Latest situation of COVID-19 (as of 12 August 2022)

The Centre for Health Protection (CHP) of the Department of Health (DH) today (12 August) announced the latest epidemic situation of COVID-19. As of 0.00am, 12 August 2022, the CHP was investigating 4222 additional locally acquired cases tested positive for the SARS-CoV-2 virus, including 1263 cases tested positive by nucleic acid tests and verified 2959 cases tested positive by rapid antigen tests (RATs) in the past 24 hours Note 1. Separately, 217 additional imported cases were reported, including 193 cases tested positive by nucleic acid tests and 24 cases tested positive by RATs. So far, Hong Kong has recorded a total of 840746 and 565989 cases tested positive by nucleic acid tests and RATs respectively for the SARS-CoV-2 virus.

Since the 5th wave (31 December 2021), 828115 cases and 565989 cases were tested positive by nucleic acid tests and rapid antigen tests respectively.

In the recent 7-day period from 6 to 12 August 2022, an average of 1642.1 cases by nucleic acid tests were reported per day, as compared with 1753.4 cases per day reported in the previous 7-day period from 30 July to 5 August 2022 (Figure 1(i)).

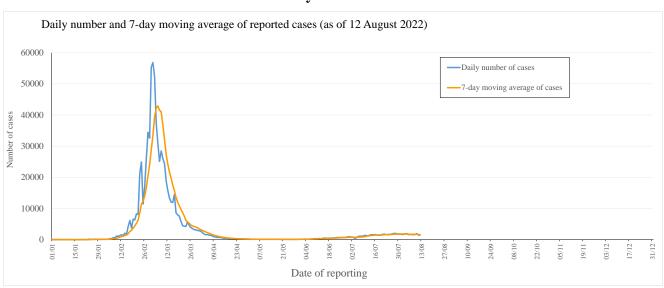


Figure 1(i): Daily number and 7-day moving average of cases tested positive for SARS-CoV-2 virus by nucleic acid tests in 2022 Note 2

Note 1:

Starting from 7 June 2022, only cases reported via the "Declaration System for individuals tested positive for COVID-19 using Rapid Antigen Test" which had been verified with positive nucleic acid test results will be announced. These include RAT positive cases reported in the past few days.

Note 2:

- Re-positive cases are excluded in Figure 1(i).
- As announced by the Government on 15 February 2022

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 and 25 February 2022 (https://www.info.gov.hk/gia/general/202202/25/P2022022500816.htm), positive cases detected by the Hospital Authority and testing contractors are now directly deemed as confirmed cases.

Figure 1(ii): Daily number and 7-day moving average of cases tested positive for SARS-CoV-2 virus by rapid antigen tests

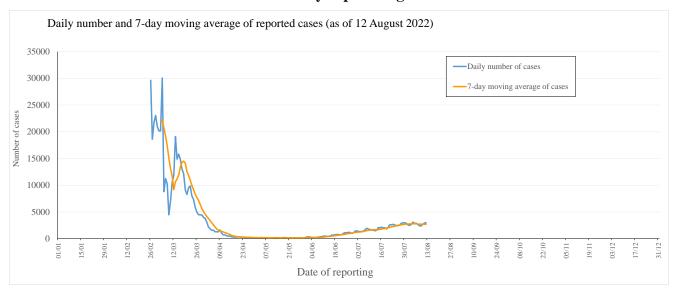
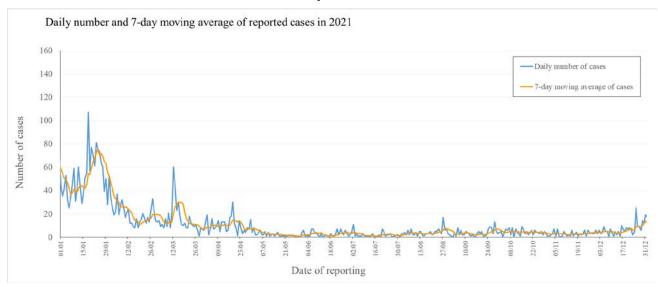
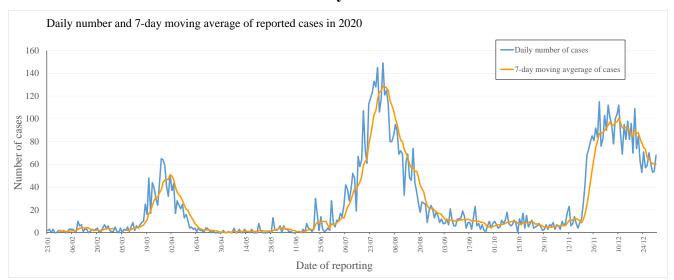


Figure 1(iii): Daily number and 7-day moving average of cases tested positive for SARS-CoV-2 virus by nucleic acid tests in 2021



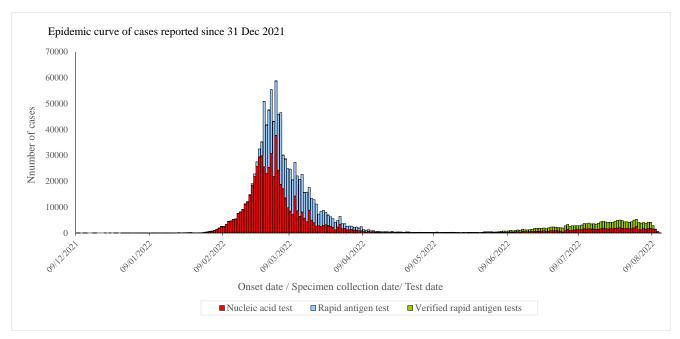
Note: Re-positive cases are excluded in Figure 1(iii).

Figure 1(iv): Daily number and 7-day moving average of cases tested positive for SARS-CoV-2 virus by nucleic acid tests in 2020



Note: Re-positive cases are excluded in Figure 1(iv).

Figure 2: Epidemic curve of cases tested positive for SARS-CoV-2 virus in Hong Kong since 31 December 2021



Note:

- 1. Specimen collection dates are used for cases without information of onset dates.
- 2. Cases still under investigation are excluded in Figure 2.

Figure 3: Daily number of cases tested positive for SARS-CoV-2 virus reported in the past 4 weeks

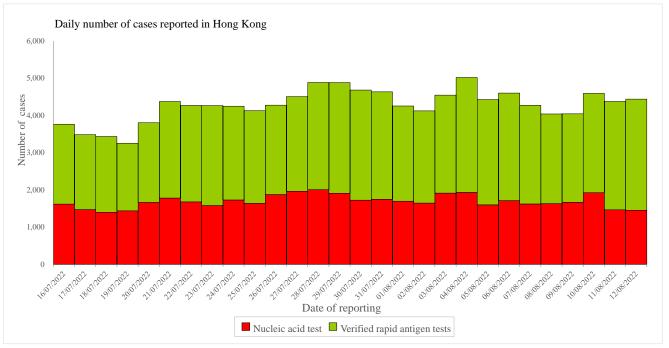


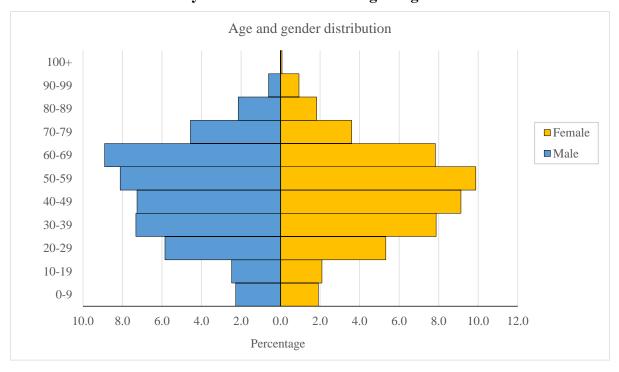
Table 1 shows the classification of cases reported since the 5th wave (since 31 December 2021).

Table 1: Number of cases tested positive for SARS-CoV-2 virus by nucleic acid tests and rapid antigen tests by classification

Reporting period	Imported case	Locally acquired case	Period total	
Since the 5th wave	14547 (1.04%)	1379557 (98.96%)	1394104 (100.00%)	
In the past 4 weeks				
16/7/2022 - 22/7/2022	1552 (5.88%)	24838 (94.12%)	26390 (100.00%)	
23/7/2022 - 29/7/2022	1598 (5.12%)	29601 (94.88%)	31199 (100.00%)	
30/7/2022 - 5/8/2022	1519 (4.79%)	30170 (95.21%)	31689 (100.00%)	
6/8/2022 - 12/8/2022	1676 (5.52%)	28693 (94.48%)	30369 (100.00%)	

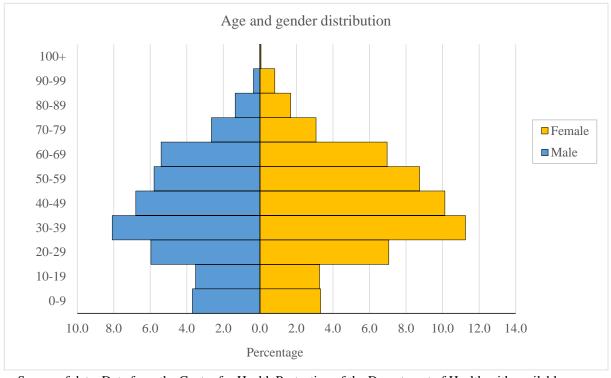
Figure 4 shows the age and gender distribution of the cases (since the 5th wave).

Figure 4(i): Age and gender distribution of cases tested positive for SARS-CoV-2 virus by nucleic acid tests in Hong Kong



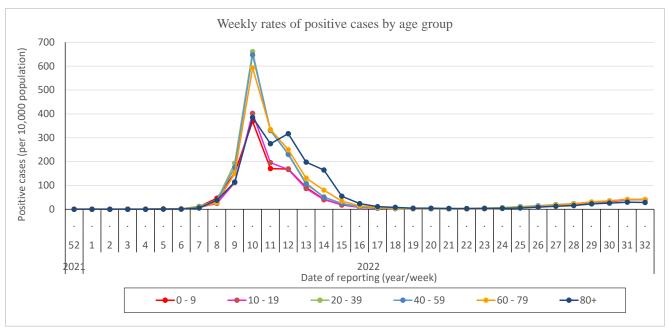
Note: Re-positive cases and cases pending investigation are excluded in Figure 4(i).

Figure 4(ii): Age and gender distribution of cases tested positive for SARS-CoV-2 virus by rapid antigen tests in Hong Kong



Source of data: Data from the Centre for Health Protection of the Department of Health with available information on age and gender.

Figure 5: Weekly rates of positive cases tested by nucleic acid tests and rapid antigen tests (by age group) since the 5th wave



Note:

- 1. Both imported and re-positive cases are excluded in Figure 5.
- 2. Data in Figure 5 may be subject to changes when there is new information available.
- 3. Figure 5 (with data as of the preceding week) will be updated every Tuesday.

Table 2 : Incidences of cases tested positive for SARS-CoV-2 virus by nucleic acid tests and rapid antigen tests by residential districts in 2022

Region	Cumulative Incidence	District	Cumulative Incidence	May	Jun	Jul	Aug
Hong Kong	1110.0	Central and Western	965.9	12.4	55.8	92.3	20.0
		Wan Chai	840.9	8.2	53.3	89.8	21.1
	1118.0	Eastern	1209.4	8.1	39.4	124.1	30.7
		Southern	1247.9	7.3	46.3	136.4	28.0
Kowloon	1584.6	Kowloon City	1229.3	7.3	38.0	102.4	26.4
		Kwun Tong	1748.8	8.3	31.4	127.4	34.7
		Sham Shui Po	1613.7	9.8	28.7	109.7	25.7
		Wong Tai Sin	1750.4	6.8	26.6	121.7	28.7
		Yau Tsim Mong	1437.4	9.2	41.6	93.1	22.7
New Territories 130 East		Islands	1122.1	7.8	41.9	142.0	29.3
		North	1321.9	12.3	37.9	158.8	43.4
	1305.8	Sai Kung	1202.1	9.8	39.4	133.3	34.8
		Sha Tin	1417.1	9.8	37.2	129.3	30.6
		Tai Po	1313.7	8.9	52.6	193.2	35.5
New Territories West	1507.6	Kwai Tsing	1765.4	9.1	26.2	108.9	24.4
		Tsuen Wan	1356.5	11.8	39.0	121.7	30.4
		Tuen Mun	1579.5	8.3	37.5	127.0	36.2
		Yuen Long	1336.0	8.9	35.2	135.0	34.1

Note:

- 1. Cases with multiple/ pending/ unknown residential address are excluded in Table 2.
- 2. Data in Table 2 are shown as number of cases per 10,000 population.
- 3. Table 2 (with data as of the preceding week) will be updated every Tuesday.

Table 3: Number of cases tested positive for SARS-CoV-2 virus reported among schools in the past 4 weeks

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Reporting Period		Student	Staff	
10/07/2022 - 16/07/2022	991	1740	370	
17/07/2022 - 23/07/2022	1073	2210	457	
24/07/2022 - 30/07/2022	1083	2388	471	
31/07/2022 - 06/08/2022	988	2127	465	

Note:

- 1. Number of schools is deduplicated based on the reporting week.
- 2. Table 3 (with data as of the preceding week) will be updated every Tuesday.

Table 4: Number of cases tested positive for SARS-CoV-2 virus reported among residential care homes (RCHs) in the past 4 weeks

Reporting Period	No. of RCHs with case(s) reported	No. tested positive reported by RCHs		
		Resident	Staff	
10/07/2022 - 16/07/2022	29	31	4	
17/07/2022 - 23/07/2022	25	33	6	
24/07/2022 - 30/07/2022	25	31	12	
31/07/2022 - 06/08/2022	29	28	14	

Note:

- 1. Number of RCHs is deduplicated based on the reporting week.
- 2. Table 4 (with data as of the preceding week) will be updated every Tuesday.

Since 31 December 2019, the CHP of the DH has recorded a total of 9559 fatal cases.

Since the 5th wave, a total of 9346 fatal cases have been recorded.

Table 5: Case fatality rate (CFR) by age group and vaccination status (since the 5th wave)

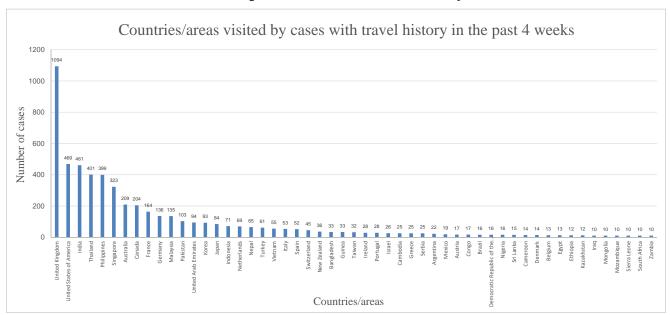
Age Group	CFR of locally acquired cases	CFR of locally acquired cases with history of at least 2 doses of COVID-19 vaccine	CFR of locally acquired cases with history of 1 dose of COVID-19 vaccine or unvaccinated
0-9	0.01%	0.00%	0.01%
10-19	0.01%	0.00%	0.01%
20-29	0.01%	0.00%	0.03%
30-39	0.01%	0.00%	0.04%
40-49	0.03%	0.01%	0.12%
50-59	0.12%	0.04%	0.53%
60-69	0.39%	0.11%	1.27%
70-79	1.62%	0.42%	3.58%
80+	9.67%	2.99%	13.14%
Overall	0.69%	0.13%	2.18%

Source of data: Data from the Centre for Health Protection of the Department of Health with available information on age and vaccination status.

Note: Table 5 (with data as of the preceding week) will be updated every Tuesday.

Figure 6 shows the countries/areas visited by the cases tested positive by nucleic acid tests reported in the past 4 weeks with travel history outside Hong Kong during the incubation period.

Figure 6: Countries/areas visited by cases tested positive by nucleic acid tests reported in the past 4 weeks with travel history



Note:

- 1. Some cases had visited more than one country/area.
- 2. Re-positive cases are excluded in Figure 6.
- 3. Only countries/ areas visited by 10 or more cases are included in Figure 6.

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