COVID-19 Situation, Thailand
09 May 2023

4,734,000 confirmed cases
33,967 total deaths

Daily average numbers reported from 30 April – 6 May 2022

242* new confirmed cases per day
1 death per day
*(including hospital admissions only)

Main messages

| Continue to reduce community transmission of COVID-19 across Thailand |
| RTG encourages COVID-free settings and booster vaccinations |
| Get vaccinated, maintain universal precautions and stay informed |

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COVID-19 Situation Analysis

The past two weeks has seen a further increase in hospitalized cases, as well as severe and ventilated cases.

These increases may be due to circulation in Thailand of the recently recognized COVID-19 sub-variant virus known as XBB.1.16. This virus strain has been given the name “Arcturus” by WHO and has been designated as a COVID-19 “variant of interest”

The increase in COVID-19 cases may also be due in part to social mixing during the Songkran festival which may have created opportunities for increased transmission.

The COVID-19 XBB.1.16 sub-variant is not thought to be associated with higher risk of severe illness in individuals who are infected. The increases in hospitalized, severe and ventilated cases in Thailand are therefore believed to be due to increased levels of circulation of this variant.

The ministry of Public Health have urged members of the public to adhere to COVID protective measures, including wearing masks in crowded places. Individuals with known risk factors should be vaccinated on priority, and those who are already vaccinated are strongly encouraged to have COVID-19 Vaccine booster doses. People in risk groups should also be vaccinated against influenza.
National Situation
Thailand COVID-19 cases, deaths and vaccinations to date: chart showing cases per day

- **New Cases Total**: 4,734,000
- **7-day Average**: 242
- **Deaths Total**: 33,967
- **7-day Average**: 1

**Chart Details**:
- **1st wave**
- **2nd wave**
- **3rd wave**: Alpha VoC
- **4th wave**: Delta VoC
- **5th wave**: Omicron VoC

**Vaccination Counts**:
- **1st dose**: 57,233,919
- **2nd dose**: 53,730,348
- **3rd dose**: 33,987,074

**Source**: MoPH to 06 May 2023
COVID-19 cases are still mostly being reported in Bangkok (although case numbers in Bangkok are less than reported in the week prior), as well as in Nonthaburi, Pathum Thani, Chonburi, Songkhla and Ubon Ratchathani.
Severe and ventilated COVID-19 cases have increased by 39.5% and 43.0% in the past week.

Severe cases
Current count: 219
7 days increase: 39.5%*

Ventilated cases
Current count: 113
7 days increase: 43.0%*

*Compared to a week prior

'No severe case or ventilated cases data currently available for 7 & 8 May'

Source: MoPH to 06 May 2023
COVID-19 deaths in Thailand

An average of 1 death per day has been observed during the past week

Source: MoPH to 06 May 2023
Proportion of new COVID-19 cases in Bangkok relative to all cases

The average daily number of confirmed cases in Bangkok over the past week has decreased by 43.4% compared to a week prior. Cases in Bangkok still make up the greatest proportion of cases.

Source: MoPH: to 06 May 2023
Vaccination
National COVID-19 Vaccination Coverage

People who have received:
1\textsuperscript{st} dose: 57,233,919
2\textsuperscript{nd} dose: 53,730,348
3\textsuperscript{rd} dose: 33,987,074

Source: MoPH to 06 May 2023
Narathiwat and Pattani provinces in the far south continue to report less than 50% 2-dose vaccination coverage.
USEFUL LINKS

- 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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