Healthier Communities and Older People Overview and Scrutiny Panel – 8th February 2022

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Summary of COVID cases, PCR testing, deaths, vaccinations and inpatient statistics

20/01/22

Domain	Indicator	Merton (previous 7 days)	Merton change	London (previous 7 days)	London Change
Regional marker	R value (14th January)	-	-	0.7 to 1.1 (0.9 to 1.2)	↓
Cases over last week (8th – 14th Jan)	New cases (week ending 14th Jan)	1,802 (2,562)	↓	67,340 (105,018)	↓
	7 day rate (per 100,000)	984.7 (1,604.7)	↓	897.7 (1,550)	↓
	7 day rate aged 60+ (per 100,000)	694.3 (911.9)	↓	527.8 (959.5)	↓
Pillar 1 & 2 PCR tests over 7 days (23rd – 29th Dec)	Number of people tested	13,037 (21,202)	↓	565,085 (895,470)	↓
	Test positivity %*	32.8% (24.4%)	↑	31.5% (23.1%)	↑
Deaths (1st – 7th Jan)	Number of COVID-19 registered deaths	1 (3)	↓	171 (110)	↑
Vaccinations (as of 18th Jan)**	Vaccine uptake in 12–15 years (% who have had at least 1 dose)	46.4% (45.9%)	↑	40.5% (34.8%)	↑
	Vaccine uptake in 18–24 years (% who have had 3 doses)	27.2% (25.8%)	↑	21.9% (20.4%)	↑
	Vaccine uptake in 50+ (% who have had 3 doses)	70.8% (70.4%)	↑	68.5% (68.0%)	↑
Current inpatients in SWL hospitals (as of 11th Jan)	COVID inpatients	584 (567)	↑	3,826 (3,993)	↓
	COVID patients in mechanical ventilator beds	22 (32)	↓	219 (245)	↓

Please note: reporting periods are based on the latest data available from different sources.

*Test positivity refers to the percent of people that tested positive, therefore if someone had multiple tests or tested positive multiple times in a reporting week they are only counted once.

**Denominator based on NIMS population.

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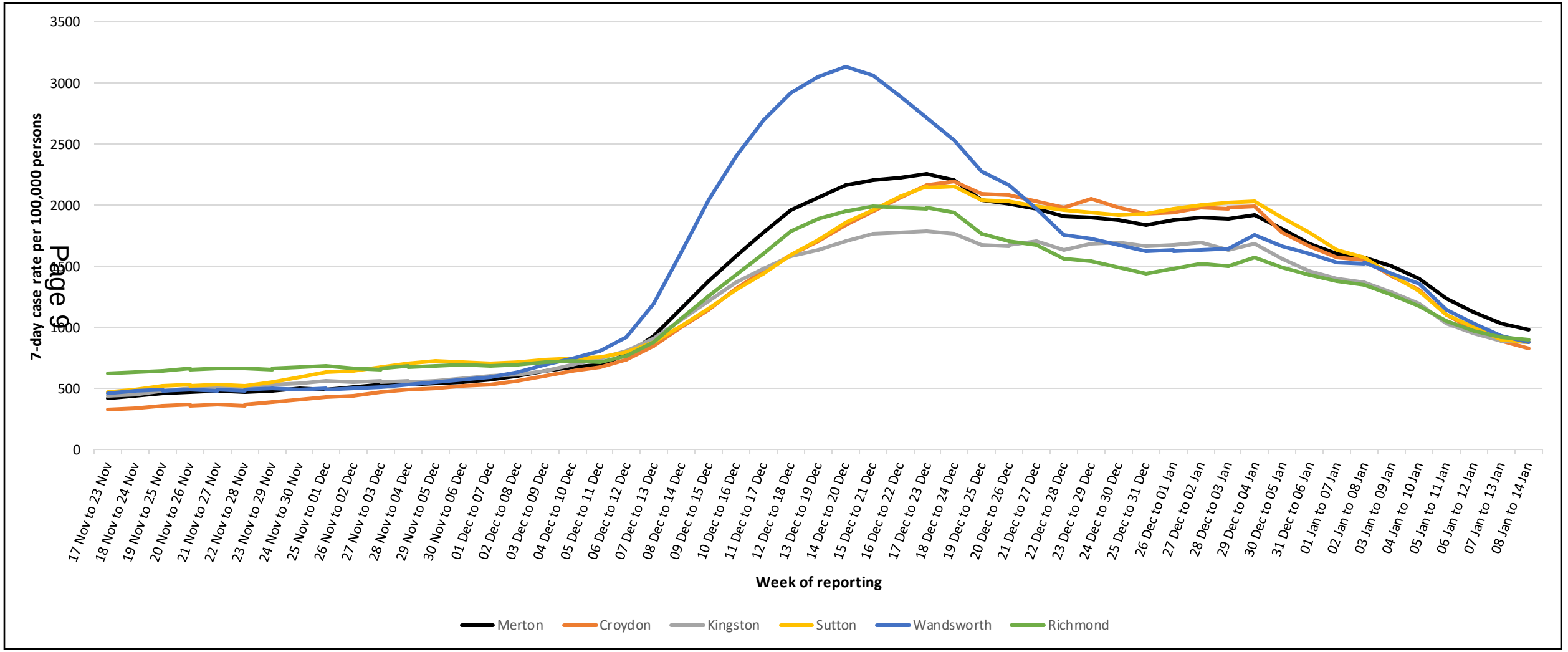
Rolling 7-day case rate per 100,000 people in Merton compared to SW London boroughs

Source: Coronavirus (COVID-19) in the UK (https://coronavirus.data.gov.uk/)

Reporting frequency: Daily

Key message: Merton has the highest rate among SW London boroughs



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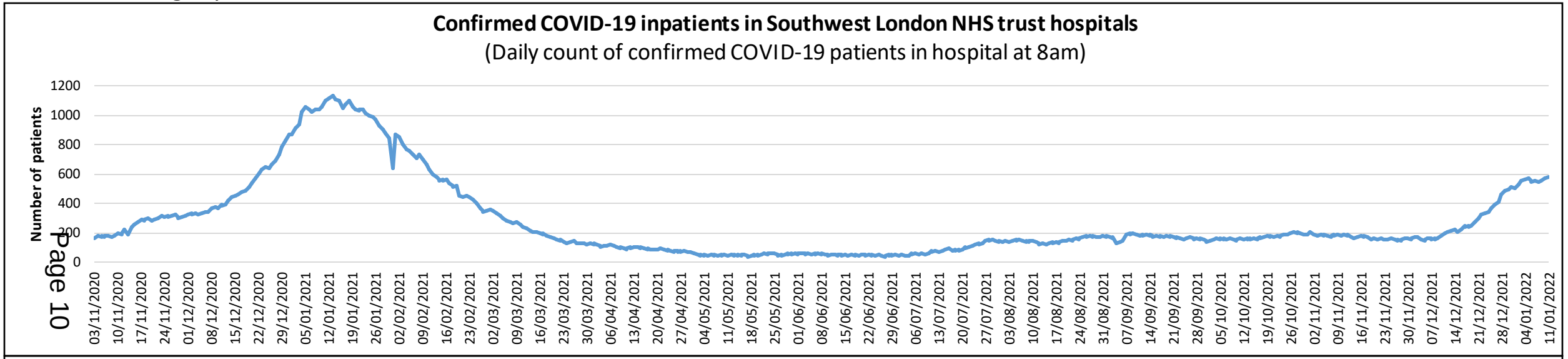
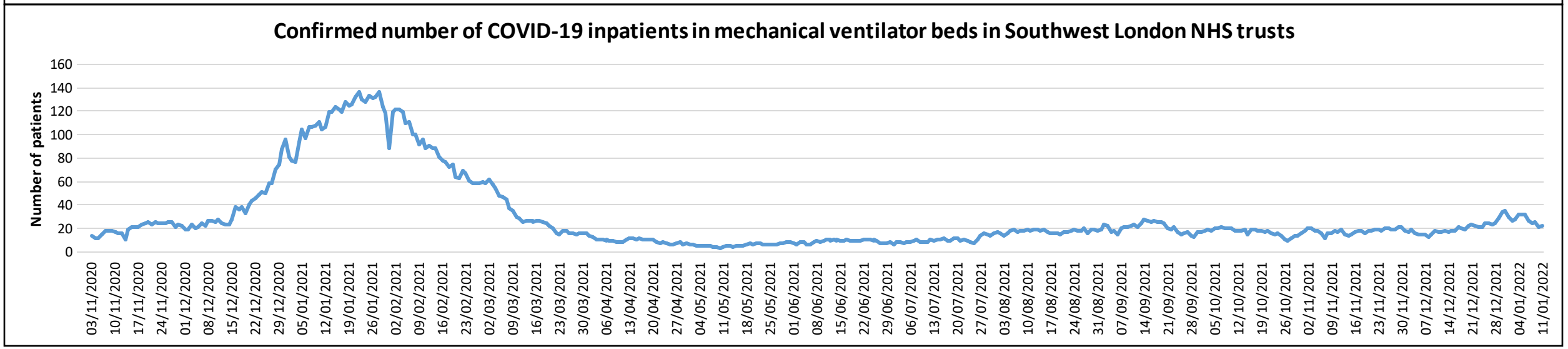
COVID-19 hospital indicators for South West London

Source: Coronavirus (COVID-19) in the UK (https://coronavirus.data.gov.uk/)
Reporting frequency: daily but inconsistent updates

Key message: The number of confirmed COVID-19 inpatients has increased in recent weeks while those on ventilation in South West London has reduced slightly





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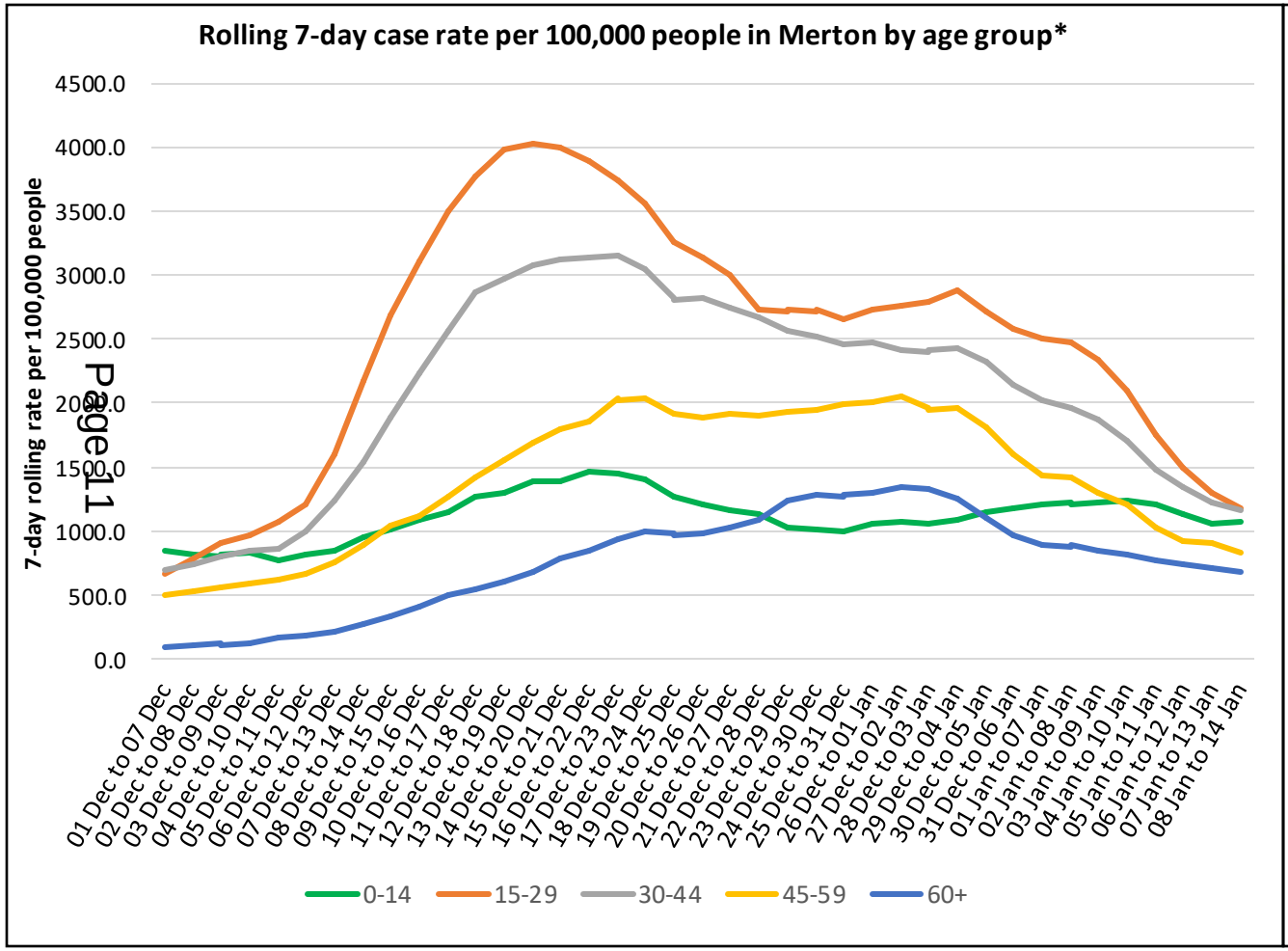
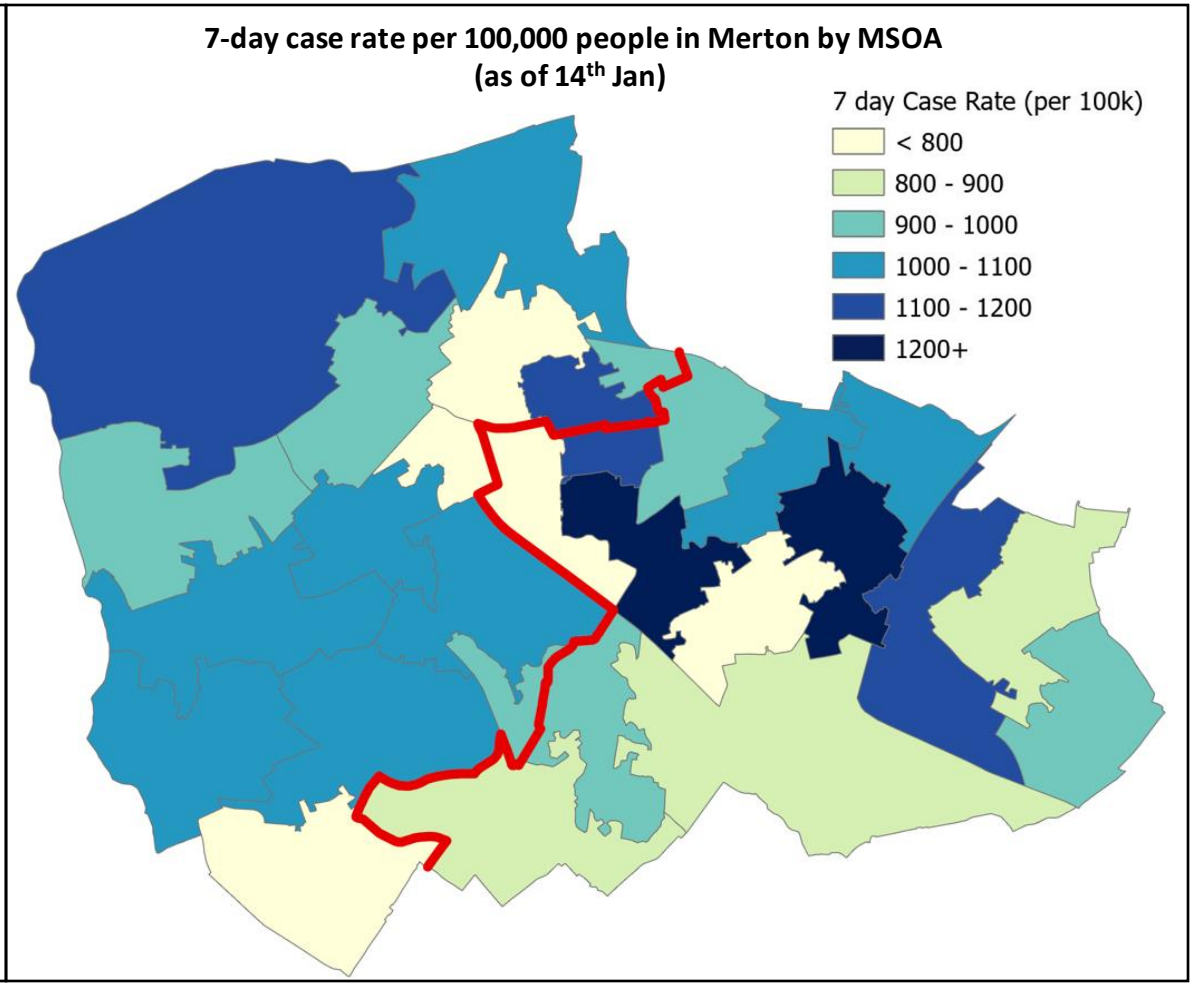
COVID-19 cases in Merton by age and geography

Source: Coronavirus (COVID-19) in the UK (https://coronavirus.data.gov.uk/)

Reporting frequency: daily

Key message: case rates are decreasing in all ages apart from 0-14 years and are slightly higher in east versus west Merton





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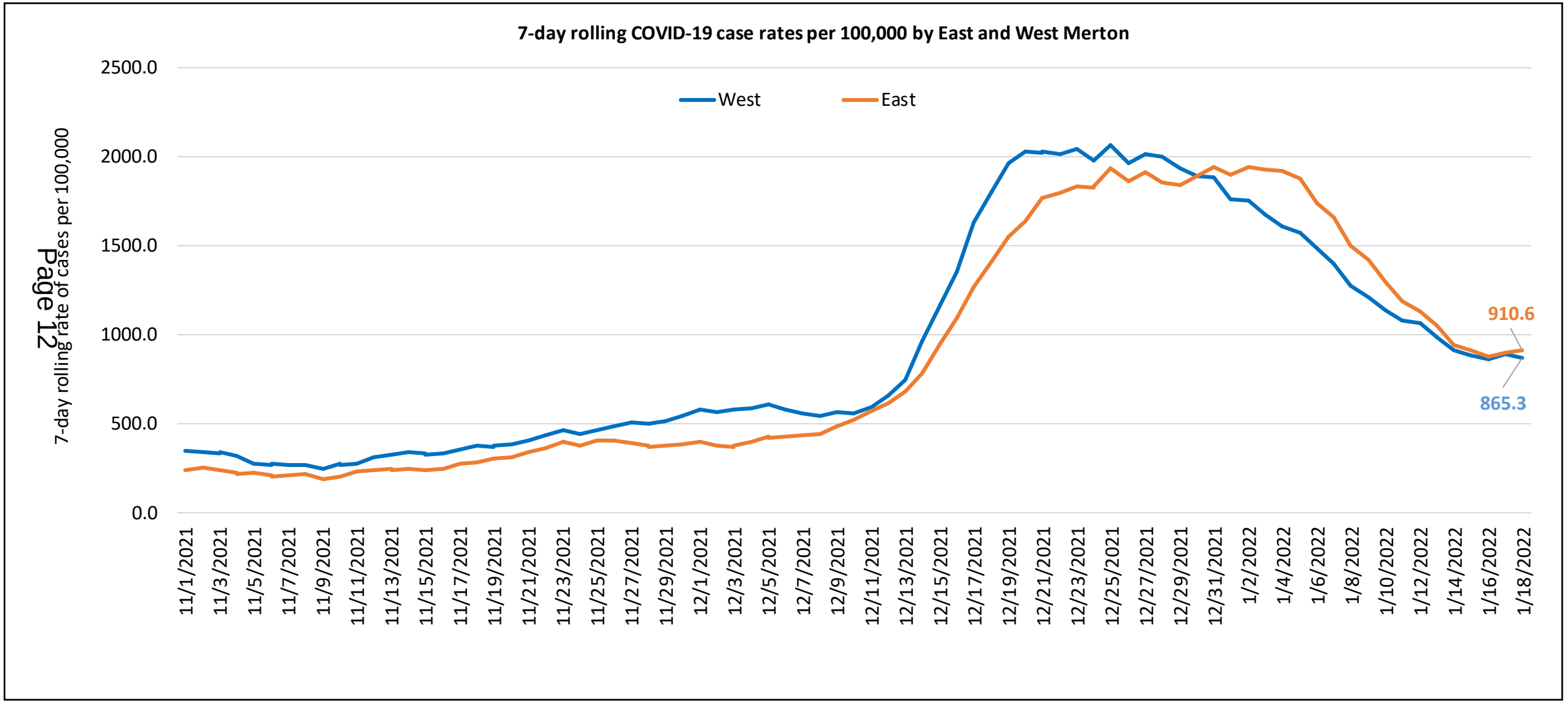
COVID-19 7-day case rates in East and West Merton

Source: UKHSA Covid-19 Situational Awareness Explorer
Reporting frequency: daily



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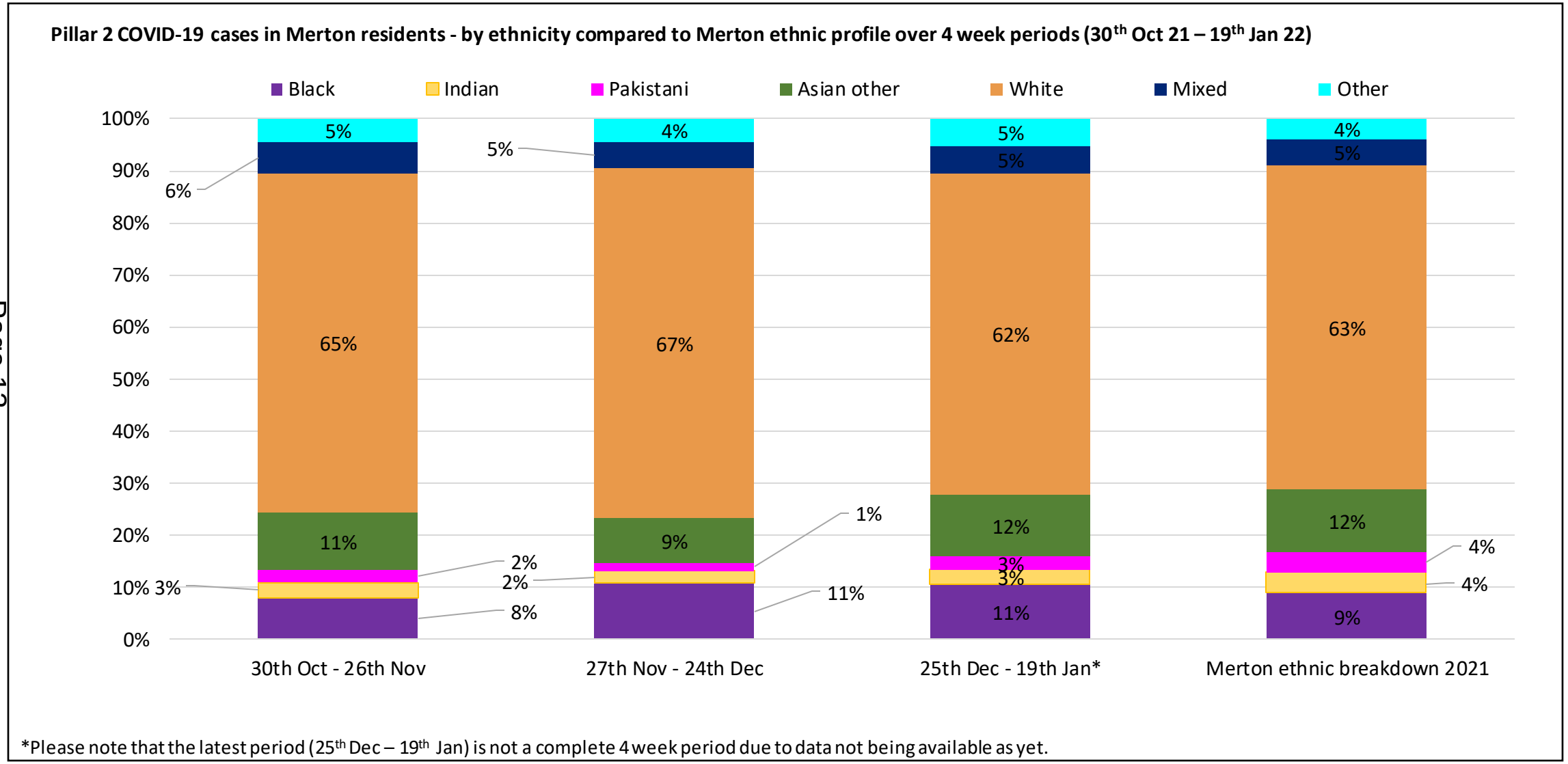
COVID-19 cases in Merton by ethnicity

Source: UKHSA Covid-19 Situational Awareness Explorer
Reporting frequency: daily



*Please note that the latest period (25th Dec – 19th Jan) is not a complete 4 week period due to data not being available as yet.

Data as of 19th Jan

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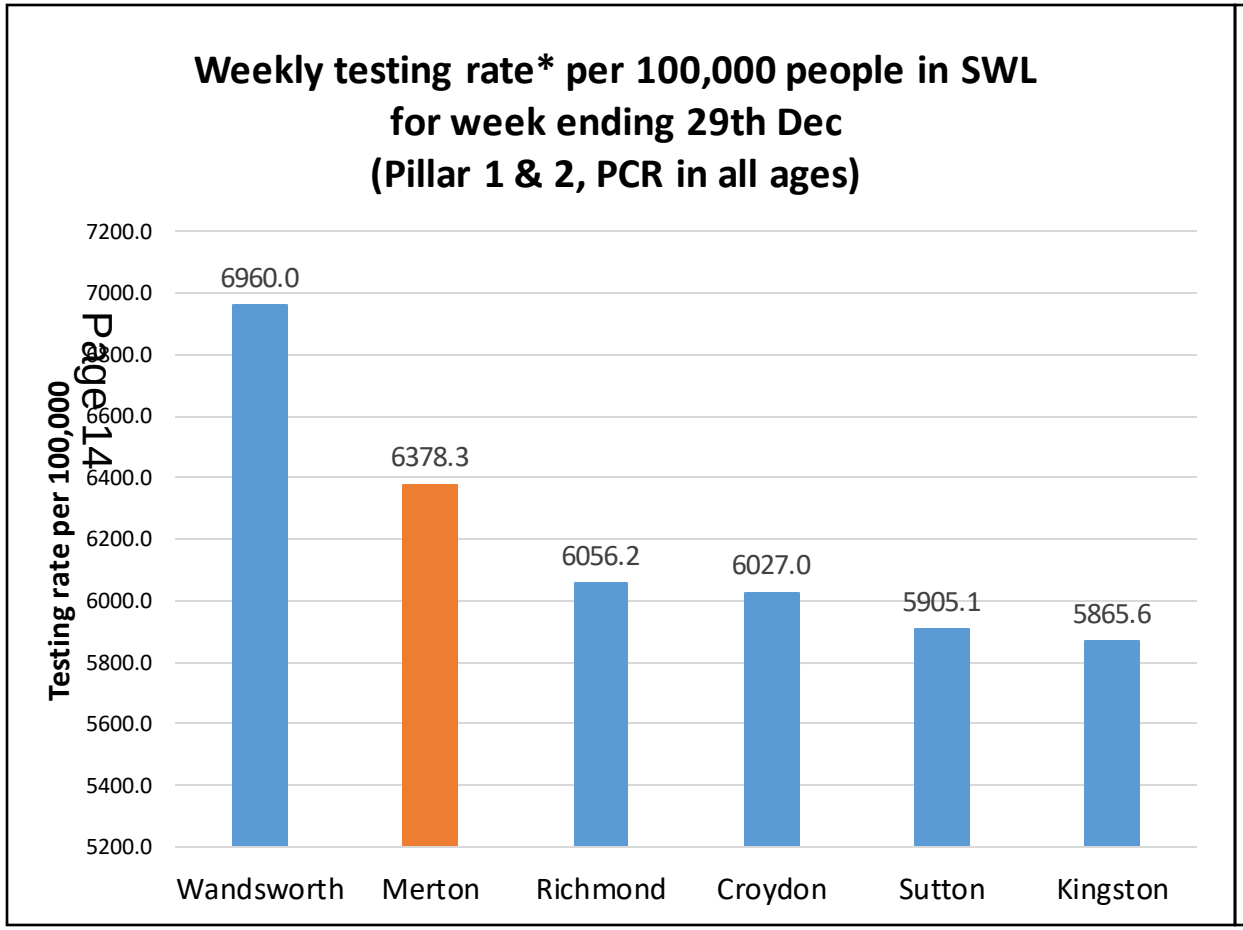
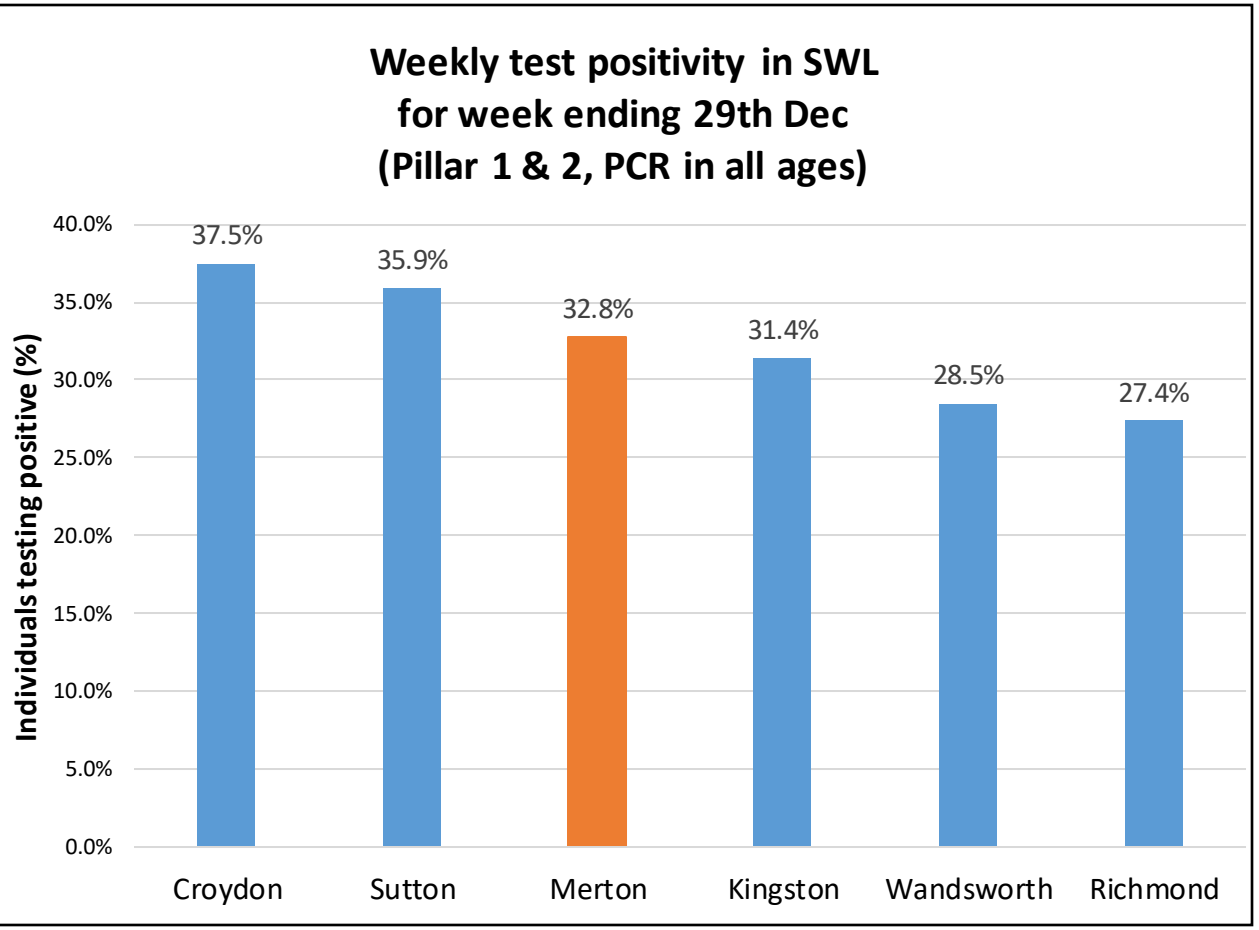
COVID-19 testing & positivity in Merton compared to SW London boroughs

Source: UKHSA Weekly statistics for NHS Test and Trace (https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/nhs-test-and-trace-statistics-england-weekly-reports)

Reporting frequency: weekly

Key message: Merton has the 2nd highest testing rate per 100,000 people and 3rd highest positivity compared to SWL boroughs





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Please note both the test rates and positivity presented on this slide are person-based, not test-based (if someone had multiple tests or tested positive multiple times in a reporting week they are only counted once).

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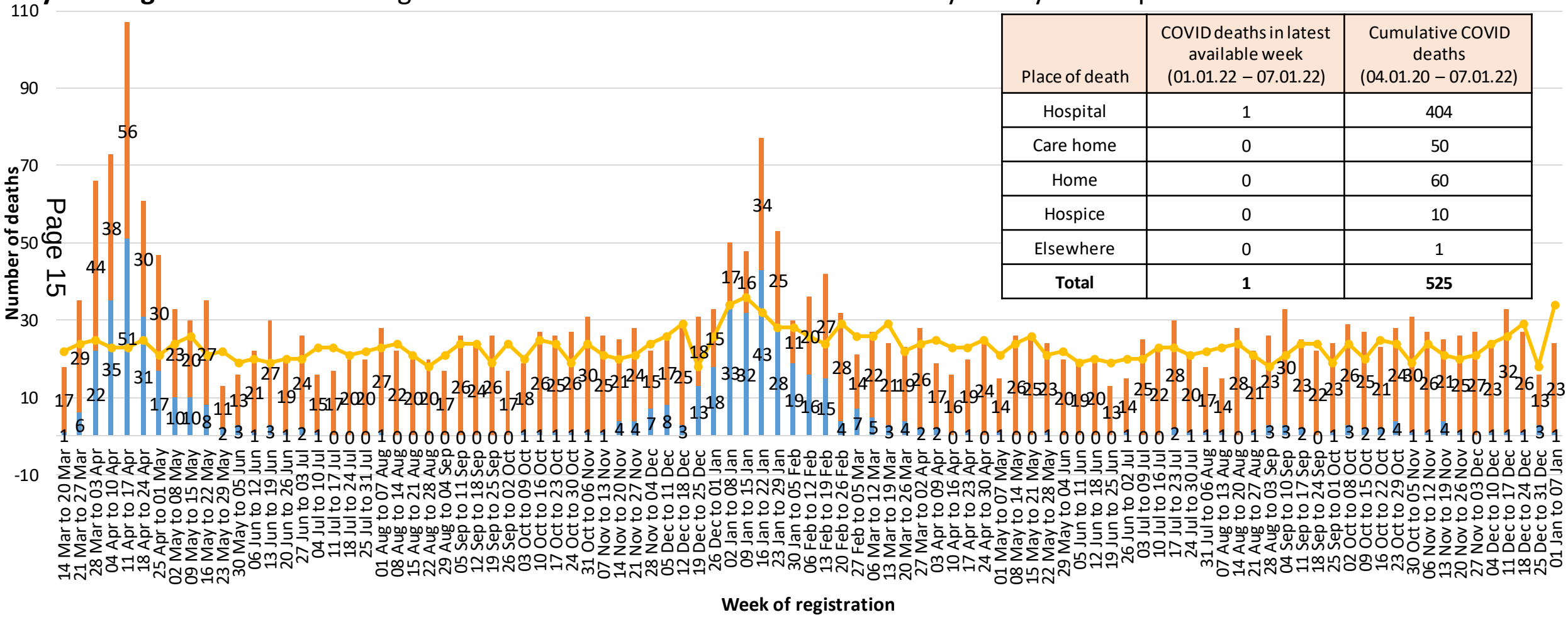
Number of deaths of Merton residents by week of registration

Source: ONS death registrations and occurrences by local authority and health board (https://www.ons.gov.uk/peoplepopulationandcommunity/healthandsocialcare/causesofdeath/datasets/deathregistrationsandoccurrencesbylocalauthorityandhealthboard)

Reporting frequency: Weekly

Key message: The number of registered deaths in Merton has remained fairly steady since April 2021

Place of death	COVID deaths in latest available week (01.01.22 – 07.01.22)	Cumulative COVID deaths (04.01.20 – 07.01.22)
Hospital	1	404
Care home	0	50
Home	0	60
Hospice	0	10
Elsewhere	0	1
Total	**1**	**525**



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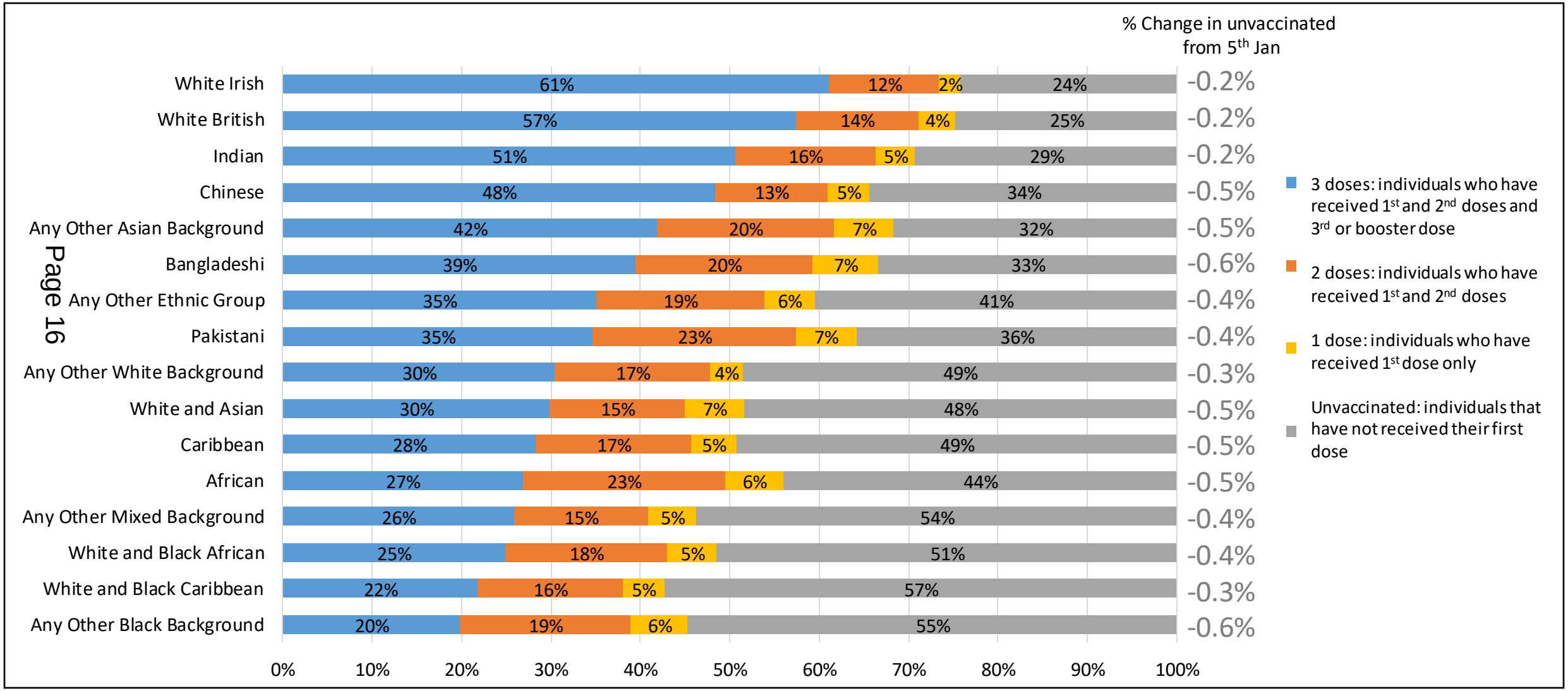
COVID-19 vaccination uptake by ethnicity

Source: UKHSA Covid-19 Situational Awareness Explorer

Reporting frequency: Daily

Key message: The unvaccinated population continues to decrease across all ethnic groups



Data using NIMS population for 12+ year olds as the denominator.

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COVID-19 vaccination uptake by age group and geography

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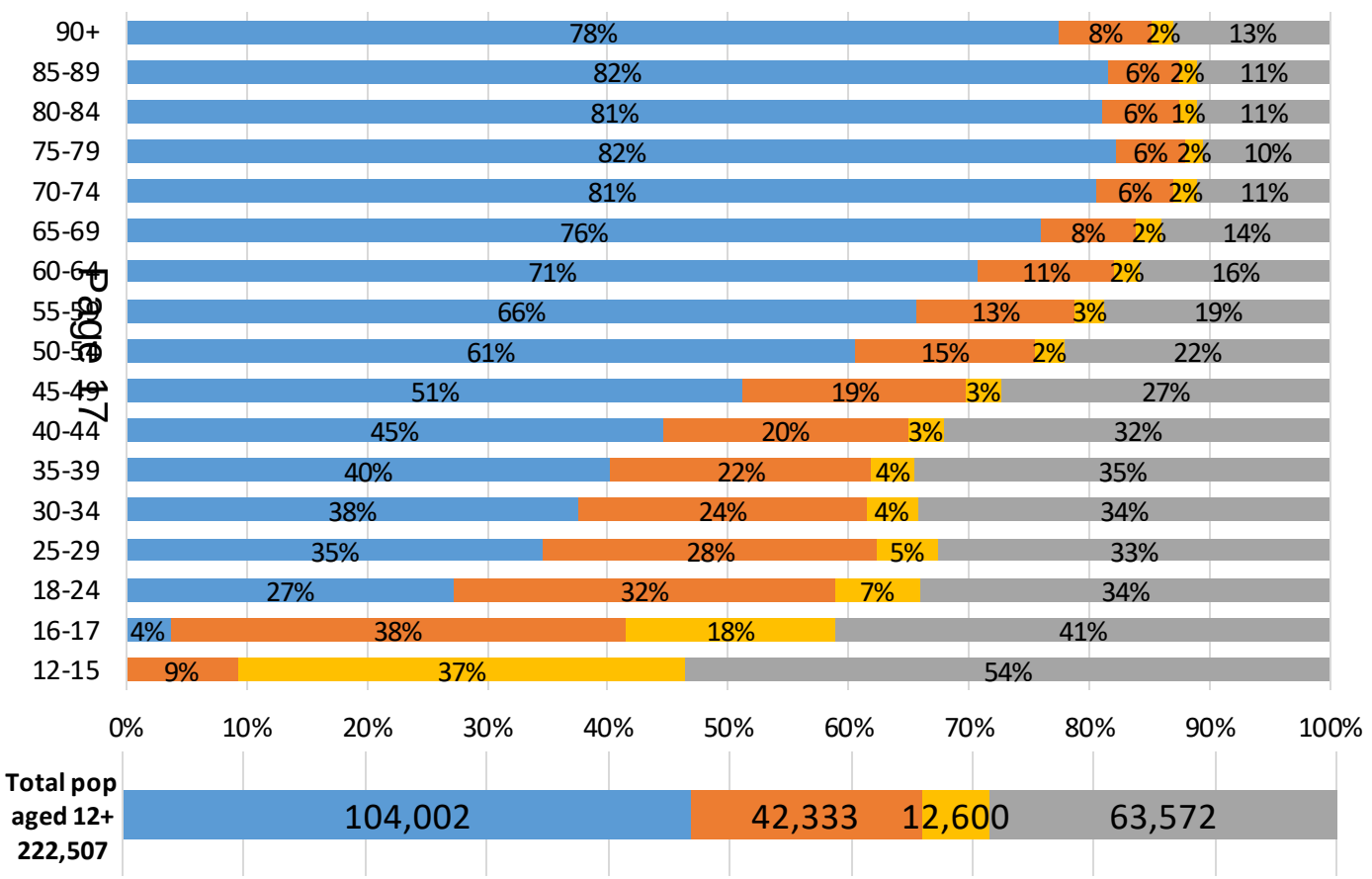
Source: Coronavirus (COVID-19) in the UK (https://coronavirus.data.gov.uk/) and NHS England COVID-19 vaccinations report (https://www.england.nhs.uk/statistics/statistical-work-areas/covid-19-vaccinations/)

Reporting frequency: Weekly

Key message: Vaccination uptake is lowest among younger age groups

Vaccine uptake by age band among Merton residents* (as of 17th Jan)



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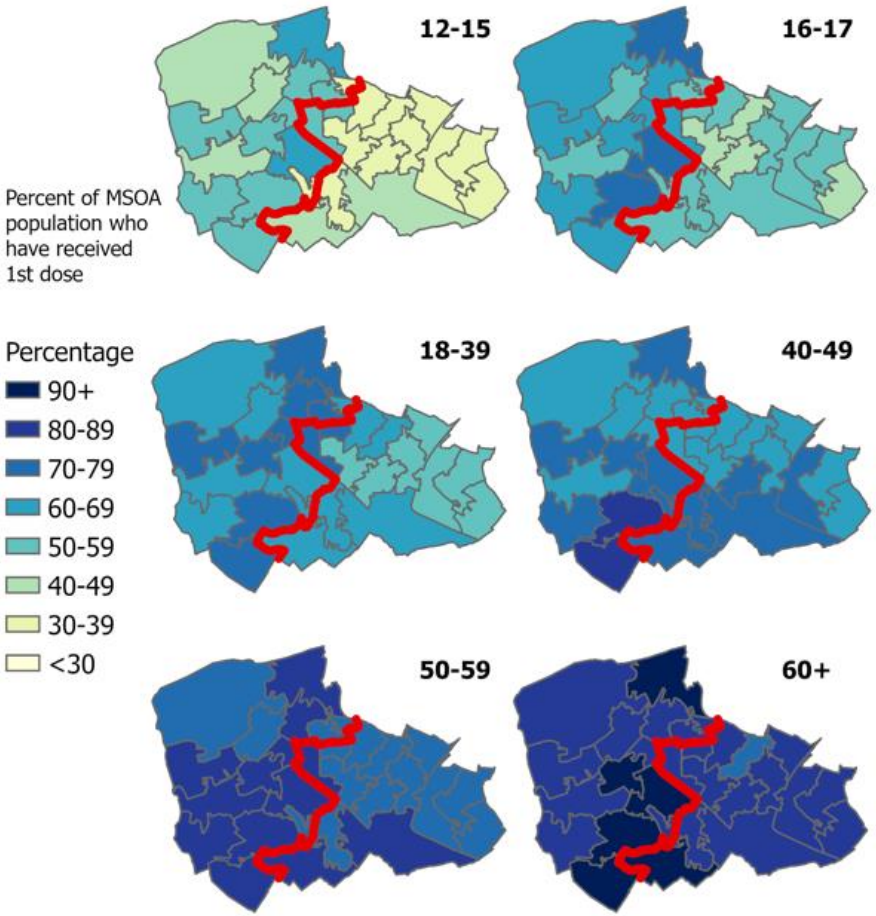
Percentage of Merton residents by age group and MSOA that have received at least the 1st dose of Covid-19 vaccination



Data as of 19th Jan (left hand figure data is for 17th Jan; right hand figures are based on latest available NHS England report for 3rd – 9th Jan).

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