



Brunei Darussalam

Situation summary

- One new case was reported in Brunei Darussalam in the past seven days (25 August), bringing the total number of COVID-19 cases to 144 cases including three deaths.
- The latest case is an imported case:
 - Case 144 is a 36-year-old male who returned from India and tested positive upon arrival in Brunei Darussalam on 19 August. It is unclear whether the case contracted COVID-19 in India or in transit via Kuala Lumpur. The case underwent a swab test as part of the screening process for all travellers into the country. The case presented with fever upon arrival but has not displayed any symptoms since then.
 - As of 25 August, 19 close contacts of the case have been quarantined and have been tested for COVID-19.
 - The case was taken to the National Isolation Center upon arrival, limiting the risk of further community exposure.
- Only two active cases remain in hospital, one in Brunei Muara district and another in Belait district.
- No new COVID-19-associated deaths were reported in the past seven days.

Upcoming events and priorities

- Visit the [Ministry of Health Brunei Darussalam](#) website for information.

National transmission assessment

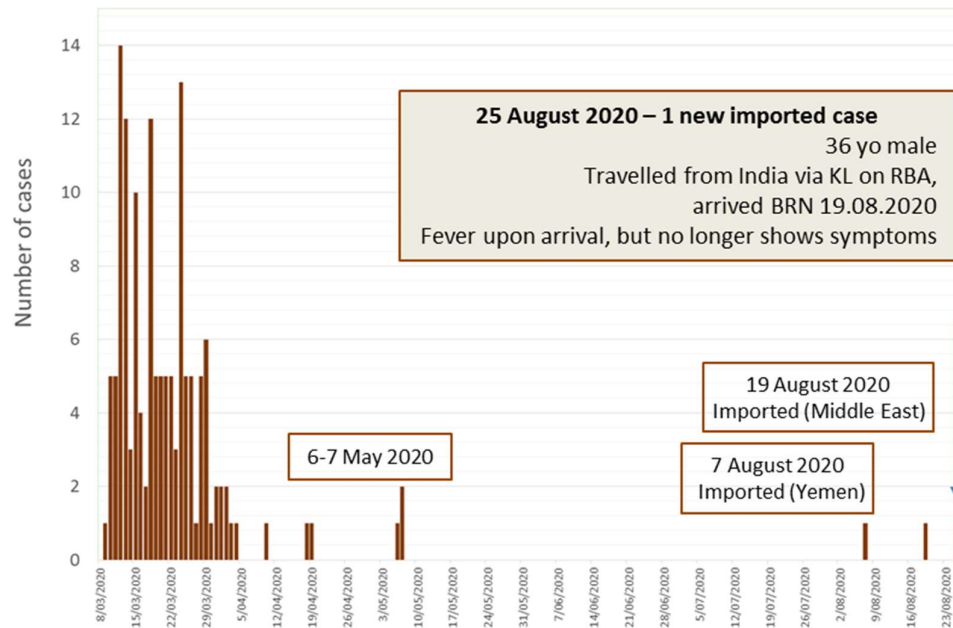
At the national level, Brunei Darussalam remains in **Stage 1, imported cases**. On 25 August, one imported case was reported of a 36-year-old male travelling from India. This is currently Brunei's second active case. The other active case is a previously imported case from the Middle East, reported on 19 August. As imported cases are placed in government-maintained isolation facilities upon arrival as part of the routine quarantine protocol for travellers, the risk of wider community transmission is low. No local transmissions have been reported despite the easing of non-pharmaceutical interventions since 16 May.

Epi Update COVID-19 <i>Data reported for epi week ending 30 August 2020 (% difference compared to the previous 7 days)</i>	Tests 2222 Tests in the past 7 days (-5.3%)	Cases 1 New cases in the past 7 days (-)	Deaths 0 Deaths in the past 7 days (-)	ICU 0% ICU utilization rate in the past 7 days (-)
	51 741 Cumulative tests 0.28% Positivity rate	144 Cumulative cases	3 Cumulative deaths 2.1% Case fatality rate	442 ICU beds for COVID-19 patients
Imported cases and clusters	1 (100%) Imported cases in the past 7 days	0 (0%) Cases in the past 7 days with no link	0 Active clusters	0 Active clusters with more than three generations



Epidemiology

Fig. 1. New daily reported COVID-19 cases, Brunei Darussalam, March 2020 to 30 August 2020



Strategic approach

Testing and surveillance

- A total of 2222 samples have been tested for SARS-CoV-2 in the past seven days, bringing the total number of laboratory tests conducted since January 2020 to 51 741. This equates to approximately 11% of the population.

Non-pharmaceutical interventions (NPI)

- As of 30 August, 455 individuals are undergoing mandatory isolation in government-run monitoring centres. Since March 2020, a total of 4988 individuals have completed mandatory isolation at these centres.