Ontario reports record 1,855 new COVID-19 cases and Hastings Prince Edward Public Health moves into 'Yellow-Protect'
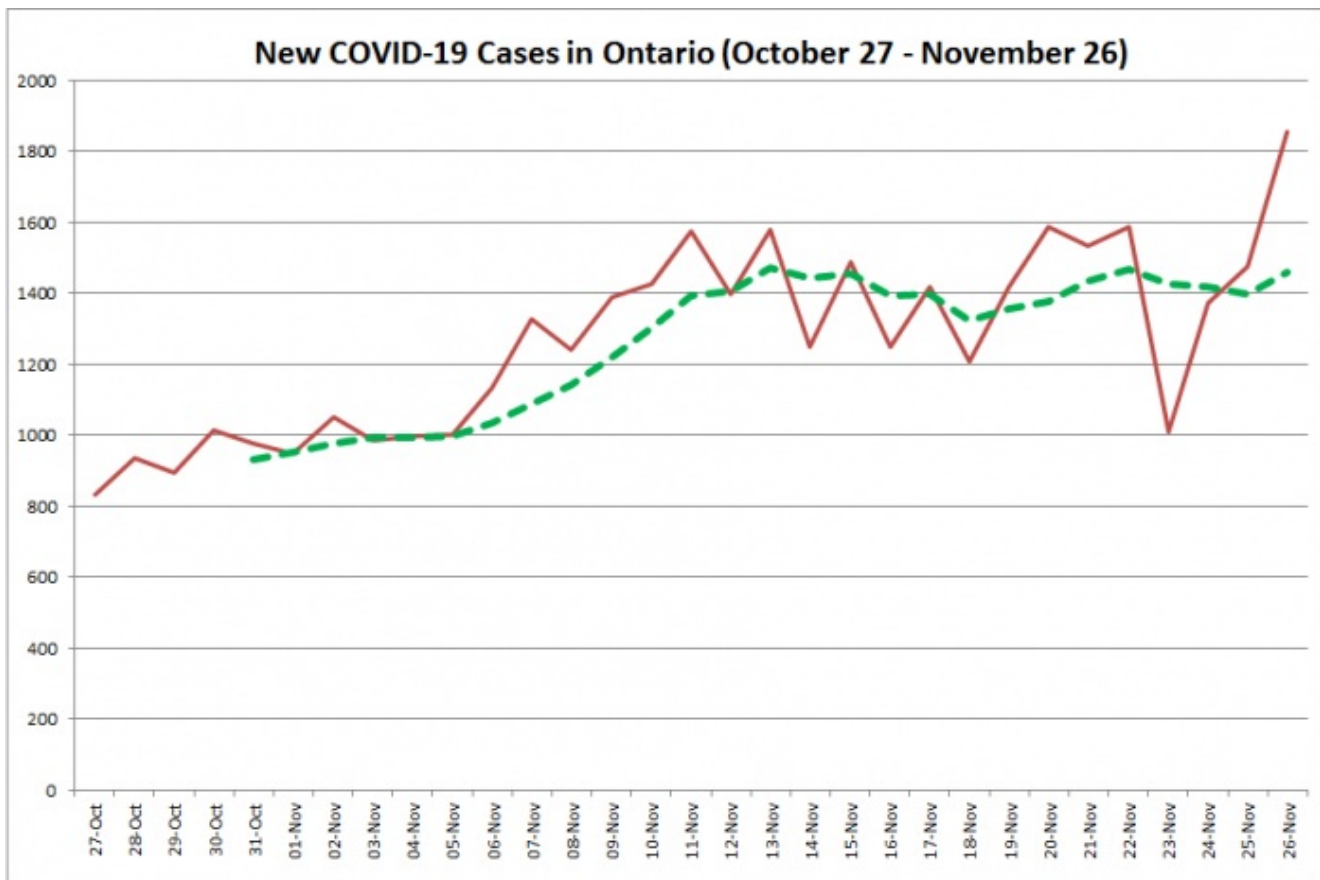
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Despite having reported 26 new cases over past week, Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit remains in 'Green-Prevent'

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New COVID-19 cases in Ontario from October 27 - November 26, 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)

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

Ontario is reporting a new record of 1,855 COVID-19 cases today, eclipsing by 267 the previous high of 1,588 reported on November 21. The average number of daily cases over the past seven days has increased by 62 to 1,489.

In the greater Kawarthas region, Hastings Prince Edward Public Health — which has reported 27 new cases in the past week with a local incidence rate of 16 cases per 100,000 people — will move into the province's "Yellow-Protect" level effective 12:01 a.m. on Monday (November 30).

"The level of transmission in our region has increased quickly over the past week, requiring additional preventative measures," says Dr. Piotr Oglaza, medical officer of health for Hastings Prince Edward Public Health. "To avoid further restrictions, I ask all residents to redouble their efforts at this critical time."

With Peterborough Public Health having already moved to "Yellow-Protect", only Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit — which has itself reported 26 cases over the past week, including 6 today — remains (for now) in the least restrictive "Green-Prevent" level.

Most of the new cases reported today are in Peel (517), Toronto (494), York (189), and Halton (130), with double-digit increases in Hamilton (82), Waterloo (74), Durham (65), Ottawa (55), Windsor-Essex (52), Simcoe Muskoka (38), Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph (27), Niagara (20), Brant County (16), Huron Perth (14), Grey Bruce (11), Haldimand-Norfolk (11), Middlesex-London (10), and Southwestern Public Health (10), and smaller increases in Eastern Ontario Health Unit (9) and Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit (6).

The remaining 14 health units are reporting 5 or fewer new cases, with 4 health units reporting no new cases at all.

Of today's cases, 52% are among people under 40 years of age, with the highest number of cases (686) among people ages 20 to 39 followed by 564 cases among people ages 40 to 59. With 1,451 more cases resolved since yesterday, the percentage of resolved cases has decreased by 0.2% to 84.8%. The average positivity rate across Ontario has decreased by 0.2% to 3.7%, meaning that 37 out of every 1,000 tests performed were positive for COVID-19 on November 26.

Ontario reported 20 new COVID-19 deaths today, including 13 in long-term care facilities. Hospitalizations have decreased by 15 to 541, with no change in the number of patients with COVID-19 in ICUs and 4 fewer patients on ventilators. A total of 58,037 tests were completed yesterday, and the backlog of tests under investigation has increased by 1,389 to 54,241.

There are 122 new cases in Ontario schools to report today, an increase of 34 from

yesterday, with 99 student cases and 23 staff cases. There are 15 cases in licensed child care settings, an increase of 3 from yesterday, with 11 cases among children and 4 cases among staff.

In the greater Kawarthas region, there are 6 new cases to report today in Hastings and Prince Edward counties, 3 new cases in Northumberland, 2 in Kawartha Lakes, and 1 in Haliburton. An additional 4 cases have been resolved in Northumberland, 2 in Hastings and Prince Edward, and 1 each in Kawartha Lakes and Haliburton.

This story will be updated with the updated numbers from Peterborough when the health unit provides its update later this afternoon.

Of the new cases in Ontario schools, 1 confirmed staff case has been reported at East Northumberland Secondary School in Brighton and 1 confirmed student case has been reported at Hillcrest Public School in Trent Hills.

There are currently 76 active cases in the greater Kawarthas region, including 31 in Hastings and Prince Edward counties, 21 in Peterborough, 14 in Northumberland, 4 in Haliburton, and 5 in Kawartha Lakes.

Since the pandemic began in the greater Kawarthas region, there have been 204 confirmed positive cases in the Peterborough area (178 resolved with 5 deaths), 197 in the City of Kawartha Lakes (173 resolved with 32 deaths), 79 in Northumberland County (64 resolved with 1 death), 28 in Haliburton County (24 resolved with no deaths), and 128 in Hastings and Prince Edward counties (92 resolved with 5 deaths). The most recent death was reported in Peterborough on November 23.

Province-wide, there have been 111,216 confirmed cases, an increase of 1,855 from yesterday, with 94,366 cases resolved (84.8% of all cases), an increase of 1,451 from yesterday. There have been 3,595 deaths, an increase of 20 from yesterday, with 2,283 deaths in long-term care homes, an increase of 13 from yesterday. The number of hospitalizations has decreased by 15 to 541, with no change in the number of patients with COVID-19 in ICUs and 4 fewer patients on ventilators. A total of 6,126,465 tests have been completed, an increase of 58,037 from yesterday, with 54,241 tests under investigation, an increase of 1,389 from yesterday.

The provincial data in this report is pulled from Ontario's integrated Public Health Information System (iPHIS) at 12 p.m. the previous day. Data from local health units is more current and is usually reflected in the provincial data the following day. There may be discrepancies between the Ontario data reported today (which is from yesterday) and the local health unit data reported today (which is from today).

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: 304, including 197 in Kawartha Lakes, 79 in Northumberland, 28 in Haliburton (increase of 6, including 2 in Kawartha Lakes, 3 in Northumberland, and 1 in Haliburton)

Active cases: 23, including 5 in Kawartha Lakes, 14 in Northumberland, and 4 in Haliburton (no net change)

Probable cases: 0 (no change)

High-risk contacts: 88, including 11 in Kawartha Lakes, 71 in Northumberland, and 6 in Haliburton (increase of 22 in Northumberland)

Hospitalizations (total to date): 16, including 11 in Kawartha Lakes, 4 in Northumberland, and 1 in Haliburton (no change)

Deaths: 33 (no change)

Resolved: 261, including 173 in Kawartha Lakes, 64 in Northumberland, 24 in Haliburton (increase of 6, including 1 in Kawartha Lakes, 4 in Northumberland, and 1 in Haliburton)

Institutional outbreaks: None (no change)

Province of Ontario

Confirmed positive: 111,216 (increase of 1,855)

Resolved: 94,366 (increase of 1,451, 84.8% of all cases)

Hospitalized: 541 (decrease of 15)

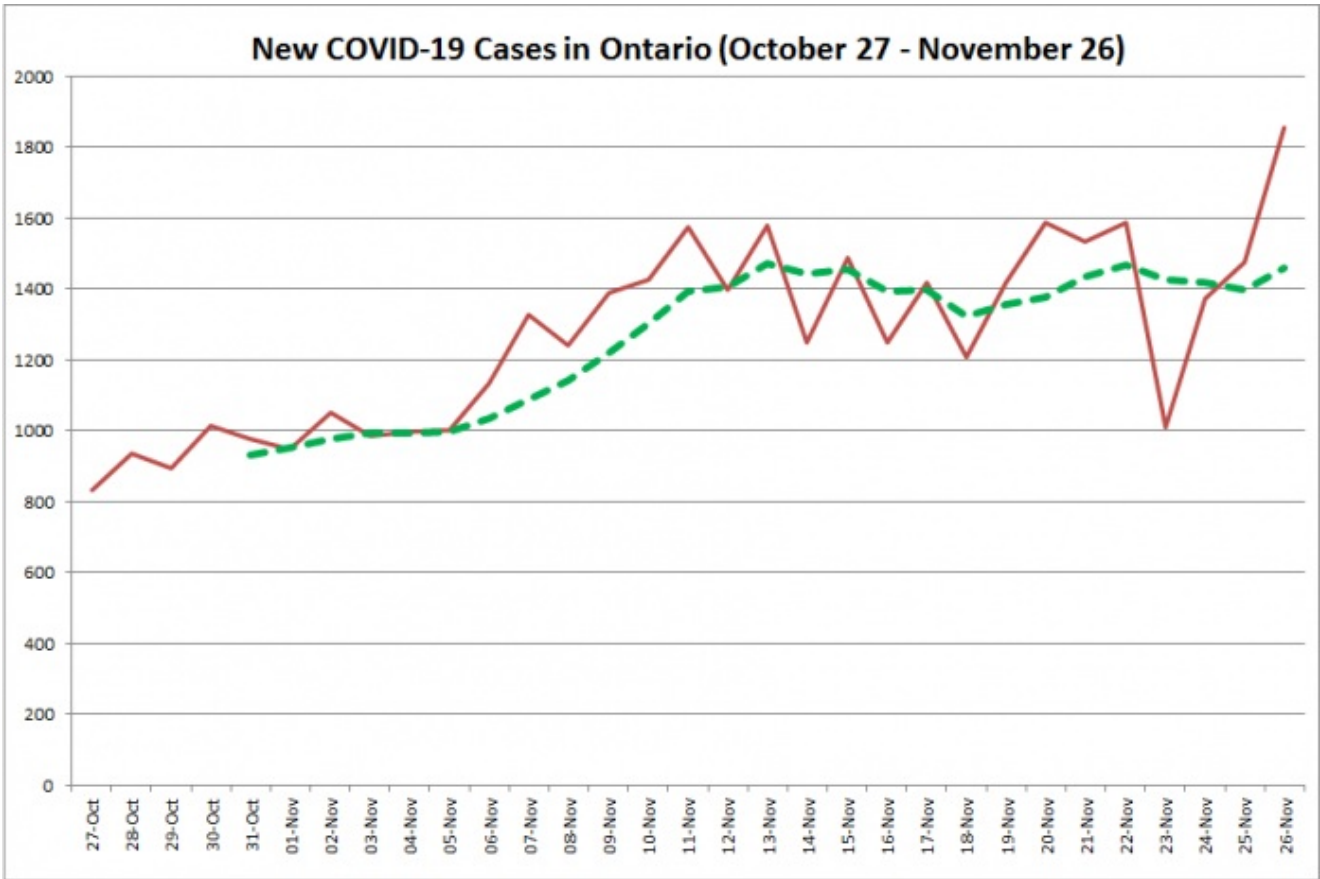**Hospitalized and in ICU:** 151 (no change)

Hospitalized and in ICU on ventilator: 101 (decrease of 4)
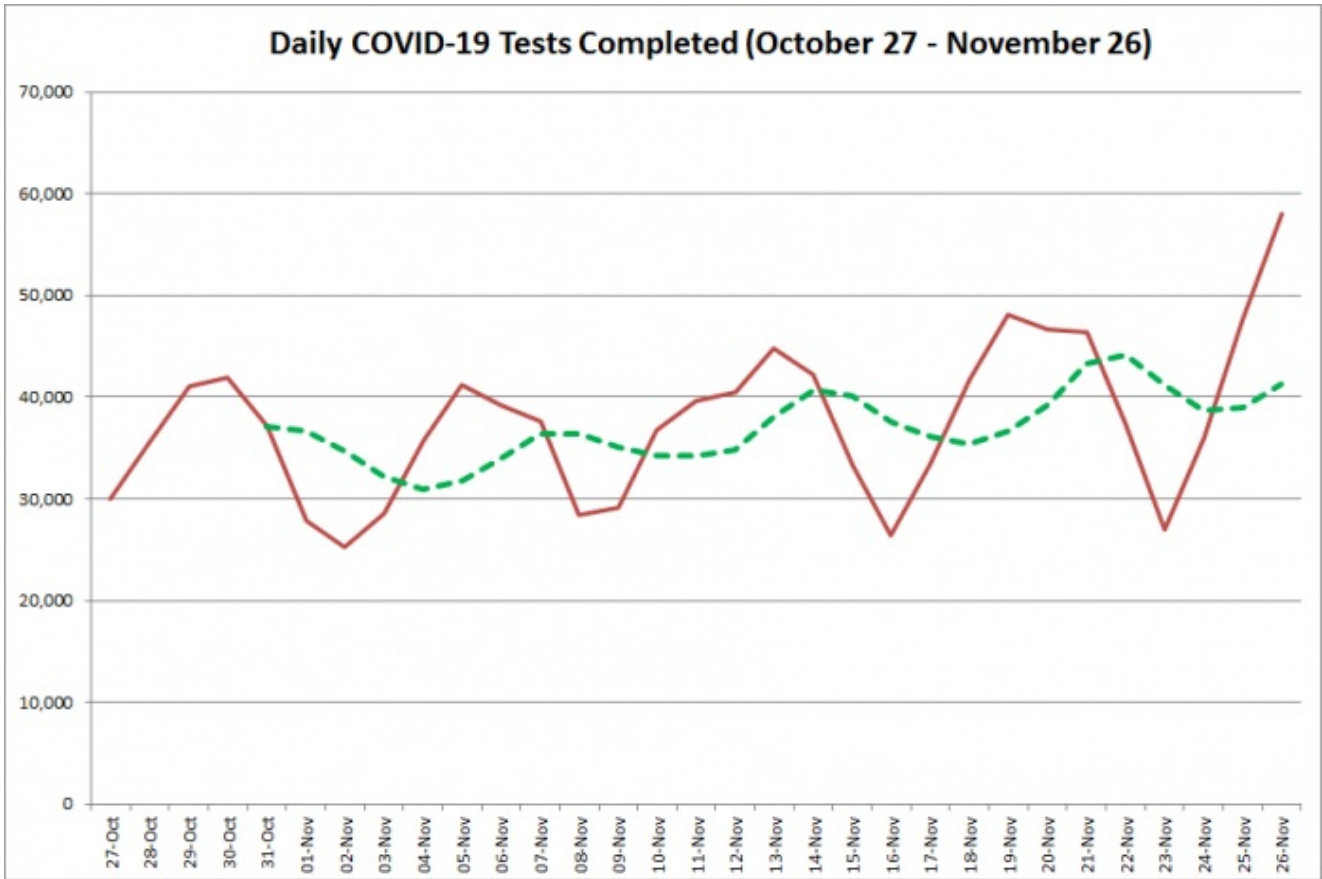
Deaths: 3,595 (increase of 20)

Deaths of residents in long-term care homes: 2,283 (increase of 13)

Total tests completed: 6,126,465 (increase of 58,037)

Tests under investigation: 54,241 (increase of 1,389)

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Daily COVID-19 Tests Completed (October 27 - November 26)

COVID-19 tests completed in Ontario from October 27 – November 26, 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.

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