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Thailand situation update on 14 August 2021

1. International Situation

	Total Number	Daily Increase	Case Fatality Rate (CFR)
Confirmed cases	207,046,003	728,235	
Deaths	4,359,708		2.11%

2. The Disease Situation in Thailand

Situation	Total Number
Total number of new cases	22,086
Cases found in quarantine facilities/centers (Imported)	3
Cases found in prisons	270
Cases infected in Thailand (Local transmission)	17,406
Cases found from active case finding (Local transmission)	4,407
Total number of confirmed cases	885,275
Total recovered and discharged from hospitals Newly recovered and discharged from hospitals	667,556 (75.41%) 23,672
Undergoing treatment	210,376 (23.76%)
Deaths New deaths	7,343 (0.83%) 217



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Screening, Testing, and PUI	Total Number	
Total number of people screened		
Ports of entry (Airports, ground ports, and seaports)	8,942,329	
People renewing their passports at the Immigration Bureau, Chaeng Watthana	647,600	
Total number of laboratory tests	3,265,450	
People who met the PUI criteria	2,836,055	
Returnees in quarantine facilities/centers	83,661	
People who did not meet the PUI criteria	345,734	
Total number of people who met the criteria of PUI	2,836,055	
Detected from ports of entry	6,136	
 Sought medical services on their own at hospitals (783,332 cases in private hospitals, and 2,046,499 cases in public hospitals) 	2,829,831	
Notified by hotel residences, the Erawan Medical Center, local universities, tour groups, and U-Tapao	88	

Remark: *PUI (Patients Under Investigation)

Characteristics of Deaths (7,343 deaths)	Wave: 1 Jan - 14 Dec 2020 (60 deaths)	Wave: 15 Dec 2020 - 31 Mar 2021 (34 deaths)	Wave: 1 April 2021 - now (7,249 deaths)				
Case Fatality Rate (CFR) in each age group							
• 15 - 39 years old	0.20%	0.02%	0.12%				
• 40 - 59 years old	2.10%	0.02%	0.87%				
60+ years old	6.50%	2.60%	6.91%				
<1 year old (2 deaths)							
Percentage of COVID-19 deaths that consist of elderly patients, patients with underlying diseases including obesity, or 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)	3.2 (0 - 45)				



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3. Thailand Implementations

- The Cabinet, Prime Minister and Minister of Defense organized a meeting to discuss the management of COVID-19 patients for home treatment or 'Home Isolation' including community isolation treatment, the transfer of patients from Bangkok health facilities back to their homes, as well as a proposal to review easing measures for four types of businesses that are essential to people's lives to be reopened in shopping centers, including banks, financial institutions, IT communication businesses, miscellaneous shops and electronics shops.
- The Social Security Office provided advice for employees who receive benefits and compensation for lack of income. Employees infected with SARS-CoV-2 must self-isolate at home and are able to receive 50% compensation of their wages. If their physician determines that the employee is under the criteria for inpatient care while awaiting hospitalization, an employee can also receive the amount covering medical fees under the inpatient payment criteria.
- Thailand's Centre for COVID-19 Situation Administration (CCSA) will evaluate the spread of the COVID-19 situation on 16 August 2021 to consider whether the lockdown will continue intensively for another two months or if they may relieve some activities, and speed up vaccination administration services according to the target groups.

4. Risk Assessment of COVID-19 Situation

The global COVID-19 situation shows that there are more than 206 million cases with the number of daily cases beginning to increase again after June to more than 600,000 people per day. There are still many outbreaks in places like the USA, India and Brazil. The daily number of deaths is also likely to increase to more than ten thousand a day with the total number of deaths exceeding 4.3 million. The situation in Thailand showed that the cumulative number of COVID-19 infections has been confirmed at 856,412 cases. Today, there were 21,813 new cases confirmed from the 77 provinces and 270 new infections from prisons. The daily number of infected people is likely to increase to more than 20,000 per day. The epidemic has spread in all regions of the country and found a large number of new infections in the central region, Northeast and the lower South. The total number of fatal cases in this wave has reached 7,249 people, with a mortality rate of 0.85%. Almost all of the deaths were elderly and people with chronic disease. Almost all of them were not vaccinated. For the current vaccination situation in Thailand, more than 23.1 million doses have been administered and high numbers of infected cases are expected to continue for at least 1-2 weeks. Therefore, all people, healthcare workers, and staff (both vaccinated and unvaccinated) must strictly comply with the D-M-H-T-T-A self-protection measures to reduce transmission. These preventive measures include keeping a distance of at least 1-2 meters, limiting the number of people in each area, applying working from home policies, wearing a hygienic mask or cloth mask at all times, washing hands every time after touching surfaces that may be contaminated such as elevators, doorknobs, handrails, etc., checking body



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temperature when traveling to public places, and screening for ${\sf COVID}\mbox{-}19$ when suspected symptoms develop.