

#### DAILY EPIDEMIOLOGICAL SUMMARY

# COVID-19 in Ontario: January 15, 2020 to May 11, 2022

Due to changes in the Ministry of Health's <u>updated guidance on testing</u> and <u>case and contact</u> <u>management</u>, case counts in this report are an underestimate of the true number of individuals with COVID-19 in Ontario. In addition, data for hospitalizations, intensive care unit (ICU) admission and deaths in the most recent reporting period should be interpreted with caution due to data entry and reporting lags.

#### Introduction

This report includes the most current information available from CCM as of May 11, 2022.

A <u>weekly summary report</u> is available with additional information to complement the daily report.

Please visit the interactive <u>Ontario COVID-19 Data Tool</u> to explore recent COVID-19 data by public health unit, age group, sex, and trends over time. For more information about whole genome sequencing, please see the <u>SARS CoV-2 Whole Genome Sequencing in Ontario report</u>.

This **daily** report provides an epidemiologic summary of recent COVID-19 activity in Ontario. The change in cases is determined by taking the cumulative difference between the current day and the previous day.

In this document, the term 'change in cases' refers to cases publicly reported by the province for a given day. Data corrections or updates can result in case records being removed and or updated from past reports and may result in subset totals for updated case counts (i.e., age group, sex) differing from the overall updated case counts.

The term public health unit reported date in this document refers to the date local public health units were first notified of the case.

### Highlights

- There are a total of 1,281,360 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Ontario reported to date.
- Compared to the previous day, this represents:
  - An increase of 2,160 confirmed cases (percent change of +8.3%)
  - An increase of 14\* deaths (percent change of -51.7)
  - An increase of 2,602 resolved cases (percent change of -14.4%)

#### Case Characteristics

Table 1a. Summary of recent confirmed cases of COVID-19: Ontario

	Change in cases May 10, 2022	Change in cases May 11, 2022	Percentage change May 11, 2022 compared to May 10, 2022	Cumulative case count as of May 11, 2022
Total number of cases	1,995	2,160	+8.3%	1,281,360
Number of deaths	29	14	-51.7%	13,034
Number resolved	3,040	2,602	-14.4%	1,247,571

**Note:** The number of cases publicly reported by the province each day may not align with case counts reported to public health on a given day; public health unit reported date refers to the date local public health was first notified of the case. Data corrections or updates can result in case records being removed and or updated from past reports. The number of deaths presented in the change in cases column for each day only includes deaths that occurred in the last 30 days.

<sup>\*</sup>This number only includes deaths that have occurred in the last month.

Table 1b. Summary of recent confirmed cases of COVID-19 by age group and sex: Ontario

	Change in cases May 10, 2022	Change in cases May 11, 2022	Cumulative case count as of May 11, 2022
Sex: Male	801	815	595,877
Sex: Female	1,186	1,329	677,685
Ages: 0-4	65	59	38,110
Ages: 5-11	48	70	74,031
Ages: 12-19	65	82	104,811
Ages: 20-39	593	612	482,515
Ages: 40-59	615	656	358,754
Ages: 60-79	354	391	160,015
Ages: 80 and over	251	288	62,714

**Note:** Not all cases have an age or sex reported. Data corrections or updates can result in case records being removed and or updated from past reports and may result in subset totals (i.e., age group, sex) differing from past publicly reported case counts.

Data Source: CCM

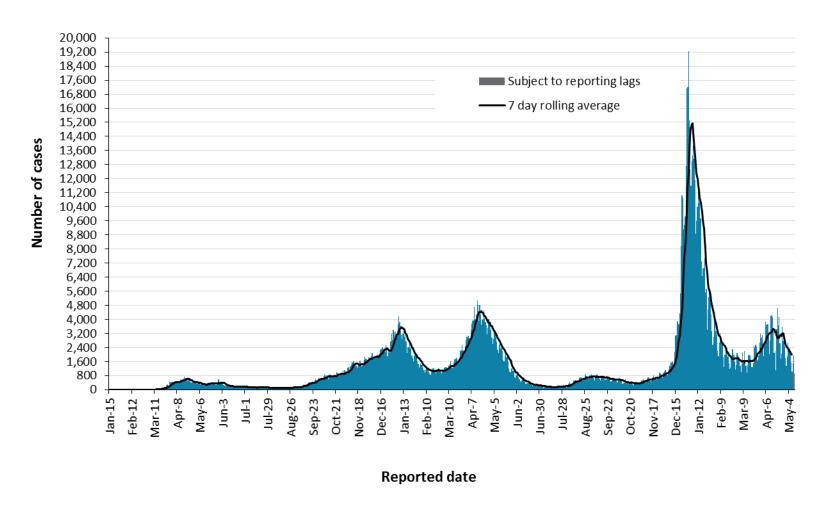
Table 2. Summary of recent confirmed cases of COVID-19 in long-term care homes: Ontario

Long-term care home cases	Change in cases May 10, 2022	Change in cases May 11, 2022	Cumulative case count as of May 11, 2022
Residents	103	106	30,190
Health care workers	25	35	12,884
Deaths among residents	4	5	4,511
Deaths among health care workers	0	0	10

**Note:** Information on how long-term care home residents and health care workers are identified is available in the <u>technical notes</u>. Also, the change in cases in these categories may represent existing case records that have been updated.

#### Time

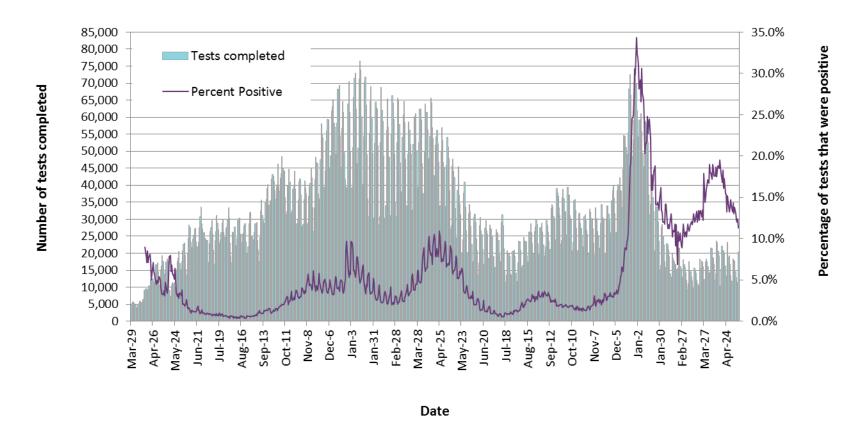
Figure 1. Confirmed cases of COVID-19 by public health unit reported date: Ontario, January 15, 2020 to May 11, 2022



**Note:** Changes in testing eligibility went into effect on December 31, 2021, limiting access to testing and resulting in a change in the population being tested. **Data Source:** CCM

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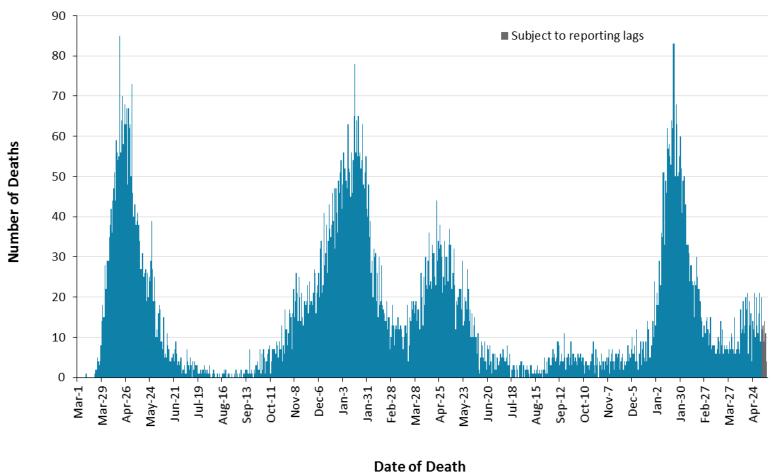




**Note:** The number of tests performed does not reflect the number of specimens or persons tested. More than one test may be performed per specimen or per person. As such, the percentage of tests that were positive does not necessarily translate to the number of specimens or persons testing positive. Changes in testing eligibility went into effect on December 31, 2021, limiting access to testing and resulting in a change in the population being tested. **Data Source:** The Provincial COVID-19 Diagnostics Network, data reported by member microbiology laboratories.

## Severity

Figure 3. Confirmed deaths among COVID-19 cases by date of death: Ontario, March 1, 2020 to May 11, 2022



Note: Cases without a death date are not included in the figure.

Table 3. Confirmed cases of COVID-19 by severity: Ontario

	Cumulative case count as of May 11, 2022	Percentage of all cases
Cumulative deaths reported (please note there may be a reporting delay for deaths)	13,034	1.0%
Deaths reported in ages: 19 and under	15	<0.1%
Deaths reported in ages: 20-39	140	<0.1%
Deaths reported in ages: 40-59	922	0.3%
Deaths reported in ages: 60-79	4,382	2.7%
Deaths reported in ages: 80 and over	7,574	12.1%
Ever in ICU	8,318	0.6%
Ever hospitalized	47,680	3.7%

**Note:** Not all cases have an age reported. Data corrections or updates can result in case records being removed and/or updated and may result in totals differing from past publicly reported case counts. Percentage of deaths reported for each age group is calculated using all cases in the age group as the denominator.

# Geography

Table 4. Summary of recent confirmed cases of COVID-19 by public health unit and region: Ontario

Public Health Unit Name	Change in cases May 10, 2022	Change in cases May 11, 2022	Cumulative case count	Cumulative rate per 100,000 population
Northwestern Health Unit	30	30	8,293	10,214.9
Thunder Bay District Health Unit	69	50	11,876	7,530.5
TOTAL NORTH WEST	99	80	20,169	8,442.8
Algoma Public Health	24	25	8,237	6,990.0
North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit	23	18	5,796	4,482.3
Porcupine Health Unit	16	22	7,092	8,343.5
Public Health Sudbury & Districts	48	28	14,861	7,240.2
Timiskaming Health Unit	10	11	1,902	5,613.1
TOTAL NORTH EAST	121	104	37,888	6,632.0
Ottawa Public Health	97	128	72,536	6,953.7
Eastern Ontario Health Unit	8	26	15,715	7,280.2
Hastings Prince Edward Public Health	19	31	10,029	5,802.8
Kingston, Frontenac and Lennox & Addington Public Health	64	53	16,649	7,957.3
Leeds, Grenville & Lanark District Health Unit	30	30	9,061	5,035.4
Renfrew County and District Health Unit	12	18	4,634	4,272.0
TOTAL EASTERN	230	286	128,624	6,666.3

Public Health Unit Name	Change in cases May 10, 2022	Change in cases May 11, 2022	Cumulative case count	Cumulative rate per 100,000 population
Durham Region Health Department	93	89	61,327	8,620.3
Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit	18	22	9,162	4,803.7
Peel Public Health	161	151	183,265	11,720.4
Peterborough Public Health	11	38	7,279	4,914.3
Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit	95	123	44,897	7,427.0
York Region Public Health	130	204	109,684	9,138.3
TOTAL CENTRAL EAST	508	627	415,614	9,405.8
Toronto Public Health	522	417	315,178	10,546.7
TOTAL TORONTO	522	417	315,178	10,546.7
Chatham-Kent Public Health	25	32	8,517	7,988.2
Grey Bruce Health Unit	8	29	8,604	4,884.5
Huron Perth Public Health	16	17	7,238	4,949.3
Lambton Public Health	6	37	11,667	8,774.0
Middlesex-London Health Unit	31	55	37,433	7,331.0
Southwestern Public Health	29	34	13,609	6,216.8
Windsor-Essex County Health Unit	38	40	43,200	10,024.5
TOTAL SOUTH WEST	153	244	130,268	7,563.0
Brant County Health Unit	14	19	11,599	7,553.5
City of Hamilton Public Health Services	108	116	57,109	9,817.2
Haldimand-Norfolk Health Unit	22	15	8,553	7,127.0

Public Health Unit Name	Change in cases May 10, 2022	Change in cases May 11, 2022	Cumulative case count	Cumulative rate per 100,000 population
Halton Region Public Health	89	68	48,254	7,903.0
Niagara Region Public Health	62	71	40,434	8,393.6
Region of Waterloo Public Health and Emergency Services	51	71	45,771	7,562.6
Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph Public Health	16	42	21,899	7,019.0
TOTAL CENTRAL WEST	362	402	233,619	8,154.8
TOTAL ONTARIO	1,995	2,160	1,281,360	8,696.6

**Notes:** Health units with data corrections or updates could result in records being removed from totals, leading to negative or zero counts.

Data Source: CCM

#### **Outbreaks**

Table 5. Summary of recent confirmed COVID-19 outbreaks reported in long-term care homes, retirement homes and hospitals by status: Ontario

Institution type	Change in outbreaks May 10, 2022	Change in outbreaks May 11, 2022	Number of ongoing outbreaks	Cumulative number of outbreaks reported
Long-term care homes	4	12	195	2,616
Retirement homes	6	7	136	1,873
Hospitals	9	6	91	1,449

**Note:** Ongoing outbreaks are those that are reported in CCM as 'Open' and without a 'Declared Over Date' recorded. The start of the outbreak is determined by the onset date of first case, or if missing the outbreak reported date, or else if that is also missing, then the outbreak created date.

#### **Technical Notes**

#### **Data Sources**

- The data for this report were based on information successfully extracted from the Public Health Case and Contact Management Solution (CCM) for all PHUs by PHO as of:
  - May 11, 2022 at 1 p.m. for cases reported from December 1, 2021 onwards;
  - May 9, 2022 at 9 a.m. for cases reported from January 1, 2021 to November 30, 2021
  - April 29, 2022 at 9 a.m. for cases reported up to December 31, 2020.
- CCM is a dynamic disease reporting system, which allows ongoing updates to data previously
  entered. As a result, data extracted from CCM represent a snapshot at the time of extraction
  and may differ from previous or subsequent reports.
- Ontario population estimate data were sourced from Statistics Canada. Population estimates 2001-2020: Table 1 annual population estimates by age and sex for July 1, 2001 to 2020, health regions, Ontario [unpublished data table]. Ottawa, ON: Government of Canada; 2021 [received April 22, 2021].
- COVID-19 test data were based on information from The Provincial COVID-19 Diagnostics Network, reported by member microbiology laboratories.

#### **Data Caveats**

- Due to changes in the availability of testing, driven by increasing COVID-19 cases related to the Omicron variant, case counts in this report are an underestimate of the true number of individuals with COVID-19 in Ontario. As such, data should be interpreted with caution.
- The data only represent cases reported to public health units and recorded in CCM. As a result, all counts will be subject to varying degrees of underreporting due to a variety of factors, such as disease awareness and medical care seeking behaviours, which may depend on severity of illness, clinical practice, changes in laboratory testing, and reporting behaviours.
- Data cleaning for older cases is incorporated on Mondays and Thursdays and may impact the case count published on Tuesdays and Fridays.
- Lags in CCM data entry due to weekend staffing may result in lower case counts than would otherwise be recorded.
- Only cases meeting the confirmed case classification as listed in the <u>MOH Case Definition</u> <u>Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) document</u> are included in the report counts from CCM.
- Cases of confirmed reinfection, as defined in the provincial case definitions, are counted as unique investigations.
- Case classification information may be updated for individuals with a positive result issued from a point-of-care assays.

- The number of tests performed does not reflect the number of specimens or persons tested.
   More than one test may be performed per specimen or per person. As such, the percentage of tests that were positive does not necessarily translate to the number of specimens or persons testing positive.
- Reported date is the date the case was reported to the public health unit.
- For surveillance purposes, a COVID-19 death is defined as a death resulting from a clinically compatible illness unless there is a clear alternative cause of death that cannot be related to COVID-19 (e.g., trauma, medically assisted death). There should be no period of complete recovery from COVID-19 between illness and reported death.
- Deaths are determined by using the Outcome and Type of Death fields in CCM. COVID-19 deaths are counted where the Outcome value is 'Fatal' and the Type of Death value is not 'DOPHS was unrelated to cause of death' or 'Under PHU Review'.
  - COVID-19 deaths are placed in time using the 'Date of Death' field in CCM. If the date of death is missing, the outcome date field is used as a proxy.
- Resolved cases are determined only for COVID-19 cases that are not considered COVID-19 deaths. The following cases are classified as resolved:
  - Cases that are reported as 'recovered' in CCM based on local public health unit assessment
  - Cases that are not hospitalized and are 14 days past their symptom onset date or specimen collection date (where symptom onset date is not known)
  - Cases that are currently hospitalized (no hospital end date entered) and have a status of 'closed' in CCM (indicating public health unit follow-up is complete) and are 14 days past their symptom onset date or specimen collection date
  - Cases that died with a Type of Death = "DOPHS was unrelated to cause of death". These are considered resolved for the purpose of COVID-19 surveillance and reporting
- Hospitalization includes all cases hospitalized (or that had their hospital stay extended) because
  of COVID-19. It includes cases that have been discharged from hospital as well as cases that are
  currently hospitalized. Includes Intensive Care Unit (ICU) cases but not emergency room visits.
  Hospitalizations were identified by a reported hospital admission date or reported 'Yes' for
  hospitalization/ICU
- ICU admission includes all cases for which an ICU admission date was reported at the time of data extraction. It is a subset of the count of hospitalized cases. It includes cases that have been treated or that are currently being treated in an ICU.
- Orientation of case counts by geography is based on the permanent health unit. This is
  equivalent to the diagnosing health unit (DHU) in iPHIS. DHU refers to the case's public health
  unit of residence at the time of illness onset and not necessarily the location of exposure. Cases
  for which the DHU was reported as MOH-PHO (to signify a case that is not a resident of Ontario)
  have been excluded from the analyses.
- Male/Female information presented in this report are sourced from the Sex field in CCM and are intended to represent sex assigned at birth. On October 14, 2021 changes were made in CCM to enable reporting on the Sex field where these data are supplemented by archived Male/Female information previously entered in the Gender field.

- COVID-19 cases from CCM for which the Classification and/or Disposition was reported as ENTERED IN ERROR, DOES NOT MEET DEFINITION, IGNORE, DUPLICATE or any variation on these values have been excluded. The provincial case count for COVID-19 may include some duplicate records, if these records were not identified and resolved.
- Ongoing outbreaks are those that are reported in CCM as 'Open' and without a 'Declared Over Date' recorded. Closed outbreaks are 'Closed' or have a 'Declared Over Date' recorded in CCM or where the outbreak start date (determined by the onset date of first case, or if missing the reported date, or if missing the created date) is more than 5 months from the current date, even for outbreaks where the outbreak status value selected in CCM is 'OPEN'.
- 'Long-term care home residents' includes cases that reported 'Yes' to the risk factor 'Resident of a long-term care home'; or 'Yes' to the risk factor 'Resident of nursing home or other chronic care facility' and reported to be part of an outbreak assigned as a long-term care home (via the Outbreak number or case comments field); or were reported to be part of an outbreak assigned as a long-term care home (via the outbreak number or case comments field) with an age over 70 years and did not report 'No' to the risk factors 'Resident of long-term care home' or 'Resident of nursing home or other chronic care facility'. 'Long-term care home residents' excludes cases that reported 'Yes' to any of the health care worker occupational risk factors.
- The 'health care workers' variable includes cases that reported 'Yes' to any of the occupation of health care worker, doctor, nurse, dentist, dental hygienist, midwife, other medical technicians, personal support worker, respiratory therapist, first responder.
- 'Health care workers associated with long-term care outbreaks' includes 'health care workers'
  reported to be part of an outbreak assigned as a long-term care home (via the outbreak number
  or case comments field). Excludes cases that reported 'Yes' to risk factors 'Resident of long-term
  care home' or 'Resident of nursing home or other chronic care facility' and 'Yes' to the
  calculated 'health care workers' variable.
- Percent change is calculated by taking the difference between the current period (i.e., daily count or sum of the daily count over a 7-day period) and previous period (i.e., daily count or sum of the daily count over a 7-day period), divided by the previous period.

# Appendix A

Table A1. Weekly rates of confirmed COVID-19 cases per 100,000 population over recent rolling 7-day periods, by reported date and public health unit: Ontario, April 26, 2022 to May 8, 2022

Public Health Unit Name	Apr 26 to May 2	Apr 27 to May 3	Apr 28 to May 4	Apr 29 to May 5	Apr 30 to May 6	May 1 to May 7	May 2 to May 8	% change from Apr 26 – May 2 to May 2 – May 8
NORTH WEST								
Northwestern Health Unit	346.1	327.6	317.8	291.9	227.9	206.9	186.0	-46.3%
Thunder Bay District Health Unit	235.2	263.1	256.2	263.1	282.2	277.1	276.5	+17.6%
NORTH EAST								
Algoma Public Health	186.7	183.3	176.5	179.9	164.6	161.2	157.8	-15.5%
North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit	147.7	150.8	153.9	142.3	133.8	126.8	120.6	-18.3%
Porcupine Health Unit	132.9	141.2	130.6	122.4	104.7	98.8	97.6	-26.6%
Public Health Sudbury & Districts	181.2	183.7	161.3	160.3	151.5	149.1	143.2	-21.0%
Timiskaming Health Unit	342.3	348.2	330.5	271.5	209.5	194.8	185.9	-45.7%
EASTERN								
Ottawa Public Health	95.5	83.9	79.6	73.6	74.6	73.3	71.5	-25.1%
Eastern Ontario Health Unit	95.0	98.2	85.2	80.6	76.0	76.0	71.8	-24.4%
Hastings Prince Edward Public Health	159.7	140.6	123.2	118.0	115.7	109.4	101.3	-36.6%

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Kingston, Frontenac and Lennox & Addington Public Health	274.8	278.6	263.8	223.7	217.0	216.0	205.5	-25.2%
Leeds, Grenville & Lanark District Health Unit	156.2	152.3	141.7	126.1	122.3	115.0	112.3	-28.1%
Renfrew County and District Health Unit	126.3	116.2	115.2	106.9	111.5	106.9	106.9	-15.4%
CENTRAL EAST								
Durham Region Health Department	107.1	97.0	91.8	95.6	91.6	93.3	93.3	-12.9%
Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit	101.2	100.1	110.1	99.1	92.8	95.4	91.2	-9.9%
Peel Public Health	73.7	72.3	72.1	71.4	69.9	66.7	63.1	-14.4%
Peterborough Public Health	92.5	133.0	132.3	133.7	135.7	135.0	126.9	+37.2%
Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit	132.5	128.5	122.4	119.4	115.3	111.2	107.4	-18.9%
York Region Public Health	102.1	95.9	93.1	91.1	91.6	87.0	87.6	-14.2%
TORONTO								
Toronto Public Health	108.8	101.1	98.7	94.7	90.3	90.4	91.1	-16.3%
SOUTH WEST								
Chatham-Kent Public Health	192.3	129.4	139.7	133.2	130.4	134.1	129.4	-32.7%
Grey Bruce Health Unit	89.7	92.0	91.4	85.7	84.6	82.3	74.9	-16.5%

Public Health Unit Name	Apr 26 to May 2	Apr 27 to May 3	Apr 28 to May 4	Apr 29 to May 5	Apr 30 to May 6	May 1 to May 7	May 2 to May 8	% change from Apr 26 – May 2 to May 2 – May 8
Huron Perth Public Health	95.0	84.1	93.7	104.6	111.5	111.5	102.6	+8.0%
Lambton Public Health	132.4	117.3	107.5	101.5	100.8	100.0	94.0	-29.0%
Middlesex-London Health Unit	96.4	87.7	83.0	84.8	75.4	75.8	71.9	-25.4%
Southwestern Public Health	121.1	101.9	91.8	95.0	94.1	86.3	82.2	-32.1%
Windsor-Essex County Health Unit	108.8	97.0	106.7	110.7	109.1	104.4	91.2	-16.2%
CENTRAL WEST								
Brant County Health Unit	93.1	84.7	86.0	91.8	89.2	92.5	91.2	-2.0%
City of Hamilton Public Health Services	160.2	147.8	132.9	130.3	130.8	133.1	129.3	-19.3%
Haldimand-Norfolk Health Unit	104.2	102.5	95.8	100.0	111.7	113.3	110.8	+6.3%
Halton Region Public Health	79.3	73.9	73.5	74.5	71.6	70.1	71.9	-9.3%
Niagara Region Public Health	120.4	107.7	99.4	100.1	99.4	100.9	104.4	-13.3%
Region of Waterloo Public Health and Emergency Services	83.3	78.0	73.7	71.4	68.1	67.2	63.0	-24.4%
Wellington-Dufferin- Guelph Public Health	85.3	87.5	91.0	86.5	91.7	90.7	88.8	+4.1%
TOTAL ONTARIO	112.6	106.4	102.7	99.9	97.2	95.6	93.3	-17.1%

**Note:** Rates are based on the sum of the daily case counts during the date ranges specified in each column.

Table A2. Number of confirmed COVID-19 cases with a fatal outcome by date of death in the last 30 days: Ontario

Date of Death	Number of deaths
April 12, 2022	12
April 13, 2022	19
April 14, 2022	11
April 15, 2022	13
April 16, 2022	20
April 17, 2022	17
April 18, 2022	21
April 19, 2022	6
April 20, 2022	19
April 21, 2022	13
April 22, 2022	16
April 23, 2022	4
April 24, 2022	14
April 25, 2022	12
April 26, 2022	21
April 27, 2022	10
April 28, 2022	20
April 29, 2022	13
April 30, 2022	11
May 1, 2022	16
May 2, 2022	21
May 3, 2022	9

Date of Death	Number of deaths
May 4, 2022	20
May 5, 2022	12*
May 6, 2022	13*
May 7, 2022	9*
May 8, 2022	14*
May 9, 2022	11*
May 10, 2022	4*
May 11, 2022	0*

**Note:** Cases without a death date are not included in the table.

<sup>\*</sup>Subject to reporting lags

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