

# Covid-19 - Update to the Health and Wellbeing Board

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# Estimated prevalence of Covid-19 infections

Based on The Office for National Statistics (ONS) Covid-19 Infection Survey:

The percentage of people testing positive for coronavirus (COVID-19) continued to increase across the UK in the week ending 24 June 2022.

The increases are likely to be caused by increases in infections compatible with Omicron variants BA.4 and BA.5.

The estimated number of people in the community population testing positive was:

- 1,829,100 (1 in 30 people) in England
- 106,000 (1 in 30 people) in Wales
- 71,000 (1 in 25 people) in Northern Ireland
- 288,200 (1 in 18 people) in Scotland

In the week beginning 30 May 2022, the percentage of people estimated to have antibodies against SARS-CoV-2 (the virus that causes COVID-19) at or above the antibody level of 179 ng per millilitre (ng/ml):

- 97.6% in England
- 97.4% in Wales
- 97.7% in Northern Ireland
- 97.2% in Scotland



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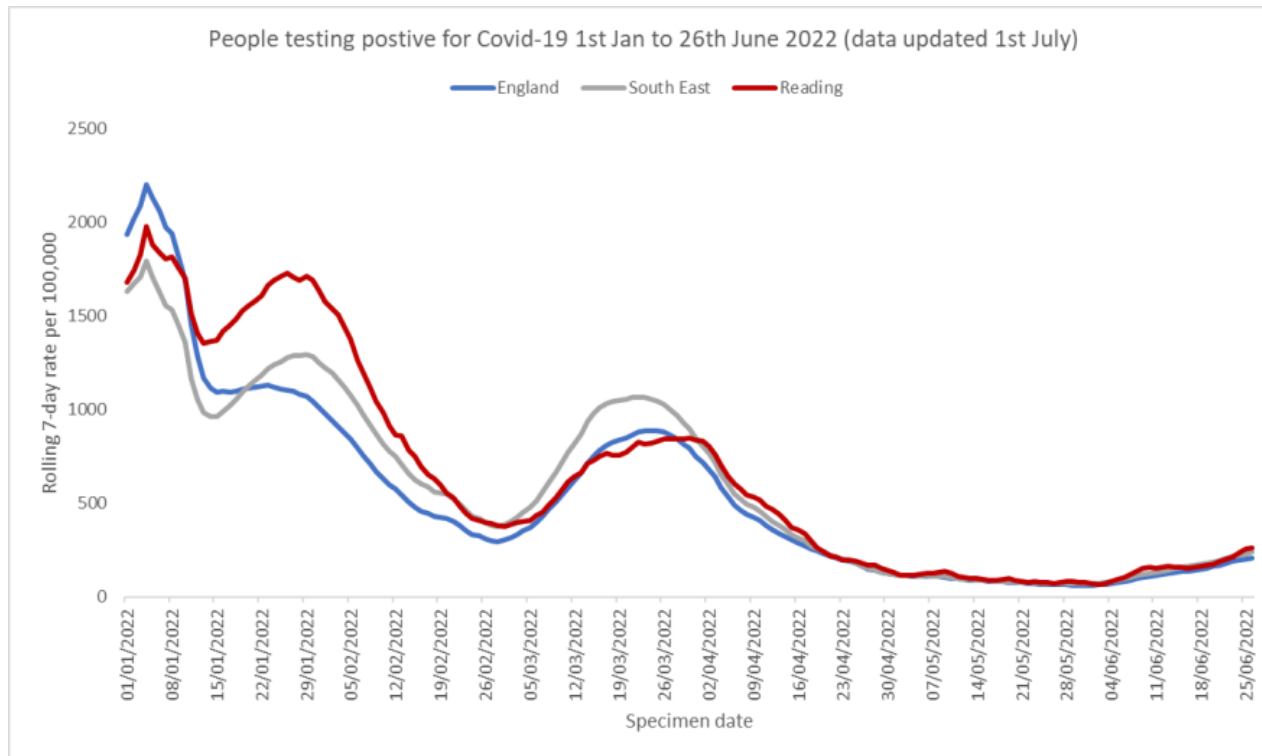
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# People testing positive for Covid-19 in Reading

- Access to free community testing for Covid-19 ended on the 1st April 2022
- Rates of people testing positive for Covid-19 per 100,000 population in Reading, England and the South-East have all declined rapidly since free testing ended
- There are signs that this decline may now be beginning to level off with a small increase in the numbers of people testing positive since the beginning of June

## People testing positive for Covid-19 per 100,000 population



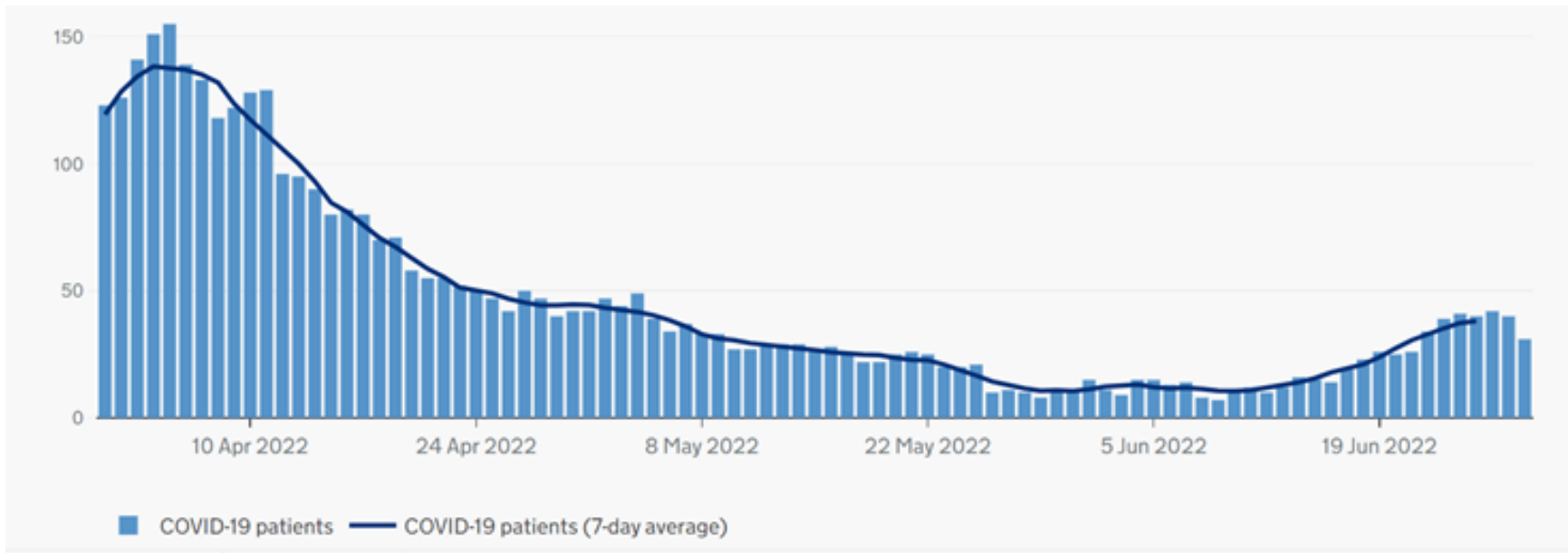
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# Covid-19 patients in Royal Berkshire Hospital

- The number of patients in The Royal Berkshire Hospital with Covid-19 increased slightly throughout June
- ICU and HDU admissions remain low

## People in hospital with Covid-19 – The Royal Berkshire Hospital



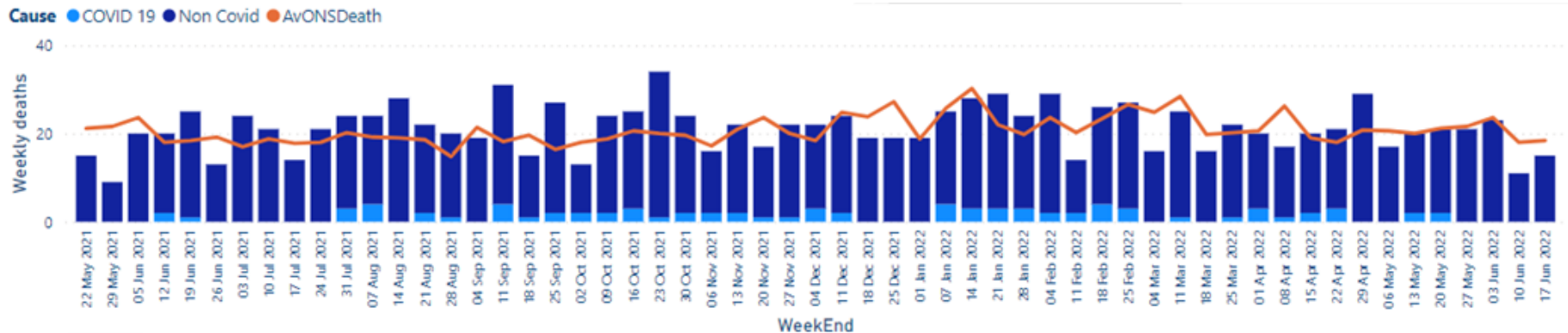
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# Mortality rate in Reading

- Analysis by the Office for National Statistics for the week ending 17th June suggest that the risk of death involving Omicron variant was 67% lower than the Delta variant of COVID-19
- In the past 4 week to the 17th June 2022, there have been 0 deaths in Reading where Covid-19 was recorded
- The total death rate in Reading is currently like the average for the time of year

## Weekly covid-19 and non-covid-19 deaths compared to the expected number of total deaths



(Source: Office for National Statistics; Death registrations and occurrences by local authority)

