



PUBLIC HEALTH MEMO

COVID-19

This is a stakeholder update for the week of March 22 to March 28, 2021.

Submitted on March 29, 2021.

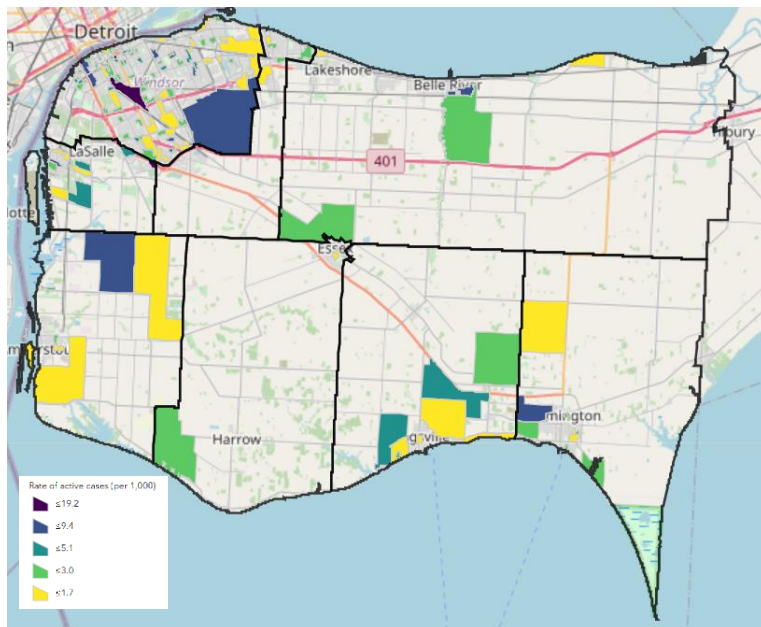
Current Statistics

For all up-to-date data and information, please visit the [Local Updates](#) page on our website, which includes the local COVID-19 Dashboard. Daily local public health live updates and weekly summary reports can also be found on the [WECHU YouTube Channel](#).

Case Counts in Windsor and Essex County

Confirmed Cases	Deaths	Resolved Cases	
13,809 (↑37)	402	13,114	
Current LTC & RH Outbreaks	Current Workplace Outbreaks	Current Community Outbreaks	Current School Outbreaks
0	6	5	1

Confirmed Active COVID-19 Cases in Windsor and Essex County

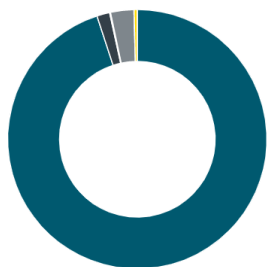


The map reflects the number of active positive COVID-19 cases per 1000 residents. Please note that this does not reflect where the cases were infected, but rather where they reside. Cases may have been exposed to COVID-19 outside of their home or in other settings.



Confirmed Cases in Windsor and Essex County by Status

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Resolved Self-isolating Inpatient Acute - Hospitalized
ICU - Hospitalized Deceased Unknown

Federal, Provincial and Local Guidelines and Recommendations (Updates)

Federal

- Public Health Agency of Canada released a [Statement from the Chief Public Health Officer of Canada on March 27, 2021](#), highlighting the latest longer-range forecast models that account for transmission dynamics of both non-variant COVID-19 and new variants of concern.
- On March 26, the Honourable Patty Hajdu, Minister of Health, announced an investment of \$14.3 million from the Government of Canada, through the [Canadian Institutes of Health Research \(CIHR\), to support new research on the COVID-19 virus variants](#).
- The Department of Finance Canada issued a new release for a funding announcement: [Government Announces Additional Pandemic Support For Vaccines, Health Care, and Municipalities](#) (March 25, 2021).
- On March 24, Health Canada issued label change and guidance on the AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccine. The statement is [here](#).

Provincial

- On March 26, the Government of Ontario encouraged eligible groups to book an appointment as soon as it's their turn. News release: [Booking COVID-19 Vaccinations Extends to Individuals Aged 70 and over in Toronto](#).
- The Province is launching an initiative to remove that barrier and ensure that anyone who wants a vaccine is able to get a vaccine. See March 23 news release [Ontario Helping People Get their COVID-19 Vaccination](#).

Windsor-Essex

- On March 26, 2021, a news release was issued about an [additional vaccination site for seniors: Amherstburg Vaccination Clinic Begins on Wednesday, March 31 for Adults 70 Years and Older](#)
- The WECHU would like to remind residents that [second dose vaccination appointments are now 16 weeks apart](#), except for residents in long term care homes or retirement homes per Ministry guidance.
- As of March 23, [adults 75 years and older born in 1946 or earlier will be able to register to book a COVID-19 vaccination appointment](#).
- Windsor Regional Hospital's [COVID-19 Assessment Centre Hours Reduced](#) reflecting lower volumes of individuals seeking tests for the virus as well as freeing up more resources for vaccination clinic needs.



- As of March 29, 2021, there are no long-term care and retirement home outbreaks, six workplace outbreaks, five community outbreaks, one school outbreak, and zero hospital outbreaks in the Windsor-Essex region. For more information on outbreaks, please visit the [WECHU website](#).

The WECHU has issued a public exposure notification for the following locations:

Potential Public Exposures

Location Name	Address	Dates of Exposure	Date of Notification
Tim Hortons	5250 Walker Road Tecumseh (Old Castle), N0R 1L0	22-Mar-21 to 23-Mar-21 : 9:30 PM to 6 AM 23-Mar-21 to 24-Mar-21 : 9:30 PM to 6 AM	28-Mar-21
Tim Hortons, Devonshire Mall	3100 Howard Ave, Windsor N8X 3Y8	16-Mar-21: 9:30 AM - 1 PM	26-Mar-21

*Locations will be removed from the list after 14 days from last exposure date.

*this information will be updated Monday to Friday between 8:30 and 4:30, Saturday and Sunday before noon.

- Although the potential exposures listed on the WECHU's [Public Exposure Notification page](#) are considered low risk, individuals who visited these locations on the identified dates are asked to monitor themselves for symptoms of COVID-19 for 14 days from the date of exposure.

Vaccine Clinic Updates

Vaccinations Administered to Windsor-Essex Residents

# of WEC Residents Vaccinated with 1 Dose	# of WEC Residents Vaccinated with 2 Doses	Total Doses Administered
60,768	12,083	84,934

- A list of COVID-19 vaccination clinics and sites across Windsor and Essex County can be found [here](#).

Guidance Documents

A list of all guidance documents from the Province of Ontario, and the Windsor-Essex County Health Unit (WECHU) can be found on the [Guidelines](#) page of the WECHU website.

- Ministry of Health, [COVID-19 Guidance: Point-of-Care Testing Use Case Guidance](#), Version 4.0 March 23, 2021
- [Appendix 9: Management of Individuals with Point-of-Care Testing Results](#) Version 4.0 March 23, 2021