

## **Latest situation of COVID-19 (as of 15 January 2022)**

Five cases tested positive for SARS-CoV-2 virus were reported in Hong Kong on 15 January 2022 (Table 1).

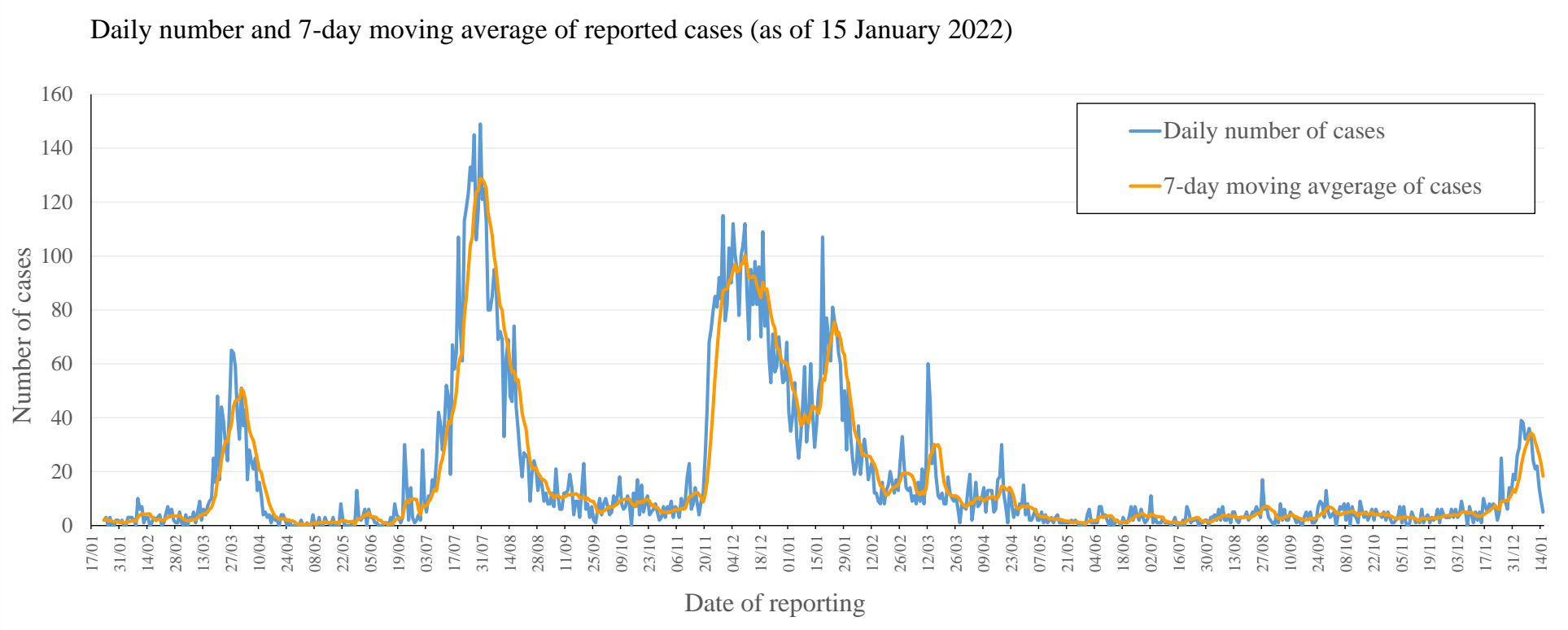
**Table 1: Details of cases tested positive for SARS-CoV-2 virus reported on 15 January 2022**

<b>Case no.</b>	<b>Report date</b>	<b>Date of onset</b>	<b>Gender</b>	<b>Age</b>	<b>HK/Non-HK resident</b>	<b>Classification*</b>	<b>Case status*</b>
13031	15/01/2022	13/01/2022	F	51	HK resident	Epidemiologically linked with imported case	Confirmed
13032	15/01/2022	Asymptomatic	F	36	HK resident	Imported case	Asymptomatic
13033	15/01/2022	13/01/2022	M	85	HK resident	Epidemiologically linked with imported case	Confirmed
13034	15/01/2022	14/01/2022	F	21	HK resident	Imported case	Confirmed
13035	15/01/2022	Asymptomatic	F	23	HK resident	Imported case	Asymptomatic

\* The classification and case status may be subject to changes when there is new information available

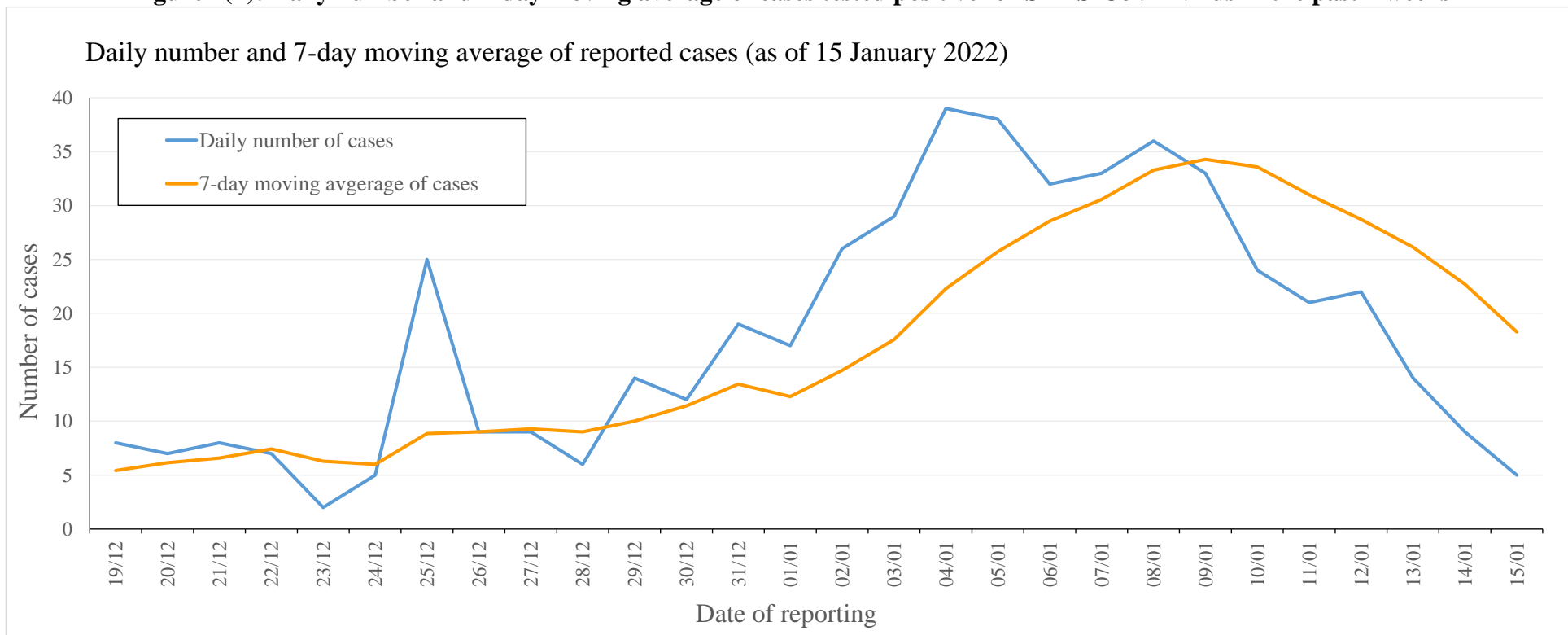
In the recent 7-day period from 9 to 15 January 2022, an average of 18.3 cases were reported per day, as compared with 33.3 cases per day reported in the previous 7-day period from 2 to 8 January 2022 (Figure 1).

**Figure 1(i): Daily number and 7-day moving average of cases tested positive for SARS-CoV-2 virus**



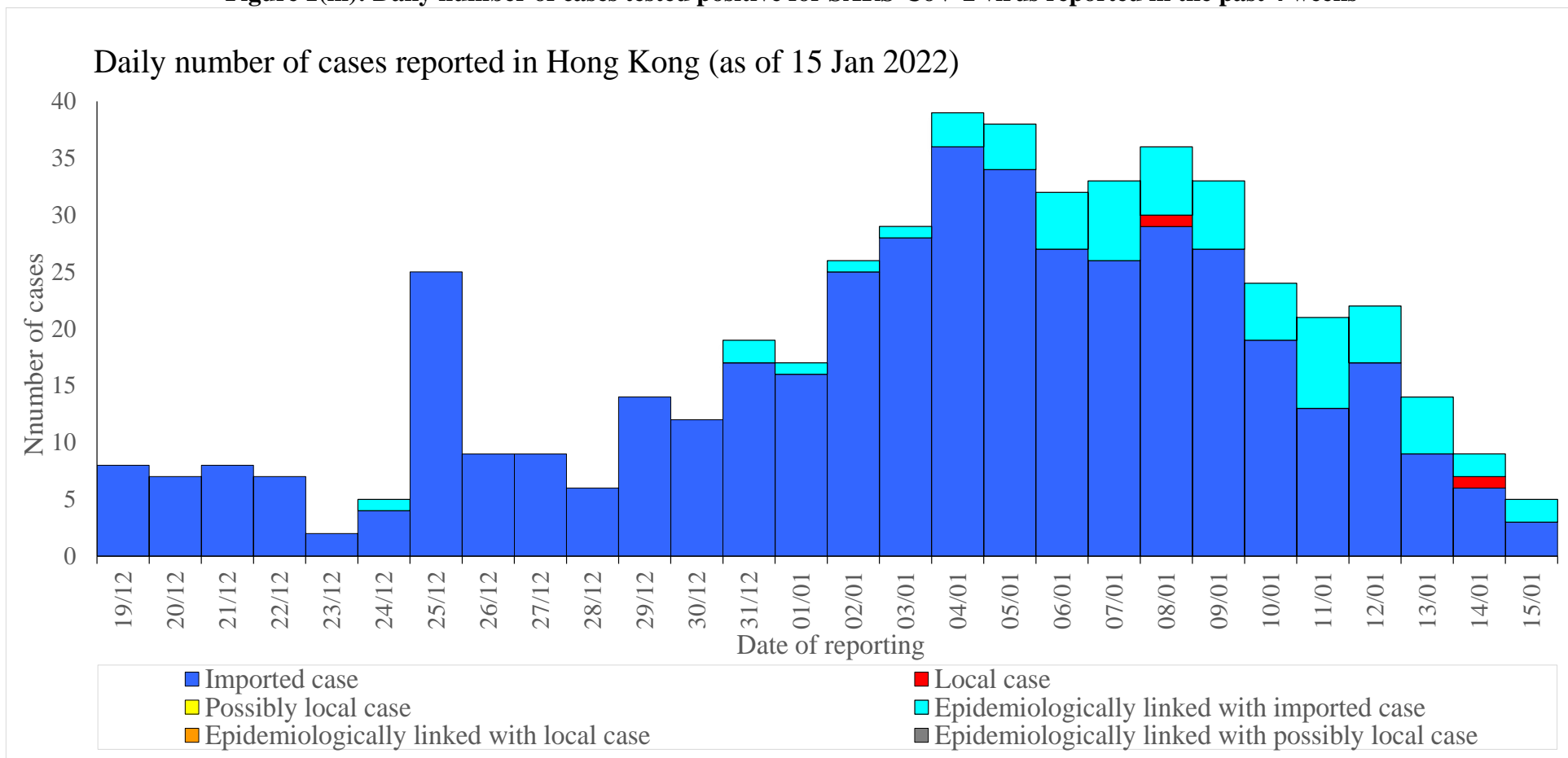
Note: Re-positive cases are excluded in Figure 1(i).

**Figure 1(ii): Daily number and 7-day moving average of cases tested positive for SARS-CoV-2 virus in the past 4 weeks**



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

**Figure 1(iii): Daily number of cases tested positive for SARS-CoV-2 virus reported in the past 4 weeks**



Note: Re-positive cases are excluded in Figure 1(iii). Case 12656 is a possibly import-related case.

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

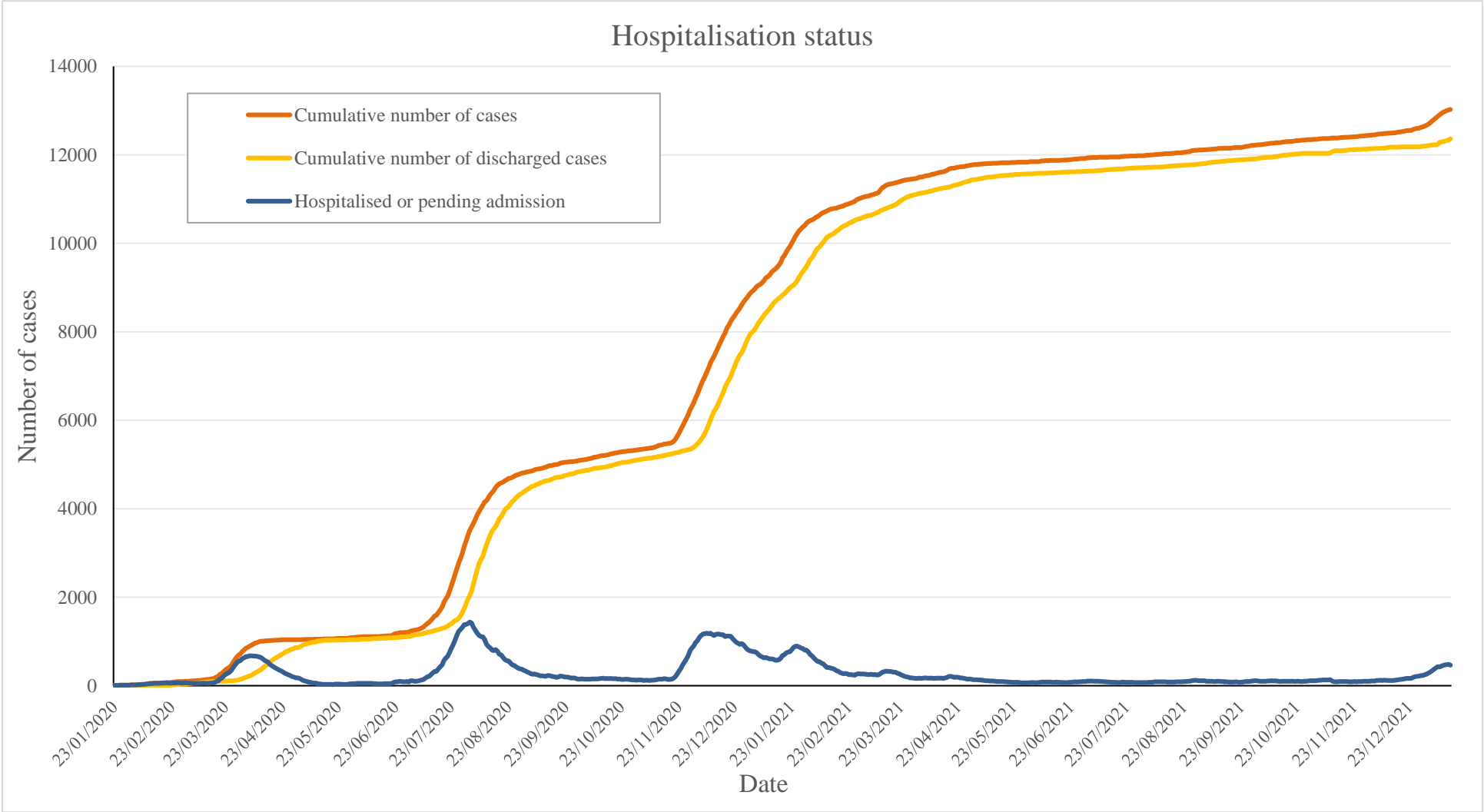
**Table 2: Large clusters (10 or more)\* with newly tested positive cases reported in the past 4 weeks**

<b>Cluster</b>	<b>No. of new cases</b>	<b>Total no. of cases</b>	<b>Involved case number</b>
Air crew (case 12611) related cluster	0	16	12609, 12611, 12637, 12654, 12673, 12708, 12747, 12785, 12822, 12864, 12874, 12945, 12966, 12987, 12988, 13026
Air crew (case 12676) related cluster	2	46	12676, 12746, 12754, 12767, 12805, 12806, 12821, 12825, 12838, 12839, 12840, 12841, 12854, 12860, 12879, 12880, 12882, 12883, 12903, 12909, 12910, 12911, 12913, 12916, 12941, 12944, 12960, 12962, 12967, 12969, 12970, 12977, 12979, 12982, 12985, 12986, 12989, 13004, 13010, 13011, 13012, 13014, 13021, 13027, 13031, 13033

\*Including cases with epidemiological linkage

Since 31 December 2019, the Centre for Health Protection (CHP) of the Department of Health has recorded a total of 13030 cases tested positive for SARS-CoV-2 virus. Among these cases, 12366 were discharged and 213 were fatal cases, and 415 cases were still hospitalised or pending admission (Figure 2).

**Figure 2: Hospitalisation status of cases tested positive for SARS-CoV-2 virus**



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](https://www.chp.gov.hk/files/xls/previous_cases_covid19_en.xlsx)). Five cases were deleted on 3 September 2021 (<https://www.info.gov.hk/gia/general/202109/03/P2021090300392.htm>).

Table 3 shows the classification of cases.

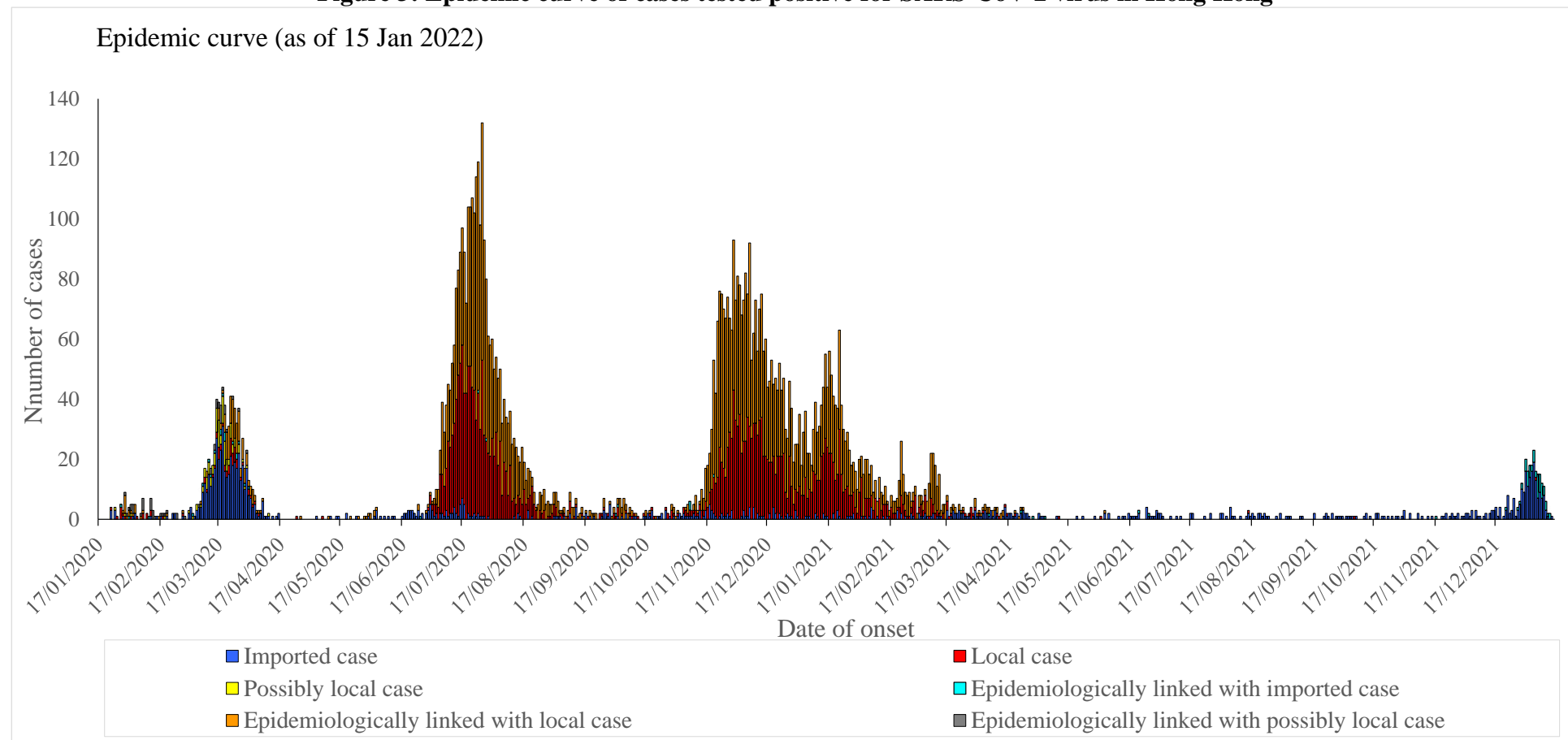
**Table 3: Number of cases tested positive for SARS-CoV-2 virus by classification**

<b>Reporting period</b>	<b>Imported case</b>	<b>Local case</b>	<b>Possibly local</b>	<b>Epidemiologically linked with imported case</b>	<b>Epidemiologically linked with local case</b>	<b>Epidemiologically linked with possibly local case</b>	<b>Period total</b>
Since first reported case on 23 January 2020	3560 (27.3%)	3160 (24.3%)	103 (0.8%)	124 (1.0%)	6021 (46.2%)	62 (0.5%)	13030 (100.0%)
19/12 - 25/12	61 (98.4%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	1 (1.6%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	62 (100.0%)
26/12 - 1/1	83 (96.5%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	3 (3.5%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	86 (100.0%)
2/1 - 8/1	207 (88.1%)	1 (0.4%)	0 (0.0%)	27 (11.5%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	235 (100.0%)
9/1 - 15/1	94 (73.4%)	1 (0.8%)	0 (0.0%)	33 (25.8%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	128 (100.0%)

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Figure 3 shows the epidemic curve of cases tested positive for SARS-CoV-2 virus.

**Figure 3: Epidemic curve of cases tested positive for SARS-CoV-2 virus in Hong Kong**



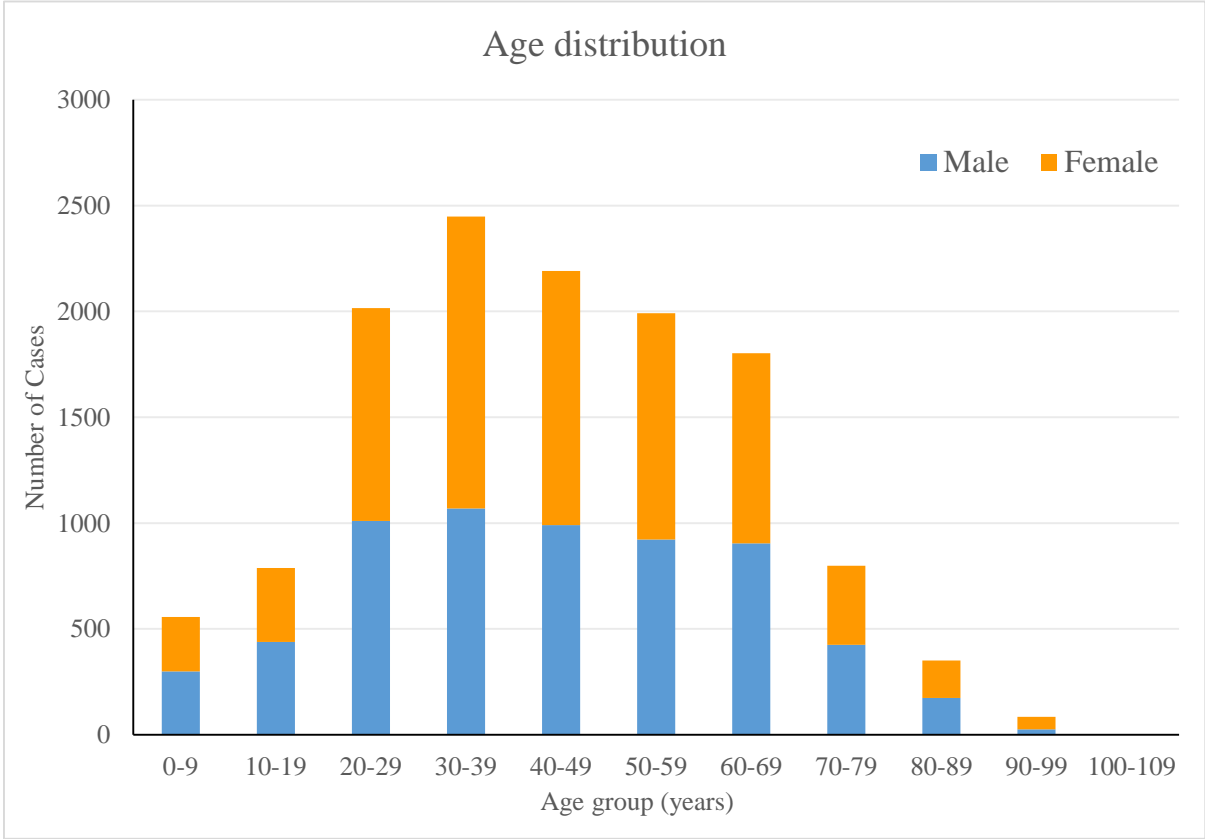
Note:

1. The classification and case status may be subject to changes when there is new information available.
2. Asymptomatic and re-positive cases are excluded in Figure 3.
3. Case 12656 is a possibly import-related case.



Figure 4 shows cases including 6258 males and 6770 females with ages of the cases ranged from 12 days to 100 years (median: 42 years).

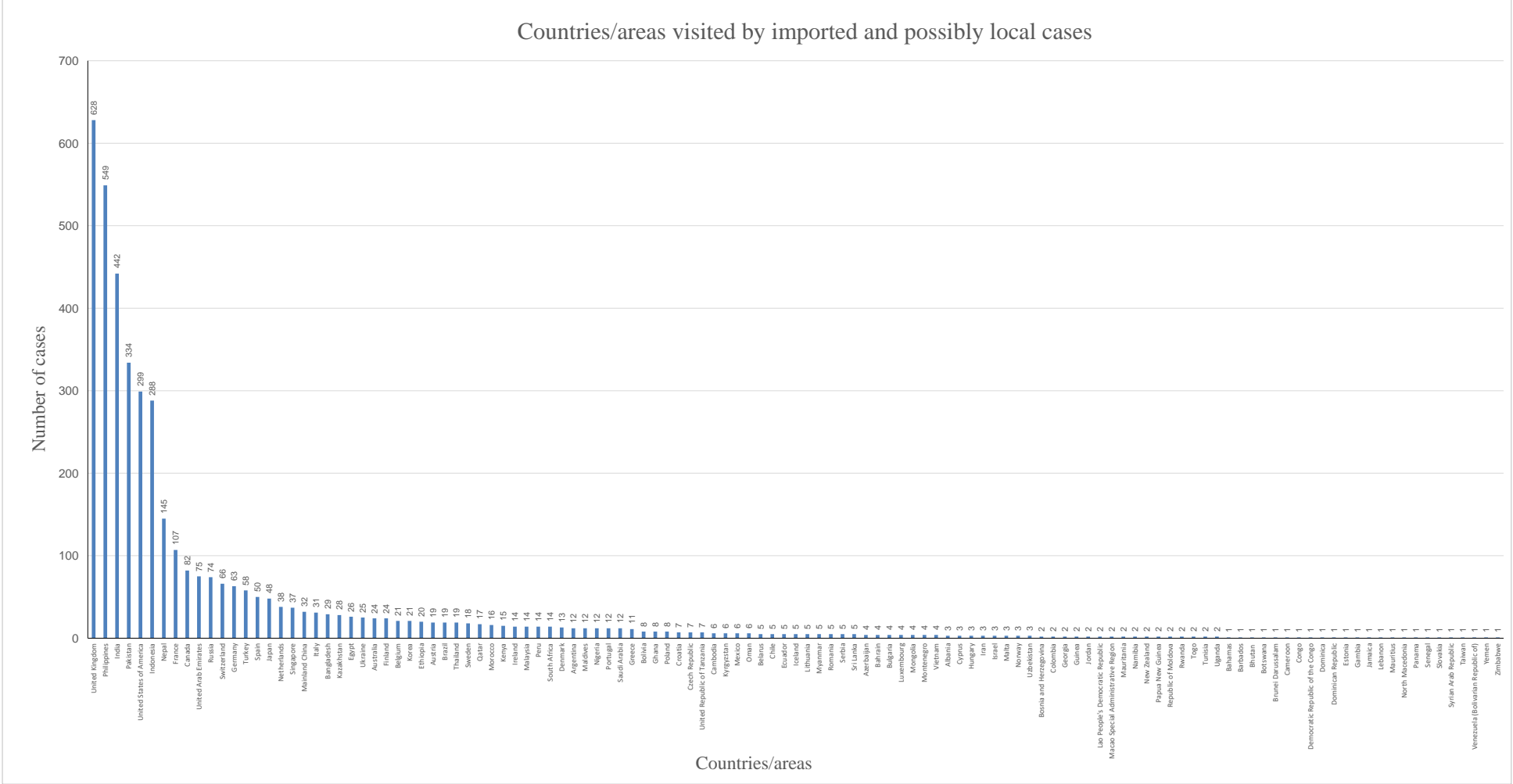
**Figure 4: Age distribution of cases tested positive for SARS-CoV-2 virus in Hong Kong**



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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).

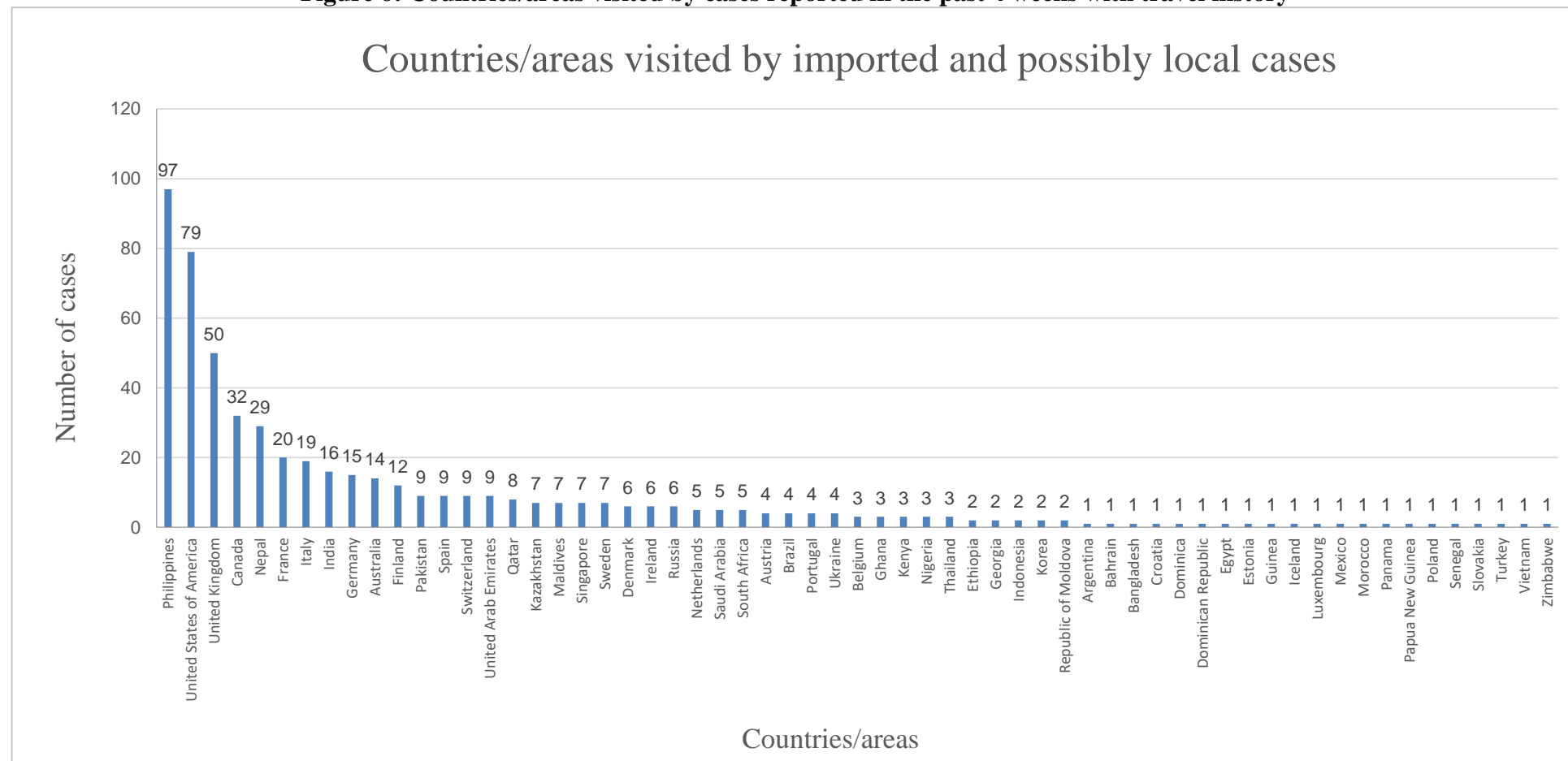
**Figure 5: Countries/areas visited by cases with travel history**



- Note:
1. Some cases had visited more than one country/area.
  2. Re-positive cases are excluded in Figure 5.

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).

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



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Table 4 shows the mode of detection of cases tested positive for SARS-CoV-2 virus in Hong Kong.

**Table 4: Mode of detection of cases tested positive for SARS-CoV-2 virus in Hong Kong**

<b>Category</b>	<b>Number of cases (percentage) since 23 January 2020</b>	<b>Number of cases (percentage) in the past 4 weeks</b>
(1) Cases fulfilling the reporting criteria of COVID-19	336 (2.6%)	0 (0.0%)
(2) Enhanced laboratory surveillance in public hospitals	718 (5.5%)	1 (0.2%)
(3) Enhanced surveillance at Accident and Emergency Departments / General Outpatient Clinics	2589 (19.9%)	7 (1.4%)
(4) Diagnosis / Enhanced surveillance in private hospitals and clinics	1343 (10.3%)	2 (0.4%)
(5) Medical surveillance / contact tracing by Centre for Health Protection	4513 (34.6%)	269 (52.8%)
(6) Enhanced surveillance for asymptomatic inbound travelers	1914 (14.7%)	218 (42.8%)
(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 (0.2%)	0 (0.0%)
(10) Community testing centre^	1448 (11.1%)	12 (2.4%)
(11) Others	11 (0.1%)	0 (0.0%)
<b>Total</b>	<b>13028 (100.0%)</b>	<b>509 (100.0%)</b>

Note: Re-positive cases are excluded in Table 4.

\* <https://www.info.gov.hk/gia/general/202009/19/P2020091900029.htm>

^ Including 1 case detected by temporary testing centre

(Last updated on 15 January 2022)