

Thailand situation update on 11 May 2021

1. International Situation

	Total Number	Daily Increase	Case Fatality Rate (CFR)
Confirmed cases	158,631,994	639,831	
Deaths	3,318,767		2.08%

2. The Disease Situation in Thailand

Situation	Total Number*
Total number of new cases	1,919
• Cases found in quarantine facilities/centers (Imported)	17
• Cases found outside quarantine facilities/centers (Imported)	0
• Cases infected in Thailand (Local transmission)	1,318
• Cases found from active case finding	584
Total number of confirmed cases	86,924
• Cases found in quarantine facilities/centers (Imported)	2,771
• Cases found outside quarantine facilities/centers (Imported)	3,307
• Cases infected in Thailand (Local transmission)	83,517
• Cases found from active case finding	24,983
Total number of confirmed cases	86,924
• Total recovered and discharged from hospitals	57,037 (65.62%)
- Newly recovered and discharged from hospitals	1,829
• Undergoing treatment	29,435 (33.86%)
• Deaths	452 (0.52%)
- New deaths	31

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) 	8,408,001
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> People renewing their passports at the Immigration Bureau, Chaeng Watthana 	546,347
Total number of laboratory tests	2,166,104
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> People who met the PUI criteria 	1,738,694
<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	1,738,694
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Detected from ports of entry 	5,244
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sought medical services on their own at hospitals (374,480 cases in private hospitals, and 1,358,882 cases in public hospitals) 	1,733,362
<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 (452 deaths)	Wave: 1 Jan - 14 Dec 2020 (60 deaths)	Wave: 15 Dec 2020 - 31 Mar 2021 (34 deaths)	Wave: 1 April 2021 - now (358 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%	0.83%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 60+ years old 	6.50%	2.60%	4.59%
Percentage of COVID-19 deaths of patients with underlying diseases including obesity, elderly patients, and pregnant patients			
	64%	100%	89%

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 Government House of Thailand confirmed that the government will help in paying for the treatment cost for COVID-19 patients as accorded to their rights which will cover the screening test, medical treatments, vaccinations, as well as compensation for adverse effects of vaccination, and health insurance for more than twenty thousand medical staffs and other workforces working all across the country.
- The Ministry of Foreign Affair (MoFA) revealed that the Center for COVID-19 Situation Administration (CCSA) had discussed the detection of B.1.617 strain SARS-CoV-2, the strain that was first found in India, in the passenger travelling from Pakistan. The CCSA requested that the MoFA consider suspending the issuance of the Certificate of Entry to the Kingdom of Thailand or COE to foreigners from the countries with large numbers of the B.1.617 strain SARS-CoV-2 infected cases. According to this, the MoFA will suspend the issuance of the COE to foreigners from Nepal, Pakistan, and Bangladesh starting from today (11 May 2020). This measure, however, is temporary and all the Thai citizens are still allowed to travel back to Thailand.
- The Ministry of Public Health revealed that today the Bangkok Metropolitan area had a total of 1,000 new infected cases, which account for 60 percent of all infected people in the country. However, the outbreak tends to decrease in other provinces. Today, there are a total of 622 cases of new infection from 54 provinces. The provinces adjacent to neighboring countries were ordered to set up a proactive screening in border areas, also coordinate with the administrative department in order to monitor and prevent smuggling of illegal migrants into the country. Public was asked for cooperation if there are any clues about labor smuggling into the country so that the spread of disease can be controlled.
- The Ministry of Social Development and Human Security revealed that Rajanukul Institute has prepared the COVID-19 vaccine for people with disabilities, including autistic, intellectually impaired, Down's syndrome, ADHD, psychiatric patients, and family members living in the same home. There are more than 2,000 people with disabilities in the care of the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities. The first round of vaccination will be piloted in Bangkok, Nonthaburi, Samut Prakan and Pathum Thani areas. Target group of the first round is 18 years and over. An online registration is open between 11-20 May 2021.
- The Ministry of Education revealed that the Center for COVID-19 Situation Administration Sub-Committee has agreed to provide COVID-19 vaccination for educational personnel of private and public sectors to approximately 600,000 people across the country before opening the semester on 1 June 2021. The name list of educational personnel will be sent to the Department of Disease Control within this week.

- Nonthaburi province has ordered the closure of the Municipal fresh Market, Sombat fresh market (Nonthaburi Pier) commercial buildings, shop houses, vending pushcarts and all kinds of hawkers and stalls for 7- 14 days. The closure in the red zone was started from 11-24 May and 11-17 May for the green zone after a rising number of COVID-19 cases was found (165 cases).

4. Risk Assessment of COVID-19 Situation

According to the global COVID-19 situation monitoring, more than 159 million accumulated cases were found with a daily increasing trend since mid-February 2021. There were more than 800,000 new cases per day because of the larger pandemic in India. The level of outbreaks remains high in North and South America. The daily number of deaths is also likely to increase. In total there had been more than 3.3 million deaths globally. The Thailand situation, there have been 58,061 accumulated infected cases from the new wave of spreading. The number of daily infections in the country tends to stabilize at around two thousand cases per day. Today(11 May 2021), there are 1,919 new infection cases from 60 provinces. There has been a decreasing trend of new cases in the North, South and Northeast regions, but there are still many cases in Bangkok and its vicinity. Most of those infected during this period had a history of contact with a previous infected person. It was found that the spread of infection in families had increased. There were 358 deaths from this wave of outbreaks with a Case-Fatality rate of 0.62 percent. As for the vaccination situation in Thailand, more than 1.8 million doses of vaccination have been inoculated. It is essential to upgrade the surveillance system among patients with symptoms compatible with the definition as well as the proactive screening in risk areas and monitoring the affected person to early control the outbreak into a limited circle. In addition, people should be reminded to refrain from organizing group activities and must strictly comply with preventive disease measures such as wearing face masks or cloth masks at all times when leaving their residences, washing hands frequently, keeping distance between each other and working from home, avoiding entering crowded areas, refraining from eating in public areas and sharing meals together to reduce the spread of disease.