

Managed Isolation and Quarantine: Daily 14 Day Forecast

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MANAGED ISOLATION ROOMS ALLOCATED

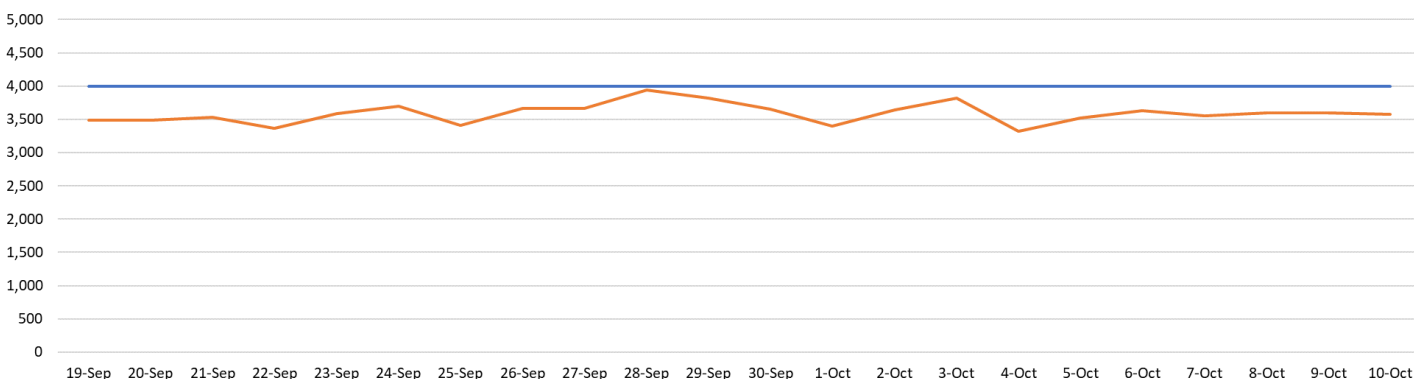
AS AT 1000 17 September 2021

The below graph illustrates projected room allocation. "Total Rooms Allocated" is defined as occupied rooms plus rooms unavailable due to cohorting. Please see the explanatory notes on the MBIE website which provide further explanation about the information contained in this daily snapshot, especially around the rationale for introducing cohorting into our managed isolation facilities. The projections are updated once a week on Fridays.

MANAGED ISOLATION ALLOCATIONS OVERVIEW - AS AT 10:00 17 SEPTEMBER 2021

	19-Sep	20-Sep	21-Sep	22-Sep	23-Sep	24-Sep	25-Sep	26-Sep	27-Sep	28-Sep	29-Sep	30-Sep	1-Oct	2-Oct
Total Rooms Allocated	3,489	3,488	3,534	3,368	3,583	3,697	3,413	3,667	3,667	3,937	3,816	3,652	3,396	3,640
Quarantine Rooms utilised as at 2359 18 September 2021								390 of 686						

— Operational Capacity — Total Rooms Allocated



OCCUPANCY AND RETURNEE OVERVIEW

AS AT 2359 18 September 2021

3,556

Number of people currently in Managed Isolation facilities

315

Number of people currently in Quarantine facilities

2,945

Projected Returnees – Next 14 days

172,819

Total number of people through MIQ facilities since 26 March 2020

MIQ KEY UPDATES

MIQ had an operational capacity of 4,500 rooms per fortnight prior to the establishment of Quarantine Free Travel. When quarantine-free travel was announced, 500 rooms per fortnight were set aside as contingency to manage any potential changes to quarantine-free travel. This decreased the overall MIQ operational capacity to 4,000 rooms a fortnight. Additional factors also affect our operational capacity at any one time. These include:

- the ongoing maintenance and ventilation programme which sees facilities shifting in and out of our available capacity as remediation work is completed; and
- MIQ introduced a cohorting system to further reduce risk of in facility transmission in May 2021 based on public health advice. The introduction of cohorting has meant that after 96 hours, we are unable to continue to fill a facility which leaves some rooms unavailable for a period of time. On average, cohorting is projected to reduce room availability by 15%.

Community outbreak

Community members are entering facilities to quarantine and isolate to aid in the Government's response to containing the current outbreak of COVID-19. Stopping the spread of COVID-19 and ensuring a return to a lower alert level as soon as possible is a priority for all New Zealanders.

We have updated the daily snapshot to include the number of quarantine rooms being utilised. This includes both border cases (recent arrivals) and community cases. Please note: this number will be different to the number of people in quarantine, as more than one person can be in one room.

We have reconfigured some facilities to maximise usage for quarantining, which has impacted capacity. The situation is evolving at a rapid pace and as such, MIQ is continuing to evaluate capacity.

MINISTRY OF HEALTH COVID-19 TESTING DATA

AS AT 2359 18 September 2021

13,833

Total number of tests conducted nationwide in the past 24 hours

467

Day 3 and Day 12 swabs together recorded in MIQ facilities in the past 24 hours (as at 2359 17 September 2021)

1,298

Total confirmed border cases identified at MIQ facilities

33

Current active border cases identified at MIQ facilities

This report reflects a snapshot at a point time from various operational data sources.

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