



Renfrew County and District Health Unit

COVID-19 Case Summary

November 24, 2022

<p>Total Confirmed Cases in Renfrew County and District (RCD): 6983*</p> <p>Cases Reported in the Last 7 Days: 43</p> <p>Incidence Rate^a in the Last 7 Days: 39.6 per 100,000 individuals</p>		<p>Current Status of Cases in RCD</p> <p>Self-Isolation: 87</p> <p>Hospitalized: 4</p> <p>Hospitalized in Intensive Care Unit: 0</p> <p>Resolved: 6812</p> <p>Deceased: 80</p>	
Outbreak Setting	Cumulative Number of Outbreaks	Active Number of Outbreaks	
Hospital	21	0	
Long-term care home	36	3	
Retirement home	43	0	
Congregate living facility	29	1	
Other ^c	38	0	
Total	167	4	
<p>Total Number of tests completed for RCD residents: 159,707</p>		<p>Percent Positivity^b of tests completed for RCD residents (Nov. 2-Nov 8, 2022) 9.2%</p>	

^a Incidence rate is calculated by dividing the total number of confirmed cases in a 7-day period by the population size, and then multiplying by 100,000. It takes into account the size of the population, and can be compared to other regions. It's trend (increasing or decreasing) suggests the trajectory of transmission within a region. Data source: Population Projection of Renfrew County and District Health Unit [2020], Ontario Ministry of Health, IntelliHEALTH Ontario

^b Percent positivity is calculated by dividing the number of tests with a positive result by the total number of tests processed during the same time frame, and then multiplying by 100. A higher percent positivity suggests higher community transmission and that there are likely more people with COVID-19 in the community who haven't been tested yet. Data source: Ontario Ministry of Health, Ontario Laboratory Information System (OLIS), Visual Analytics Hub.

^c Includes school/education/child care, workplaces, and other community outbreak settings. In alignment with Provincial guidance, RCDHU has shifted focus to mitigate outbreaks and transmission to vulnerable individuals in highest-risk settings such as hospitals, long-term care homes, retirement homes, and congregate living facilities.

For more information on COVID-19 variants of concern in Ontario, please visit:

<https://www.publichealthontario.ca/en/laboratory-services/test-information-index/covid-19-voc>



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***Explanation on updated case numbers November 24, 2022**

On November 10, 2022, RCDHU had reported a total of 6,537 confirmed cases of COVID-19. Between November 10-16, there were 62 new cases, and between November 17-23, there were 43 new cases. During this timeframe, RCDHU also conducted a COVID-19 data quality assurance audit.

Upon review of investigations reported to RCDHU between January 1-November 17, 2022, RCDHU adjusted the status of 341 case investigations from “probable” to “confirmed” to align with current Ministry of Health definitions. This has resulted in a 5% increase in the cumulative case count, which now stands at 6,983 cases.

RCDHU wants to reassure the community that each probable case was managed in a timely manner in accordance with Ministry of Health guidance, and this change does not impact previously reported outbreak numbers or durations.

Overall trends in local case rates throughout 2022 remain relatively unchanged when including these additional cases. RCDHU continues to conduct prompt case management for all probable and confirmed cases of COVID-19 and updates case investigations as more information becomes available.