# Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) WHO Thailand Situation Report – 19 April 2020



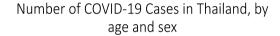
Data as reported by the Thai Ministry of Public Health

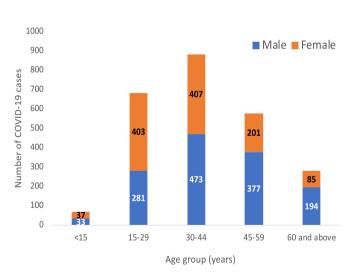
#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- On the 19<sup>th</sup> of April 2020, 32 new cases of laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 were announced by the Ministry of Public Health of Thailand, bringing the total number of cases to 2,765.
- Of these, more than 65% (1,928) have recovered, about 1.7% (47) have died, and almost 33% (790) are receiving treatment.
- No cases were identified in people returning from outside Thailand;
   likely reflecting restrictions on entry.
- A total of 18 of the new cases are close contacts of previously confirmed cases. Five cases either attended crowded places or had occupational exposure to large numbers of people.
- To date, 68 of the total 77 provinces have reported cases. Thirty-three provinces have not reported any new cases during the past 14 days.

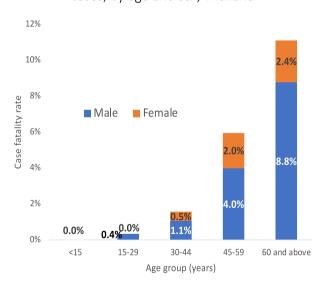
## THAILAND SITUATION in the last 24 hours

2,765 confirmed (32 new)
47 deaths
790 people hospitalized
103 healthcare staff
1,928 recovered





Fatality rate among confirmed COVID-19 cases, by age and sex, Thailand



Source: MoPH, 15 April

The current overall case fatality rate among confirmed COVID-19 cases in Thailand is 1.8%. While this rate is lower than in some European countries (France: 16.2%; Italy: 13.1%; Spain: 10.5%), it is higher than in others (Iceland: 0.46%; Australia: 0.97%; Israel 1.03%). Because there is usually a delay of several days up to a month between diagnosis and death, the fatality rate can be expected to increase in the coming weeks. Case fatality increases with age and men are more likely to die than women (2.8% versus 0.7%). These findings are consistent with reports from other countries. In men older than 60 years, the fatality rate is currently 8.8%.

(Based on data reported untill 15 April 2020. Thailand MoPH)

#### UPDATE FROM THE MINISTRY OF PUBLIC HEALTH

#### **Surgical masks**

- As of 18<sup>th</sup> April, the MOPH has delivered a total of 23.2 million masks to health facilities nationwide.
- As of 18<sup>th</sup> April, the Ministry of Interior delivered a total of 14.3 million masks to authorities nationwide.

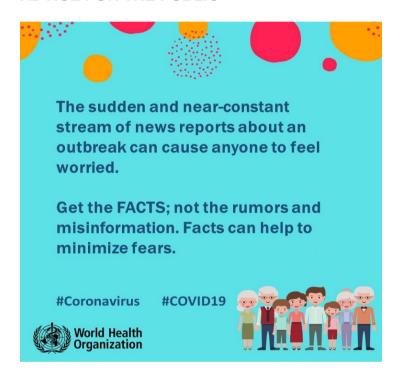
#### **N95 respirators**

- The MOPH aims to procure 5 million N95 respirators for healthcare workers at high risk of COVID-19 patients; recently the demand has been approximately 35,100 per day.
- As of 19<sup>th</sup> April, 119,100 N95 respirators have been delivered to healthcare facilities.

#### **PPE**

- The MOPH aims to procure 5 million pieces of PPE. Recent demand has been about 35,100 pieces per day.
- As of 19<sup>th</sup> April, a total of 8,640 PPE sets have been delivered and another 10,650 sets will be delivered.

#### ADVICE FOR THE PUBLIC



Misinformation can spread as fast as a virus.

It is important to ensure you get your news from credible and trusted sources.

Read WHO's Mythbusters series for all the information you need to help you sort facts from fiction.

https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseas es/novel-coronavirus-2019/advice-forpublic/myth-busters

### 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.

#### **MEDIA**

WHO Thailand's <u>website</u>, <u>Twitter</u> and <u>Facebook</u> accounts, regularly provide content on all aspects of the outbreak in Thailand and around the world. Media queries can be directed to <u>sethawebmaster@who.int</u> and <u>kanpirom@who.int</u>

#### **USEFUL LINKS**

- The Thailand COVID19 situation report is available in Thai and English at http://covid19.th-stat.com/en.
- For regular updates on WHO's response in Thailand, please visit <a href="https://www.who.int/thailand">www.who.int/thailand</a>
- For global figures and technical advice from WHO please visit.