



# The Coronavirus Disease 2019 News release

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Regarding today's COVID-19 situation in Thailand, there were no reports of new COVID-19 cases or deaths, as the total number of confirmed cases remained at 3,135 and deaths at 58 cases. Three cases recovered and were discharged (a total of 2,996 cases have recovered or 95.57% of the total number of the confirmed cases) and 81 were being treated in hospitals (2.58% of the total number of confirmed cases).

The situation in Thailand is improving, which is credited to the cooperation of the general public and organizations in all sectors to strictly comply with the government's disease prevention and control measures. Moreover, the Ministry of Public Health (MOPH) has intensified surveillance measures to prevent and control disease both in the country and among people who return from abroad. Thailand currently has the 90th most confirmed cases out of all the countries in the world.

However, the COVID-19 outbreak is continuing in many countries around the world. Even though the situations in several countries are getting better, there are still reports of new confirmed cases, especially clusters of confirmed cases in places such as entertainment spots or crowded places that have packs of people. This reflects that if people underestimate and do not protect themselves, they increase their risk. If business owners, store operators, or building facility managers are not strictly compliant with the disease prevention measures, it may lead to a second wave of COVID-19.

In addition, people should wear a mask every time they leave their residence, not touch their face, nose or mouth, carry personal alcohol gel, keep a distance of 1-2 meters from others, and refrain from visiting large gatherings for their safety. Importantly, they should check in the entry-exit registration by the "Thai Cha Na" digital platform every time because if there are confirmed cases, it will assist the investigation team to follow up the close contacts and bring them into the tracking, disease surveillance and treatment process. If anyone develops respiratory symptoms including coughing, sneezing or difficulty breathing, they are recommended to implement self-quarantine and not visit public places. If their symptoms do not improve, it is recommended to seek medical treatment at the hospital.