Latest situation of cases of COVID-19 (as of 9 December 2021)

Seven new confirmed cases of COVID-19 were reported in Hong Kong on 9 December 2021 (Table 1).

Table 1: Details of new confirmed/probable cases of COVID-19 reported on 9 December 2021

Case no.	Report date	Date of onset	Gender	Age	HK/Non-HK resident	Case classification*	Confirmed/ Probable
12478	09/12/2021	Asymptomatic	M	37	HK resident	Imported case	Confirmed
12479	09/12/2021	07/12/2021	F	49	HK resident	Imported case	Confirmed
12480	09/12/2021	07/12/2021	F	57	HK resident	Imported case	Confirmed
12481	09/12/2021	Asymptomatic	M	30	HK resident	Imported case	Confirmed
12482	09/12/2021	07/12/2021	M	39	HK resident	Imported case	Confirmed
12483	09/12/2021	Asymptomatic	M	39	HK resident	Imported case	Confirmed
12484	09/12/2021	Asymptomatic	F	36	HK resident	Imported case	Confirmed

^{*} The case classification may be subject to changes when there is new information available.

In the recent 7-day period from 3 - 9 December, 2021, an average of 4.7 cases were reported per day, as compared with 4.0 cases per day reported in the previous 7-day period from 26 November - 2 December, 2021 (Figure 1).

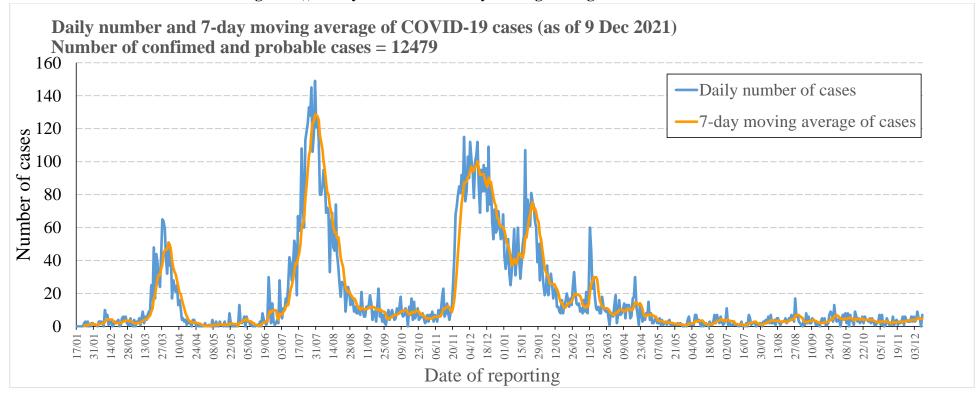
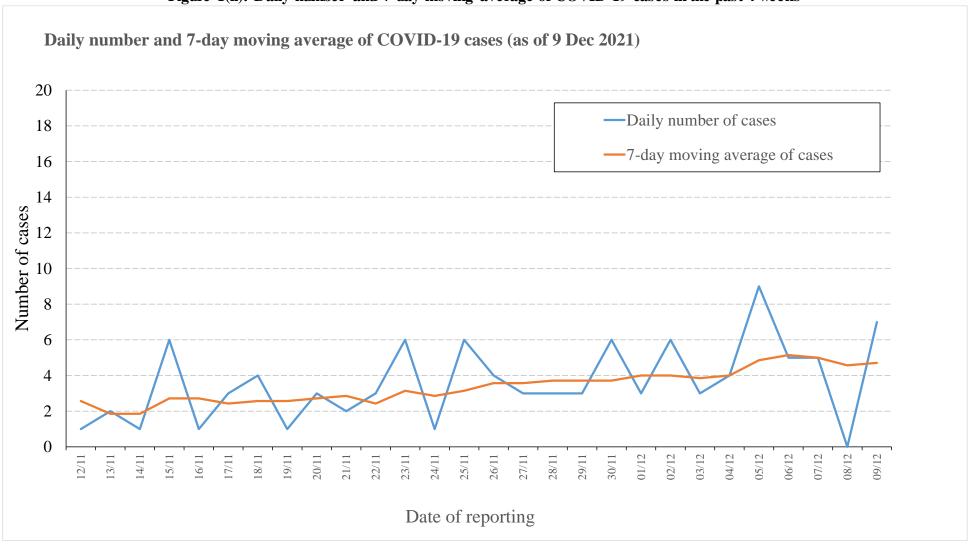


Figure 1(i): Daily number and 7-day moving average of COVID-19 cases

Figure 1(ii): Daily number and 7-day moving average of COVID-19 cases in the past 4 weeks



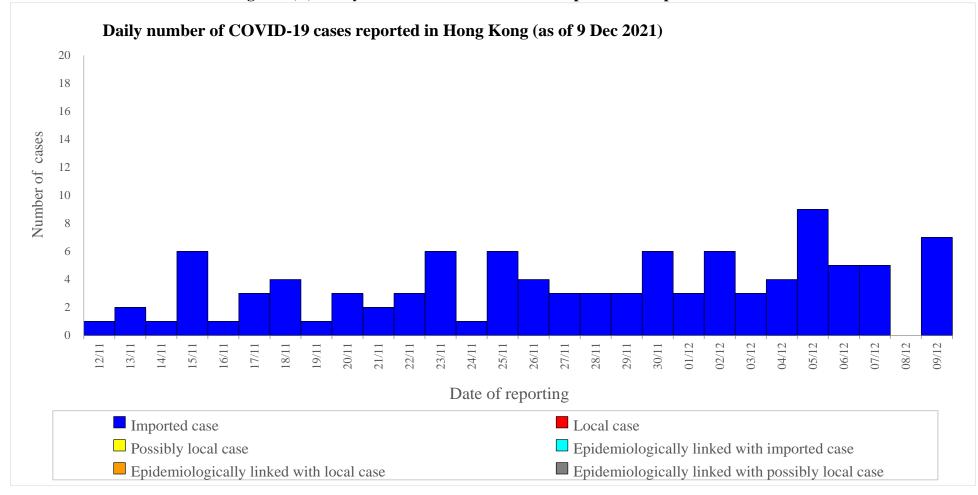


Figure 1(iii): Daily number of COVID-19 cases reported in the past 4 weeks

In the past four weeks, there was 1 large cluster with new cases reported in Hong Kong (Table 2).

Table 2: Large clusters (10 or more cases*) with new cases reported in the past 4 weeks

Cluster	No. of New Cases	Total No. of Cases	Involved Case number
Flight EK384 (21/11/2021)	0	11	12411, 12412, 12413, 12420, 12429, 12434, 12437, 12438,
			12439, 12443, 12447

^{*}Cases involved including confirmed close contacts with epidemiological linkage.

Since 31 December 2019, the Centre for Health Protection (CHP) of the Department of Health has recorded a total of 12479 cases of COVID-19, including 12478 confirmed cases and 1 probable case (Case no. 97). Among these cases, 12156 were discharged and 213 were fatal cases, and 74 cases were still hospitalised or pending admission (Figure 2).

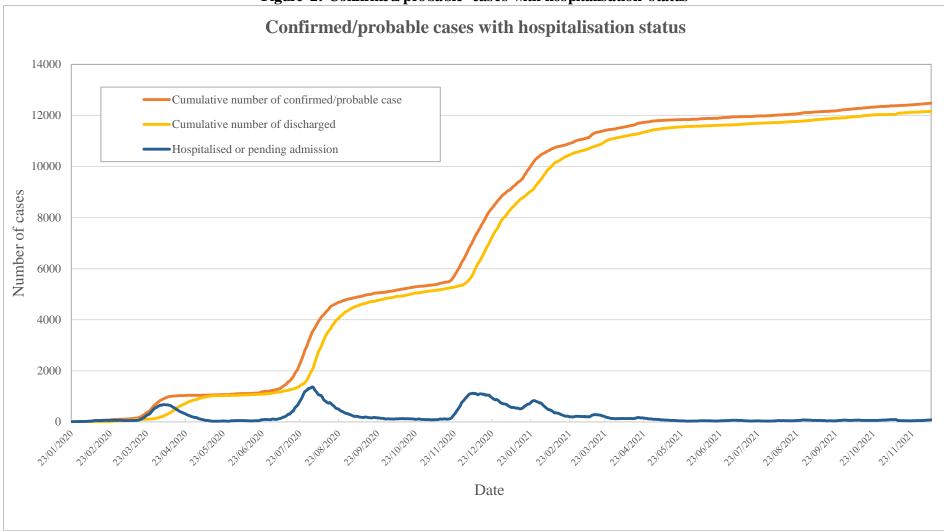


Figure 2: Confirmed/probable cases with hospitalisation status

Note: 213 confirmed cases were fatal cases.

Further analysis of these cases could be referred to the tables and figures below. For details of previously reported cases, please refer to the COVID-19 thematic website (https://www.chp.gov.hk/files/xls/previous_cases_covid19_en.xlsx). Five cases were deleted from the list of confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Hong Kong on 3 September 2021 (https://www.info.gov.hk/gia/general/202109/03/P2021090300392.htm).

Table 3 shows the classification of confirmed/probable cases.

Table 3: Number of confirmed/probable cases by case classification

Reporting period	Imported case	Local case	Possibly local	Epidemiologically linked with imported case	Epidemiologically linked with local case	Epidemiologically linked with possibly local case	Period total
Since first reported case	3076	3158	103	59 (0.5%)	6021 (48.2%)	62 (0.5%)	12479
on 23 January 2020	(24.6%)	(25.3%)	(0.8%)				(100.0%)
12/11 - 18/11	18 (100.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	18 (100.0%)
19/11 - 25/11	22 (100.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	22 (100.0%)
26/11 - 2/12	28 (100.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	28 (100.0%)
3/12 - 9/12	33 (100.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	33 (100.0%)

Figure 3 shows the epidemic curve of confirmed/probable cases of COVID-19. Asymptomatic cases are not shown in this epidemic curve.

Epidemic curve of confirmed/probable cases of COVID-19 in Hong Kong (as of 9 Dec 2021) Number of confimed and probable cases = 12479 140 120 Number of cases 100 60 40 20 Date of onset Imported case Local case Possibly local case Epidemiologically linked with imported case Epidemiologically linked with local case Epidemiologically linked with possibly local case

Figure 3: Epidemic curve of confirmed/probable cases of COVID-19 in Hong Kong

Note: The case classification may be subject to changes when there is new information available.

Figure 4 shows cases including 6013 males and 6466 females with ages of the cases ranged from 12 days to 100 years (median: 43 years).

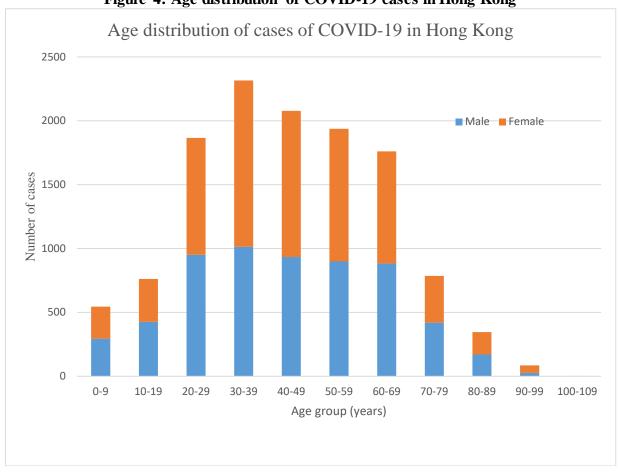


Figure 4: Age distribution of COVID-19 cases in Hong Kong

Figure 5 shows the countries/areas visited by the cases with travel history outside Hong Kong during the incubation period (imported and possibly local cases).

Countries/areas visited by imported and possibly local cases 500 Number of cases 200 100 Countries/areas

Figure 5: Countries/are as visited by cases with travel history

Note: Some cases had visited more than one country/area.

Figure 6 shows the countries/areas visited by the cases reported in the past 4 weeks with travel history outside Hong Kong during the incubation period (imported and possibly local cases).

Countries/areas visited by imported and possibly local cases 25 21 20 15 12 Number of cases 10 5 Philippines Germany Singapore India Russia Nigeria Croatia Mauritius United States of America Korea Finland Czech Republic Indonesia Netherlands Niger Poland Qatar Spain Thailand Turkey Bangladesh Cyprus Egypt Guinea Pakistan United Kingdom United Arab Emirates South Africa Mainland China Switzerland Democratic Republic of the Congo Denmark Morocco Papua New Guinea Countries/areas

Figure 6: Countries/areas visited by cases reported in the past 4 weeks with travel history

Note: Some cases had visited more than one country/area.

Table 4 shows the mode of detection for confirmed/probable cases in Hong Kong.

Table 4: Mode of detection for confirmed/probable cases in Hong Kong

Category	Number of cases (percentage)	Number of cases (percentage)
	Since 23 January 2020	In the past 4 weeks
(1) Cases fulfilling the reporting criteria of COVID-19	336 (2.7%)	0 (0.0%)
(2) Enhanced laboratory surveillance in public hospitals	717 (5.7%)	0 (0.0%)
(3) Enhanced surveillance at Accident and Emergency Departments / General Outpatient Clinics	2582 (20.7%)	0 (0.0%)
(4) Diagnosis / Enhanced surveillance in private hospitals and clinics	1341 (10.7%)	1 (1.0%)
(5) Medical surveillance / contact tracing by Centre for Health Protection	4226 (33.9%)	52 (51.5%)
(6) Enhanced surveillance for asymptomatic inbound travelers	1673 (13.4%)	47 (46.5%)
(7) Enhanced surveillance for persons with higher risk of exposure	26 (0.2%)	0 (0.0%)
(8) Private testing for the targeted groups*	98 (0.8%)	0 (0.0%)
(9) Universal Community Testing Programme	32 (0.3%)	0 (0.0%)
(10) Community testing centre^	1437 (11.5%)	0 (0.0%)
(11) Others	11 (0.1%)	1 (1.0%)
Total	12479 (100.0%)	101 (100.0%)

^{*} https://www.info.gov.hk/gia/general/202009/19/P2020091900029.htm

^ Including 1 case detected by temporary testing centre

(Last updated on 9 December 2021)