When a rapid response to the Covid-19 pandemic was required, the national mapping agency, Ordnance Survey Ireland (OSi) was ready with data – and an easy way for everyone to access it.

“When we look back in months to come, there will doubtless be many lessons that we can learn, as a country, from our experiences with COVID-19. However, we can already appreciate the key role that geospatial data and apps have played in keeping people informed about a fast-changing situation, revealing patterns and trends and giving people the information they need to make confident, though difficult decisions.”

Colin Bray
CEO & Chief Survey Officer, Ordnance Survey Ireland (OSi)
GeoHive is an interactive, online platform that provides easy access to OSI data. By putting it at the heart of Ireland’s Covid-19 data hub, it enables vital collaboration through data sharing, visualisation and analysis.

The public dashboard receives an average of 10,000 hits per day and is updated daily to provide a visual overview of number of cases and deaths, as well as hotspots. A secure dashboard for users such as the National Public Health Emergency Team, Chief Medical Officer, and the Prime Minister’s office, provides daily insight on key indicators needed for critical decisions.

**Benefits**

- Collects, standardises and analyses COVID-19 data from a variety of sources to reveal insights, patterns and trends.
- Saves time and costs - data is collected once, updated daily and used many times.
- Delivers the data people need, in a format that they understand.
- Easy to use, visual overview of number of cases and deaths, as well as hotspots, receives an average of 10,000 hits public per day.
- Secure dashboard for Government & Public Health Services provides daily insight on key indicators for critical decisions.
- Enables people to take action to ensure their safety by seeing and understanding local risks.
- Enables the coordination and targeting of community support for vulnerable people by providing key data such as calls concerning social isolation.

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