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Tēnā koe Matthew

Response to your request for official information

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), transferred to the Ministry of Health (the Ministry) on 6 October 2021, for information related to COVID-19 cases in Managed Isolation and Quarantine (MIQ) facilities from 1 June 2021 to 31 August 2021. I will respond to each part of your request in turn.

What is the total number of returnees through MIQ over the period?

A total of 26,053 returnees arrived in MIQ during the requested period. Please note that this number excludes air crew and community arrivals.

- What is the total number of positive cases of COVID-19 identified through MIQ over the period?

A total of 286 returnees tested positive during this time.

- Of the returnees who tested positive, what was their country of origin? If you do not have complete records I would accept partial records.

Information on the departure country of returnees who tested positive while in MIQ is included in the table below.

Departure country	Number of returnees who tested positive while in MIQ
India	29
Philippines	23
Indonesia	22
Malaysia	21
Fiji	15
United Kingdom	15
United Arab Emirates	14
Russia	13
United States of America	10
Afghanistan	9
Singapore	9
Australia	8
South Africa	7
Other (Countries with less than 7 cases)	91
Total	286

- Of the returnees who tested positive, how many were deemed to be a historical case and therefore did not require transfer to a quarantine facility?

66 cases were identified as historic cases. All of these were transferred to a quarantine facility.

- Of the returnees who tested positive, from which testing day was their positive result returned?

Information on the day each case tested positive is included in the table below.

Day of positive test	Number of cases
Day 0	104
Day 3	57
Day 6	19
Day 12	29
Other	77
Total	286

- Of the total number of returnees, how many are fully vaccinated against COVID-19? I would like this information broken down by vaccine type. If you do not have complete records I would accept partial records.

Information on vaccination status of returnees is available from 24 August 2021. Therefore, the Ministry is providing the following information on vaccination and positive cases for MIQ returnees from 24 August 2021 to 25 October 2021.

Vaccination status	Number of returnees	% of all returnees
Full	11412	67.8
Partial	616	3.7
Unvaccinated	2330	13.9
Unknown	437	2.6
Ineligible because under 12	2026	12.0
Total	16821	100.0

A further breakdown of vaccine type for fully vaccinated returnees is included in the table below.

First vaccine name	Number of fully vaccinated returnees
AstraZeneca / Covishield	2272
CoronaVac	238
CoVaxin	74
Janssen	355
Moderna	818
Novavax	41
Pfizer/BioNtech	7087
Sinopharm	384
Sputnik V	143
Total	11412

- Of the vaccinated returnees, how many have subsequently tested positive for COVID-19? I would like this information broken down by acute and historical.

Information on the percentage of returnees who subsequently tested positive for COVID-19 is included in the below table. Please note that this excludes historical cases, as it cannot be confirmed whether their vaccination occurred prior to their infection.

Vaccination status	Number of returnees	% who subsequently tested positive for COVID-19
Full	11412	0.23
Partial	616	0.49
Unvaccinated	2330	0.99
Unknown	437	0
Ineligible because under 12	2026	0.49

I trust this information fulfils your request. Under section 28(3) of the Act you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review any decisions made under this request. The Ombudsman may be contacted by email at: info@ombudsman.parliament.nz or by calling 0800 802 602.

Please note that this response, with your personal details removed, may be published on the Ministry website at: www.health.govt.nz/about-ministry/information-releases/responses-official-information-act-requests.

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