



This easier to read summary is about the deaths of people with learning disabilities in England during COVID-19.

COVID-19 is another name for coronavirus.

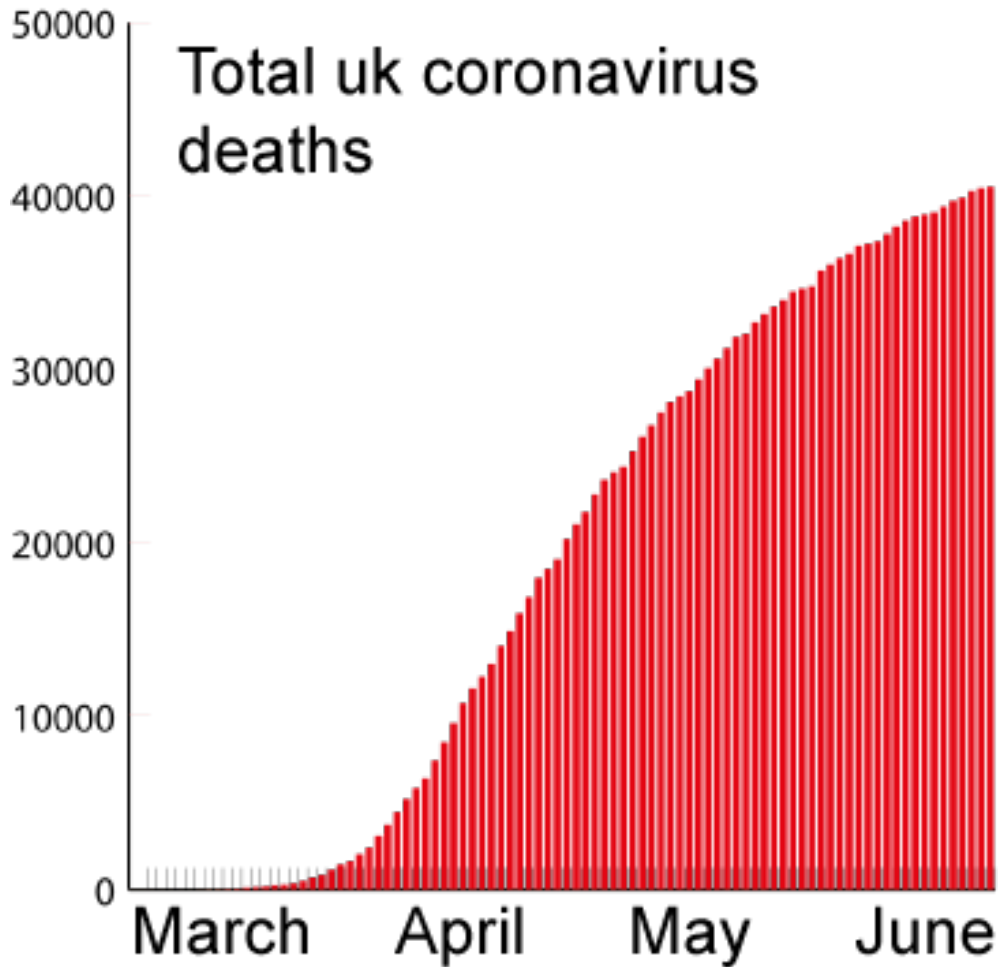
The information has come from:

- The Learning Disabilities Mortality Review, this is usually called LeDeR. There is no easier to read version of this.
- NHS Hospitals in England. There is no easier to read version of this.
- The Care Quality Commission. You can see the easier to read version of this here [https://www.cqc.org.uk/sites/default/files/20200602_learning_disability_deaths_data EASY READ.pdf](https://www.cqc.org.uk/sites/default/files/20200602_learning_disability_deaths_data_EASY_READ.pdf)

They all report different information at different times.

This makes it difficult to work out how many people with learning disabilities are dying from coronavirus.

COVID-19 and other deaths in everyone



During March, April and May 2020 lots of people died. Many of them died from coronavirus.

The number of people that died each week got higher and higher.

The largest amount of people died in a week in the middle of April.

This is called the peak.

More people with learning disabilities died during March, April and May than we would have expected.

The week that most people with learning disabilities died was also in the middle of April.

COVID-19 and other deaths of people with learning disabilities in England



The information about how many people with learning disabilities have died from coronavirus gives different numbers.

This is really upsetting because the lives of people with learning disabilities matter. It is important we know about everyone who died so we can recognise and respect their life.

- The Learning Disabilities Mortality Review (LeDeR) says that up to the 22nd May, 530 people died from coronavirus.

It says that 680 people with learning disabilities died between January and May 2020. They didn't die from coronavirus.

- The Care Quality Commission says that between the 10th of April and the 15th May, 200 people with learning disabilities died from coronavirus.



It says that 180 people with learning disabilities died from something else that wasn't coronavirus in this time.

Both reports tell us that there are differences between people with learning disabilities that died from coronavirus and people without learning disabilities.

The differences were:

- More people with learning disabilities have died from coronavirus than people without learning disabilities
- The difference got worse during the peak. More than half the people with learning disabilities who died during this time, died from coronavirus

This makes us think that people with learning disabilities are much more likely to die from coronavirus in hospital than people without learning disabilities.

Ages of people with coronavirus who have died



The information from the Care Quality Commission tells us about the age of people with learning disabilities who died from coronavirus.

This is important because we already know that people with learning disabilities die younger than people who don't have learning disabilities.

The people with learning disabilities who died from coronavirus were much younger than other people.

This means that people with learning disabilities are at a higher risk of dying from coronavirus than other people.

What we still don't know



There are lots more things that we still need to know.

We need to know more about the things that make people with learning disabilities more at risk from coronavirus.

This could be things like some health conditions, how well people are generally, the support they get and where they live.

We need the information about how many people with learning disabilities have become poorly because of coronavirus, and how many have had to stay in hospital.



We need this information in easier to read formats so we can understand it better.

We need to know how many people have been able to have their annual health checks and go to their doctor if they have needed to during coronavirus.

We need to know what types of social care services people have used during coronavirus to keep them safe and well.

We need to know what they think of those services.

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