

Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19)

Data as reported by the Thai Ministry of Public Health



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WHO Thailand Situation Report



3,034
Confirmed
(1 new)



56
Deaths
(0 new)



90
Hospitalized



2,888
Recovered

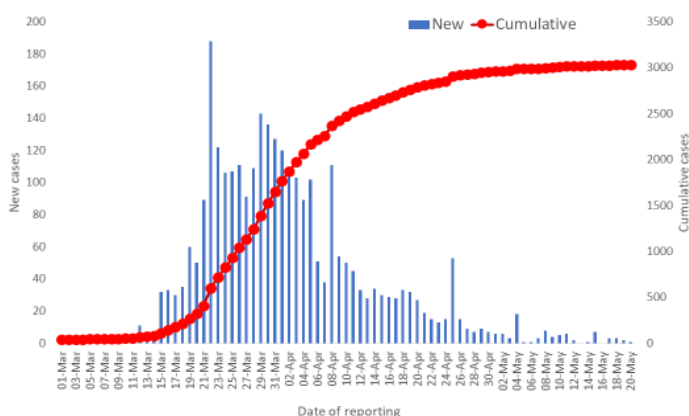


**THAILAND
SITUATION
IN THE PAST
24 HOURS**

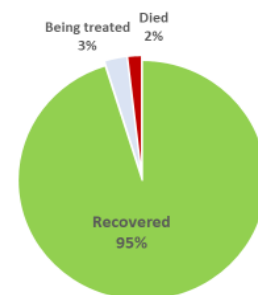
SPOTLIGHT

- On the 20th 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 3,034.
- Of these, more than 95% (2,888) have recovered, about 1.8% (56) have died and about 3% (90) are receiving treatment.
- The new case is in a person who had worked as a chef in a Thai restaurant in Bahrain, who returned to Thailand on 15th May and was held in state quarantine.
- To date, 166 confirmed cases have been found in people who were held in venues arranged for state quarantine, the majority of which were reported in Songkhla.
- Approximately 400 Thai nationals are expected return to Thailand from Brazil and Russia and will be held in state quarantine.
- No new deaths were reported today.

New and cumulative COVID-19 cases in Thailand, by date of reporting



Treatment outcomes of COVID-19 patients (n=3034)



Source: MoPH, 20 May 2020

UPDATES FROM THE MINISTRY OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Testing

- As of 15th May, 328,073 samples had been tested for COVID-19.
- As of 17th May, 167 laboratories had been certified by the Department of Medical Sciences for COVID-19 testing.

Vaccine

The Prime Minister aims for Thailand to be one of the first countries to develop a COVID-19 vaccine.

Chulalongkorn University, in collaboration with the National Vaccine Institute and Department of Medical Sciences is preparing for mRNA vaccine experiments in monkeys next week.

Inspection of businesses/activities by monitoring teams

- To date, the government has inspected a total of 301,261 sites for the adherence to public health and social measures.
- Of the 17,588 sites inspected on 19th May, five were found to be non-compliant and 1,863 were not fully compliant, particularly with regard to physical distancing.


- The CCSA advised that participation in the Thai Chana platform is voluntary. It is for the benefit of business establishments, clients and society at large.
- Cumulative data as of 19th May show an increase use of the Thai Chana platform i.e. 67,904 outlets have registered via www.ไทยชนะ.com and 5,077,978 people have used this platform.
- The Department of Disease Control (DDC) is the only user of the Thai Chana data. Data will be kept for 60 days for retroactive tracing purposes. This is based on an assumption of 4 generations of transmission (i.e. 14 days incubation period x 4 generations = approx. 60 days)

ADVICE FOR THE PUBLIC

Yes, Respiratory viruses can be passed by shaking hands and touching your eyes, nose and mouth.

Greet people with a wave, a nod or a bow instead.

Should I avoid shaking hands because of the new coronavirus?




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To prevent COVID-19 it is safest to avoid physical contact when greeting.

Safe greetings include a wave, a nod, or a bow.

How should I greet another person to avoid catching the new coronavirus?



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This week saw more relaxation of restrictions to curb the spread of COVID-19 in Thailand.

Many people will return to their offices, while the majority of businesses, shops and restaurants are reopening.

But this is **not** a return to “business as usual”.

This is the beginning of the new normal which we will all have to live with for the foreseeable future.

We will all have to adapt our behaviours and learn new ones, particularly those which involve physical distancing.

Handshakes and hugs on greeting should be avoided. Instead you can bow or wai, while maintaining a safe distance.

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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