

COVID-19: Cases in Singapore

An update of the latest confirmed cases in Singapore

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As of 5 August 2020, 12pm, the Ministry of Health (MOH) has confirmed 908 new cases of COVID-19 infection in Singapore.

Among the cases:

- Imported cases: 4
 - 3 Dependant's Pass holders, 1 Short-Term Visit Pass holder

All 4 imported cases arrived in Singapore from India on 22 July. Amongst them, 3 (Cases 53877, 54265 and 54266) are Dependant's Pass holders. The remaining case (Case 53756) is a Short-Term Visit Pass holder whose application to enter Singapore was approved as she is an elderly whose family are Singapore residents. All of them had been placed on 14-day Stay-Home Notice (SHN) upon arrival in Singapore, and were serving their SHN at dedicated facilities. They had been tested while serving their SHN.

- Cases in the community: 1
 - 1 Work Permit holder

There is 1 case in the community today who is currently unlinked. Case 54284 was identified from our proactive screening of workers in essential services who are living outside the dormitories, even though he is asymptomatic. To determine if this is a current or past infection, MOH also conducted a serological test for him, and the result has come back positive, which indicates likely past infection.

Overall, the number of new cases in the community has decreased, from an average of 4 cases per day in the week before, to an average of 2 per day in the past week. The number of unlinked cases in the community has also decreased, from an average of 2 cases per day in the week before, to an average of 1 per day in the past week.

Cases residing in dormitories: 903

The vast majority are dormitory residents who were tested during their isolation/ quarantine period, even though they are asymptomatic. They are amongst the final batch of workers being cleared and they come from dormitories with a relatively high prevalence of COVID-19.

Hence we expect the daily case counts to be high for the coming days, before tapering down thereafter as the Inter-agency Taskforce completes the dormitory clearance.

We remain on track to clear all the dormitories by 7 August, except for a few standalone blocks in the dormitories that serve as quarantine facilities. There are presently about 9,700 workers in these quarantine facilities. They will have to serve out their 14-day isolation periods, and be subject to an exit test before they are able to resume work.

Of the new cases, 99% are linked to known clusters, while the rest are pending contact tracing.

314 more cases of COVID-19 infection have been discharged from hospitals or community isolation facilities. In all, 47,768 have fully recovered from the infection and have been discharged from hospitals or community care facilities.

Most of the 126 confirmed cases who are still in hospital are stable or improving. 1 is in critical condition in the intensive care unit.

6,333 cases who have mild symptoms, or are clinically well but still test positive for COVID-19 are isolated and cared for at community facilities.

27 have passed away from complications due to COVID-19 infection.

Related link: List of public places visited by confirmed cases in the community during Infectious Period

For more details, refer to MOH's press release.

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