

Thailand situation update on 26 April 2021

1. International Situation

	Total Number	Daily Increase	Case Fatality Rate (CFR)
Confirmed cases	147,826,124	701,675	
Deaths	3,123,611		2.11%

2. The Disease Situation in Thailand

Situation	Total Number*
Total number of new cases	2,048
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cases found in quarantine facilities/centers (Imported) 	10
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cases found outside quarantine facilities/centers (Imported) 	0
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cases infected in Thailand (Local transmission) 	1,991
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cases found from active case finding 	47
Total number of confirmed cases	57,508
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cases found in quarantine facilities/centers (Imported) 	2,652
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cases found outside quarantine facilities/centers (Imported) 	629
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cases infected in Thailand (Local transmission) 	32,520
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cases found from active case finding 	21,707
Total number of confirmed cases	57,508
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Total recovered and discharged from hospitals <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Newly recovered and discharged from hospitals 	31,593 (54.94%) 480
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Undergoing treatment 	25,767 (44.80%)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deaths <ul style="list-style-type: none"> New deaths 	148 (0.26%) 8

The Coronavirus Disease 2019 Situation

by Emergency Operations Center, Department of Disease Control

Type of Screened People and PUI	Total Number
Total number	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ports of entry (Airports, ground ports, and seaports) 	8,325,498
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> People renewing their passports at the Immigration Bureau, Chaeng Watthana 	531,793
Total number of laboratory tests	1,969,455
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> People who met the PUI criteria 	1,542,045
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> From active case finding 	15,834
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Returnees in quarantine facilities/centers 	81,676
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> People who did not meet the PUI criteria 	329,900
Total number of people who met the criteria of PUI	1,529,045
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Detected from ports of entry 	5,026
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sought medical services on their own at hospitals (326,150 cases in private hospitals, and 1,210,781 cases in public hospitals) 	1,536,931
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Notified by hotel residences, the Erawan Medical Center, local universities, tour groups and U-Tapao 	88

Remark: *PUI (Patients Under Investigation)

Characteristics of Deaths (148 cases)	Wave: 1 Jan - 14 Dec 2020 (60 cases)	Wave: 15 Dec 2020 - 31 Mar 2021 (34 cases)	Wave: 1 April 2021 - now (54 cases)
Mortality rate in each age group			
• 20 - 39 years old	0.20%	0.02%	0.04%
• 40 - 59 years old	2.10%	0.02%	0.06%
• 60+ years old	6.50%	2.60%	1.60%
Percent of deaths who had an underlying disease and/or who were elderly people			
	64%	100%	100%
Average number of days between the onset of symptoms and receiving treatment (Minimum - Maximum)			
	3.5 (0 - 19)	1.2 (0 - 8)	3.2 (1 - 12)

3. Thailand Implementations

- The Ministry of Public Health stated that 2 million tablets of Favipiravir for COVID-19 treatment were sent from Japan to Thailand. The Government Pharmaceutical Organization will expedite distribution to the hospitals across Thailand. This May, it will receive an additional 1 million tablets. Therefore, there will be 3 million tablets according to the plan. Moreover, the Government Pharmaceutical Organization will supply an additional 2 - 3 million tablets as soon as possible.
- The Communicable Disease Committee of Nakhon Ratchasima province announced a resolution to issue an order for 100% mask-wearing in the province. Violation of this order is liable to a penalty. The closure order also affects 31 venues which will start from April 26, 2021 onwards for 14 days.

- Surat Thani Province announced an order requesting public cooperation to stop leaving their residences from 22.00-04.00. In addition they announced the closure of pubs, bars, and other service establishments, and convenience stores from opening between 22.00-04.00 hrs. starting from April 26, 2021 onwards until a change in the order is made.
- The Bangkok Metropolitan Administration (BMA) has declared all citizens to wear masks or fabric masks before leaving their homes. Any persons who are not wearing masks will be punished by a fine not exceeding 20,000 baht starting from April 26, 2021 until the announcement is changed. Currently, 48 provinces in Thailand have declared mask-wearing mandates.

4. Risk Assessment of COVID-19 Situation

The surveillance of the COVID-19 situation from April 19-25, 2021 shows the total number of cases is 13,109; with 13,074 cases (99.7%) infected in the country. The number of infections has increased from 1,300-1,500 cases per day to more than 2,000 cases per day. The infected cases were found in all 77 provinces. The five provinces that found the highest number of infected cases are Bangkok (4,854 cases; 37.1%), Chiang Mai (1,097 cases; 8.4%), Chonburi (676 cases; 5.2%), Nonthaburi (489 cases; 3.7%), and Samut Prakan (460 cases; 3.5%). The most common risk factor of infection is previous contact with another confirmed case (45.4% of reported cases). Moreover, the active surveillance shows an asymptomatic case as 85.5% of all infected cases. Therefore the area where people have gathered quarantine is the risk area to spread the virus due to most of the infected cases having no symptoms. In addition, more people have died. In the current outbreak wave, 54 deaths have been reported, representing a 0.19% mortality rate. About a third of the deaths were infected from confirmed cases among family members and people should reduce their risk by refraining from gathering activities. Avoid going to crowded areas, work from home, and focus on preventing the spread of infection in vulnerable areas such as workplaces where action must be taken under intensive personal protection measures, refrain from socializing or eating together, make sure that everyone wears masks at all times even when inside buildings. The hand washing campaign includes the provision of alcohol gel at risk points such as elevators, handrails, door knobs, etc.