Leeds City Region COVID-19 Dashboard



NERO Weekly Bus MCard and Concessionary Use

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Transport and environmental impacts

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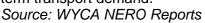
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Local bus patronage

For the week beginning Monday 26th October 2020, the combined level of MCard and concessionary fare use shows a **reduction of 62%** against the week beginning 2nd March 2020, a **24% decline** against the previous week. This is driven mainly by a reduction in MCard product usage, which is likely due to school half term transport demand.



Station footfall

Data from Network Rail shows total daily footfall levels on Leeds Station Central Concourse. For the week beginning Monday 26th October, this shows a **reduction of 68%** against the week beginning 2nd March 2020, **an increase of 3%** against the previous week.

Source: Network Rail / Station Capacity Team stationcapacity@networkrail.co.uk

Air quality

Generally, for sites with long-term data available, NO2 levels remain below prelockdown levels. Data from CA-funded Zephyr air quality monitoring sites in and approaching town centres reveal a steady increase in NO2 levels over time.



Metro website hits

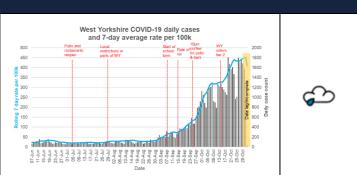
In week 32 the average number of weekday pageviews for the METRO website was 38% of the same week of 2019, the lowest proportion since week 14. Pageviews fell by 19% from the previous week, and are now only 49% higher than in week 4 of lockdown.



Social and economic impacts

Local virus prevalence

As of the 28th October, the 7-day moving average West Yorkshire COVD-19 rate was 444 cases per 100k, higher than the Yorkshire & the Humber rate (391 per 100k) and the England rate (226 per 100k). Rates are increasing most sharply in Kirklees, Bradford and Wakefield but are more stable in Calderdale and Leeds.



Local labour market

The number of vacancies for jobs in West Yorkshire posted online during week ending 31st October was 5% lower than in the previous week (based on a 4-week moving average). Nationally, the number of vacancies posted also fell by 5%. There are early signs of a downward shift in vacancies but the data are volatile.



Local business / economic data

The number of business dissolutions / liquidations in West Yorkshire appears to have been tailing off in late October though data may still be subject to revision. As of November 4th, 576 businesses had been liquidated in the week ending October 20th, compared to 908 a week earlier. However this is still higher than the weekly average of 330 liquidations in the first quarter of 2020.



Local business insight

Interactions to report on this week are very limited given the half term break. However, many of the companies spoken to this week supply into the hospitality sector and report weak demand. The 10pm restrictions have exacerbated this in the experience of some, and there are concerns that the impact will become more pronounced as we enter further restrictions at what would normally be the busiest time of the year for the industry.

