health unit provides reports from Monday to Friday, excluding statutory holidays.

Confirmed positive: 261, including 188 in Kawartha Lakes, 51 in Northumberland, 22 in Haliburton (increase of 2, 1 in Kawartha Lakes and 1 in Northumberland)*

Active cases: 3, including 1 in Kawartha Lakes, 1 in Northumberland and 1 in Haliburton (decrease of 3, including 1 in Northumberland and 2 in Haliburton)*

Probable cases: 0 (no change)

High-risk contacts: 23, including 8 in Kawartha Lakes, 12 in Northumberland, and 3 in Haliburton (net increase of 4)

Hospitalizations (total to date): 15, including 11 in Kawartha Lakes, 3 in Northumberland, and 1 in Haliburton (no change)

Deaths: 33 (no change)

Resolved: 238, including 168 in Kawartha Lakes, 49 in Northumberland, 21 in Haliburton (increase of 4, including 1 in Kawartha Lakes, 1 in Northumberland, and 2 in Haliburton)

Institutional outbreaks: Warkworth Long Term Care (no change)

**One previously reported case in Northumberland has been transferred to another health unit, leaving 51 cases in Northumberland.*

Province of Ontario

Confirmed positive: 85,395 (increase of 1,242)

Resolved: 72,636 (increase of 821, 85.1% of all cases)

Hospitalized: 367 (decrease of 7)*

Hospitalized and in ICU: 84 (decrease of 4)

Hospitalized and in ICU on ventilator: 54 (increase of 2)

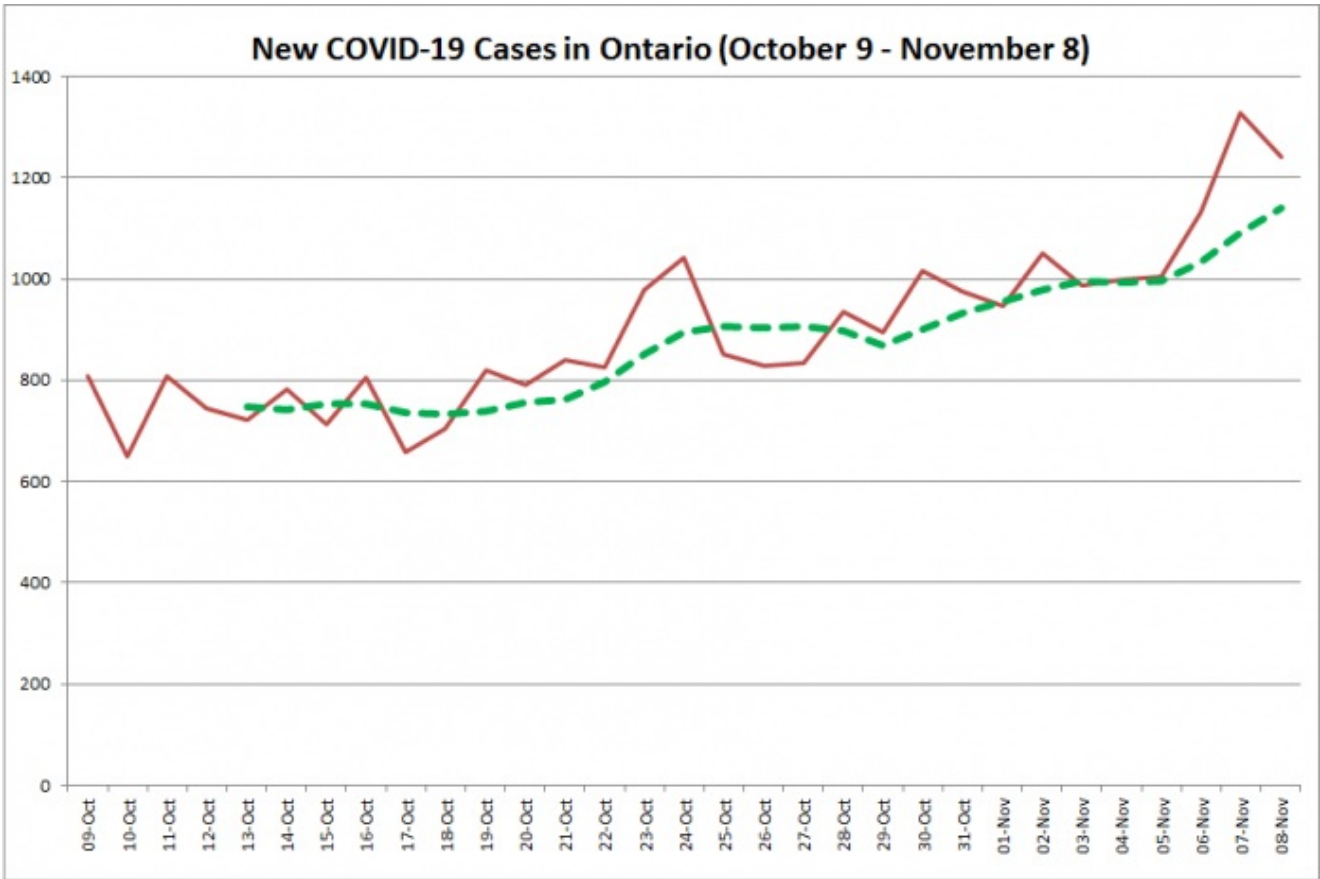
Deaths: 3,245 (increase of 12)

Deaths of residents in long-term care homes: 2,069 (increase of 6)

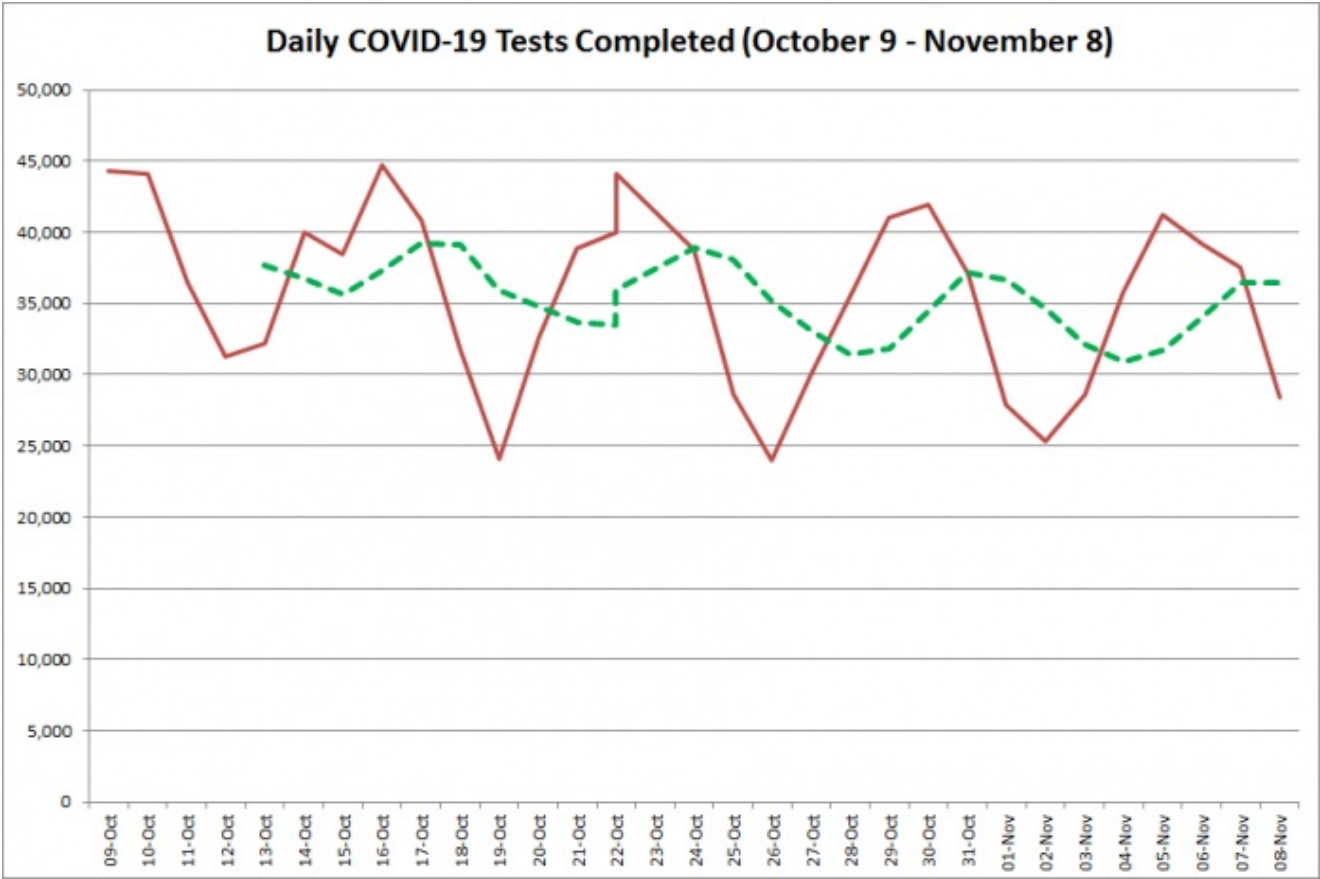
Total tests completed: 5,410,979 (increase of 28,401)

Tests under investigation: 26,646 (decrease of 9,130)

**Around 42 hospitals did not submit data to the Daily Bed Census for November 7. The number of hospitalized patients may increase when reporting compliance increases.*



New COVID-19 cases in Ontario from October 9 – November 8, 2020. The red line is the number of new cases reported daily, and the dotted green line is a five-day moving average of new cases. (Graphic: kawarthaNOW.com)



COVID-19 tests completed in Ontario from October 9 – November 8, 2020. The red line is the number of tests completed daily, and the dotted green line is a five-day moving average of tests completed. (Graphic: kawarthaNOW.com)

For more information about COVID-19 in Ontario, visit covid-19.ontario.ca.