



Data as reported by 04 August 2021

HIGHLIGHTS

- The Ministry of Health (MoH) reported **565** new cases of COVID-19 since the last time of reporting (29.07.2021) – this takes the total tally of COVID-19 cases to **11,145**. All patients are admitted to the designated isolation and treatment facilities at Vera Cruz, Tasitolu, Tibar, and other government identified isolation hotels. The MoH has also granted permission in some cases for home isolation. For more details, please see the epidemiological update section. The surveillance team, as per the national guideline is conducting further investigation and contact tracing. More details about the new cases can be found at the MoH's Facebook page, [Palacio das Cinzas](#).
- Under the aegis of the Ministry of Health (MoH) and Hospital Nacional Guido Valadares (HNGV), the National Eye Centre commenced a weeklong eye care outreach in Manufahi municipality with technical and financial support from WHO Timor-Leste. So far, the eye outreach programme has been conducted in seven other municipalities.
- Following the eye care outreach, Vice Minister of Health along with WHO Representative, Dr Arvind Mathur also visited the CHC in Same to see the work is that being done on COVID-19 response, the COVID-19 vaccination campaign and essential health services and to identify the gaps that WHO can potentially assist the Ministry of Health in plugging.
- WHO is continually providing technical support to the National Health Laboratory (NHL) through the Infectious Substance Training (e-ISST). This is to ensure that laboratory staff are equipped with safety knowledge and updated international regulation on packing and shipment of infectious substances; such as packaging and transporting positive COVID-19 samples for genomic sequencing outside the country.
- WHO and UNICEF and partners participated in the inter-ministerial meeting for COVID-19 vaccine campaign led by the Vice Prime Minister and Minister for Social Solidarity and Inclusion. The meeting discussed the need for a strategic plan for deployment of the Pfizer/BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine in the country. WHO and UNICEF will provide support to the MoH in the development of the strategic plan.

SITUATION IN NUMBERS

11145 confirmed (**565** new)
10025 recovered (**242** new)
1094 active cases
26 deaths

(As per data released by the
[Ministry of Health](#))

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WHO regarding the current COVID-
19 outbreak can be found [here](#).

GLOBAL SITUATION IN NUMBERS

Total (new) cases in last seven
days

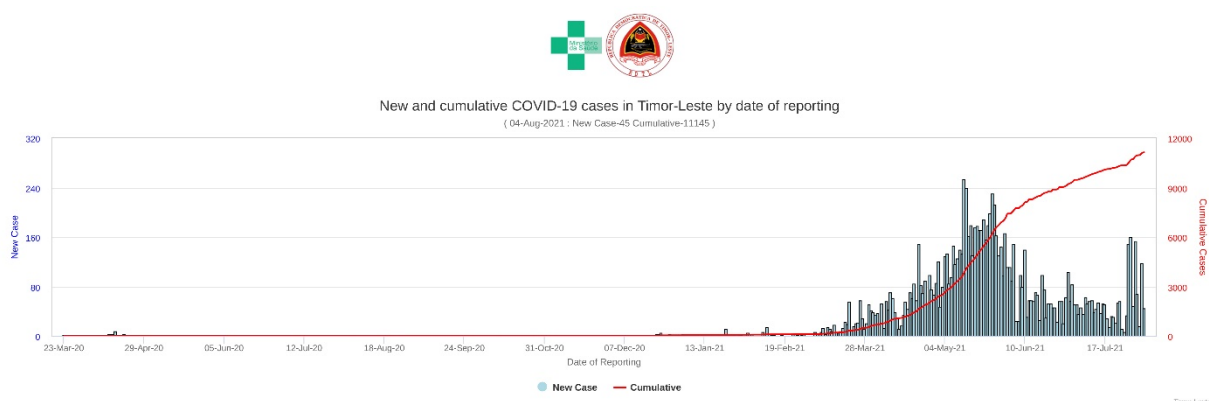
Globally

197 788 117 confirmed (**4 033 836**)
4 219 578 deaths (**64 216**)

EPIDEMIOLOGICAL UPDATES

- After a surge in the COVID-19 cases in March, it is now in a plateauing stage – nationally since early June 2021.

As of 04 August 2021, the country recorded 26 deaths and 11,145 cases of which 10,025 have recovered. Currently, there are 1094 active cases in the isolation/treatment centres of Tasi Tolu, Vera Cruz and other facilities in Dili and the Municipalities or at home for isolation and follow up.

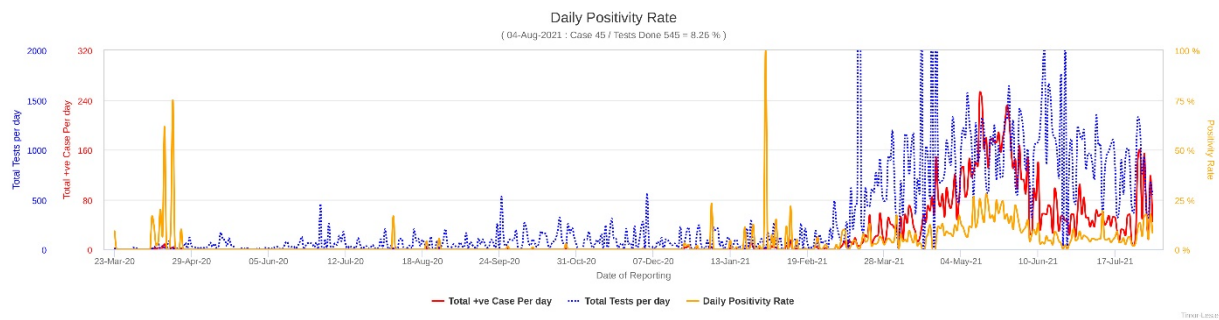


- Distribution of newly reported, recovered and active cases by municipalities, as of 04 August 2021.

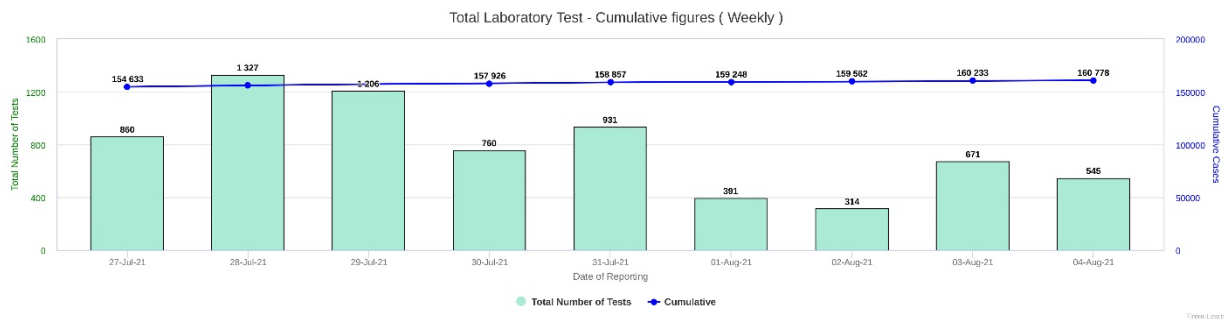
Municipality	New Case	Cumulative Case	New Recovered	Cumulative Recovered	New Deceased	Cumulative Deceased	Active Case
Aileu	0	50	2	45	0	0	5
Ainaro	0	60	0	57	0	0	3
Baucau	0	721	0	693	0	0	28
Bobonaro	4	275	0	238	0	3	34
Covalima	11	286	0	200	0	0	86
Dili	26	8397	25	8084	0	21	292
Ermera	1	736	0	147	0	0	589
Lautem	1	60	0	59	0	0	1
Liquiça	0	29	0	25	0	1	3
Manatuto	0	88	0	87	0	0	1
Manufahi	0	79	0	75	0	0	4
Oecusse	1	38	0	31	0	0	6
Viqueque	1	326	8	283	0	1	42
Total	45	11145	35	10025	0	26	1094

- Over the last week, there was a significant increase in cases in Ermera Municipality, representing more than 65% of the total number of cases reported. This led to a change in the 7-day notification rate from 4.5 per 100,000 population per day to 43.8 per 100,000 population per day. As 83% of the cases in Ermera had not received any vaccine, it is important to advocate for vaccination and that no one is safe until everyone is safe.

- The test positivity rate over the last 7 days showed 13% (compare to 6% from the previous reporting period). This is due to the recent increase in the number of cases detected in Ermera.



- As of 04 August 2021, **160,778** PCR tests were done by the National Health Laboratory and referral hospital laboratories since the beginning of the response. The NHL now can return results within 24 hours of collecting the samples.



VACCINATION UPDATES

- At the time of writing this report (afternoon of 4th August 2021), in total, **405,372** COVID-19 vaccine doses comprising **301,104**, first doses (coverage 39.9%) and **104,262**, second doses (coverage 13.8%) have been administered in Timor-Leste. The breakdown of the number of doses administered and coverage by vaccine type and vaccine dose is given in Table 1.

Table 1: Number of COVID-19 vaccine doses administered and coverage in Dili and Timor-Leste by vaccine brand and doses as of 16:00hrs 04/08/2021

	Dose	AZ	SV	Total	Coverage
Timor-Leste	1 st Dose	264,500	36,604	301,104	39.9%
	2 nd Dose	85,559	18,709	104,268	13.8%
	Total	350,059	55,313	405,372	
Dili	1 st Dose	105,903	35,904	141,807	66.3%
	2 nd Dose	71,540	18,693	90,233	42.2%
	Total	177,443	54,597	232,040	

Table 2: Number of individuals vaccinated and AEFI by sex as of 16:00 hrs 04/08/2021

Municipality	Number Vaccinated						AEFI		
	First Dose			Second Dose			Male	Female	Total
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total			
Dili	80,815	60,992	141,807	51,771	38,462	90,233	14	19	33
Aileu	4,072	2,657	6,729	547	253	800	0	0	0
Ainaro	3,668	2,644	6,312	556	322	878	0	0	0
Baucau	13,028	9,997	23,025	1,393	721	2,114	0	0	0
Bobonaro	7,318	5,460	12,778	1,012	406	1,418	2	5	7
Covalima	10,226	8,701	18,927	871	370	1,241	6	6	12
Ermera	6,358	3,813	10,171	704	401	1,105	0	0	0
Lautem	6,265	5,400	11,665	612	362	974	2	0	2
Liquica	6,563	5,289	11,852	530	342	872	0	1	1
Manatuto	5,433	4,066	9,499	601	249	850	1	0	1
Manufahi	6,659	4,423	11,082	628	225	853	0	0	0
Viqueque	11,254	10,183	21,437	968	376	1,344	0	0	0
ZEEMS (Oecusse)	8,462	7,358	15,820	1,080	506	1,586	0	0	0
Total (without Dili)	89,306	69,991	159,297	9,502	4,533	14,035	11	12	23
Total (Timor-Leste)	170,121	130,983	301,104	61,273	42,995	104,268	25	31	56

Table 3. Number of individuals among eligible population (18 years and above*) vaccinated in Timor-Leste with COVID-19 vaccine and coverage as of 16:00hrs 04/08/2021

Municipality	Eligible Population			Number vaccinated & Coverage											
	High Risk Groups (20% Pop.)	18-59y no comorbidity (80% Pop.)	Total	First Dose						Second Dose					
				High Risk Groups (20% Pop.)	Coverage	18-59y no comorbidity (80% Pop.)	Coverage	Total	Coverage	High Risk Groups (20% Pop.)	Coverage	18-59y no comorbidity (80% Pop.)	Coverage	Total	Coverage
Dili	29,980	183,822	213,802	49,201	164.1%	92,606	50.4%	141,807	66.3%	26,484	88.3%	63,749	34.7%	90,233	42.2%
Aileu	6,292	24,943	31,235	3,189	50.7%	3,540	14.2%	6,729	21.5%	743	11.8%	57	0.2%	800	2.6%
Ainaro	7,410	27,726	35,136	2,202	29.7%	4,110	14.8%	6,312	18.0%	774	10.4%	104	0.4%	878	2.5%
Baucau	18,141	55,175	73,316	8,541	47.1%	14,484	26.3%	23,025	31.4%	1,784	9.8%	330	0.6%	2114	2.9%
Bobonaro	13,268	43,476	56,744	6,503	49.0%	6,275	14.4%	12,778	22.5%	1,180	8.9%	238	0.5%	1418	2.5%
Covalima	8,725	31,503	40,228	6,936	79.5%	11,991	38.1%	18,927	47.0%	1,120	12.8%	121	0.4%	1241	3.1%
Ermera	14,350	60,793	75,143	4,196	29.2%	5,975	9.8%	10,171	13.5%	878	6.1%	227	0.4%	1105	1.5%
Lautem	8,455	27,963	36,418	4,130	48.8%	7,535	26.9%	11,665	32.0%	713	8.4%	261	0.9%	974	2.7%
Liquica	9,588	35,597	45,185	2,900	30.2%	8,952	25.1%	11,852	26.2%	633	6.6%	239	0.7%	872	1.9%
Manatuto	6,701	21,718	28,419	3,492	52.1%	6,007	27.7%	9,499	33.4%	665	9.9%	185	0.9%	850	3.0%
Manufahi	7,595	25,766	33,361	5,377	70.8%	5,705	22.1%	11,082	33.2%	625	8.2%	228	0.9%	853	2.6%
Viqueque	9,408	32,534	41,942	7,540	80.1%	13,897	42.7%	21,437	51.1%	1,047	11.1%	297	0.9%	1344	3.2%
ZEEMS (Oecusse)	11,034	32,905	43,939	7,547	68.4%	8,273	25.1%	15,820	36.0%	1,505	13.6%	81	0.2%	1,586	3.6%
Total (without Dili)	120,967	420,098	541,065	62,553	51.7%	96,744	23.0%	159,297	29.4%	11,667	9.6%	2,368	0.6%	14,035	2.6%
Total (Timor-Leste)	150,947	603,920	754,867	111,754	74.0%	189,350	31.35%	301,104	39.9%	38,151	25.3%	66,117	10.9%	104,268	13.8%

* Based on 2021 population projections. Population with Comorbidity 12.5% among 30-59y based on 2016 DHS data
 High Risk Groups (20% of the population) - Healthcare staff, other front line staff, aged 60y and above, and 18-59y with comorbidity
 18-59y with no comorbidity (80% of the population)

Figure 1: Weekly progress of vaccination in Timor-Leste during as of 16:00 hrs 04/08/2021

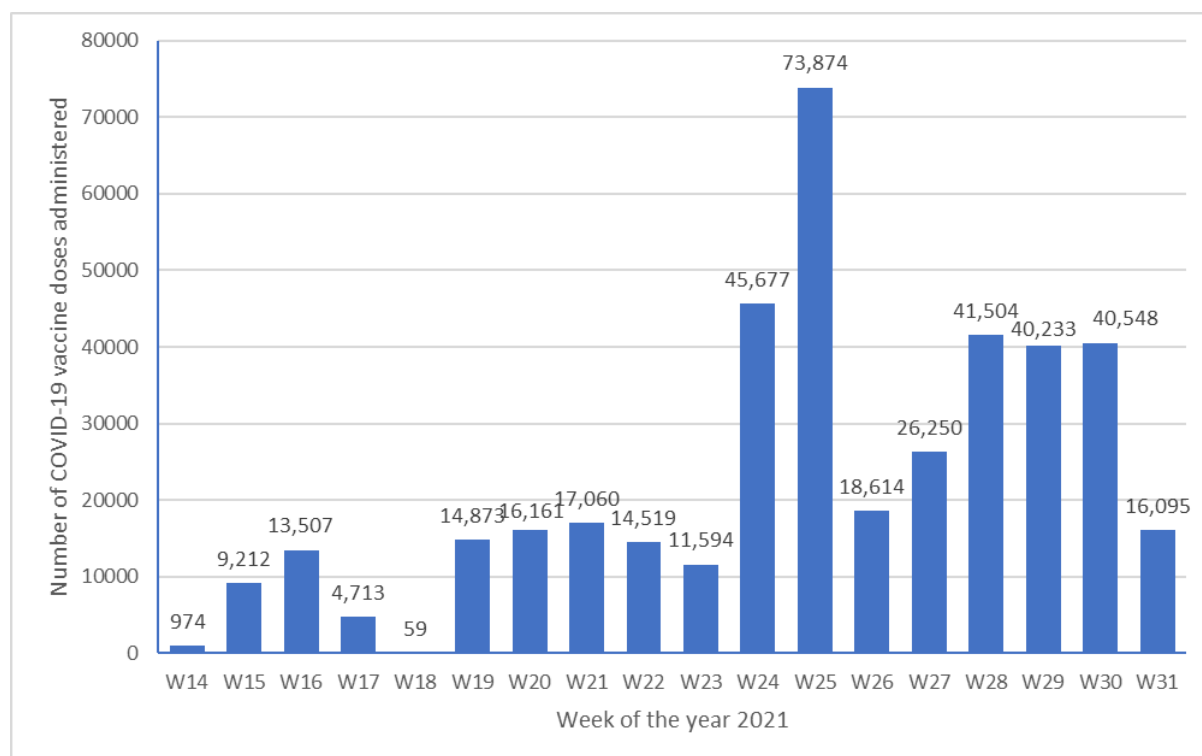
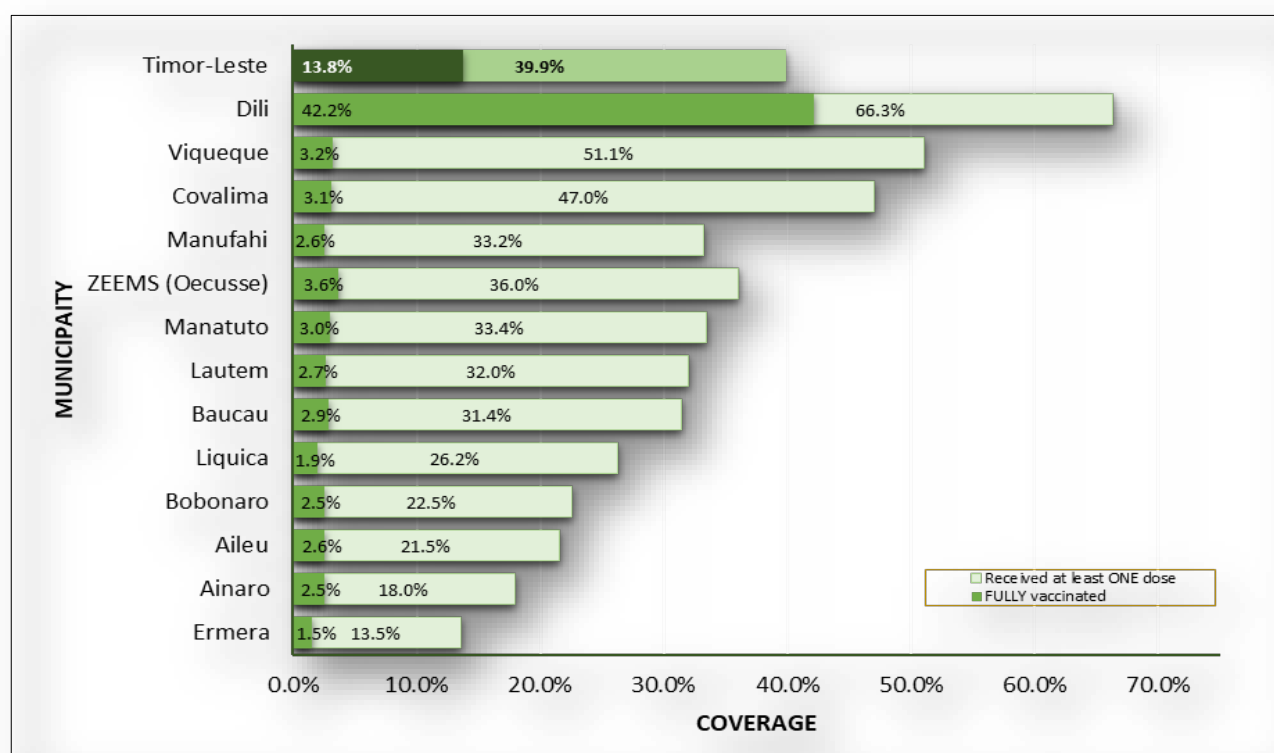


Table 4: COVID-19 vaccine coverage by municipality in Timor-Leste as of 16:00hrs 04/08/2021



WHO TIMOR-LESTE STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

- Interrupt human-to-human transmission including reducing secondary infections among close contacts and health care workers, preventing transmission amplification events.
- Strengthening of surveillance systems and increasing laboratory capacity to detect COVID-19 cases.
- Ensuring adherence to the strictest standards of infection prevention and control (IPC) and increase capacity for IPC.
- Identify, isolate, and care for patients early, including providing optimized care for infected patients.
- Communicate critical risk and event information to all communities and counter misinformation.
- Minimize social and economic impact through multisectoral partnerships.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND SOCIAL MEASURES

Wash your hands frequently

Regularly and thoroughly clean your hands with an alcohol-based hand rub or wash them with soap and water.

Why? Washing your hands with soap and water or using alcohol-based hand rub kills viruses that may be on your hands.

Maintain physical distancing

Maintain at least 1 metre (3 feet) distance between yourself and others.

Why? When someone coughs or sneezes, they spray small liquid droplets from their nose or mouth which may contain virus. If you are too close, you can breathe in the droplets, including the COVID-19 virus if the person coughing is infected.

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Why? If when you're in a setting where maintaining the physical distance of 1 meter or more is not possible due to the space constraint, then it is imperative that you use a face mask as it can help in stopping the transmission of COVID-19

Avoid touching eyes, nose, and mouth

Why? Hands touch many surfaces and can pick up viruses. Once contaminated, hands can transfer the virus to your eyes, nose or mouth. From there, the virus can enter your body and make you sick.

Practice respiratory hygiene

Make sure you, and the people around you, follow good respiratory hygiene. This means covering your mouth and nose with your bent elbow or tissue when you cough or sneeze. Then dispose of the used tissue safely immediately.

Why? Droplets spread virus. By following good respiratory hygiene, you protect the people around you from viruses such as cold, flu and COVID-19.

If you have fever, cough and difficulty breathing, seek medical care early

Stay home if you feel unwell. If you have a fever, cough and difficulty breathing, seek medical attention and call in advance. Follow the directions of health authorities.

Why? Calling in advance will allow your health care provider to quickly direct you to the right health facility. This will also protect you and help prevent spread of viruses and other infections.

Stay informed and follow advice given by your healthcare provider

Stay informed on the latest developments about COVID-19. Follow advice given by your healthcare provider, your national and local public health authority, or your employer on how to protect yourself and others from COVID-19.

Why? National and local authorities will have the most up to date information on whether COVID-19 is spreading in your area. They are best placed to advise on what people in your area should be doing to protect themselves.

Protect ourselves and our loved ones against #COVID19:

- **Wash your hands frequently**
- **Cover coughs and sneezes**
- **Avoid touching your face**
- **Avoid crowded places and limit time in enclosed spaces**
- **Keep a distance of at least 1 metre from others**
- **Use of mask is imperative when physical-distancing is not possible.**
- **Regularly clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces**
- **Isolate yourself from others if feeling unwell and seek care, if needed**

More guidance on preventive measures is available [here](#).

COVID-19 Information and media queries:

- The MoH has established a hotline number – 119 – for COVID-19 on which people can call to get any COVID-19 related information.
- Additionally, [MoH Facebook page](#) provides timely updates on COVID-19 developments in the country.
- WHO Timor-Leste through its [Facebook page](#) and [Twitter handle](#) also disseminates information on preventive measures, questions and answers, myth-busters and latest updates on COVID-19 globally and nationally. For media queries and interviews requests can be sent to singhsho@who.int and hasane@who.int