As of 31st May, 3,911 deaths had been registered which mentioned COVID-19

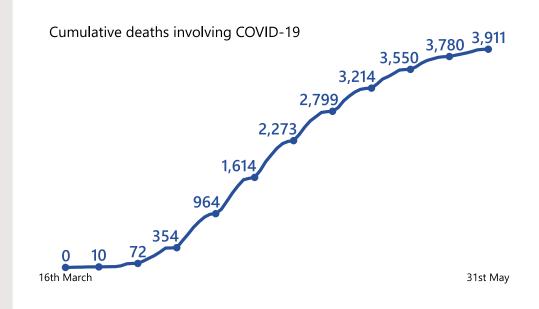
The first mention of COVID-19 in a death registration was in the week beginning 16th March 2020.

108 more deaths in week 22 compared to the 5 year average

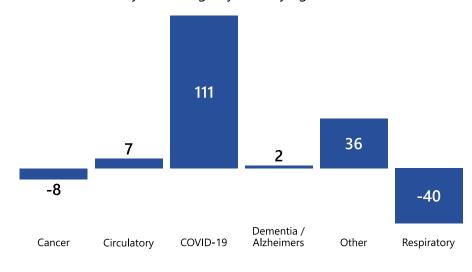
There were fewer deaths from respiratory diseases (-40) and cancer (-8) compared to the average for this time of year. As a result, the number of deaths where COVID-19 was the underlying cause (111) was greater than the total number of excess deaths.

Most deaths happen in care homes

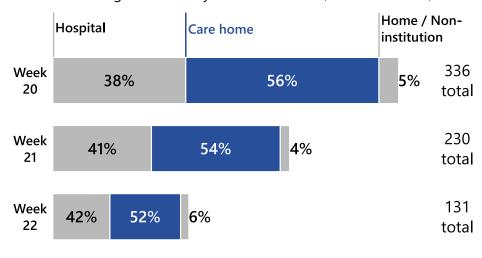
52% of deaths occured in care homes in week 22, down from 54% in weeek 21 and 56% in week 20.



Difference from 5 year average by underlying cause, week 22 2020



Deaths involving COVID-19 by location of death, weeks 20 to 22, 2020





Deaths have returned to normal levels in most areas

Greater Glasgow and Clyde had the most excess deaths over weeks 12 to 22 (58% above average for the previous five years). Lothian (51%), Lanarkshire (48%), Forth Valley (43%) and Tayside (42%) also had relatively high levels of excess deaths.

Excess deaths by Health Board of residence, weeks 12 to 22

