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# UPDATE ON LOCAL COVID-19 SITUATION

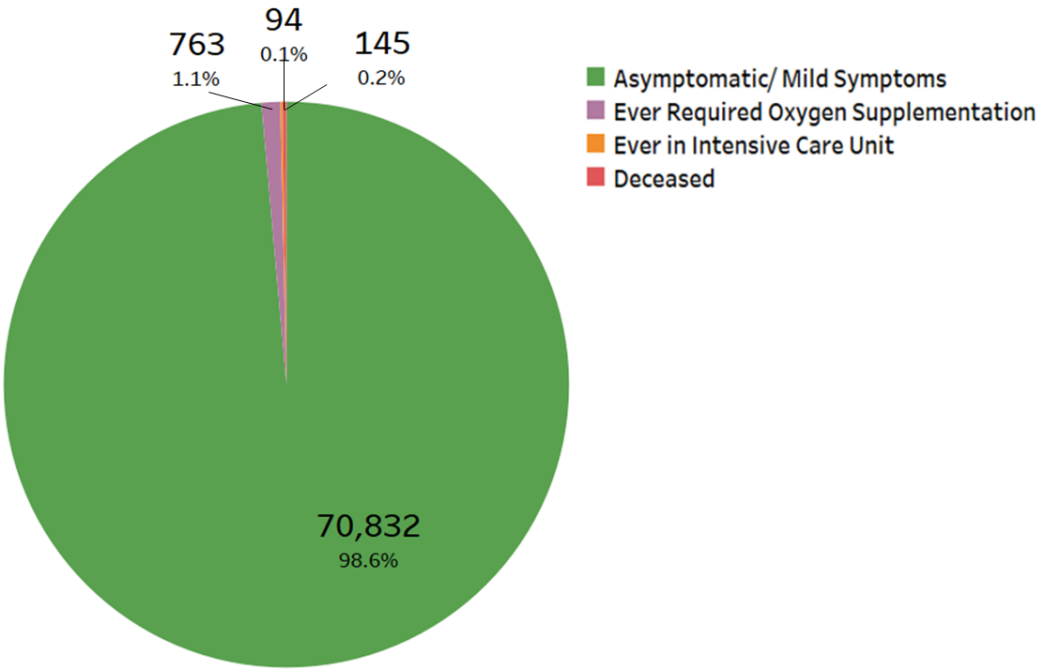
**Summary of local situation**

- 1,714 cases are currently warded in hospital. 337 cases require oxygen supplementation and 67 are in the intensive care unit (ICU).
- Over the last 28 days, of the 71,834 infected individuals, 98.6% had no or mild symptoms, 1.1% required oxygen supplementation, 0.1% required ICU care, and 0.2% has died.
- As of 17 October 2021, 84% of our population has completed their full regimen/ received two doses of COVID-19 vaccines, and 85% has received at least one dose.
- As of 18 October 2021, 12pm, the Ministry of Health has detected a total of 2,553 new cases of COVID-19 infection in Singapore, with 2,008 in the community, 544 in the migrant worker dormitories and 1 imported case.

## Situation update

1. Over the last 28 days, 98.6% of local infected cases were asymptomatic or had mild symptoms, 1.1% required oxygen supplementation, and 0.1% had been in the ICU. Amongst those who required oxygen supplementation and ICU, 48.8% were fully vaccinated and 51.2% were unvaccinated/ partially vaccinated.

**Figure 1:** Local Cases in the Last 28 Days by Severity of Condition[1]

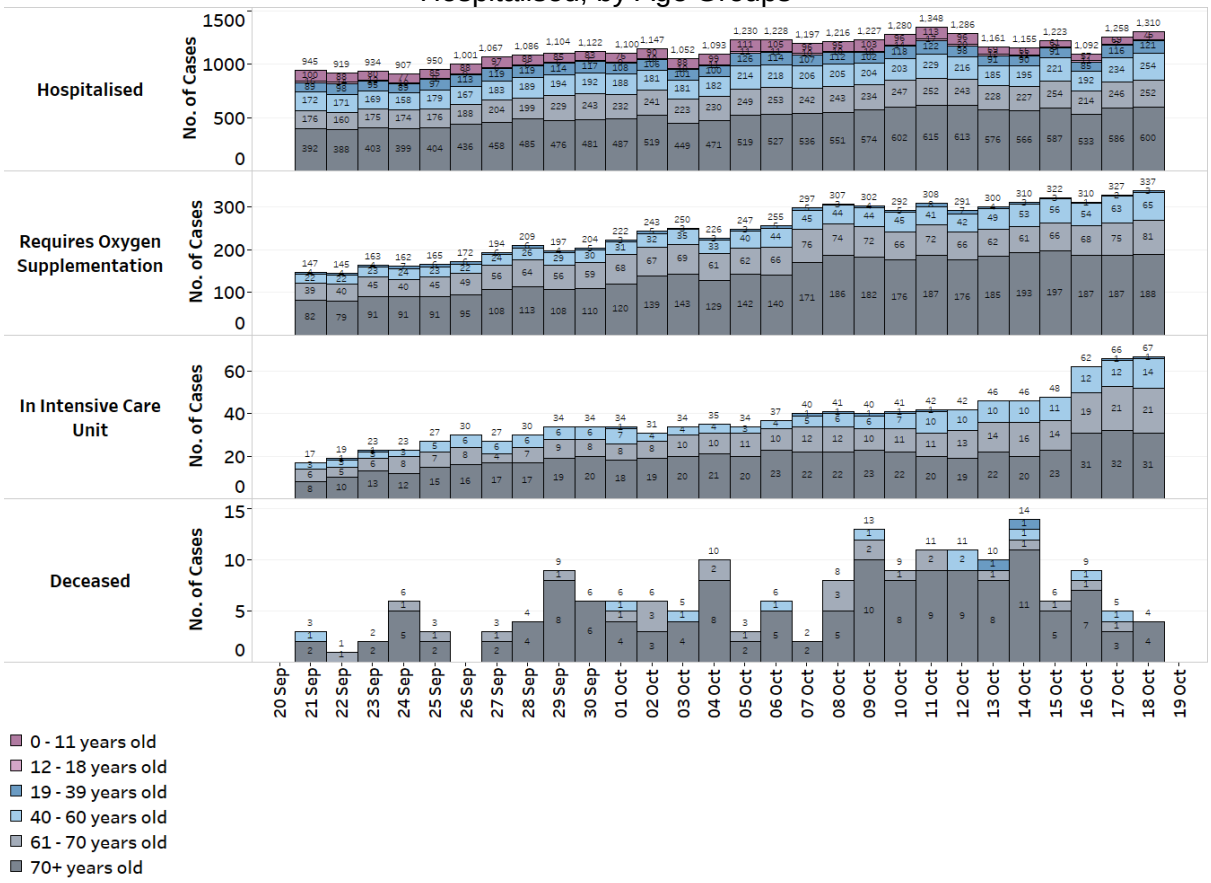



[1] Includes only new cases reported in the past 28 days. Based on cases' worst-ever condition; deceased cases previously in ICU are counted under 'Deceased' and not under 'Ever in Intensive Care Unit'.

2. 6 more cases have passed away from complications due to COVID-19 infection.[2] Of these, 4 were male Singaporeans and 2 were female Singaporeans, aged between 78 and 93 years. Amongst them, 4 had been unvaccinated against COVID-19, 1 had been partially vaccinated and 1 had been vaccinated. All of them had various underlying medical conditions.

3. Amongst those who have passed away over the last 28 days, 25.5% were fully vaccinated and 74.5% were unvaccinated/ partially vaccinated.

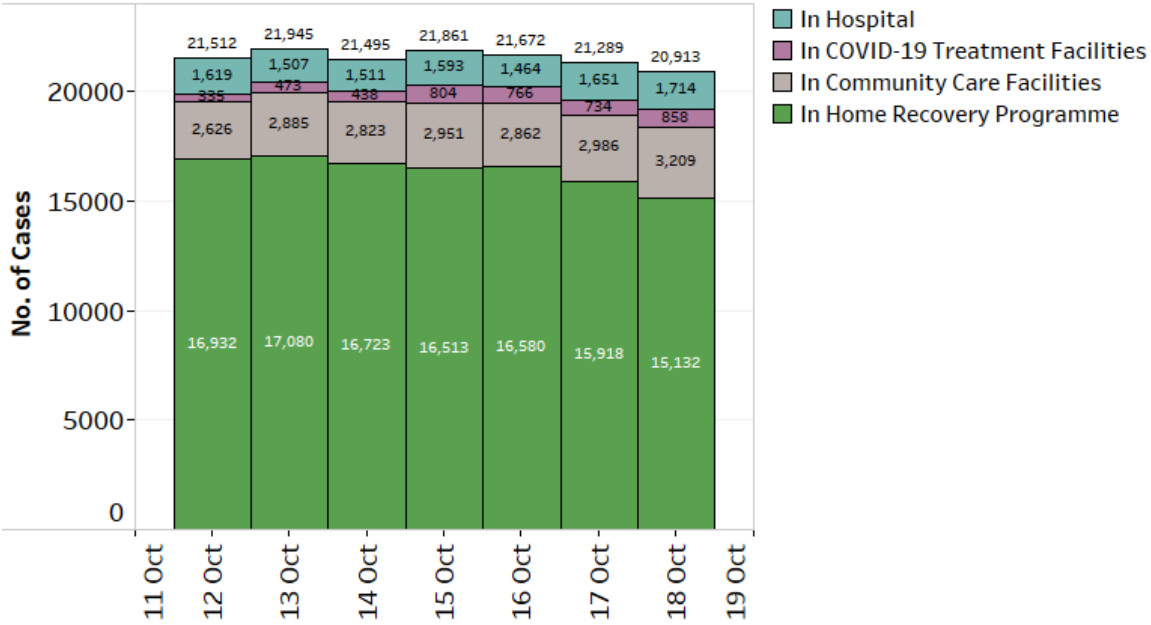
**Figure 2:** Deaths and Active Cases in ICU, Requiring Oxygen Supplementation or Hospitalised, by Age Groups




[2] Cases 90058, 97452, 112528, 139408, 151653 and 151774.

4. As of 18 October 2021, 12pm, amongst all COVID-19 community cases who have been onboarded or admitted, 15,132 (72.4%) cases are undergoing Home Recovery. 3,209 (15.3%) cases are in Community Care Facilities, 858 (4.1%) cases are in COVID-19 Treatment Facilities, and 1,714 (8.2%) COVID-19 patients are currently warded in hospital, mostly for observation. 337 require oxygen supplementation, and 67 are in the ICU.

**Figure 3:** Breakdown of Number of Active Cases in Hospital, COVID-19 Treatment Facilities, Community Care Facilities, and Home Recovery Programme in the Last 7 Days




## Vaccination progress

5. As of 17 October 2021, 84% of our population has completed their full regimen/ received two doses of COVID-19 vaccines, and 85% has received at least one dose.

6. We have administered a total of 9,640,810 doses of COVID-19 vaccines under the national vaccination programme (Pfizer-BioNTech Comirnaty and Moderna). In total, 4,620,212 individuals have received at least one dose of vaccine under the national vaccination programme, and 4,559,408 individuals having completed the full vaccination regimen. In addition, 226,702 doses of other vaccines recognised in the World Health Organization's Emergency Use Listing (WHO EUL) have been administered, covering 118,214 individuals.

7. To date, we have invited about 780,000 eligible individuals to receive their booster doses. 588,596 individuals have received their booster shots and another 83,000 have booked their appointments.

## Active clusters under close monitoring

8. We are closely monitoring the clusters listed below, which have already been ringfenced through tracing, testing and isolation.

**Figure 4:** Large Clusters with New Cases

| Cluster | New Cases | Total[3] | Remarks |
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| Bukit Batok Home for the Aged | 8 | 52 | Transmission amongst staff and residents. Of the 52 cases, 1 is a staff and 51 are residents. |
| United Medicare Centre (Toa Payoh) | 2 | 128 | Transmission amongst staff and residents. Of the 128 cases, 18 are staff, 109 are residents and 1 is a household contact of a case. |
| St. Andrew's Nursing Home (Taman Jurong) | 1 | 16 | Transmission amongst staff and residents. Of the 16 cases, 3 are staff and 13 are residents. |
| Apex Harmony Lodge | 1 | 13 | Transmission amongst staff and residents. Of the 13 cases, 4 are staff and 9 are residents. |
| MWS Christalite Methodist Home | 1 | 110 | Transmission amongst staff and residents. Of the 110 cases, 15 are staff, 94 are residents and 1 is a household contact of a case. |
| MY World Preschool @ Hougang Dewcourt | 2 | 16 | Transmission amongst staff and students. Of the 16 cases, 3 are staff, 9 are students and 4 are household contacts of cases. |

[3] Includes new cases added today.

## Summary of trends for local cases

9. As of 18 October 2021, 12pm, the Ministry of Health has detected a total of 2,553 new cases of COVID-19 infection in Singapore, comprising 2,008 community cases, 544 dormitory resident cases and 1 imported case. Amongst the local cases today are 359 seniors who are above 60 years.

**Figure 5:** Number of Community Cases by Age

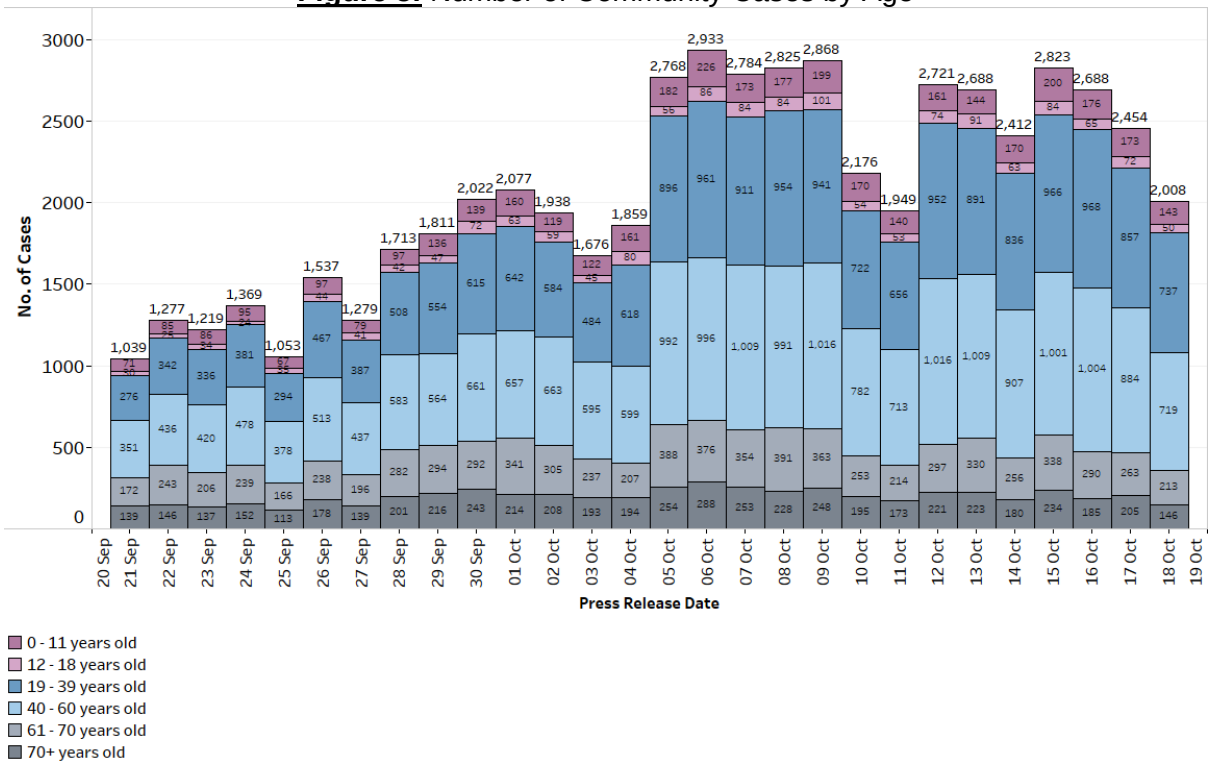
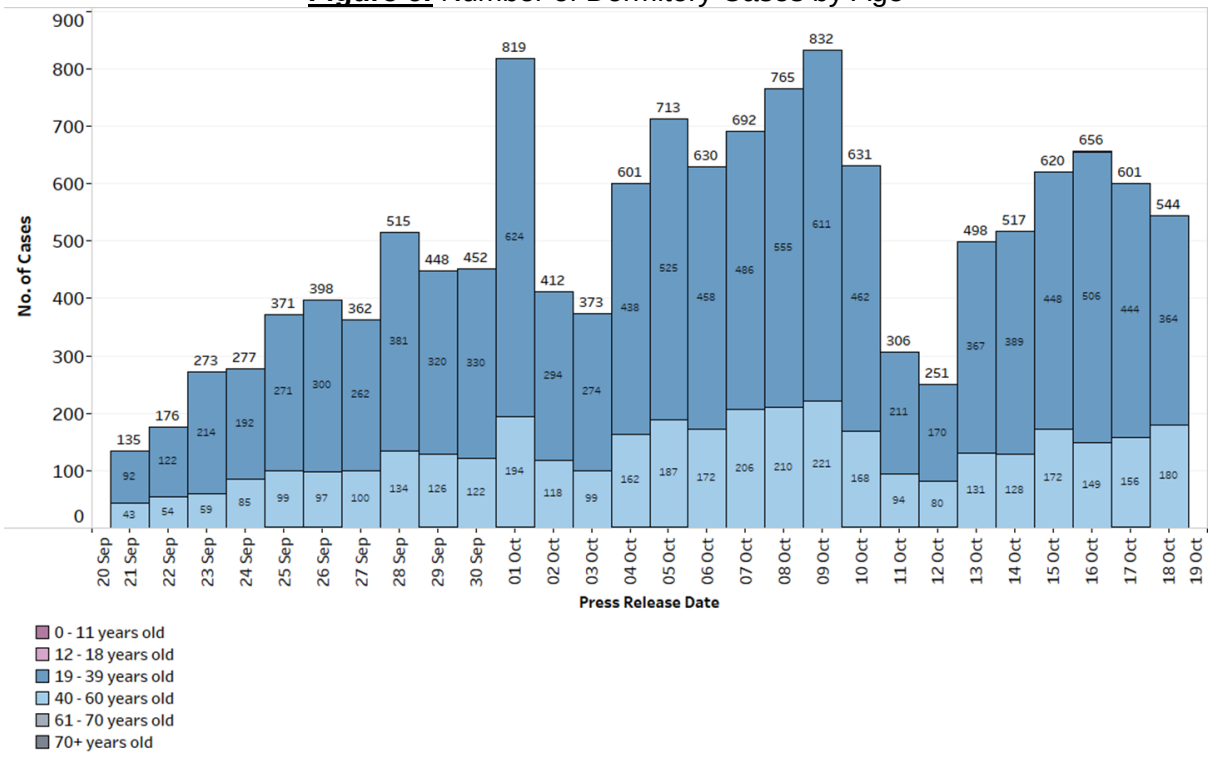



**Figure 6:** Number of Dormitory Cases by Age



10. Please refer to MOH's daily Situation Report (www.moh.gov.sg/covid-19/situation-report) for details.

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