Data adjustment in Toronto has Ontario reporting only 745 new COVID-19 cases

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In greater Kawarthas region, active cases fall to 91 but with 2 new deaths in Kawartha Lakes

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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 only 745 new cases today, mainly because Toronto Public Health has a negative number of cases as a result of migrating all of its data to Ontario's Case and Contact Management system.

During the migration, the health unit identified duplicate cases and made other adjustments resulting in no new cases and an adjustment of -119 cases today. However, Toronto Public Health reported 961 new cases on February 1; removing the negative adjustment and adding these cases, the actual case count for Ontario today would be around 1,800 new cases.

The province also states that case counts for other public health units may have been affected by system outages caused by the migration to the new system, and that case numbers may be fluctuating over the next few days.

Ontario is reporting 40 more cases of the B.1.1.7 UK variant, as well as its first case of the B.1.351 South Africa variant (first reported on Monday).

In the greater Kawarthas region, there are 4 new cases to report and 14 additional cases resolved, with the number of active cases across the region decreasing by 12 to 91. There have been 2 new COVID-19 deaths in Kawartha Lakes.

Most of today's new cases are in Peel (334) and York (124). The Ontario data shows -119 cases for Toronto as a data adjustment; however, on February 1, Toronto Public Health reported 961 new cases.

There are double-digit increases in Niagara (65), Hamilton (52), Durham (44), Halton (44), Simcoe Muskoka (42), Windsor-Essex (35), Waterloo (27), Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph (17), Ottawa (14), Middlesex-London (14), Thunder Bay (13), and Southwestern (12), with a smaller increase in Chatham-Kent (9).

The remaining 19 health units are reporting 5 or fewer new cases, with 6 health units reporting no new cases at all.

Of today's new cases, 53% are among people 39 and younger, with the highest number of cases (233) among people ages 20-39, followed by 214 cases among people ages 40-59. These numbers do not include Toronto.

With 2,297 more cases resolved since yesterday, the percentage of resolved cases has increased by 0.6% to 91.3%, The average positivity rate across Ontario has decreased by 0.6% to 4.6%, meaning that 46 out of every 1,000 tests performed were positive for COVID-19 on February 1.

Ontario is reporting 14 new COVID-19 deaths today, including 4 in long-term care homes — the fewest daily deaths since December 8 when 10 deaths were reported. Ontario has averaged 47 new daily deaths over the past week.

Hospitalizations have increased by 34 from yesterday to 1,192, with the number of patients with COVID-19 in ICUs decreasing by 13 to 341 and the number of patients with COVID-19 on ventilators decreasing by 7 to 253.

A total of 28,552 tests were completed yesterday, with the backlog of tests under investigation increasing by 20,697 to 32,348.

A total of 344,615 doses of vaccine have now been administered, an increase of 2,715 from yesterday, with 72,057 people fully vaccinated with both doses of vaccine, an increase of 1,764 from yesterday.

There are 22 new cases in Ontario schools, an increase of 15 from yesterday, including 17 student cases, 4 staff cases, and 1 case among an unidentified person. There are 39 new cases in licensed child care settings in Ontario, an increase of 21 from yesterday, with 16 cases among children and 23 cases among staff.

In the greater Kawarthas region, there are 4 new cases to report, including 2 in Peterborough, 1 in Kawartha Lakes, and 1 in Northumberland. There are no new cases in Hastings Prince Edward and Haliburton.

There have been 2 new COVID-related deaths in Kawartha Lakes, as well as 1 new hospitalization. A second outbreak was declared at Central East Correctional Centre in Lindsay on February.

An additional 14 cases have been resolved, including 7 in Kawartha Lakes, 3 in Northumberland, 2 in Haliburton, and 2 in Peterborough.

There are currently 91 active cases in the greater Kawarthas region, a decrease of 12 from yesterday, including 45 in Kawartha Lakes, 33 in Peterborough, 9 in Northumberland, 2 in Haliburton, and 2 in Hastings Prince Edward (1 in Quinte West and 1 in Belleville).

Since the pandemic began in the greater Kawarthas region, there have been 547 confirmed positive cases in the Peterborough area (506 resolved with 8 deaths), 453 in the City of Kawartha Lakes (378 resolved with 43 deaths), 371 in Northumberland County (353 resolved with 9 deaths), 50 in Haliburton County (48 resolved with no deaths), and 367 in Hastings and Prince Edward counties (360 resolved with 5 deaths). The most recent 2 deaths were reported in Kawartha Lakes on February 2.

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. These numbers include January 31 and February 1.

Confirmed positive: 874, including 453 in Kawartha Lakes, 371 in Northumberland, and 50 in Haliburton (increase of 2, including 1 in Kawartha Lakes and 1 in Northumberland)* **Active cases:** 56, including 45 in Kawartha Lakes, 9 in Northumberland, and 2 in Haliburton (decrease of 12, including 8 in Kawartha Lakes, 2 in Northumberland, and 2 in Haliburton)

Probable cases: 3 in Kawartha Lakes (no change)

High-risk contacts: 122, including 69 in Kawartha Lakes, 31 in Northumberland, and 15 in Haliburton (net decrease of 2)**

Hospitalizations (total to date): 34, including 24 in Kawartha Lakes, 8 in Northumberland, and 2 in Haliburton (increase of 1 in Kawartha Lakes)***

Deaths (including among probable cases): 52, including 43 in Kawartha Lakes and 9 in Northumberland (increase of 2 in Kawartha Lakes)

Resolved: 779, including 378 in Kawartha Lakes, 353 in Northumberland, 48 in Haliburton (increase of 12, including 7 in Kawartha Lakes, 3 in Northumberland, and 2 in Haliburton) **Institutional outbreaks:** Hope St. Terrace long-term care home in Port Hope, Caressant Care McLaughlin Road long-term care home in Lindsay, Golden Plough Lodge in Cobourg, Warkworth Place long-term care home in Warkworth, Caressant Care Mary Street retirement home in Lindsay, Central East Correctional Centre in Lindsay (two outbreaks), Regency long-term care home in Port Hope, Hyland Crest long-term care home in Minden (increase of 1)****

*The health unit states that total counts and counts for individual counties may fluctuate from previously reported counts as cases are transferred to or from the health unit based on case investigation details and routine data cleaning.

**This total includes an additional 8 high-risk contacts directly followed up through the Public Health Ontario contact tracing process that are missing the contacts' county.

***As of February 2, Ross Memorial Hospital in Lindsay reports 3 patients hospitalized with COVID-19 (no change).

****A second outbreak was declared at Central East Correctional Centre in Lindsay on February 1.

Province of Ontario

Confirmed positive: 270,925 (increase of 745)*

7-day average of new cases: 1,746 (decrease of 143)* **Resolved:** 247,236 (increase of 2,297, 91.3% of all cases)

Positivity rate: 4.6% (decrease of 0.6%) **Hospitalized:** 1,192 (increase of 34)

Hospitalized and in ICU: 341 (decrease of 13)

Hospitalized and in ICU on ventilator: 253 (decrease of 7)

Deaths: 6,238 (increase of 14)

Deaths of residents in long-term care homes: 3,618 (increase of 4)

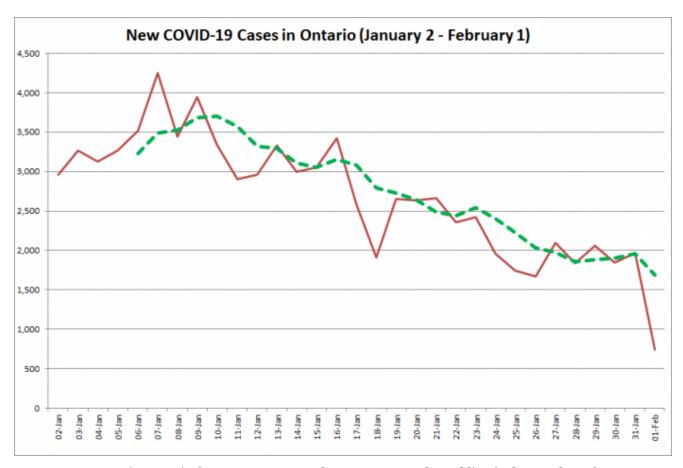
Total tests completed: 9,732,428 (increase of 28,552) **Tests under investigation:** 32,348 (increase of 20,697)

Vaccination doses administered: 344,615 (increase of 2,715) **People fully vaccinated (two doses):** 72,057 (increase of 1,764)

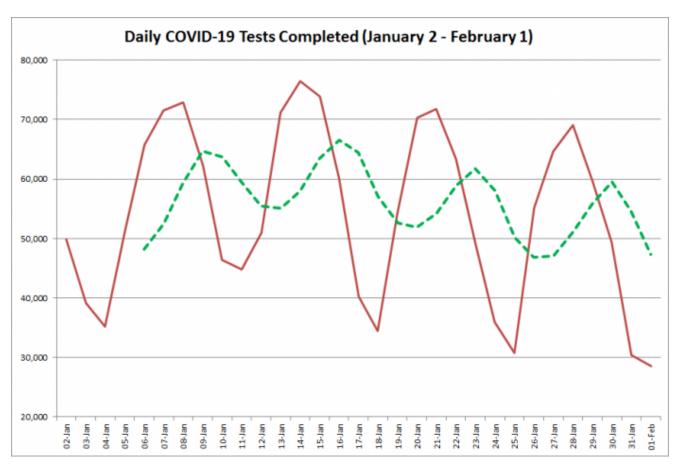
Total COVID-19 variant cases: 109 of B.1.1.7 UK variant (increase of 40); 1 of B.1.351

South Africa variant (increase of 1)

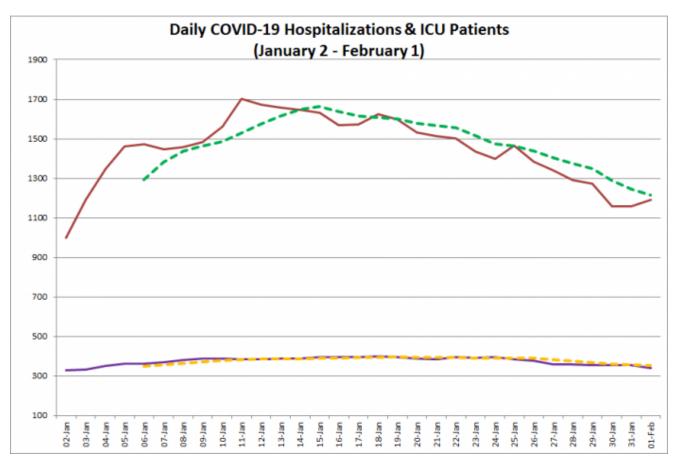
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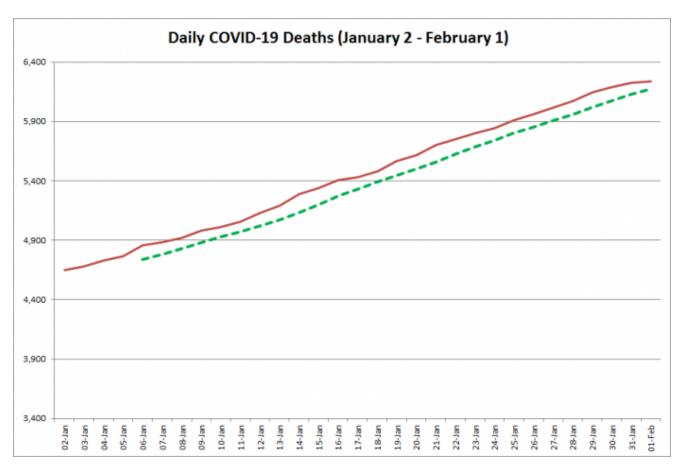
COVID-19 cases in Ontario from January 2 – February 1, 2021. The red line is the number of new cases reported daily, and the dotted green line is a five-day moving average of new cases. (Graphic: kawarthaNOW.com)



COVID-19 tests completed in Ontario from January 2 – February 1, 2021. 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)



COVID-19 hospitalizations and ICU admissions in Ontario from January 2 – February 1, 2021. The red line is the daily number of COVID-19 hospitalizations, the dotted green line is a five-day moving average of hospitalizations, the purple line is the daily number of patients with COVID-19 in ICUs, and the dotted orange line is a five-day moving average of is a five-day moving average of patients with COVID-19 in ICUs. (Graphic: kawarthaNOW.com)



COVID-19 deaths in Ontario from January 2 – February 1, 2021. The red line is the cumulative number of daily deaths, and the dotted green line is a five-day moving average of daily deaths. (Graphic: kawarthaNOW.com)

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