Huron County Public Health

Huron County Public Health COVID-19 Weekly Update

December 16, 2022

Report Summary

This report covers Huron County's COVID-19 update for the reporting period of 12/9/2022 – 12/15/2022. This reporting period has recorded a case count of 100 cases, an increase from 87 cases the previous reporting period. For Huron County, the average age of cases for this reporting period decreased from 49 to 46, with the highest number of cases for this week in the 31 – 40 age range. Nine zip codes in Huron County reported cases this week, with the highest infection rate in the Bellevue area (44811) zip code.

While COVID-19 is on the rise in our community, the U.S. is also experiencing increases in other respiratory viruses, like flu and RSV. Huron County Public Health (HCPH) encourages residents to take preventative actions that can help protect yourself and your family from all respiratory viruses, such as:

- Avoid close contact with sick people, and stay home if you are sick to protect others.
- Wash your hands often, using soap and water, for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
- Cover your coughs and sneezes.
- Avoid touching your face with unwashed hands.
- Frequently clean and disinfect surfaces (especially high-touch surfaces such as doorknobs and mobile devices).
- Vaccines are available for COVID-19 and the flu. If you haven't already, it's not too late to get vaccinated/boosted!

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.

More information about flu can be found by visiting: https://www.cdc.gov/flu/

More information about RSV can be found by visiting: https://www.cdc.gov/rsv/

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. The coronavirus gene fragments from sewage collected at the Norwalk and Monroeville Wastewater Treatment Plants support the increases we are seeing in the number of COVID-19 positive tests medical facilities have reported over the last several weeks.

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

COVID-19 Case Data continued

U.S. Overview

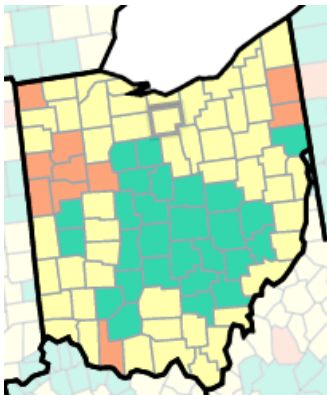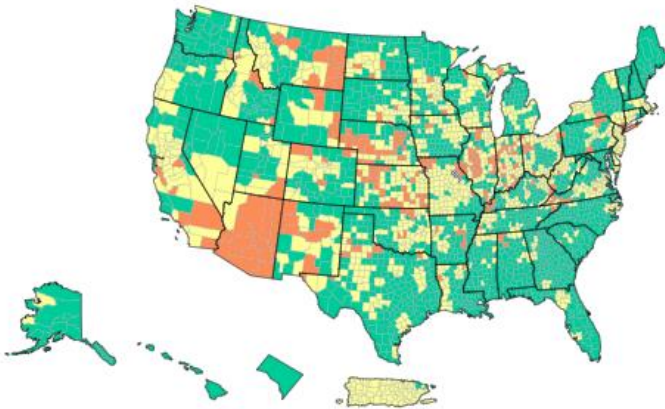The images below were taken from the CDC's U.S. COVID-19 Community Levels Tracker at: COVID-19 Integrated County View | CDC .
Community levels are determined by summarizing data of the following information: New COVID-19 cases per 100,000 population, new COVID-19 admissions per 100,000 population, and the percentage of inpatient beds occupied by COVID-19 patients. For the current reporting period, Huron County has remained categorized as **medium**. In communities with **medium** levels of COVID-19, CDC recommends the following:
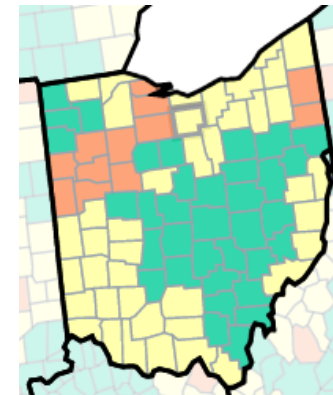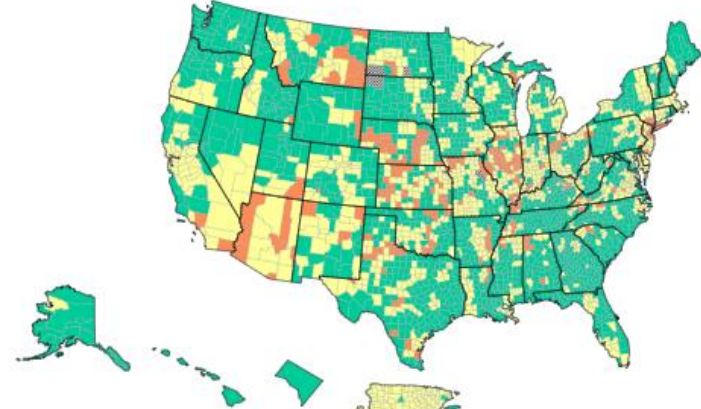
- Wear a mask on public transportation, and if you have symptoms, a positive test, or exposure to someone with COVID-19;
- Stay up-to-date with COVID-19 vaccines;
- Get tested if you have symptoms of COVID-19; and
- If you are at high risk for severe illness, consider taking additional precautions.

Low   Medium   High   No Data
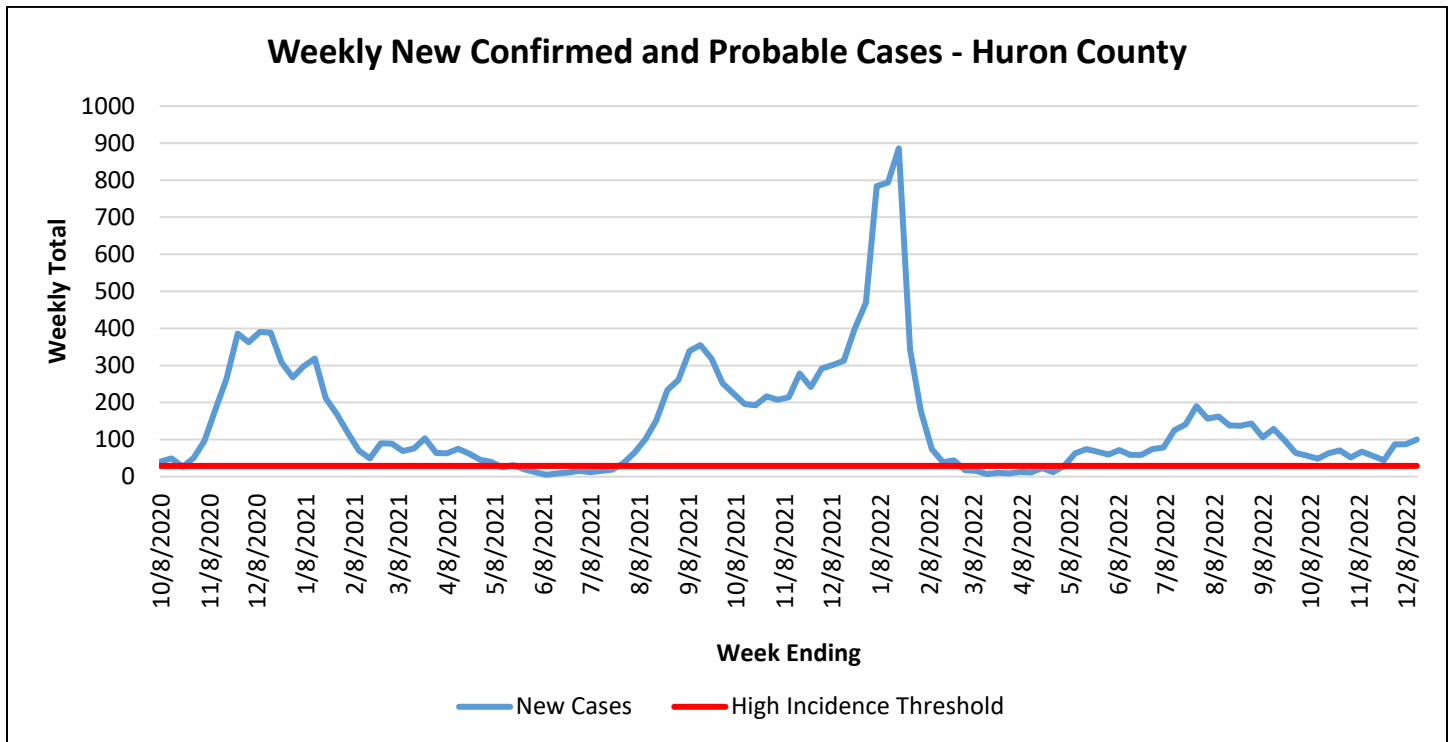
Previous Week: Medium

Current Week: Medium

Cumulative Data

Cumulative data for Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) cases in Huron County, Ohio as of Thursday, December 15, 2022 at 4:00pm. HCPH has reported a total of 17,472 cases to date.

Weekly New Confirmed and Probable Cases - Huron County

Two Week Incidence Rate

Huron County currently ranks 33rd among all Ohio counties for two-week incidence rate for the current reporting period. Last week, Huron County ranked 16th. The statewide average of cases per 100,000 residents over two weeks has increased from 231.5 the previous reporting period to 249.6 for this reporting period.

Cases per 100,000 Residents Over 2 Weeks

Statewide Average: 249.6

#	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	Erie	429.5	319	74,266	23	Defiance	291.4	111	38,087	45	Fulton	235.0	99	42,126	67	Putnam	206.7	70	33,861
2	Marion	419.4	273	65,093	24	Highland	287.3	124	43,161	46	Mahoning	234.8	537	228,683	68	Henry	203.7	55	27,006
3	Pike	385.3	107	27,772	25	Perry	285.1	103	36,134	47	Franklin	233.6	3,076	1,316,756	69	Athens	202.1	132	65,327
4	Ottawa	382.5	155	40,525	26	Hardin	283.8	89	31,365	48	Logan	232.1	106	45,672	70	Darke	201.5	103	51,113
5	Allen	381.0	390	102,351	27	Miami	282.3	302	106,987	49	Tuscarawas	231.6	213	91,987	71	Wood	199.5	261	130,817
6	Auglaize	363.6	166	45,656	28	Greene	280.0	473	168,937	50	Jackson	231.4	75	32,413	72	Hocking	198.1	56	28,264
7	Clinton	362.2	152	41,968	29	Cuyahoga	275.8	3,406	1,235,072	51	Summit	229.2	1,240	541,013	73	Jefferson	195.9	128	65,325
8	Hancock	344.4	261	75,783	30	Pickaway	275.4	161	58,457	52	Hamilton	228.4	1,867	817,473	74	Adams	195.0	54	27,698
9	Ross	340.4	261	76,666	31	Union	271.2	160	58,988	53	Fairfield	226.6	357	157,574	75	Columbiana	194.3	198	101,883
10	Van Wert	336.0	95	28,275	32	Wyandot	271.0	59	21,772	54	Preble	225.0	92	40,882	76	Madison	192.3	86	44,731
11	Crawford	335.0	139	41,494	33	Huron	266.0	155	58,266	55	Geauga	224.2	210	93,649	77	Trumbull	191.9	380	197,974
12	Sandusky	333.2	195	58,518	34	Medina	263.7	474	179,746	56	Portage	224.0	364	162,466	78	Shelby	179.0	87	48,590
13	Paulding	332.0	62	18,672	35	Warren	258.3	606	234,602	57	Belmont	223.9	150	67,006	79	Carroll	174.6	47	26,914
14	Scioto	328.0	247	75,314	36	Meigs	257.6	59	22,907	58	Champaign	223.7	87	38,885	80	Coshocton	172.1	63	36,600
15	Williams	316.1	116	36,692	37	Muskingum	254.0	219	86,215	59	Morrow	223.6	79	35,328	81	Gallia	167.2	50	29,898
16	Lorain	310.2	961	309,833	38	Fayette	248.9	71	28,525	60	Mercer	223.5	92	41,172	82	Stark	161.9	600	370,606
17	Brown	308.5	134	43,432	39	Clark	244.6	328	134,083	61	Delaware	222.8	466	209,177	83	Vinton	145.2	19	13,085
18	Montgomery	300.6	1,598	531,687	40	Butler	243.8	934	383,134	62	Ashtabula	218.0	212	97,241	84	Knox	144.4	90	62,322
19	Licking	299.1	529	176,862	41	Harrison	239.4	36	15,040	63	Ashland	215.0	115	53,484	85	Monroe	124.5	17	13,654
20	Richland	298.0	361	121,154	42	Lake	238.1	548	230,149	64	Wayne	211.7	245	115,710	86	Washington	123.5	74	59,911
21	Lawrence	292.6	174	59,463	43	Lucas	237.4	1,017	428,348	65	Guernsey	208.4	81	38,875	87	Noble	97.1	14	14,424
22	Seneca	291.8	161	55,178	44	Clermont	235.4	486	206,428	66	Morgan	206.8	30	14,508	88	Holmes	45.5	20	43,960

Current Week Data

*For the reporting period of 12/9/2022 – 12/15/2022, there were **100 new cases** reported in Huron County. The graphs below indicate positive COVID-19 cases in Huron County for the reporting period of 12/9/2022 – 12/15/2022, shown by age group and by zip code.*

New Cases by Age Group - 12/09 - 12/15

Age Group	Number of New Cases
Age 81+	3
Age 71-80 Years	16
Age 61-70 Years	10
Age 51-60 Years	11
Age 41-50 Years	17
Age 31-40 Years	18
Age 21-30 Years	13
Age 11-20 Years	6
Age 0-10 Years	6

■ 12/09-12/15

Current Week Infection Rate per 1,000 Residents

Zip Code	Rate
Bellevue 44811	2.40
North Fairfield 44855	2.36
Norwalk 44857	1.81
Willard 44890, 44850, 44807	1.15
New London 44851	1.13
Plymouth 44865	0.87
Wakeman 44889	0.75
Monroeville 44847	0.53
Greenwich 44837	0.44
Collins 44826	0.00
Milan 44846	0.00

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