

Thailand situation update on 25 June 2020

1. International Situation

As of 25 June 2020, there were a total of 9,547,626 confirmed cases with 58,104 patients in critical condition and 485,361 COVID-19 deaths across more than 210 countries, two Special Administrative Regions of the People's Republic of China (Hong Kong and Macau), and on cruise ships. The ten countries with the most confirmed COVID-19 cases include: the United States (2,462,713), Brazil (1,192,474), Russia (613,994), India (474,272), England (306,862), Spain (294,166), Peru (264,689), Chile (254,416), Italy (239,410), and Iran (212,501). The 21st is the People's Republic of China (84,674 cases, as well as 1,180 and 45 cases in the Special Administrative Regions of Hong Kong and Macau, respectively).

2. The Disease Situation in Thailand

2.1 Surveillance Protocol for COVID-19

The accumulated data from 3 January to 24 June 2020 showed that among 41,026 flights, there were a total of 4,480,390 passengers screened. Among those, 1,778 people met the case definition criteria of patients under investigation (PUI). Outside of the airports, 153,327 people from 3,143 ships were screened at seaports between 1 January and 24 June 2020, and two people met the PUI criteria. There were 2,064,362 people screened at ground ports between 1 February to 24 June 2020. Between 30 January to 25 June 2020, a total of 208,598 people who were renewing their passports were screened at the Government Complex Commemorating His Majesty at Chaengwattana Road. The total number of PUI from all ports is currently 1,772 people.

2.2 Situation of Patients with Suspected Symptoms of COVID-19 in Thailand.

On 25 June 2020 at 18:00, Thailand announced that 2,521 additional people met the criteria for PUI, raising the total to 302,670 PUI, as shown in Table 1.

Table 1: Results of screening implementation to detect patients with suspected symptoms of COVID-19

Situation	Total number of PUI
Total number of people who met the criteria of patients under investigation (PUI) divided by ports	302,670
• Detected from the airport screening	1,778
• Detected from seaports	2
• Sought medical services on their own at hospitals	300,802
• Notified by hotel residences, the Erawan Medical Center, local universities, tour groups and U-Tapao	88

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Situation	Total number of PUI
Confirmed cases	3,158
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recovered and discharged from hospitals 	3,040
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Undergoing Treatment** 	60
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deaths 	58
Characteristics of Infection in Confirmed cases	3,158
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Local Transmission 	2,443
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Imported Cases 	715
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Designated Quarantine Places* 	221

Notice: *Quarantine measures for travelers from abroad have been in effect since 3 April 2020

**information from the Department of Health Services Support.

In Thailand, there have been 3,158 confirmed COVID-19 cases. Among the confirmed cases, 3,040 patients have recovered and returned home, and 58 patients have died.

A 14-day State Quarantine measure has been implemented by the government for travelers entering Thailand from abroad. On 25 June 2020, one additional case was reported, and the total number of cases at designated quarantine areas increased to 221 cases. There were 65 cases among Thai people returning from Indonesia, 34 cases from Kuwait, 28 cases from Saudi Arabia, 15 cases from the United of Arab Emirates, 14 cases from India, 13 cases from Pakistan, 12 cases from Qatar, nine cases from America, six cases from Egypt, five cases from Russia, four cases from Malaysia, two cases from England, two cases from Kazakhstan, two cases from Turkey, two cases from the Netherlands, two case from Bahrain, two case from the Philippines, one case from Japan, one case from Madagascar, one case from South Africa, and one case from China. All Thai people returning from abroad are required to comply with State Quarantine measures, meaning they have to quarantine in specific provinces; in total there are 65 cases quarantined in Bangkok, 46 cases in Chonburi, 28 cases in Samut Prakan, 25 cases in Songkhla, 18 cases in Satun, 15 cases in Pattani, 9 cases in Yala, 9 cases in Narathiwat, 3 cases in Chachoengsao, and 3 cases in Krabi.

On 8 May 2020, 65 confirmed cases were found at the immigration quarantine unit at Sadao district in Songkhla province (37 cases were Burmese, 20 cases were stateless Rohingya, 3 cases were Vietnamese, 2 cases were Malaysian, 1 case was Yemeni, 1 case was Cambodian, and 1 case was Indian).

The median age of the confirmed cases is 37 years old (ranging from 1 month to 97 years old). 1,740 cases are male, and 1,418 cases are female (the ratio of male to female is 1.22:1).

In terms of nationality, 2,822 cases are Thai, 56 are Burmese, 35 are Chinese, 29 are French, 24 are British, 20 cases are Stateless Rohingya, 12 are Russian, 13 are American,

11 are Japanese, nine are Indian, nine are German, eight are Canadian, eight are Italian, six are Swedish, six are Belgian, six are Swiss, five are Danish, five are Filipino, five are Singaporean, four are Pakistani, four are Australian, four are Malaysian, four are Vietnamese, three are South Korean, three are Indonesian, three are Cambodian, two are Kazakh, two are Brazilian, two are Laos, two are New Zealander (one case is Maori), two are Spanish, two are Israeli, two are Albanian, one is American-Samoa, one is Malian, one is Kuwaiti, one is Serbian, one is Tunisian, one is Taiwanese, one is Dutch, one is Palestinian, one is Portuguese, one is Finnish, one is Mexican, one is Ukrainian, one is Yemeni, one is Liberian, one is Thai-Indian, one is Iranian, one is Uzbek, one is Hungarian, and data is not available for the remaining 14 cases.

191 cases were reported with underlying diseases and 2,967 cases reported without any underlying disease. 40 cases were detected from the screening protocol at airports (one case was found within the group of Thai workers returning from Wuhan). 1,588 cases sought medical treatment by themselves, 1,189 cases were tracked via case investigation and defined as “close contacts.” A total of 55 confirmed cases were found from the active case finding measures.

3. Thailand Precautions

- The Governor of Bangkok went to the Khlong San area and Soi Charoen Nakhon 3 with executives, government officials, and staff from Khlong San District to distribute aid packages to more than 100 houses. This project was supported by more than 100 private sector staff and people in the community to alleviate the effects of COVID-19. Cooperation was requested for implementing personal protection measures, including those to enforce hand-washing, avoiding undercooked or old food, using personal utensils, and wearing a mask at all times.
- Dr. Suwanchai Wattanayingcharoenchai, the Director-General of the Department of Disease Control laid out the updated entry measures into the country. Negative COVID-19 laboratory test results were taken into consideration when creating the current iteration of the rules and regulations. With the exception of travelers that must be quarantined for 14 days upon arrival to Thailand, everyone else is required to download a tracking application, such as AOT or DDC CARE, so that the movement of each person may be tracked to help better monitor the spread of COVID-19. People will be able to upload their detailed travel schedules to these applications, along with their purpose for traveling. It is expected that people traveling from low risk regions within New Zealand, Australia, and some cities in China, Japan and Taiwan, will be the first to travel to Thailand. The limit on the number of people that can enter Thailand will need to be reconsidered.

4. Risk Communication to the Public

- In case of traveling to areas and across areas by public transport, the public transport operator must prepare the system and comply with the disease control measures, i.e. cleaning the vehicle, screening passengers, encouraging passengers to wear a mask, limiting bus services during certain periods, arranging distance between seats, and limiting the number of passengers. Customers must wear a mask at all times while traveling, refrain from talking and eating on public transport, and register each time they enter/leave the service area.

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- For other business places/enterprises, operators are recommended to keep the areas clean, encourage people to wear a mask, limit the number of customers in accordance with the COVID-19 control measures.
- For people visiting crowded places or closed areas such as meeting rooms, department stores, and movie theatres, they are recommended to wear a mask, keep a distance of at least 1-2 meters from other people, and limit contact with other people to be only for a short period of time.
- Regularly wash hands with water and soap or use alcohol gel. Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with your hands.
- Do not use or share personal stuff with others (i.e. handkerchiefs, glasses, and towels) since pathogens causing respiratory disease can be transmitted to other people through secretions.
- Avoid eating raw food.