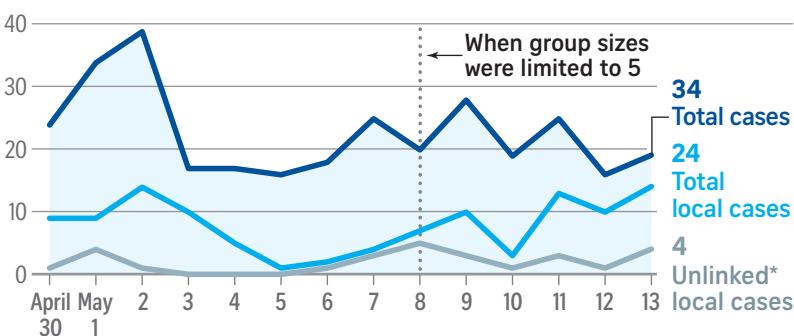


# Nation on a knife-edge

Education Minister Lawrence Wong told Parliament on Tuesday that Singapore is now at a crucial point in its fight against Covid-19, with community cases poised to go either way over the next few weeks.

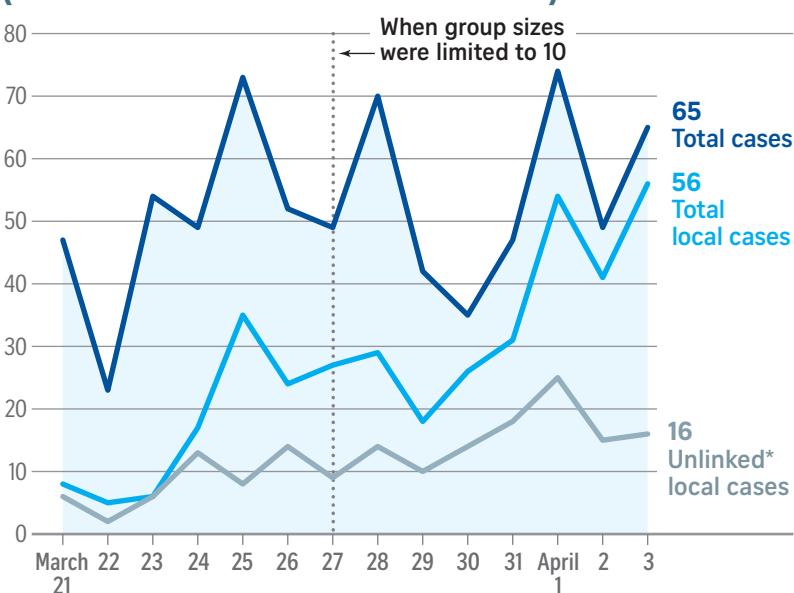
**Timothy Goh** looks at the situation now, and how it compares with the period before the circuit breaker was announced last year.

## CASES OVER THE LAST 14 DAYS



NOTE: \*At the time of announcement

## CASES IN THE 14 DAYS LEADING UP TO APRIL 3, 2020\*\* (BEFORE CIRCUIT BREAKER ON APRIL 7)



NOTE: \*At the time of announcement

\*\*Date that circuit breaker was announced

## ACTIVE CLUSTERS ON...






### • MAY 13, 2021

Changi Airport	46
Tan Tock Seng Hospital	44
Immigration and Checkpoints Authority officer	11
Pasir Panjang Terminal	8
Bunker tanker MT ALLI	7
Westlite Woodlands Dormitory	7
National University of Singapore senior research fellow	5
OM Universal accountant	4
Tuas South community care facility cleaner	4
Case 62049	3
Grab driver	3

### • APRIL 3, 2020

Safra Jurong	47
The Life Church and Missions Singapore + Grace Assembly of God	33
PCF Sparkletots Preschool @ Fengshan Blk 126	27
Mustafa Centre	14
Lee Ah Mooi Old Age Home	13
Dover Court International School	9
Wilby Residences	9
Hero's bar	9
SingPost Centre	8
boulder+ Gym	6
Singapore Cricket Club	6
Church of Singapore (Bukit Timah)	5
Ce La Vi	4
Masjid Al-Muttaqin	3
The Wedding Brocade	3

## DEFENCES: THEN AND NOW

	 Group sizes capped at	 Wearing of mask	 Vaccines	 Contact tracing	 Testing capacity (tests per day)
<b>THEN</b>	10 people	Discouraged	No vaccines available	SafeEntry not yet compulsory, contact tracing mostly done manually	About 2,900
<b>NOW</b>	5 people	Compulsory	>1.2 million people fully vaccinated	TraceTogether and SafeEntry used pervasively	>73,000