

## SUMMARY – 20 APRIL 2020

### Cases & Deaths

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### Cases & Deaths

- The number of daily new cases in Wales tends to fluctuate but appears to be stabilising. Cardiff and Vale UHB and Aneurin Bevan UHB and are the areas with the highest number of cumulative cases. Cwm Taf Morgannwg had the highest number of new cases on 18 April.
- There is no clear trend in recent deaths data, in part due to disruption in reporting caused by the Easter holiday period.

### Health & Social Care

- The number of COVID-19 patients in critical care has stabilised over recent days. As at 19 April, 39% of critical care beds were occupied by COVID-19 patients.
- After a period of steady increase, the number of patients currently hospitalised as a result of COVID-19 has remained stable at around 1,200 for each day over the last week.
- The number of adult care homes that have had confirmed cases of COVID-19 has continued to rise and now stands at 11%. 9% of domiciliary care services have also experienced confirmed cases.

### Shielded & Vulnerable People

- 5,449 food parcels orders have been submitted up to 20 April, this is 6% of the shielded list but with considerable variation between authorities.
- 7,278 COVID-19 related emergency assistance payments have been made.

### Attitudes & Behaviours

- There is widespread evidence that people are largely observing social distancing. The number of trips taken seems to have stabilised and there were larger reductions over Good Friday and Easter Monday.
- In the latest weekly poll, there were increases in people saying they were stocking up on food, and those who believed the NHS is doing a good job.
- Whilst our poll data is broadly similar to the rest of the UK, a slightly higher proportion of people in Wales perceive the virus to be a threat to them personally and their job. The proportion of people stocking up on food is also slightly higher than the UK figure.
- Almost 15,000 people have registered as volunteers since the start of March.

### Economy & Labour Market

- The volume of new UC claimants declared per day increased from 800 to 1,800 between Mon 2 March and Tues 7 April, but has halved during the latest week (between 31 March and 7 April)
- An ONS snap survey showed that 38% of UK businesses that are still trading reported turnover substantially lower than expected during 22 March – 5 April. Wales data expected from this survey next week.
- By early April, all regions had seen job postings dip below 2019 levels.

### Public Services

- Around 2,700 children are attending school settings, amounting to less than 1% of the school population.

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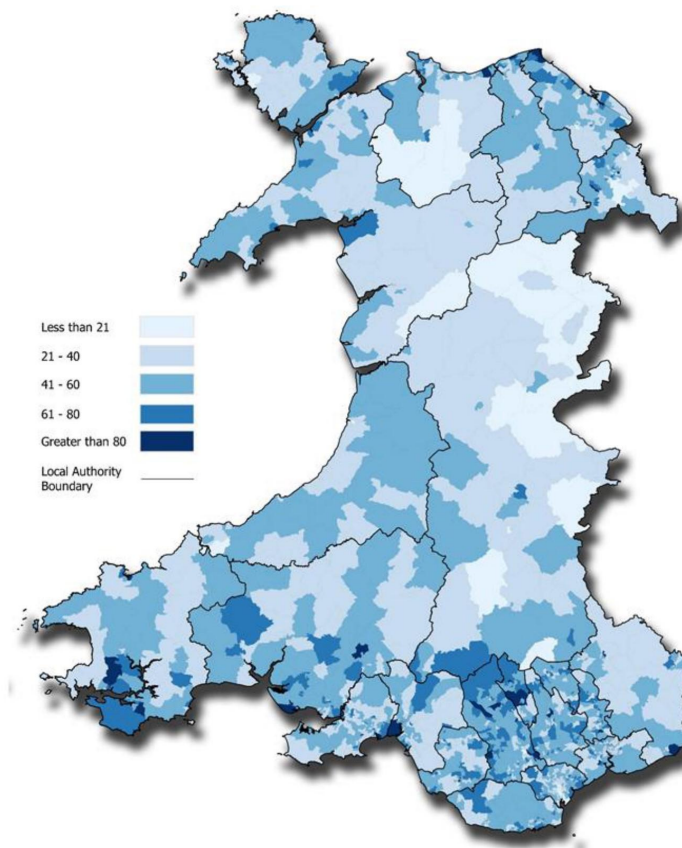
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- 86,390 people in Wales are within the shielded population (data as at 8 April)
- This is 2.8% of the total population Over 40% are aged 70+ and two-thirds are aged 60+
- Only 10% are aged under 40
- LA shares range from 2% in Ceredigion to nearly 10% in both RCT and Cardiff
- Numbers within each small area (LSOA) range from 2 to 100 people, with an average of 45
- The shielded population are slightly more likely than average to reside in the most deprived areas of Wales
- 10 thousand people are *both* in the shielded population *and* live in the 10% most deprived areas of Wales

**Shielded Population in Wales by Census Lower Super Output Area (LSOA)**



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