

# Update 3: Singapore - Reports First Case of 'Double Mutant' COVID-19 Indian Variant; Tightens Restriction Measures

- On May 4, 2021, Singapore identified 'Double Mutant' COVID-19 Indian variant among locally transmitted cases in the city-state
- The country has detected ten local cases of the COVID-19 variant from India
- Seven of these infections are in three active clusters, said Covid task force
- On May 5, 2021, the country reported five new locally transmitted cases, all of which are linked to a cluster that began in a Singapore hospital
- There were also twelve cases detected during mandatory quarantines for people entering the country from overseas
- All necessary public health actions have been taken promptly to isolate and ringfence all cases, Ministry of Health said
- Singapore also announced tighter measures in a bid to stem the spread of the new COVID-19 variant
- Travelers arriving from higher-risk countries will have to be quarantined for 21 days, up from 14 days previously, starting May 5, 2021
- Domestically, new restrictions will be imposed from May 8, 2021, until May 30, 2021
- Social gatherings to be limited to five, down from eight previously
- Each household will also be able to receive five guests per day, instead of eight
- No more than 50% of employees are allowed to return to their workplaces at any time, down from 75%
- Pre-event testing will be required for certain gatherings, including weddings, worship services, live performances, and conferences, depending on the number of attendees
- Indoor gyms and fitness studios will be closed
- Museums, public libraries, and attractions to operate at 50% capacity
- The B.1.617 variant is widely blamed for India's second wave of infections
- Reported COVID-19 stats for Singapore:
  1. Confirmed Cases: 61,252
  2. Deaths: 31 (0.05%)
  3. Recoveries: 60,823 (99.29%)
  4. Vaccine Doses Administered: 2,213,888
  5. Fully Vaccinated: 15%
- Supply Wisdom is continuously monitoring the situation and will alert you to any relevant developments

## Source(s)

<https://www.reuters.com/world/asia-pacific/singapore-tightens-covid-19-curbs-overseas-virus-variants-detected-2021-05-04/>  
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<https://www.nbcnewyork.com/news/business/money-report/singapore-says-it-detected-the-double-mutant-covid-variant-from-india-in-its-community-tightens-restrictions/3035081/>

## Targets Affected:

[Singapore](#)

## Category(s):

Geo-Political Risk

## Event:

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Incident(s)

## Guidance

### *Actions to consider:*

- Consider implementing more detailed actions related to '[Lockdown/Emergency/Extension of Lockdown/Other Restrictions](#)' and '[Increase in Positive Cases/Deaths](#)' under the '[COVID-19: Actions to Consider](#)' section below / next page

<https://www.laprensalatina.com/singapore-vietnam-detect-indian-coronavirus-variant-tighten-restrictions/>

<https://www.worldometers.info/coronavirus/country/singapore>

<https://www.pharmaceutical-technology.com/covid-19-vaccination-tracker/>

<https://www.moh.gov.sg/>

## Related Alerts

May 1, 2021

Medium

Update 2: Singapore - Bans Travelers from Bangladesh, Nepal, Pakistan, and Sri Lanka, Starting May 2, 2021

April 27, 2021

Medium

Update 1: Singapore - Plans to Start Flight Services with Hong Kong Effective May 26, 2021

April 22, 2021

Medium

Singapore - Tightens Border Measures for Travelers from India and Hong Kong

# Impact level Definitions

Impact Level	Definitions
Immediate	<b>Certain</b> - Supply Wisdom recommends considering prompt action. Examples of Immediate level alert events may include bankruptcy filings, data breaches, unexpected curfews, strikes, power black-outs, major geo-political events etc.
High	<b>Highly likely to occur in the near term (within 3 months)</b> - Supply Wisdom recommends being in a state of readiness to take quick action. Examples of High level alert events may include withdrawal of rating by ratings agencies, hostile takeover, multiple cyber-attacks, new business policies causing significant hardship etc.
Medium	<b>Likely to occur in the mid-term (within 3 to 6 months)</b> - Supply Wisdom recommends reviewing current mitigation steps and being ready to take proactive actions if and when situation deteriorates further. Examples of Medium level alert events may include unplanned C-level exits, suppliers caught in bribery cases, economy slipping into recession.
Low	<b>Possible in the long-term (after 6 months)</b> - Supply Wisdom recommends taking proactive action if situation does not resolve. Examples of Low level alert events may include lawsuits filed against suppliers, client losses, air pollution alerts issued by country's local authorities, unexpected holidays announced for the location etc.
Informational	The event is pertinent information but does not have a risk element associated with it. Examples of Info level alert events may include launch of new solutions, partnerships signed, industry outlook, positive changes in government policies, announcements regarding launch of software parks/ free trade zones/special economic zones etc.