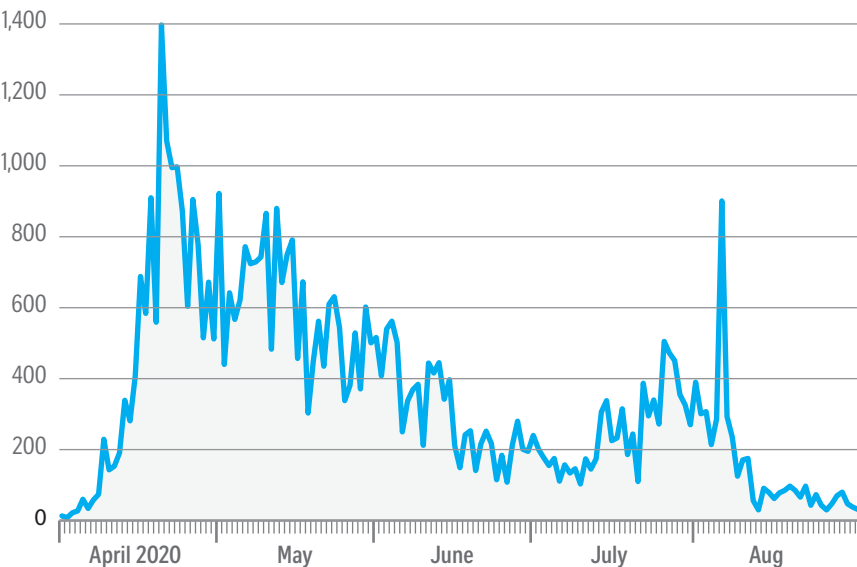


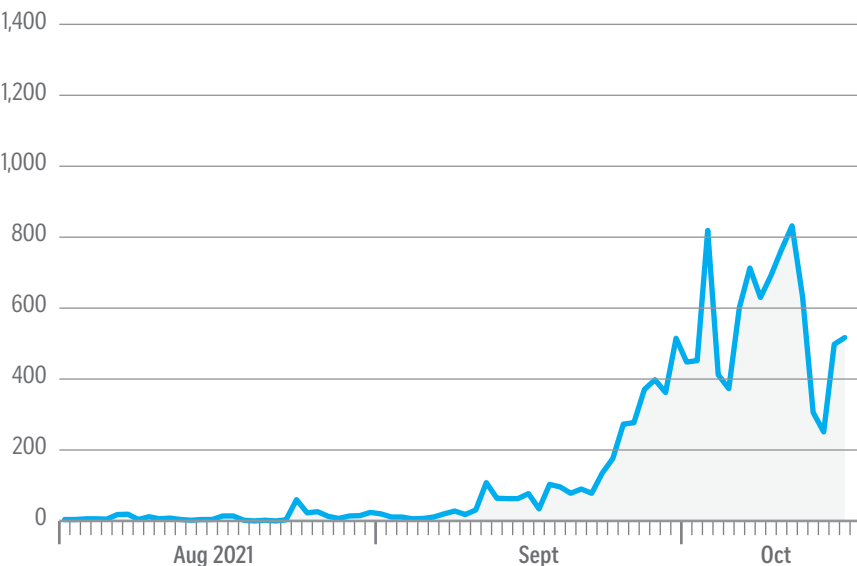
Cases in dorms

After 10 months of near-zero cases in migrant worker dorms since October last year, infections have re-emerged in recent months, as Singapore embarks on its transition to live with Covid-19. Here is how the caseload compares with last year.

DORMITORY CASES IN 2020



DORMITORY CASES THIS YEAR



NEW MEASURES SINCE OCT 2:

Testing

Progressively, only antigen rapid test (ART) will be used for rostered routine testing. Dormitory residents with acute respiratory illness symptoms should continue to report sick at one of the regional medical centres and a polymerase chain reaction (PCR) test will be administered if needed.

Tracing

Quarantine orders will be issued only to roommates of those who test PCR positive. The quarantine period will also be reduced from 14 days to 10 days from the date of last exposure to the confirmed case, with workers to self-administer ART from Day 11 to Day 14. Other close contacts in the dormitory may be issued with either a health risk warning or health risk alert.

Isolating

Fully vaccinated workers who tested positive for Covid-19 and have no symptoms can isolate and recover in a dedicated facility within the dormitories for up to 10 days. Symptomatic workers will be given a confirmatory PCR test and taken to community care facilities or hospitals depending on their condition.