


Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19)


Data as reported by the CCSA mid-day press briefing

25 February 2021


WHO Thailand Situation Report




25,764
(+72)
Confirmed




83
(+0)
Deaths



947
Hospitalized



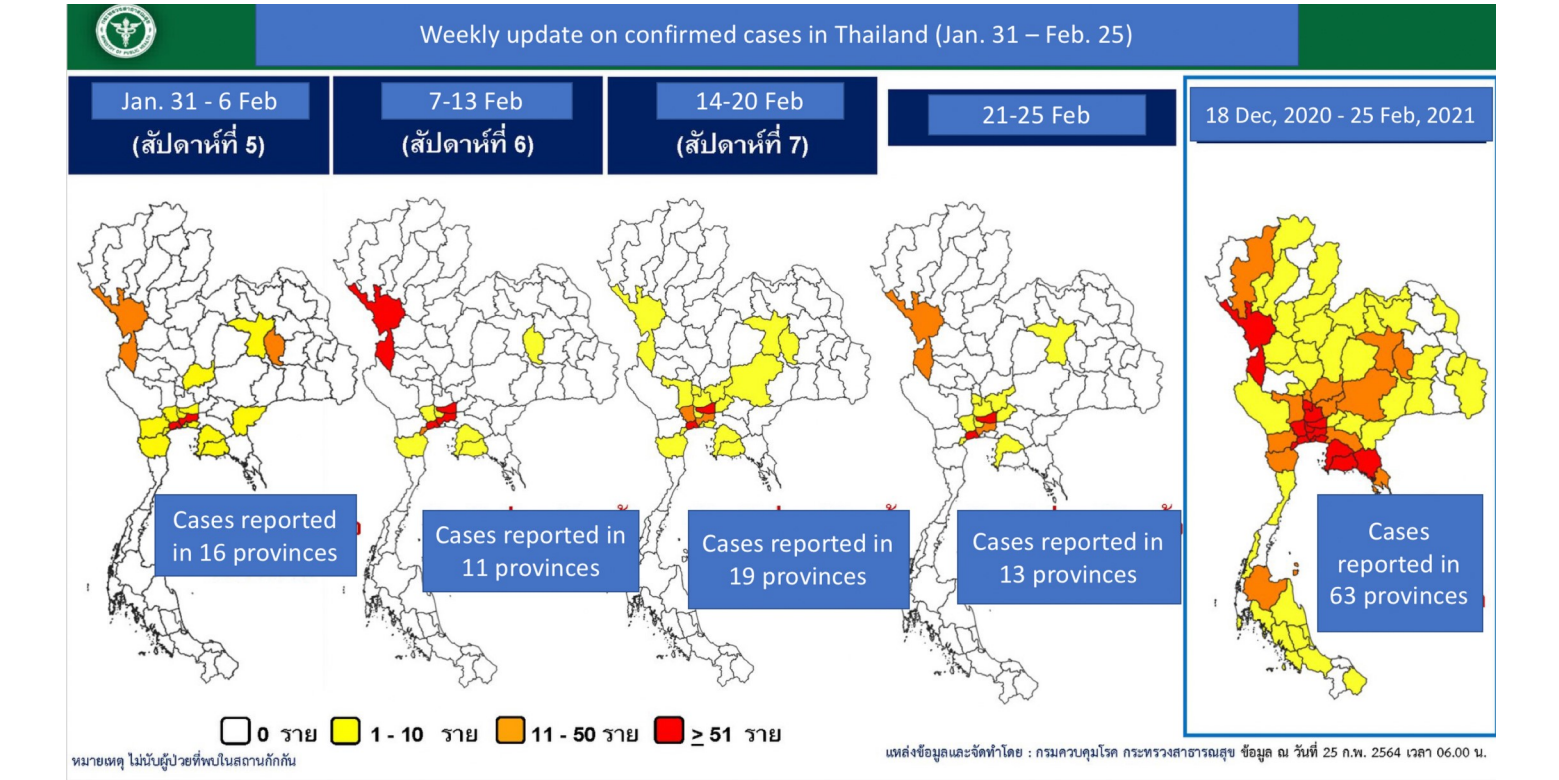
24,734
(+192)
Recovered



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- SPOTLIGHT
- 72 new cases of laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 were announced by the Ministry of Public Health of Thailand bringing the total number of cases to date to 25,764. No new deaths were reported today.
 - Of the cases, 95.5% (24,734) have recovered, 0.3% (83) have died, and 4.2% (947) are receiving treatment or are in isolation. **No new deaths were reported today.**
 - Of those receiving treatment, 627 are in conventional hospitals and 320 are in field hospitals.
 - The laboratory-confirmed cases reported today include
 - 9 individuals who arrived recently in Thailand and were diagnosed in quarantine facilities.
 - 43 cases detected through the routine surveillance system linked to occupational risk, visiting crowded places or contact with confirmed cases in Samut Sakhon (13 Thais, 14 Burmese), Bangkok (6 Thais), Pathum Thani (1 Thai, 1 British), Nakhon Nayok (2 Thais), Ayutthaya (2 Thais), Nakhon Pathom (1 Thai), Tak (1 Thai) Samut Songkhram (1 Laotian) and Saraburi (1 Thai)
 - 20 cases identified through active case finding in Bangkok (1), Pathum Thani (16) and Samut Sakhon (3).
 - Of 63 cases acquired in Thailand, 47.6% were detected in Samut Sakhon, 11% in Bangkok and 41.2% in other provinces.
 - During the new wave (between 15 December 2020 and 25 February 2021), 21,527 confirmed cases have been reported, of which 6,076 were detected through the routine surveillance system, 14,480 were detected through active case finding and 971 were in individuals who entered Thailand from other countries. At present, 20,557 have recovered, 947 are receiving treatment, and 23 have died.
 - COVID-19 cases acquired in Thailand in the new wave have been reported in 63 provinces.



UPDATE FROM THE CCSA

- **Misinformation concerning Chatuchak Weekend Market being source of COVID-19**

- ◊ As a result of the publication of a Danish newspaper (Politiken) which had misquoted a WHO expert as suggesting that Chatuchak Weekend Market in Bangkok may have been the origin of COVID-19, the Department of Disease Control has held a press conference to reject the claim, saying there is no evidence to prove this. The article with the misquote has since been corrected. Studies are still being conducted to locate the source of the COVID-19 outbreak.
- ◊ WHO Thailand released a statement to clarify this issue. Read more [here](#)

- **Vaccines**

The first batch of vaccines (317,000 doses) arrived in Thailand safely and will be distributed to provinces considered as high-risk areas. These include Bangkok, Pathum Thani, Nonthaburi, Samut Prakan, Tak, Nakhon Pathom, Samut Songkhram and Ratchaburi. Also included are provinces with economic significance: Chonburi, Phuket, Surat Thani (Koh Samui), and Chiang Mai.

- **The situation in Tak**

Cases being reported concern those in the transport sector, particularly logistics staff transporting goods between Thailand and Myanmar. Authorities are being vigilant to prevent possible the spillover of travellers entering Thailand from Myanmar through the border with Tak.

EXPLAINER:

What are vaccines?



What are vaccines and why are they important in disease control? The WHO Thailand's Representative, Dr. Daniel Kertesz, explains how they work.

The road to a COVID-19 vaccine

THE ROAD TO A COVID-19 VACCINE



Developing a vaccine is a long road full of checkpoints. Different phases of testing are designed to ensure they are effective and safe.

WHAT WHO IS DOING TO SUPPORT 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.



USEFUL LINKS

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