

Ontario is reporting 2,290 new cases today — the fourth straight day of cases over 2,000, increasing the seven-day average of daily cases by 63 to 2,089.

“The trends we’re seeing throughout Ontario are very, very concerning,” Premier Doug Ford said in a statement today, following yesterday’s call by the Ontario Hospital Association that the province implement additional lockdowns, adding that he will be holding an emergency meeting over the weekend with all CEOs of all hospitals in Ontario.

VIDEO: Statement from Premier Doug Ford



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Ford said he will make an announcement on Monday afternoon (December 21) on further public health restrictions, and that existing regions in lockdowns that were set to expire on Monday — Toronto and Peel — will remain in lockdown. On Friday (December 18), the provincial government also announced Hamilton would be moving into lockdown on Monday.

In the greater Kawarthas region, there are 12 new cases to report and 25 additional cases resolved, with the number of active cases across the region decreasing by 15 to 108.

Most of today’s new cases are in Toronto (691), Peel (361), York (296), Windsor-Essex (207), and Hamilton (126).

There are double-digit increases in Durham (89), Waterloo (84), Simcoe Muskoka (61), Halton (57), Ottawa (52), Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph (51), Niagara (47), Southwestern Public Health (37), Middlesex-London (30), Eastern Ontario Health Unit (16), Leeds,