COVID-19 outbreaks in Australian residential aged care homes

# National snapshot

As at 8:00 am 21 March 2024, there are 1,165 active COVID-19 cases in 186 active outbreaks in residential aged care homes (RACHs) across Australia. There have been 81 new outbreaks, 14 new resident deaths and 891 combined new resident and staff cases reported since 14 March 2024.

Table : Aged Care COVID-19 data as at 8.00am 21 March 2024[[1]](#footnote-2)

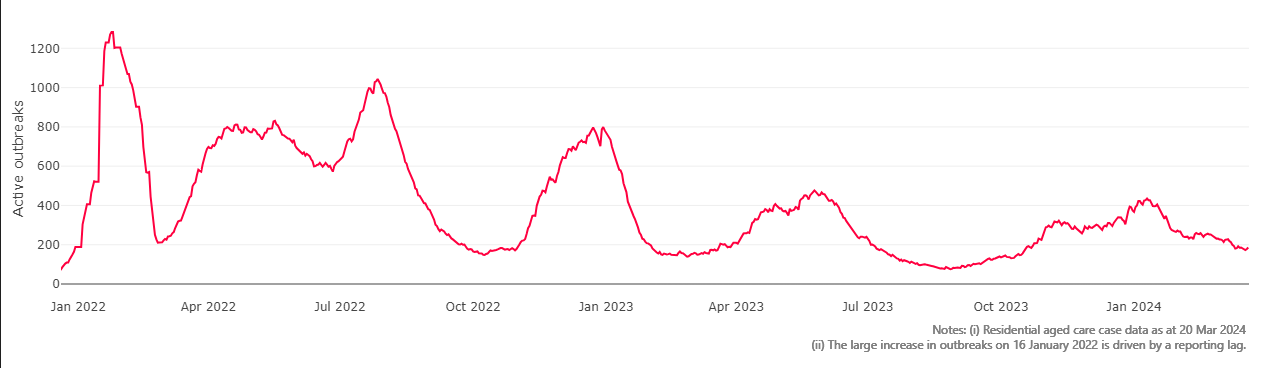
| Category | Active*[[2]](#footnote-3)* | Change in active (7 days) | Cumulative  Total | Cumulative increase (7 days) |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Outbreaks[[3]](#footnote-4)** | 186 | -6 | 19,679 | 81 |
| **RACHs affected** | 186 | -6 | 2,865 | 1 |
| **Resident cases[[4]](#footnote-5)** | 818 | -256 | 188,279 | 642 |
| **Resident deaths** | N/A | N/A | 6,362 | 14 |
| **Staff cases** | 347 | -114 | 105,773 | 249 |

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | ACT | NSW | NT | QLD | SA | TAS | VIC | WA | Total |
| Total RACHs with outbreaks | 1 | 50 | 1 | 46 | 21 | 10 | 39 | 18 | 186 |
| *Total number of active resident cases* | 1 | 213 | 1 | 196 | 95 | 67 | 147 | 98 | 818 |
| *Total number of active staff cases* | 0 | 90 | 0 | 94 | 54 | 39 | 33 | 37 | 347 |
| Total outbreaks opened in previous 7 days | 0 | 24 | 0 | 14 | 6 | 3 | 23 | 11 | 81 |
| Total outbreaks closed in previous 7 days | 0 | 16 | 0 | 21 | 8 | 4 | 32 | 7 | 88 |

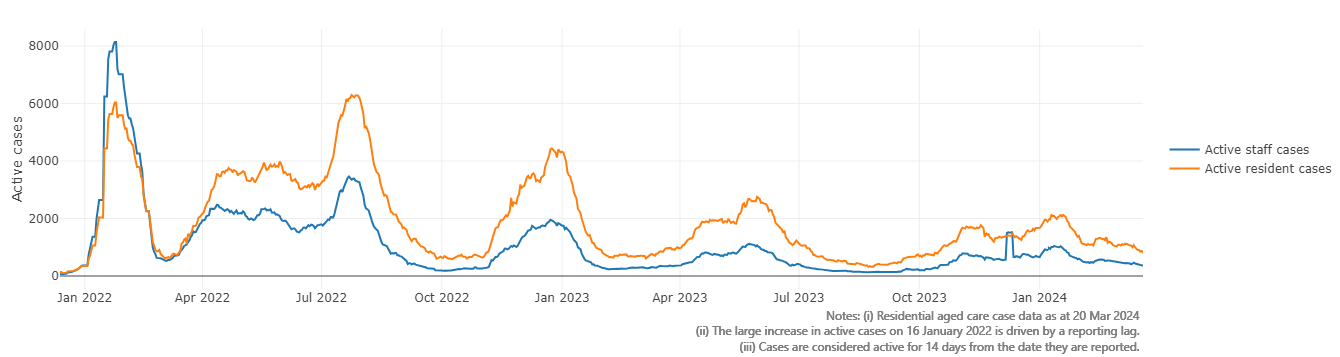
Residential aged care homes with active outbreaks are included in Appendix 1.

**Table 2: Overview of active outbreaks in Australia**

**Figure 1: National outbreak trends in aged care**



**Figure 2: Trends in aged care cases – December 2021 to present**



## Mortality

For the period of 1 July 2023 to 18 March 2024, COVID-19 is recorded as the cause of death in 1.6% of all deaths in permanent residents in aged care homes.

Since the beginning of the Omicron outbreak in mid December[[5]](#footnote-6) 2021, there have been 134,434 deaths in residential aged care from all causes (report period from 15 December 2021 to 18 March 2024)[[6]](#footnote-7). COVID-19 deaths account for 4.1% of this figure.

Over the course of the pandemic, all-cause excess mortality in residential aged care was below expected numbers in 2020, and within expected range in 2021. In the first half of 2022, all-cause excess mortality in residential aged care was above the expected range. Excess mortaility for the second half of the 2022 is yet to be finalised.

**Figure 3: COVID-19 deaths in RACHs overlaid with community deaths**



## Workforce in active residential aged care outbreaks

As at 22 March 2024, workforce surge staff have filled a total of 189,873 shifts in aged care services. These shifts include roles for GPs, nurses, care workers, allied health workers, executive and ancillary staff. In the past 7 days (to 15 March 2024) surge workforce providers have assisted 14 residential aged care homes and filled 368 shifts in aged care services.

Table 3: Workforce resources supplied to RACHs

| Workforce provider | Total shifts | | Previous 7 days | |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Recruitment, Consulting and Staffing Association | 103,905 | 0 | |
| Healthcare Australia (Workforce Surge) | 15,739 | 59 | |
| Healthcare Australia (NACER) | 2,295 | N/A | |
| Mable | 2,711 | N/A | |
| Aspen Medical | 28,804 | 0 | |
| HealthX | 32,363 | 309 | |
| Torrens | 4,056 | N/A | |

The Australian Defence Force provided support to a total of 542 residential aged care homes between February and September 2022. The ADF deployment ceased on 30 September 2022.

## Oral antiviral treatments

Distribution of the oral anti-viral Lagevrio (Molnupiravir) commenced on 6 February 2022 to all RACHs with outbreak sites prioritised for delivery. The National Medical Stockpile has deployed 48,269 treatment courses of Lagevrio (Molnupiravir) to RACHs.

104,101 prescriptions for Lagevrio (Molnupiravir) have been issued to residents in RACHs, with a further 10,315 prescriptions for Paxlovid (nirmatrelvir + ritonavir) also issued since 28 February 2022 and up to 29 February 2024.­

\*Note: Oral antiviral data is only being updated monthly.

## Vaccination in RACHs

On 29 February 2024, the 2024 COVID-19 vaccination advice was released. Recommended doses for the program in 2024 are based on an individual's level of severe immunocompromise and age. Recommendations can be found on the Department of Health and Aged Care (department) website at: <https://www.health.gov.au/our-work/covid-19-vaccines/getting-your-vaccination/booster-doses>.  
  
People living in residential aged care are a high priority for the Government’s COVID-19 vaccination program.

Older age remains the biggest risk factor for severe COVID-19 disease. Vaccination offers added protection to help reduce the risk of severe illness or hospitalisation of aged care residents.

The department is working with both the aged care and primary care sectors to ensure residents have access to the COVID-19 vaccine. It continues to target support for RACHs to arrange COVID-19 vaccinations with local primary care providers such as GPs, community pharmacists and Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services.

*\* The department is reviewing COVID-19 vaccination data and reporting for 2024. Updated data on COVID-19 vaccinations in residential aged care will be provided in the coming weeks.*

## Infection control and audit

The Aged Care Quality and Safety Commission (Commission) conducts site audits and assessment contacts (site and non-site) to monitor and assess residential aged care services against the Aged Care Quality Standards (see Table 4 below). This may include conducting infection control monitoring (ICM) spot checks.

An ICM spot check involves an on-site visit to residential aged care services, without an outbreak, to observe infection control practices, to ensure that staff, management and visitors are adhering to safe personal protective equipment protocols and to safe infection control arrangements, as required under the Quality Standards.

As at 21 March 2024, the Commission had conducted 6,036 ICM spot checks to observe infection control practices and PPE protocols in RACHs.

Table 4: Total quality assessment and monitoring activities with residential services (including IPC), by type and month 1 March 2020 to 21 March 2024

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Regulatory Activities | 2019-20  (1 Mar - 30 Jun 2020) | 2020-21 | 2021-22 | 2022-23 | 2023-24  (to 21 Mar) | Total |
| ****Site visits**** | 318 | 3,452 | 1,732 | 3,814 | 2,227 | **11,543** |
| ****Non-site activities**** | 3,709 | 8,381 | 6,665 | 1,413 | 406 | **20,574** |
| Total activities | 4,027 | 11,833 | 8,397 | 5,227 | 2,633 | **32,117** |

# Appendix 1: National residential aged care homes (RACHs) with active outbreaks COVID-19

Please note, information reported in this table has been directly reported to the department by RACHs. Total cases refers to all staff and resident cases associated with the active outbreak and may not reflect the count of currently active cases. Where numbers have been incorrectly reported, RACHs are able to correct these in the COVID-19 Support Portal through My Aged Care. Where a RACH is reporting less than six resident or staff cases or less than six deaths, data has been suppressed to protect the privacy of affected individuals (note that “n/p” indicates data is not provided to protect privacy). Data below for individual services is as at 21 March 2024.

| Service Name | State | Resident Deaths | Resident Cases | Staff Cases | Total Incidents |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| BaptistCare Griffith | Australian Capital Territory | 0 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| Abbey House Aged Care | New South Wales | 0 | 10 | <6 | n/p |
| Advantaged Care at Bondi Waters | New South Wales | 0 | 10 | <6 | n/p |
| Amaroo Aged Care Facility | New South Wales | 0 | 44 | 26 | 70 |
| Annie Green Court | New South Wales | 0 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| Arcare Mollymook | New South Wales | 0 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| Aruma Lodge | New South Wales | 0 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| Bathurst Riverview Care Community | New South Wales | 0 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| Berkeley Vale Care Community | New South Wales | <6 | 34 | 20 | 54 |
| Boronia House | New South Wales | 0 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| Cameron Park Care Community | New South Wales | 0 | 8 | 8 | 16 |
| CASS Residential Aged Care Facility | New South Wales | 0 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| Catholic Healthcare Holy Spirit Croydon | New South Wales | 0 | 8 | 0 | 8 |
| Chamberlain Gardens Aged Care | New South Wales | 0 | <6 | <6 | <6 |
| Coastal Waters Aged Care | New South Wales | 0 | <6 | <6 | 7 |
| Estia Health Albury | New South Wales | 0 | <6 | <6 | <6 |
| Estia Health Dalmeny | New South Wales | 0 | 6 | 8 | 14 |
| Estia Health Epping - The Poplars | New South Wales | 0 | 9 | <6 | n/p |
| Estia Health Willoughby | New South Wales | 0 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| Garden Village | New South Wales | 0 | <6 | <6 | <6 |
| HammondCare - Wahroonga | New South Wales | <6 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| Highfields Manor Port Macquarie | New South Wales | 0 | 9 | <6 | n/p |
| Kanwal Gardens Care Community | New South Wales | 0 | 15 | 15 | 30 |
| Leigh Place | New South Wales | 0 | 9 | <6 | n/p |
| Maitland Grange Care Community | New South Wales | 0 | <6 | <6 | 6 |
| Mary Potter Nursing Home | New South Wales | 0 | <6 | <6 | <6 |
| Moyne Aged Care Plus Centre (0033) | New South Wales | 0 | 12 | 0 | 12 |
| Murravale Aged Care Facility | New South Wales | 0 | <6 | <6 | <6 |
| Murray House | New South Wales | 0 | 6 | <6 | n/p |
| Narrabeen Glades Care Community | New South Wales | <6 | 27 | <6 | n/p |
| Narraweena Grove Care Community | New South Wales | 0 | 38 | 8 | 46 |
| Orange Grove Care Community | New South Wales | 0 | <6 | <6 | 7 |
| Randwick Montefiore Home | New South Wales | 0 | 0 | <6 | <6 |
| Regis Rose Bay | New South Wales | 0 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| RFBI West Wyalong Masonic Village | New South Wales | 0 | <6 | <6 | <6 |
| Ruby Manor | New South Wales | 0 | 7 | 0 | 7 |
| Sienna Grange Aged Care | New South Wales | 0 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| St Vincent's Care Services Auburn | New South Wales | 0 | <6 | <6 | <6 |
| The Whiddon Group - Glenfield - Easton Park | New South Wales | 0 | 9 | <6 | n/p |
| The Whiddon Group - Maclean | New South Wales | 0 | <6 | <6 | <6 |
| Uniting Berry | New South Wales | 0 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| Uniting Bowden Brae Normanhurst | New South Wales | <6 | 21 | 0 | 21 |
| Uniting Bruce Sharpe Rockdale | New South Wales | 0 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| Uniting Nareen Gardens Bateau Bay | New South Wales | 0 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| Uniting Nareen Gardens Lodge Bateau Bay | New South Wales | 0 | 26 | <6 | n/p |
| Uniting Quong Tart Ashfield | New South Wales | 0 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| Wahroonga House | New South Wales | 0 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| Wallsend Manor Aged Care | New South Wales | 0 | 23 | 7 | 30 |
| Warrigal Care Goulburn | New South Wales | 0 | 6 | <6 | n/p |
| Whitehall Nursing Home | New South Wales | 0 | <6 | <6 | <6 |
| Yallaroo | New South Wales | 0 | <6 | <6 | 6 |
| Hetti Perkins | Northern Territory | 0 | 17 | <6 | n/p |
| Anglicare SQ Abri Home for the Aged | Queensland | 0 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| Arcare North Lakes | Queensland | 0 | <6 | <6 | <6 |
| Arcare Pimpama | Queensland | 0 | 19 | <6 | n/p |
| Aspley Aged Care | Queensland | 0 | 0 | <6 | <6 |
| Benevolent Living | Queensland | 0 | 23 | 19 | 42 |
| Blue Care Carina Aged Care Facility | Queensland | 0 | 0 | <6 | <6 |
| Blue Care Gladstone Edenvale Aged Care Facility | Queensland | 0 | <6 | <6 | <6 |
| Blue Care Rothwell Nazarene Aged Care Facility | Queensland | 0 | <6 | <6 | <6 |
| Bolton Clarke Inverpine | Queensland | 0 | 0 | <6 | <6 |
| Brookfield Green | Queensland | 0 | 12 | <6 | n/p |
| Caloundra Place Care Community | Queensland | 0 | 12 | <6 | n/p |
| Churches of Christ Bribie Aged Care Service | Queensland | 0 | 18 | 10 | 28 |
| Churches of Christ Golden Age Aged Care Service | Queensland | 0 | <6 | <6 | <6 |
| Estia Health Gold Coast | Queensland | 0 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| Estia Health Hervey Bay | Queensland | 0 | 21 | <6 | n/p |
| Estia Health Mount Coolum | Queensland | 0 | 39 | 20 | 59 |
| Estia Health Pacific Paradise | Queensland | 0 | 18 | 7 | 25 |
| Holland Park Aged Care | Queensland | 0 | 0 | <6 | <6 |
| Karingal Nursing Home | Queensland | 0 | 8 | 0 | 8 |
| Kerrisdale Gardens | Queensland | 0 | <6 | 7 | n/p |
| Lorocco | Queensland | 0 | 8 | <6 | n/p |
| Lutheran Services - Salem | Queensland | 0 | 6 | <6 | n/p |
| Lutheran Services - Tabeel | Queensland | 0 | 31 | 16 | 47 |
| Magnolia Aged Care Coomera | Queensland | 0 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| Mt Kooyong Convalescent Home | Queensland | 0 | 8 | <6 | n/p |
| NewDirection Care at Bellmere | Queensland | 0 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| Ozcare Ozanam Villa - Clontarf | Queensland | 0 | 17 | 7 | 24 |
| Ozcare Parkwood Gardens | Queensland | 0 | <6 | <6 | 9 |
| Ozcare Villa Vincent | Queensland | 0 | 8 | <6 | n/p |
| Palm Lake Bethania Aged Care Facility | Queensland | 0 | 18 | <6 | n/p |
| Parklands Aged Care Facility & Retirement Village | Queensland | 0 | <6 | <6 | <6 |
| Portofino Hamilton | Queensland | 0 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| Regis Bulimba | Queensland | 0 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| Regis Redlynch | Queensland | 0 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| Regis Sandgate - Lucinda | Queensland | 0 | <6 | <6 | <6 |
| Regis Sippy Downs | Queensland | 0 | 8 | <6 | n/p |
| Regis Whitfield | Queensland | 0 | <6 | <6 | <6 |
| Sir James Terrace | Queensland | 0 | 0 | <6 | <6 |
| Southern Cross Care Allora - Homestead | Queensland | 0 | 9 | <6 | n/p |
| St Paul de Chartres Residential Aged Care | Queensland | 0 | <6 | 21 | n/p |
| St Vincent's Care Services Maroochydore | Queensland | 0 | <6 | <6 | <6 |
| Sunnymeade Park Aged Care Community | Queensland | 0 | 17 | 13 | 30 |
| TriCare Annerley Aged Care Residence | Queensland | 0 | 9 | <6 | n/p |
| Villa Serena | Queensland | 0 | 12 | 6 | 18 |
| Westhaven Nursing Home | Queensland | 0 | <6 | 6 | n/p |
| Wheller Gardens - John Wesley Gardens | Queensland | 0 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| ACH Group Residential Care - Highercombe | South Australia | 0 | 6 | <6 | n/p |
| ACH Group Residential Care - Yankalilla Centre | South Australia | 0 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| Aldersgate Aged Care Services | South Australia | <6 | 8 | <6 | n/p |
| Ananda Aged Care Findon | South Australia | 0 | 21 | 7 | 28 |
| Ardrossan Community Hostel | South Australia | 0 | 7 | 0 | 7 |
| Eldercare Allambi | South Australia | 0 | 7 | <6 | n/p |
| Eldercare Cottage Grove | South Australia | 0 | <6 | <6 | 8 |
| Eldercare The Lodge | South Australia | 0 | 12 | 8 | 20 |
| Eldercare The Village | South Australia | 0 | 11 | 7 | 18 |
| Gawler Grande Views | South Australia | 0 | 30 | 7 | 37 |
| Kalyra Woodcroft Aged Care | South Australia | 0 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| Kara House | South Australia | 0 | <6 | <6 | 6 |
| Mount Carmel Residential Care | South Australia | 0 | <6 | <6 | <6 |
| Parkview Aged Care | South Australia | 0 | 19 | 14 | 33 |
| Regis Kingswood | South Australia | 0 | 27 | 20 | 47 |
| Resthaven Westbourne Park | South Australia | 0 | <6 | <6 | 7 |
| Reynella Hillside Care Community | South Australia | <6 | 18 | 6 | 24 |
| St Basil's at St Peters | South Australia | 0 | 14 | 7 | 21 |
| Star Of The Sea Home For The Aged | South Australia | 0 | <6 | 8 | n/p |
| The Churchill Retreat | South Australia | 0 | <6 | <6 | 8 |
| UnitingSA Hawksbury Gardens Aged Care | South Australia | 0 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| Barrington Lodge | Tasmania | 0 | <6 | <6 | <6 |
| Calvary Sandhill | Tasmania | 0 | 17 | <6 | n/p |
| Hawthorn Village | Tasmania | 0 | 0 | <6 | <6 |
| Mary Ogilvy Home | Tasmania | 0 | 0 | <6 | <6 |
| Meercroft Care | Tasmania | 0 | 15 | 12 | 27 |
| Peace Haven | Tasmania | 0 | 20 | 15 | 35 |
| Regis Tasmania - Eastern Shore | Tasmania | 0 | 48 | 17 | 65 |
| St Ann's | Tasmania | 0 | <6 | <6 | <6 |
| Uniting AgeWell Queenborough Rise | Tasmania | 0 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| Wynyard Care Centre | Tasmania | 0 | 12 | 9 | 21 |
| AdventCare Whitehorse | Victoria | 0 | 11 | 0 | 11 |
| Andrews House | Victoria | 0 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| Arcare Parkview Malvern East | Victoria | 0 | <6 | <6 | 7 |
| Assisi Centre Aged Care | Victoria | 0 | <6 | <6 | 6 |
| Belmont Grange | Victoria | 0 | 7 | <6 | n/p |
| Benetas Colton Close | Victoria | <6 | 21 | 7 | 28 |
| Benetas Gladswood Lodge | Victoria | 0 | 16 | <6 | n/p |
| Calvary Goonawarra | Victoria | 0 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| Calvary Kingston Gardens | Victoria | 0 | 27 | 16 | 43 |
| Calvary St Judes | Victoria | <6 | 32 | 6 | 38 |
| Cardinia Community Aged Care | Victoria | 0 | <6 | <6 | <6 |
| Cumberland View Aged Care - Whalley Drive | Victoria | 0 | 9 | <6 | n/p |
| Embracia in Reservoir | Victoria | 0 | 8 | <6 | n/p |
| Epping Meadows Care Community | Victoria | 0 | <6 | <6 | <6 |
| Fronditha Clayton Aged Care | Victoria | 0 | 58 | <6 | n/p |
| Heritage Gardens | Victoria | 0 | 51 | 15 | 66 |
| Keilor East Manor Care Community | Victoria | 0 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| MannaCare - Cassia House | Victoria | 0 | 10 | 0 | 10 |
| Margery Cole Residential Care Service | Victoria | <6 | 11 | 13 | 24 |
| Marina Residential Aged Care Service | Victoria | 0 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| Mayflower Edith Bendall | Victoria | 0 | 17 | <6 | n/p |
| Mayflower Reservoir | Victoria | 0 | 8 | <6 | n/p |
| McKellar Centre | Victoria | 0 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| Mercy Place Rosebud | Victoria | <6 | 16 | 6 | 22 |
| MiCare Overbeek Lodge | Victoria | 0 | 15 | <6 | n/p |
| Mooroopna Place Residential Aged Care Service | Victoria | 0 | <6 | <6 | <6 |
| Moran Roxburgh Park | Victoria | 0 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| Paynesville Gardens Care Community | Victoria | 0 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| Regis Brighton | Victoria | 0 | <6 | <6 | 7 |
| Regis Dandenong North | Victoria | 0 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| Regis Macleod | Victoria | 0 | <6 | <6 | <6 |
| Regis Ontario | Victoria | 0 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| Skipton Hostel | Victoria | 0 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| TLC Whitewater | Victoria | 0 | 11 | 0 | 11 |
| Uniting AgeWell Box Hill | Victoria | 0 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| Village Glen Aged Care Residences - Capel Sound | Victoria | 0 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| Violet Town Bush Nursing Centre | Victoria | 0 | 17 | 7 | 24 |
| Yarriambiack Lodge Hostel | Victoria | 0 | <6 | <6 | 6 |
| Yarriambiack Lodge Nursing Home | Victoria | 0 | <6 | <6 | 6 |
| Armadale Place Care Community | Western Australia | 0 | 0 | <6 | <6 |
| Barridale Lodge | Western Australia | 0 | 9 | 8 | 17 |
| Bethanie Dalyellup | Western Australia | 0 | 6 | <6 | n/p |
| Brightwater The Oaks | Western Australia | 0 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| Burswood Care Gwen Hardie Lodge | Western Australia | 0 | 10 | <6 | n/p |
| Carmel Roshana Care | Western Australia | 0 | <6 | <6 | <6 |
| Coolibah Care | Western Australia | 0 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| Frank Prendergast House | Western Australia | 0 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| Juniper John Bryant | Western Australia | 0 | <6 | <6 | <6 |
| Juniper Korumup | Western Australia | 0 | 14 | <6 | n/p |
| Mandurah Coast Care Community | Western Australia | 0 | 31 | 10 | 41 |
| McNamara Lodge | Western Australia | 0 | 7 | <6 | n/p |
| Ravensthorpe MPS | Western Australia | 0 | <6 | 0 | <6 |
| Rosewood Care Leederville | Western Australia | 0 | <6 | <6 | <6 |
| Seaforth Gardens Senior Citizens' Residence | Western Australia | 0 | 16 | <6 | n/p |
| SwanCare Ningana | Western Australia | 0 | 13 | <6 | n/p |
| SwanCare Waminda | Western Australia | <6 | 6 | <6 | n/p |
| Treeby Parklands Care Community | Western Australia | 0 | <6 | <6 | <6 |

1. Outbreak opening and closure includes changes in the status of exposure sites to outbreaks (and vice versa), which are applied retrospectively to facility records. New case information can also change the status of a recovered site back to an active outbreak site. As a result, changes in active outbreak status may not align with day on day variations to active totals. These adjustments will also affect the number of cases in staff and residents reported each week. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
2. Active residents and staff cases are the total currently positive cases in active outbreaks [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
3. An outbreak is considered to be active pending advice from the relevant Public Health Unit. An outbreak is defined as at least 1 positive case in a resident or 2+ cases in staff. [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
4. Case numbers and numbers of deaths are dependent upon reporting from RACHs and validation of deaths from state and territory governments. This is subject to change as further information is provided. [↑](#footnote-ref-5)
5. The Omicron outbreak start date has been redefined from late November 2021 to mid December 2021. Changes have been made to align reporting with the start date of Omicron published in the department’s external facing Epidemiology report. [↑](#footnote-ref-6)
6. The department is now accessing aged care deaths data from the SIEBEL dataset. Figures are live and subject to change. Source: Department of Health and Aged Care unpublished data / SIEBEL dataset. [↑](#footnote-ref-7)