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12th May 2021

Trinidad and Tobago COVID-19 (Novel Coronavirus) Update #722

The 615 positive cases reported today, Wednesday 12th May, 2021, reflects samples taken during a five day period (Friday 7th May, 2021 to Tuesday 11th May, 2021) and not the last 24 hours.

While the normal reporting timeframe covers samples taken within 2-3 days, the substantial increase in the positive cases, and the resulting number of samples collected and processed at testing sites throughout the country, has affected the reporting timeline in this instance.

It should also be noted that the 99 positive cases reported on Monday 10th May, 2021 may have been as a result of the normal weekend closure of some of the testing sites and some of the health facilities where swabbing takes place.

Thus, it should be underscored that the reported positive cases reflect a high percentage of infection within the population. The cases tested reflected a positivity rate in excess of 40%, which is a cause for significant concern.

As such, **the population is urged to follow all the personal health guidelines** to avoid becoming infected or spreading the virus. Persons in quarantine/isolation must stay at home at all times. Additionally, persons who are sick are urged to stay home, even if they are not officially under quarantine order.

The Ministry of Health and our partner organizations continue to undertake robust contact tracing exercises and the implementation of public health measures as part of the national COVID-19 response.

We can and will overcome COVID-19 if we all work together and do our part. Wear your masks, Watch your distance and Wash your hands. We flattened the curve before and we can do it again.



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The following is a clinical update as at 4pm on **Wednesday 12th May, 2021**. The population is reminded to rely solely on information from official sources, such as the Ministry of Health.

COVID-19 TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO DASHBOARD

12th May, 2021

DATE _____ Data compiled as at 4pm

TOTAL PERSONS TESTED

to date

At both public and private facilities **148,770**



9,594 Total recovered patients



***615** New Positive Cases
(Reported in last 24hrs)



4,588 Total active positive cases



14,417 Total positive cases for COVID-19
(12 Mar, 2020 to Present)



235 Deaths



343 Total patients in hospital



Total patients in Step-down Facilities

82



Total patients in State quarantine facilities

439



Total persons in home self-isolation

3,548

As at 4pm:

Total Persons Vaccinated with 1st Dose: **60,585**

Total Persons Fully Vaccinated (2nd Dose): **1,179**

*Of the total number of persons tested, 69,456 were done at private facilities.

*The number of cases reported reflects the **samples taken** during the period 7th May – 11th May, 2021 and not the last 24 hours.



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