

# Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19)

Data as reported by the Thai Ministry of Public Health



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## WHO Thailand Situation Report



**2,989**  
Confirmed  
(1 new)



**55**  
Deaths  
(1 new)



**173**  
Hospitalized



**103**  
Health care  
staff cases



**2,761**  
Recovered

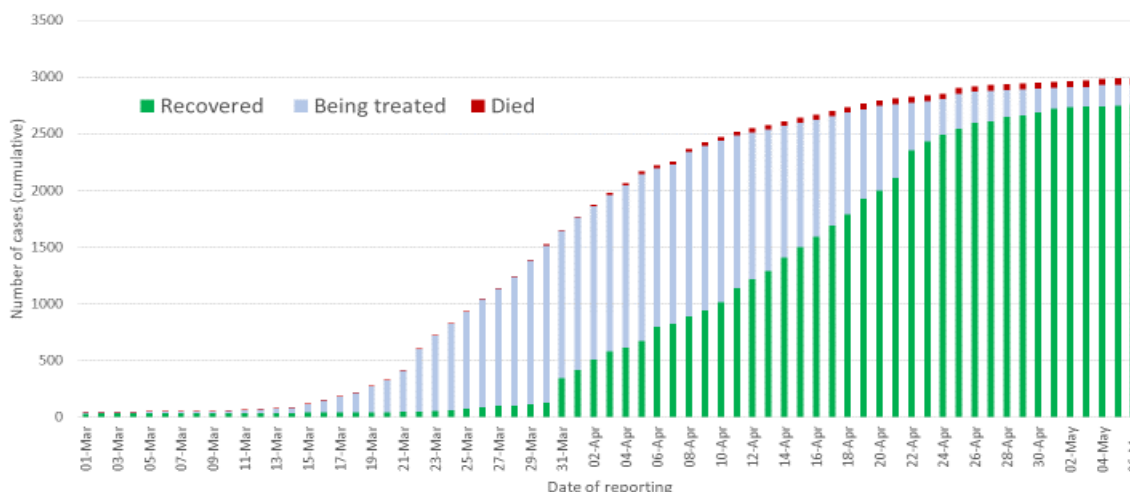


**THAILAND  
SITUATION  
IN THE PAST  
24 HOURS**

## SPOTLIGHT

- On 6<sup>th</sup> of May 2020, one new case of laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 was announced by the Ministry of Public Health of Thailand (MoPH), bringing the total number of cases to 2,989.
- Out of the 2,989 cases reported to date, 92.4% (2,761) have recovered, 1.8% (55) have died and 5.8% are receiving treatment.
- The new case is a female masseuse (aged 27) who returned from Russia on 3<sup>rd</sup> May and was held in state quarantine.
- One death was reported today. The deceased was a 69 year old Australian hotel manager in Phang-nga province. He had pre-existing asthma and was hospitalized in Phuket on 25<sup>th</sup> March. He was diagnosed with severe pneumonia and kidney complications and died on 5<sup>th</sup> May.
- To date, 85 confirmed cases have been detected in people held in state/local quarantine across the country. An additional 60 cases have been confirmed in immigrants held in an immigration detention centre in Songkhla.

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



Source: MoPH, 6 May 2020

## UPDATES FROM THE MINISTRY OF PUBLIC HEALTH

### Testing and laboratory standards

- 40 suspected cases in Yala were re-tested by the national reference laboratory in the Department of Medical Sciences (DMSc) and the results were negative.
- With regard to laboratory testing using saliva specimens, the DMSc explained that samples can be collected by patients themselves which helps to reduce the processing time.

### Vaccine

The DMSc in collaboration with Chulalongkorn University is developing a DNA vaccine. Testing in rats showed increased antibodies. The next step is to trial the vaccine in other animals.

## Suicide

The Department of Mental health is concerned about the number of suicides and identified solutions as follows:

### Short term

- Identify people who are at higher risk of mental health problems and refer to local sources of help
- Monitor the situation (including news media)
- Investigate suicide cases to identify gaps and areas to improve support systems

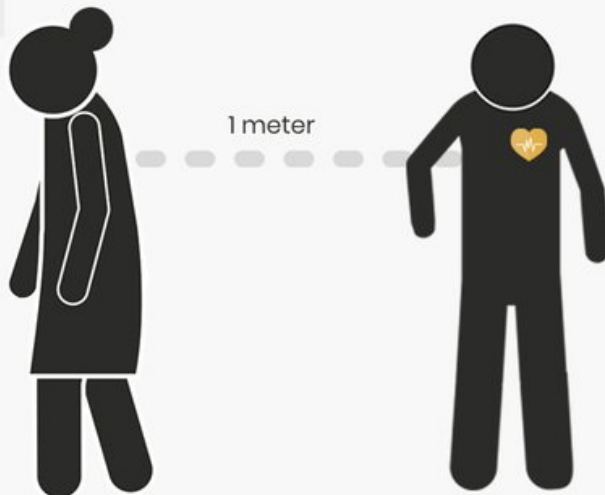
### Long term


- Collaborate with relevant sectors to work together to prevent suicide
- Continue the existing hotline service #1323 which provides emotional support and referrals to resources for financial and other support.

## ADVICE FOR THE PUBLIC

**Advice : older adults & people with underlying health conditions**

During the **COVID-19** outbreak, stay at least **1 meter** away from others, follow distancing measures issued by your local authority & **avoid** public activities, even if you feel healthy



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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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