# Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19)

Data as reported by the Thai Ministry of Public Health



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## **WHO Thailand Situation Report**









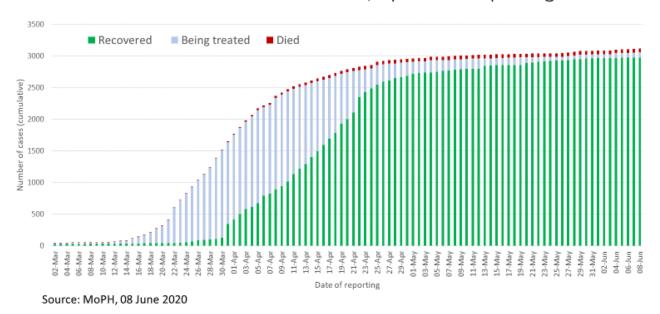


THAILAND SITUATION UPDATE

#### **SPOTLIGHT**

- On the 8th of June 2020, seven new cases of laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 were reported by the Ministry of Public Health, bringing the total number of cases to 3,119.
- Of these, about 95% (2,973) have recovered, 2% (58) have died, and 3% (88) are receiving treatment.
- The new cases are all Thai nationals in State Quarantine after being repatriated from Pakistan (2), the United Arab Emirate (UAE) (4) and the United States of America (USA) (1).
- No new deaths were reported today.
- In the past two weeks, all COVID-19 cases detected in Thailand have been in repatriated Thai nationals (there have been no reported cases due to local transmission).
- Today, there are three repatriation flights landing in Thailand from Oman (214 passengers), Taiwan (99) and USA via South Korea (191). Tomorrow there are five repatriation flights.
- By 5<sup>th</sup> June more than 468,000 tests for COVID-19 had been performed by state and private laboratories, including screening of medical professionals and vulnerable population groups including the elderly and migrants.

### COVID-19 cases in Thailand, by date of reporting



# MINISTRY OF PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATE: MENTAL HEALTH

The Department of Mental Health, MoPH is alert to possible increases in stress and suicides due to mental health fatigue and the economic downturn. Due to increased demand for services, patients should request an online appointment prior to seeking treatment. Group therapy for patients will be reduced and patients will have options to receive medication at pharmacies or via postal / drive-thru systems. A mobile app will be developed to facilitate long term patient follow up.

#### UPDATED WHO GUIDANCE ON THE USE OF FACEMASKS



On 5th June, 2020, WHO published updated 'Advice on the use of masks in the context of COVID-19'.

The document provides advice on the use of masks in communities, during home care, and in health care settings.

For the general public a non-medical (cloth) mask is recommended for community settings where distancing is not possible (for example taking public transport, going into shops, in schools or places of worship etc).

WHO stresses that face masks are just one of a range of tools that should be used to reduce the spread of COVID-19. Even if a mask is used, washing hands regularly, practicing respiratory etiquette (couging/sneezing into elbow or sleeve) and physical distancing are critical to prevent human-to-human transmission of COVID-19 and should always be practiced.

If available, a medical mask should always be the minimum standard for protection in any healthcare setting where direct contact with a person with COVID-19 is possible.

The updated guidance also includes recommendations on non-medical mask features and characteristics, including choice of fabric, number and combination of layers, shape, coating and maintenance.

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#### WHAT WHO IS DOING TO PROVIDE SUPPORT TO THAILAND

WHO Thailand is in frequent direct contact with the Royal Thai Government through the Ministry of Public Health, sharing information on key developments, guidelines and scientific updates. WHO supports the wider UN response, including working with key partners and the Ministry of Public Health to support migrant populations in Thailand. WHO also provides information and advice to staff of the UN system in Thailand.



- The Thailand COVID19 situation report is available in Thai and English, please visit.
- For regular updates on WHO's response in Thailand, please visit.
- For global figures and technical advice from WHO, please visit.

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