





Epidemiology of COVID-19 in Ireland - 14 day report

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Summary characteristics of confirmed COVID-19 cases notified in Ireland from 08/09/2020 up to midnight 21/09/2020

	Number	Percent
Total number of confirmed cases	3,369	
National incidence of confirmed cases per 100,000 population	70.75	
Number of cases hospitalised*	110	3.27
Number of cases admitted to ICU*	15	0.45
Number of deaths among confirmed cases	4	0.12
Case fatality ratio (CFR, %)	0.12	
National incidence of confirmed deaths per 100,000 population	0.08	
Number of cases** associated with clusters	1,650	48.98
Number of imported cases	22	0.65
Number of cases in healthcare workers	225	6.68
Males	1,652	49.04
Females	1,714	50.88
M:F ratio	0.96	
Median age (years)	33	
Mean age (years)	36	
Age range (years)	0 - 99	

^{*} The number of cases hospitalised and admitted to ICU relate only to events notified in the last 14 days and do not include cases notified prior to this and admitted to hospital or ICU in the last 14 days

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 $^{^{**}}$ Cases may be associated with outbreaks notified outside the timeframe of this report 08/09/2020 - 21/09/2020

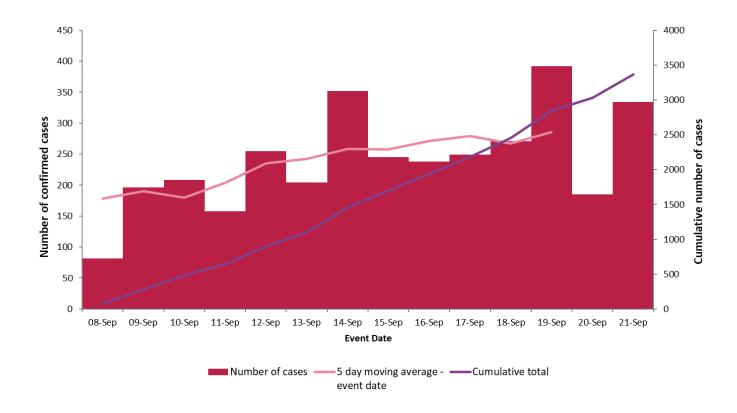


Figure 1. Daily number and cumulative number of confirmed cases of COVID-19, and 5-day moving average, by notification date (n=3,369)

Table 1: Characteristics of confirmed COVID-19 cases notified in Ireland from 08/09/2020 up to midnight on 21/09/202

Characteristic		Number of cases	Percent
Total number of confirmed cases		3,369	100
Sex	Male:Female ratio	0.96	
	Male	1,652	49.04
	Female	1,714	50.88
	Unknown	3	0.09
Age	Median age (years)	33	
	Mean age (years)	36	
	Age range (years)	0 - 99	
	0-4 yrs	123	3.65
	5-14 yrs	304	9.02
	15-24 yrs	746	22.14
	25-34 yrs	583	17.3
	35-44 yrs	494	14.66
	45-54 yrs	460	13.65
	55-64 yrs	318	9.44
	65-74 yrs	215	6.38
	75-84 yrs	83	2.46
	85+ yrs	43	1.28
Underlying clinical conditions	Yes	957	28.41
	No	2,028	60.2
	Unknown	384	11.4

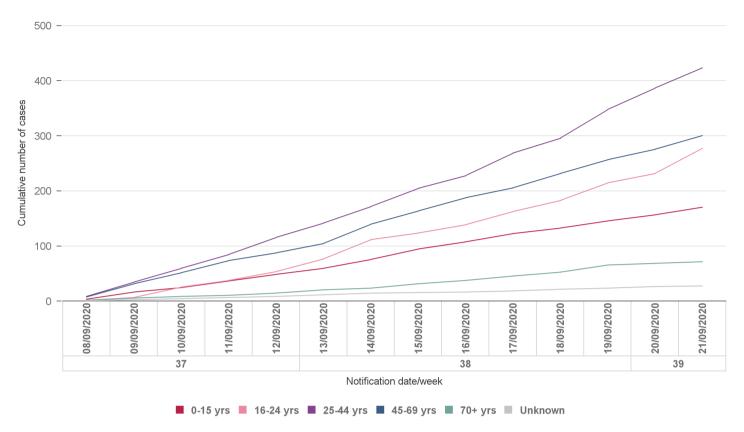


Figure 2: Cumulative number of confirmed COVID-19 cases notified in Ireland by date/week of notification and age group (years) from 08/09/2020 to midnight 21/09/2020

Table 2: Characteristics of confirmed COVID-19 cases by community healthcare organisation (CHO)* notified from 08/09/2020 to midnight 21/09/2020

CHO Area	С	ases	M:F ratio	Mean age (years)	Healthcare workers		Associated with clusters	
	N	%			N	%	N	%
CHO1	230	6.83	1.17	33	10	4.35	125	54.35
CHO2	157	4.66	0.89	32	11	7.01	94	59.87
CHO3	137	4.07	1.08	42	7	5.11	103	75.18
CHO4	204	6.06	0.96	37	10	4.9	135	66.18
CHO5	206	6.11	1.4	34	7	3.4	124	60.19
CHO6	358	10.63	0.82	38	22	6.15	163	45.53
CHO7	796	23.63	1	35	49	6.16	327	41.08
CHO8	340	10.09	0.95	36	28	8.24	236	69.41
CHO9	941	27.93	0.88	37	81	8.61	343	36.45
National	3,369	100	0.96	36	225	6.68	1,650	48.98

Table 3: Number of confirmed COVID-19 cases by community healthcare organisation (CHO) * notified in Ireland from 08/09/2020 to midnight 21/09/2020

CHO Area	Number of confirmed cases	Incidence per 100,000 population
CHO1	230	58.8
CHO2	157	34.6
CHO3	137	35.6
CHO4	204	29.5
CHO5	206	40.4
CHO6	358	93.4
CHO7	796	112.5
CHO8	340	54.9
CHO9	941	151.4
Ireland	3,369	70.7

Table 4: Number of confirmed COVID-19 cases by county notified in Ireland from 08/09/2020 to midnight 21/09/2020

County	Number of confirmed cases	Incidence per 100,000 population
Carlow	22	38.6
Cavan	16	21.0
Clare	50	42.1
Cork	176	32.4
Donegal	169	106.2
Dublin	1845	136.9
Galway	82	31.8
Kerry	28	19.0
Kildare	153	68.8
Kilkenny	22	22.2
Laois	38	44.9
Leitrim	11	34.3
Limerick	75	38.5
Longford	16	39.1
Louth	126	97.8
Mayo	40	30.6
Meath	64	32.8
Monaghan	23	37.5
Offaly	49	62.9
Roscommon	35	54.2
Sligo	11	16.8
Tipperary	26	16.3
Waterford	114	98.1
Westmeath	46	51.8
Wexford	35	23.4
Wicklow	97	68.1
Ireland	3,369	70.7

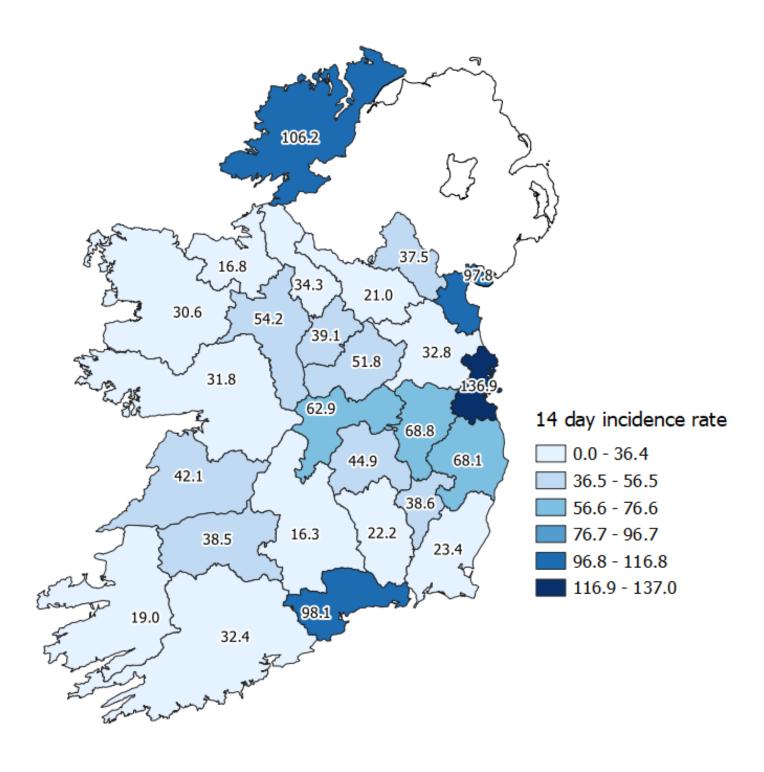


Figure 3: Cumulative incidence rates of confirmed COVID-19 cases per 100,000 population, by county, notified in Ireland from 08/09/2020 to midnight 21/09/2020

Please do not directly compared county shades to previous maps. The numbers of cases by county are increasing and as such the categories listed will broaden which may result in changes to the map shading.

Table 5: Number and incidence of confirmed COVID-19 cases by Dublin Local Health Offices (LHOs) notified from 08/09/2020 to midnight 21/09/2020

CCA	Local Health Office	Number of cases in past 14 days based on event date	14 day incidence rates based on event dates
CCA1	Dublin South	84	61.7
CCA2	Dublin South East	178	143.9
CCA3	Dublin South City	176	117.4
CCA4	Dublin South West	236	146.7
CCA5	Dublin West	230	148.1
CCA6	Dublin North West	409	196.9
CCA7	Dublin North Central	243	157.2
CCA8	Dublin North	289	111.5
	Dublin	1,845	136.9

Note: Local health offices (LHOs) came into operation on 1st September 2005, replacing Community Care Areas(CCAs). LHO population denominators are used in this report rather than CCA population denominators. The LHO rates were calculated using Census 2016 LHO denominator data extracted from the HSE Health Atlas and are not a direct match to the corresponding CCAs.

Table 6: Number of confirmed COVID-19 cases by most likely transmission source notified from 08/09/2020 to midnight 21/09/2020

Most likely transmission source	Number of cases	Percent
Travel related	94	2.79%
Close contact with a known confirmed case	1,864	55.33%
Healthcare setting acquired: patient	54	1.60%
Healthcare setting acquired: staff	49	1.45%
Community transmission	894	26.54%
Under investigation	414	12.29%
Total	3,369	100.00%

^{*}Travel related cases include cases who acquire COVID-19 infection outside of Ireland (imported cases) and cases who acquire COVID-19 infection directly from imported cases

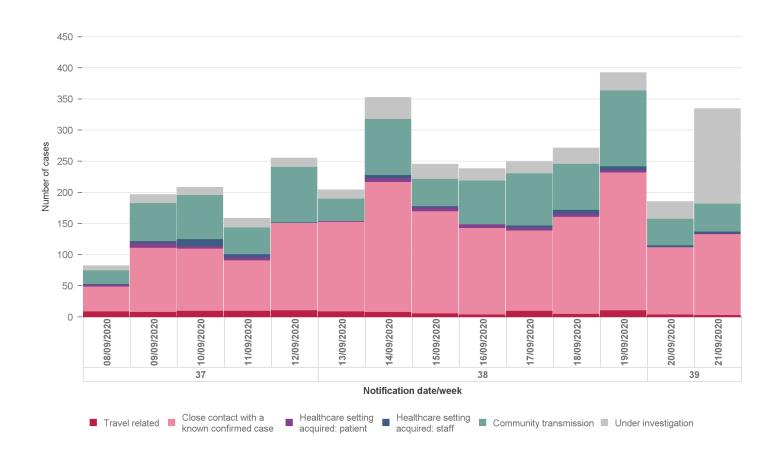


Figure 4: Number of confirmed COVID-19 cases notified in Ireland by date/week of notification and most likely transmission source from 08/09/2020 to midnight 21/09/2020

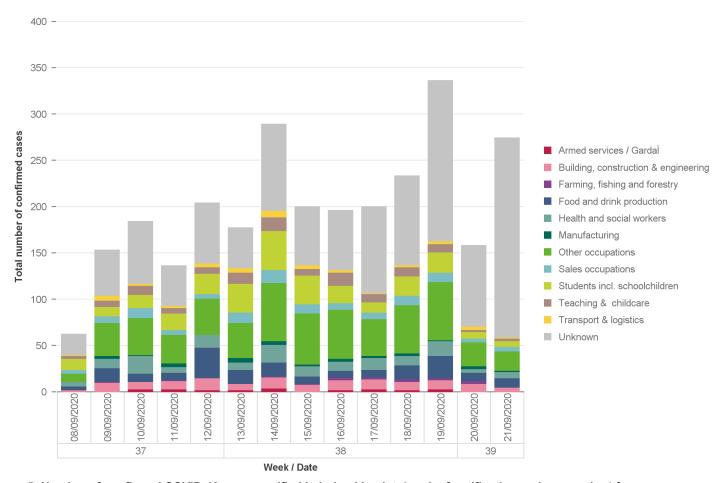


Figure 5: Number of confirmed COVID-19 cases notified in Ireland by date/week of notification and occupation* from 08/09/2020 to midnight 21/09/2020

*Among cases aged 16-69 years

Table 7: Cumulative number of confirmed cases of COVID-19 notified in Ireland from 08/09/2020 to midnight 21/09/2020 by age group and hospital, ICU* and vital status

Age Group (years)	Number of cases (n)	Cases hospitalised (n)	Cases hospitalised (%)	Cases admitted to ICU (n)	Cases admitted to ICU (%)
0-4 yrs	123	3	2.73	0	0
5-14 yrs	304			0	0
15-24 yrs	746	6	5.45	0	0
25-34 yrs	583	4	3.64	0	0
35-44 yrs	494	5	4.55	2	13.33
45-54 yrs	460	19	17.27	4	26.67
55-64 yrs	318	20	18.18	5	33.33
65-74 yrs	215	28	25.45	4	26.67
75-84 yrs	83	16	14.55	0	0
85+ yrs	43	9	8.18	0	0
Total	3,369	110	100	15	100

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Technical Notes

1. Data Source

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2. Epidemiological date

Epidemiological date is derived from epidemiological date, which is the earliest of onset date, date of diagnosis, laboratory specimen collection date, laboratory received date, laboratory reported date, event creation/notification date.

3. Population data

Population data were taken from Census 2016. Data were aggregated into the following age groups for the analysis: 0-4 years, 5-14 years, 15-24 years, 25-34 years, 35-44 years, 45-54 years, 55-64 years, 65-74 years, 75-84 years and ≥ 85 years.

3. Transmission classification

Transmission classification is based on country of infection as well as enhanced exposure data (international travel; close contact of a case) recorded in CIDR. Transmission is classified as 'unknown' due to incomplete data on CIDR.

Travel related cases include cases who acquire COVID-19 infection outside of Ireland (imported cases) and cases who acquire COVID-19 infection directly from imported cases.

WHO definition of transmission classification is specified below:

- Community transmission is evidenced by the inability to relate confirmed cases through chains of transmission for a large number of cases, or by increasing positive tests through routine screening of sentinel samples.
- Local transmission indicates locations where the source of infection is within the reporting location.
- Imported cases only indicates locations where all cases have been acquired outside the location of reporting.

4. Outbreak location

Where an outbreak location is reported as a residential facility (RF) this includes nursing homes, community hospitals, long-stay units and residential institutions including mental health facilities, prisons and direct provision centres.

Other outbreak location includes community, extended family, hotel, public house, retail outlet, travel related and all other locations.