

Ontario reports 1,940 new COVID-19 cases, including 20 in greater Kawarthas region

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Active regional cases decrease to 126, with 15 new cases in Northumberland, 4 in Kawartha Lakes, and 1 in Hastings Prince Edward

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

Ontario is reporting 1,940 new COVID-19 cases today, with the seven-day average of daily cases increasing by 2 to 1,841.

In the greater Kawarthas region, there are 20 new cases to report and 23 additional cases resolved, with the number of active cases in the region decreasing by 3 to 126.

Most of the new cases reported today are in Toronto (544), Peel (390), York (191), Hamilton (134), and Windsor-Essex (114).

There are double-digit increases in Waterloo (71), Durham (68), Halton (64), Niagara (58), Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph (47), Ottawa (45), Middlesex-London (43), Simcoe Muskoka (33), Eastern Ontario Health Unit (27), Southwestern Public Health (26), Brant County (13), Huron Perth (12), Kingston, Frontenac and Lennox & Addington (11), and Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit (11), with smaller increases in Leeds, Grenville & Lanark (8) and Haldimand-Norfolk (7).

The remaining 13 health units are reporting 5 or fewer new cases, with 6 health units reporting no new cases at all.

Of today's cases, 53% are among people under 40 years of age, with the highest number of cases (731) among people ages 20 to 39 followed by 521 cases among people ages 40 to 59. With 1,535 more cases resolved since yesterday, the percentage of resolved cases has decreased by 0.1% to 85.5%. The average positivity rate across Ontario since yesterday has increased by 1.4% to 4.6%, meaning that 46 out of every 1,000 tests performed were positive for COVID-19 on December 13.

Ontario is reporting 23 new COVID-19 deaths today, including 11 in long-term care facilities. Hospitalizations have increased by 44 to 813, but this number does not include data from around 40 hospitals. There are 9 fewer patients with COVID-19 in ICUs, with 7 more patients on ventilators.

A total of 57,091 tests were completed yesterday, and the backlog of tests under investigation has decreased by 19,006 to 32,045.

There are 137 new cases in Ontario schools today, a decrease of 14 from December 11, with 114 student cases and 23 staff cases. There are 26 new cases in licensed child care settings, a decrease of 2 from December 11, with 14 cases among children and 11 cases among staff.

In the greater Kawarthas region, there are 20 new cases to report, including 15 in Northumberland, 4 in Kawartha Lakes, and 1 in Hastings Prince Edward. There are no new cases in Peterborough or Haliburton.

None of the reported cases in Ontario schools or licensed child care settings are in the greater Kawarthas region.

An additional 10 cases have been resolved in Northumberland, 7 in Hastings Prince Edward, 6 in Kawartha Lakes.

There is 1 new hospitalization in Hastings Prince Edward.

There are currently 126 active cases in the greater Kawarthas region, including 48 in Hastings and Prince Edward counties (with 22 in Quinte West and 20 in Belleville), 47 in Northumberland, 19 in Peterborough, 11 in Kawartha Lakes, and 1 in Haliburton.

Since the pandemic began in the greater Kawarthas region, there have been 247 confirmed positive cases in the Peterborough area (223 resolved with 5 deaths), 218 in the City of Kawartha Lakes (188 resolved with 32 deaths), 166 in Northumberland County (118 resolved with 1 death), 27 in Haliburton County (26 resolved with no deaths), and 223 in Hastings and Prince Edward counties (170) resolved with 5 deaths). The most recent death was reported in Peterborough on November 23.

Province-wide, there have been 142,121 confirmed cases, an increase of 1,940 from yesterday, with 121,563 resolved cases (85.5% of all cases), an increase of 1,535 from yesterday. There have been 3,972 deaths, an increase of 23 from yesterday, with 2,490 deaths in long-term care homes, an increase of 11 from yesterday. The number of hospitalizations has increased by 44 to 813, but this number does not include data from around 40 hospitals. There are 9 fewer patients with COVID-19 in ICUs, with 7 more patients on ventilators. A total of 7,019,734 tests have been completed, an increase of 57,091 from yesterday, with 32,045 tests under investigation, a decrease of 19,006 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 Saturday, excluding statutory holidays. As the health unit does not issue updates on Sundays, these numbers include December 13 and 14.

Confirmed positive: 411, including 218 in Kawartha Lakes, 166 in Northumberland, 27 in Haliburton (increase of 19, including 15 in Northumberland and 4 in Kawartha Lakes)

Active cases: 59, including 11 in Kawartha Lakes, 47 in Northumberland, and 1 in Haliburton (net increase of 3)

Probable cases: 0 (no change)

High-risk contacts: 174, including 35 in Kawartha Lakes, 138 in Northumberland, and 1 in Haliburton (net increase of 37)

Hospitalizations (total to date): 18, including 11 in Kawartha Lakes, 6 in Northumberland, and 1 in Haliburton (no change)

Deaths: 33 (no change)

Resolved: 332, including 188 in Kawartha Lakes, 118 in Northumberland, 26 in Haliburton (increase of 16, including 6 in Kawartha Lakes and 10 in Northumberland)

Institutional outbreaks: Extendicare Kawartha Lakes in Lindsay (no change)

Province of Ontario

Confirmed positive: 142,121 (increase of 1,940)

Resolved: 121,563 (increase of 1,535, 85.5% of all cases)

Hospitalized: 813 (increase of 44)*

Hospitalized and in ICU: 244 (decrease of 9)

Hospitalized and in ICU on ventilator: 149 (increase of 7)

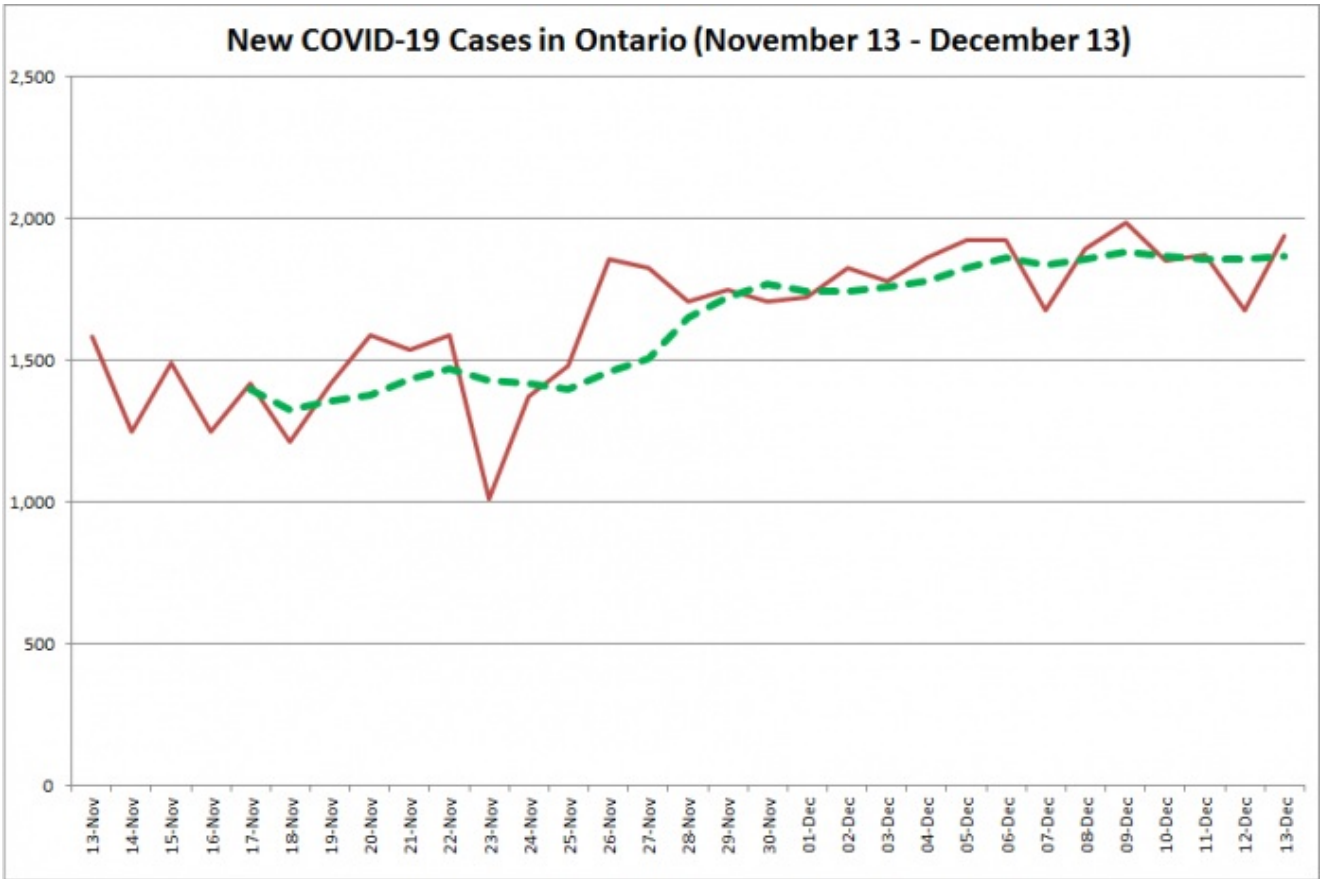
Deaths: 3,972 (increase of 23)

Deaths of residents in long-term care homes: 2,490 (increase of 11)

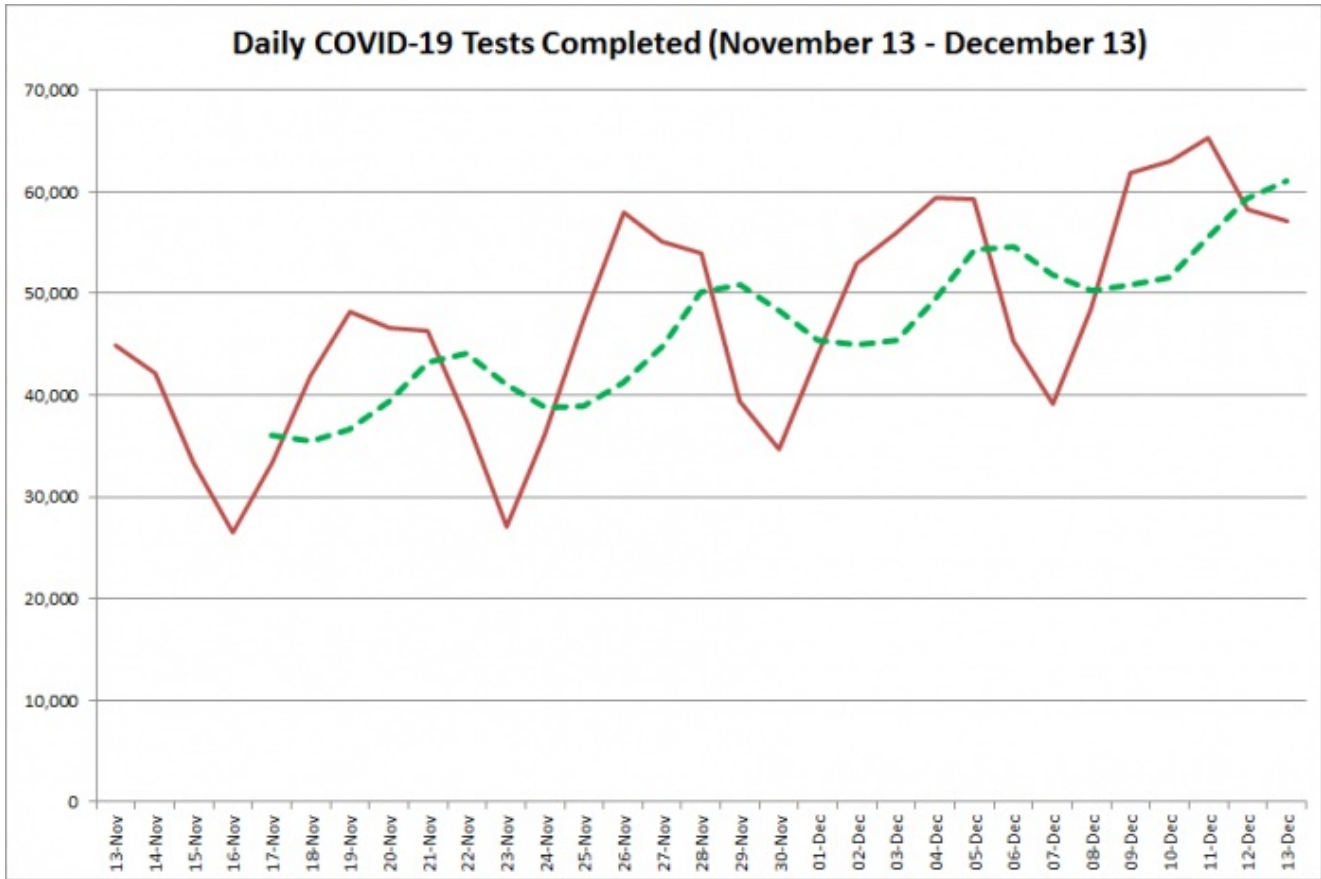
Total tests completed: 7,019,734 (increase of 57,091)

Tests under investigation: 32,045 (decrease of 19,006)

**The number of hospitalized patients does not include data from approximately 40 hospitals.*



New COVID-19 cases in Ontario from November 13 – December 13, 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 November 13 – December 13, 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)

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