

Huron County Public Health

Huron County Public Health COVID-19 Weekly Update

April 14, 2023

Report Summary

This report covers Huron County's COVID-19 update for the reporting period of 4/7/2023 – 4/13/2023. This reporting period has recorded a case count of 13 cases, a decrease from 26 cases for the previous week's reporting period. For Huron County, the highest number of cases for this week were in the 61-70 years age group. Seven zip codes in Huron County reported cases this week, with the highest infection rate in the Plymouth zip code (44865).

Important Notes About This Report

COVID-19 case counts included in this report are estimates for the reporting period based on reports generated from the Ohio Department of Health (ODH)'s Ohio Disease Reporting System (ODRS). These data may be impacted by several factors, including but not limited to:

- Lack of reporting individual cases (for example, if a self-administered at-home test kit results positive but individual case information is not reported to HCPH or recorded in the ODRS, this case will not be counted by ODH or included in this report); and
- Reporting delays with the electronic reporting of cases, especially during surge periods.

For continued updates, HCPH reminds residents to continue to use **reputable** sources for information about COVID-19, including www.huroncohealth.com, www.coronavirus.ohio.gov and www.cdc.gov. Statewide COVID-19 case data can be found on the Ohio Department of Health's COVID-19 Dashboard at: <https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/covid-19/dashboards>.

COVID-19 Wastewater Monitoring Network

Wastewater monitoring for COVID-19 is a real-time, leading indicator that provides trend information regarding what is occurring in a community. Wastewater monitoring data, along with the number of positive individuals that have been tested at medical facilities and hospitalization information, are data sources that can be used to help inform local communities about the level of COVID-19 in their communities. There are currently four active COVID-19 wastewater monitoring sites in Huron County including Norwalk, Monroeville, Wakeman, and New London.

Information about the COVID-19 Wastewater Monitoring Program can be found at <https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/dashboards/other-resources/wastewater>.

CDC COVID-19 Data Tracker

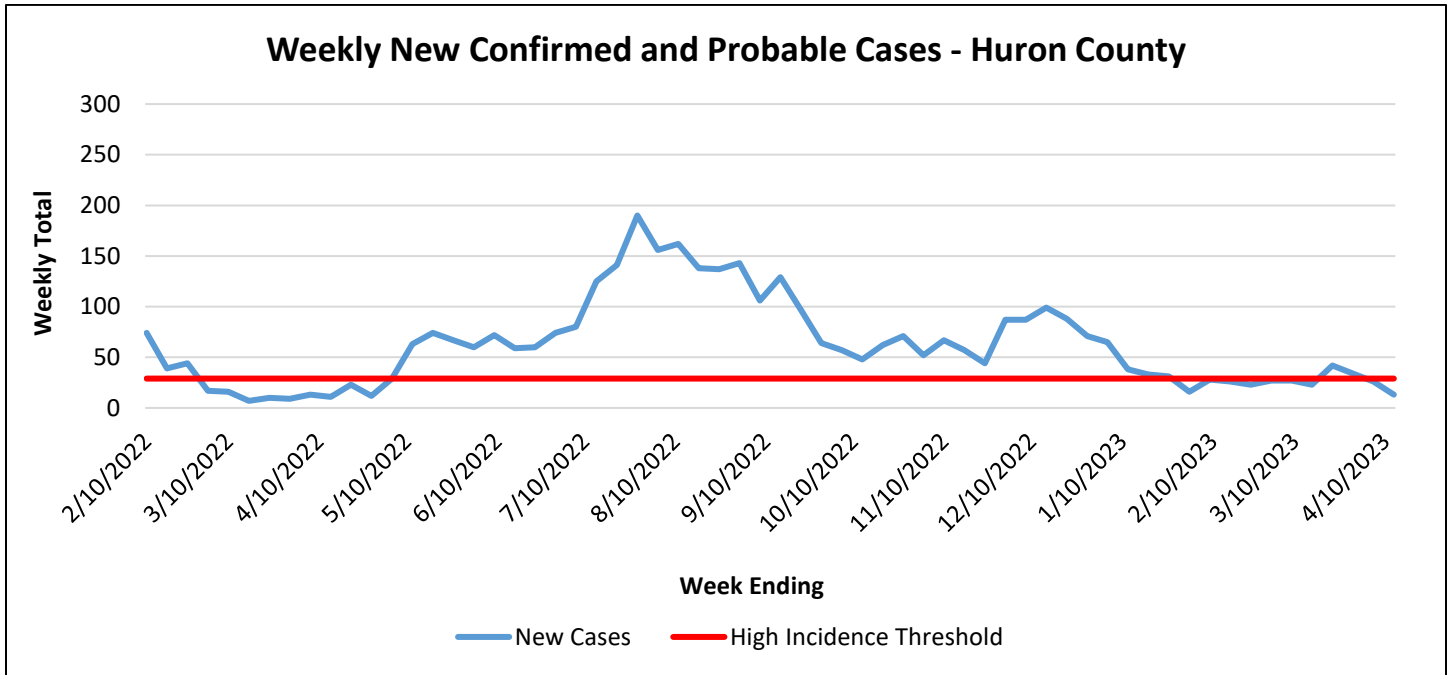
HCPH has received questions about how the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)'s COVID-19 categorizations impact Huron County (masking requirements in hospitals, screening of nursing home admissions, etc.) To clarify this issue for the public, HCPH has created an outline of two of the CDC's COVID-19 data tools, summarized in the table below. Both tools can be accessed by the public on the CDC's website at:

<https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker>.

Data Tool	COVID-19 Community Levels	COVID-19 Community Transmission
When To Use	CDC recommends use of COVID-19 <i>Community Levels</i> to determine the impact of COVID-19 on communities and make recommendations for prevention measures in non-healthcare settings.	CDC recommends use of COVID-19 <i>Community Transmission</i> for healthcare facilities <u>only</u> , to determine infection control interventions.
How Is It Calculated or Determined?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • COVID-19 case rate per 100,000 population in the past 7 days • New COVID-19 admissions per 100,000 population in the past 7 days • Percentage of staffed inpatient beds in use by patients with confirmed COVID-19 (7-day average) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New cases per 100,000 persons in the past 7 days • Percentage of positive Nucleic Acid Amplification Tests (NAATs) during the past 7 days
What are the possible categorizations?	Every community in the United States is either classified as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High (Orange), • Medium (Yellow), or • Low (Green) 	Every community in the United States is either classified as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High (Red), • Substantial (Orange), • Moderate (Yellow), or • Low (Blue)
What is our current categorization?	As of 4/13/2023, Low (Last Week: Low)	As of 4/12/2023, High (Last week: High)
What does this mean?	<p>A low classification means that there is limited impact of COVID-19 on the healthcare system and more people with severe illness.</p> <p>Based on a current level of "low," CDC recommends individuals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccinations, including boosters • Maintain ventilation improvements • Avoid contact with people who have suspected or confirmed COVID-19 • Follow CDC recommendations for isolation if you have suspected or confirmed COVID-19 • Follow CDC recommendations for what to do if you are exposed to someone with COVID-19 • If you are at high risk of getting very sick, talk with a healthcare provider about additional prevention actions. 	<p>When COVID-19 Community Transmission levels are "high," CDC recommends the following for healthcare facilities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Source control (masks) for everyone in a healthcare setting in areas of the healthcare facility where they could encounter patients. • For nursing homes, screening testing for COVID-19 upon admission to the facility. <p>In general, CDC recommends healthcare facilities check their level weekly. When Community Transmission level increases to a "high" level, CDC recommends interventions are implemented as soon as possible. When Community Transmission level decreases, CDC recommends facilities consider monitoring for at least two weeks before relaxing any prevention efforts like masking or screening tests. Procedures may vary by healthcare facility and are determined within.</p>

Cumulative Data

Cumulative data for Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) cases in Huron County, Ohio as of Thursday, April 13, 2023 at 4:00pm. HCPH has reported a total of 18,084 cases to date.



Two Week Incidence Rate

Huron County is now ranked 51st among all Ohio counties for two-week incidence rate for the current reporting period. Last week, Huron County ranked 17th. The statewide average of cases per 100,000 residents over two weeks has decreased from 84.7 the previous reporting period to 74.5 for this reporting period.

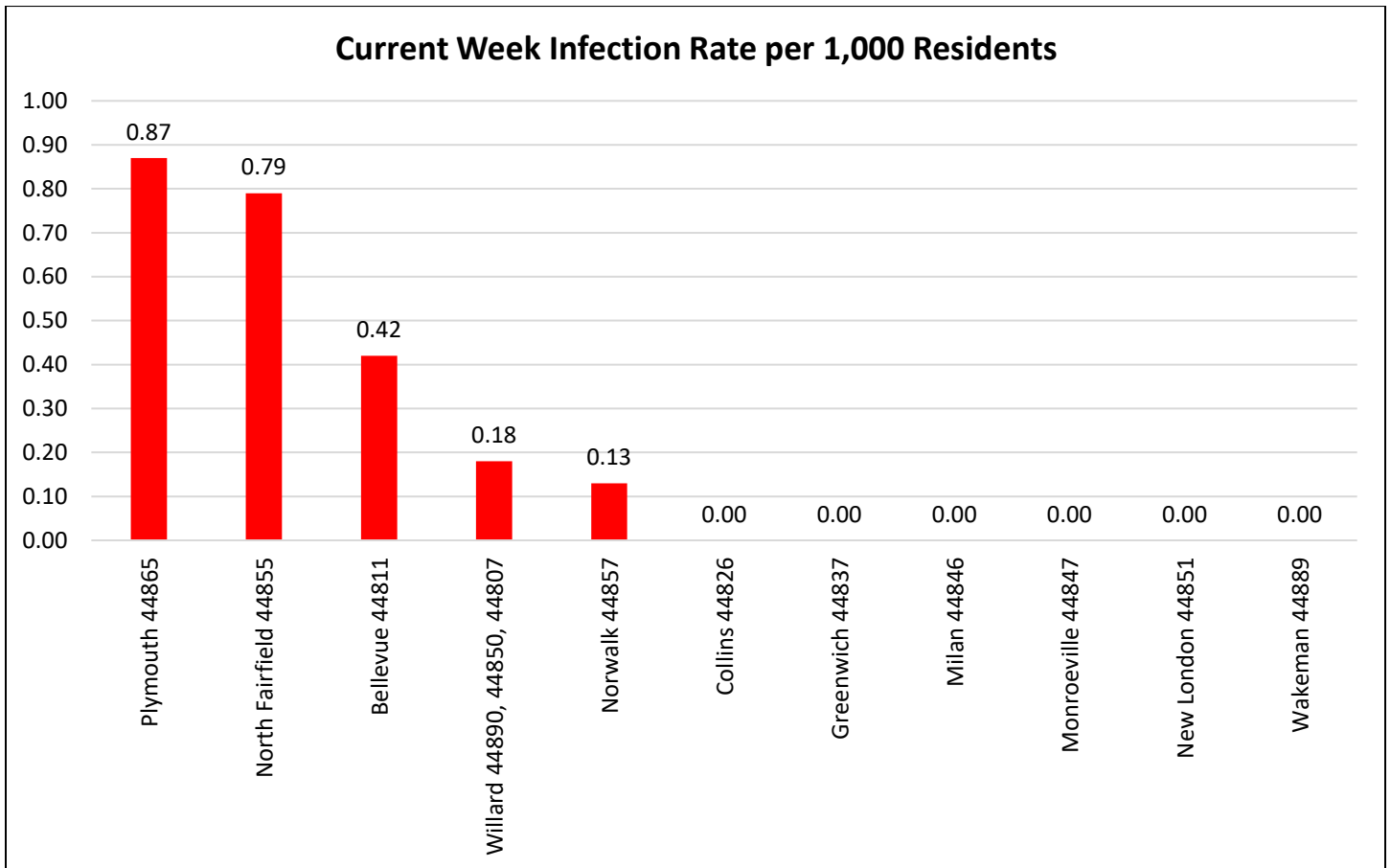
Cases per 100,000 Residents Over 2 Weeks

Statewide Average: 74.5

#	County	Cases Per 100K	Case Count	Population	#	County	Cases Per 100K	Case Count	Population	#	County	Cases Per 100K	Case Count	Population	#	County	Cases Per 100K	Case Count	Population
1	Mercer	189.4	78	41,172	23	Lake	83.9	193	230,149	45	Washington	70.1	42	59,911	67	Miami	55.1	59	106,987
2	Williams	177.2	65	36,692	24	Stark	83.4	309	370,606	46	Vinton	68.8	9	13,085	68	Belmont	53.7	36	67,006
3	Highland	171.5	74	43,161	25	Auglaize	83.2	38	45,656	47	Coshocton	68.3	25	36,600	69	Richland	52.8	64	121,154
4	Athens	147.0	96	65,327	26	Guernsey	82.3	32	38,875	48	Ashland	67.3	36	53,484	70	Holmes	52.3	23	43,960
5	Scioto	142.1	107	75,314	27	Clark	82.0	110	134,083	49	Fairfield	67.3	106	157,574	71	Shelby	51.5	25	48,590
6	Pike	136.8	38	27,772	28	Muskingum	81.2	70	86,215	50	Hardin	67.0	21	31,365	72	Preble	51.4	21	40,882
7	Ashtabula	127.5	124	97,241	29	Fayette	80.6	23	28,525	51	Huron	66.9	39	58,266	73	Monroe	51.3	7	13,654
8	Meigs	117.9	27	22,907	30	Wood	78.7	103	130,817	52	Medina	66.8	120	179,746	74	Sandusky	51.3	30	58,518
9	Marion	113.7	74	65,093	31	Pickaway	78.7	46	58,457	53	Defiance	65.6	25	38,087	75	Erie	51.2	38	74,266
10	Van Wert	113.2	32	28,275	32	Lucas	78.4	336	428,348	54	Morrow	65.1	23	35,328	76	Greene	49.1	83	168,937
11	Jackson	101.8	33	32,413	33	Darke	78.3	40	51,113	55	Paulding	64.3	12	18,672	77	Columbiana	48.1	49	101,883
12	Ottawa	101.2	41	40,525	34	Montgomery	78.2	416	531,687	56	Hancock	63.3	48	75,783	78	Geauga	47.0	44	93,649
13	Adams	101.1	28	27,698	35	Summit	77.4	419	541,013	57	Delaware	63.1	132	209,177	79	Harrison	46.5	7	15,040
14	Lorain	100.7	312	309,833	36	Champaign	77.2	30	38,885	58	Franklin	62.8	827	1,316,756	80	Lawrence	43.7	26	59,463
15	Trumbull	97.5	193	197,974	37	Brown	76.0	33	43,432	59	Butler	61.6	236	383,134	81	Seneca	41.7	23	55,178
16	Morgan	96.5	14	14,508	38	Perry	74.7	27	36,134	60	Licking	57.7	102	176,862	82	Carroll	40.9	11	26,914
17	Ross	95.2	73	76,666	39	Warren	74.2	174	234,602	61	Clermont	57.6	119	206,428	83	Clinton	38.1	16	41,968
18	Jefferson	94.9	62	65,325	40	Putnam	73.8	25	33,861	62	Union	57.6	34	58,988	84	Madison	35.8	16	44,731
19	Tuscarawas	94.6	87	91,987	41	Crawford	72.3	30	41,494	63	Hamilton	56.8	464	817,473	85	Noble	34.7	5	14,424
20	Cuyahoga	89.9	1,110	1,235,072	42	Fulton	71.2	30	42,126	64	Hocking	56.6	16	28,264	86	Logan	28.5	13	45,672
21	Allen	87.9	90	102,351	43	Portage	70.8	115	162,466	65	Henry	55.5	15	27,006	87	Knox	25.7	16	62,322
22	Mahoning	86.1	197	228,683	44	Gallia	70.2	21	29,898	66	Wayne	55.3	64	115,710	88	Wyandot	18.4	4	21,772

Current Week Data

For the reporting period of 4/07/2023 – 4/13/2023, there were **13 new cases** reported in Huron County. The graph below indicates positive COVID-19 cases in Huron County for the reporting period of 4/07/2023 – 4/13/2023, shown by zip code.



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