Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19)

Data as reported by the CCSA mid-day press briefing



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WHO Thailand Situation Report







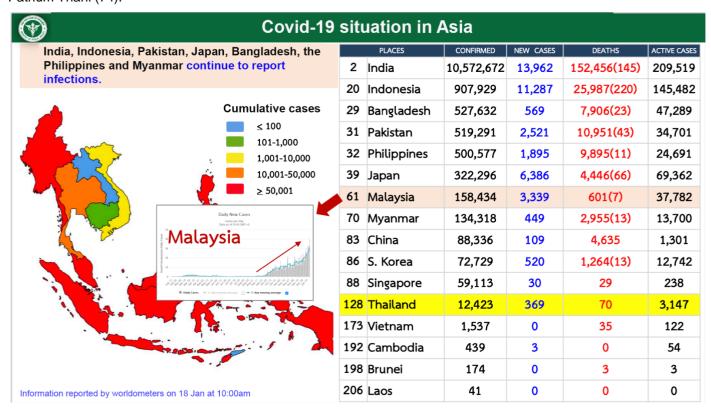




THAILAND SITUATION UPDATE

SPOTLIGHT

- On the 18th of January 2021, 369 new cases of laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 were announced by the Ministry of Public Health of Thailand (MoPH), bringing the total number of cases to date to 12,423.
- Of these, 74.1% (9,206) have recovered, 0.6% (70) have died, and 25.3% (3,147) are still receiving treatment or in isolation. No new death was reported today.
 - The 369 laboratory-confirmed cases reported today include
 - o 12 individuals who arrived recently in Thailand and were diagnosed in quarantine facilities.
 - 82 cases linked to occupational risk, visiting crowded places or had contact with confirmed cases, including Loei (1), Bangkok (13), Trang (1), Nonthaburi (2), Pathum Thani (1), Phra Nakhon Si Ayutthaya (1), **Samut Sakhon (51)**, Ang Thong (8), Samut Prakan (2), Chonburi (1), Rayong (1).
 - The remaining 275 cases reported today are migrant workers (274) and in the Thai population (1) who were identified in relation to the event in Samut Sakhon through contact tracing and active case finding in Bangkok (5), **Samut Sakhon (269)**, Chonburi (1). This brings the cumulative total in this group to 3,982 cases.
- Locally transmitted COVID-19 cases have now been reported in 61 provinces. No additional provinces reported new cases today.
- The 10 provinces reporting more than 50 cumulative cases are Samut Sakhon (4,518), Chonburi (647), Bangkok (593), Rayong (565), Samut Prakan (315), Chanthaburi (216), Nonthaburi (154), Ang Thong (105), Nakhon Pathom (77), and Pathum Thani (74).



UPDATE FROM CCSA

Updates from Samut Sakhon

Samut Sakhon provincial authorities continue to use data to plan and implement COVID-19 control measures. The province has received full collaboration from the private sector in active case finding. Preparedness for the next few weeks will continue and will include hospitals and field hospitals, factory quarantine facilities, beds, equipment, and personnel.

Strengthened measures in maximum controlled areas and along the border

- the Ministry of Public Health and the Ministry of Interior have proposed measures for maximum controlled areas and along the border including
 - Increasing active case finding in maximum controlled areas to reduce infections in communities, particularly among older people who are at higher risk of severe symptoms.
 - Intensifying measures along the border areas to prevent the spread of disease from asymptomatic patients, noting that the number of new cases in neighbouring countries are still on the rise.
 - Strengthening surveillance along the border to prevent illegal entry of migrant workers.
 - Inspecting businesses and the private sector to ensure employers do not hire illegal migrant workers.

A platform of COVID-19 and employment information in migrant languages

The International Organization for Migration (IOM) and the Migrant Working Group has developed a website www.mitrthai.com to provide information with regard to COVID-19 and employment of migrant workers in Thai and migrant languages including Cambodia, Lao and Burmese.

ADVICE FOR THE PUBLIC

Members of the public are encouraged to reduce unnecessary inter-provincial travel and report illegal activities and illegal entry to local authorities.

SCIENCE IN 5 video on how vaccines work.



WHAT WHO IS DOING TO PROVIDE SUPPORT TO THAILAND

WHO Thailand supports the Royal Thai Government through the Ministry of Public Health, sharing information on developments, guidelines and scientific updates. WHO also supports the wider UN response, including working with key partners 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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