

Thailand situation update on 8 May 2021

1. International Situation

	Total Number	Daily Increase	Case Fatality Rate (CFR)
Confirmed cases	157,588,738	839,611	
Deaths	3,285,595		2.08%

2. The Disease Situation in Thailand

Situation	Total Number*
Total number of new cases	2,419
• Cases found in quarantine facilities/centers (Imported)	10
• Cases found outside quarantine facilities/centers (Imported)	0
• Cases infected in Thailand (Local transmission)	1,890
• Cases found from active case finding	519
Total number of confirmed cases	81,274
• Cases found in quarantine facilities/centers (Imported)	2,731
• Cases found outside quarantine facilities/centers (Imported)	3,367
• Cases infected in Thailand (Local transmission)	77,907
• Cases found from active case finding	23,686
Total number of confirmed cases	81,274
• Total recovered and discharged from hospitals - Newly recovered and discharged from hospitals	51,419 (63.27%) 2,247
• Undergoing treatment	29,473 (36.73%)
• Deaths - New deaths	382 (0.47%) 19

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) 	8,386,831
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> People renewing their passports at the Immigration Bureau, Chaeng Watthana 	544,327
Total number of laboratory tests	2,134,407
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> People who met the PUI criteria 	1,706,997
<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	1,706,997
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Detected from ports of entry 	5,236
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sought medical services on their own at hospitals (348,548 cases in private hospitals, and 1,293,158 cases in public hospitals) 	1,701,673
<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 (276 deaths)	Wave: 1 Jan - 14 Dec 2020 (60 deaths)	Wave: 15 Dec 2020 - 31 Mar 2021 (34 deaths)	Wave: 1 April 2021 - now (288 deaths)
Case Fatality Rate (CFR) in each age group			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 20-39 years old 	0.20%	0.02%	0.11%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 40-59 years old 	2.10%	0.02%	0.73%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 60+ years old 	6.50%	2.60%	3.83%
Percentage of COVID-19 deaths of patients with underlying diseases including obesity, elderly patients, and pregnant patients			
	64%	100%	91%
Average number of days between the onset of symptoms and the date of receiving treatment (Minimum-Maximum)			

	3.5 (0-19)	1.2 (0-8)	2.4 (0-12)
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3. Thailand Implementations

- The BMA had extended the closure of places until 17 May 2021. The National Health Security Office together with the Ministry of Labor had expanded service for active COVID-19 case findings for the at-risk Social Security insured persons at Wet Sports Building 1, Bangkok Youth Center (Thailand-Japan), Din Daeng, during 5 to 31 May 2021. So far, the service unit had provided COVID-19 testing to 32,453 people, of which 808 people were found to be confirmed cases (2.50%). In order to cover all target groups, it also provided the service to food delivery workers and other non-insured workers in Bangkok as well. At the same time, the BMA also agreed on the resolution to procure vaccines for other at-risk occupations such as teachers, educational personnel, public bus drivers, taxi drivers, motorcycle taxi drivers, Don Muang Airport staff, Metropolitan Electricity Authority staff, as well as street sweepers in 50 districts. The total number of these target people was estimated to be more than 500,000 people. The service would be launched as soon as additional vaccines are available.
- Yala Province had lifted the order to refrain from leaving dwellings from 10:00 p.m. to 04:00 a.m. to prevent the COVID-19 spreading. However, it still asked for public cooperation to refrain from unnecessary travel out of their houses during the time period.

4. Risk Assessment of COVID-19 Situation

According to the COVID-19 situation monitoring, the number of infected people has been continuously increasing. On 8 May 2021, there are 2,419 new cases reported. Accelerating the community immune level is therefore crucial and should be carried out as soon as possible. According to data on the COVID -19 vaccination in Thailand, it has shown that there are 1,651,782 people that have received the first dose of vaccine and 450,524 people have received the complete 2 doses. Up to the present, the Department of Disease Control (DDC) has deployed 2,402,688 doses of the vaccine to all provinces. It also requested all provinces to ask target groups to receive the vaccination as soon as possible, particularly those in high-risk areas, to reduce serious illness and death. It was emphasized that people are requested for collaboration for self-protection and reduction of the disease spreading by practicing strict preventive measures such as wearing masks, washing hands, keeping social distance and avoiding unnecessary travel to risk crowded places with poor ventilation. The people are also advised not to sit in restaurants or get together for meals, or join gathering activities that risk disease spreading. Government and business sectors are also requested to launch the "Work From Home" measure.