

North Korea reports first Covid outbreak

A first public admission of Covid infections in North Korea could signal a looming crisis for a nation that has refused to vaccinate its population



▲ May 12, 2022: **Kim Jong-un** presides over Workers' Party meeting

"THE STATE'S MOST SERIOUS EMERGENCY HAS OCCURRED"

May 12, 2022: Korean Central News Agency (KCNA) says samples taken on May 8 from people in Pyongyang, who were experiencing fevers, showed infections of sub-variant of **Omicron** virus



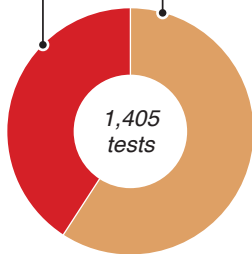
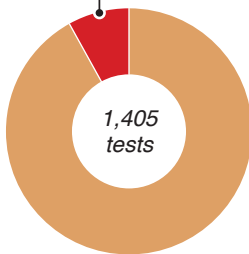
Up until Mar 31: According to **World Health Organisation (WHO)**, **64,207** North Koreans* had been tested for Covid-19 – all negatively

Mar 24-31: 1,405 people given **PCR** tests

122 people show signs of influenza-like illness or severe acute respiratory infections

570 health care workers

Work with cargo at border areas



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