

Thailand situation update on 25 August 2021

1. International Situation

	Total Number	Daily Increase	Case Fatality Rate (CFR)
Confirmed cases	214,059,405	673,473	
Deaths	4,466,733		2.09%

2. The Disease Situation in Thailand

Situation	Total Number
Total number of new cases	18,417
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cases found in quarantine facilities/centers (Imported) 	10
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cases found in prisons 	146
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cases infected in Thailand (Local transmission) 	15,953
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cases found from active case finding (Local transmission) 	2,308
Total number of confirmed cases	1,102,368
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Total recovered and discharged from hospitals <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Newly recovered and discharged from hospitals 	903,015 (81.91%) 21,186
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Undergoing treatment 	189,268 (18.09%)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deaths <ul style="list-style-type: none"> New deaths 	10,085 (0.91%) 297

The Coronavirus Disease 2019 Situation

by Emergency Operations Center, Department of Disease Control

Screening, Testing, and PUI	Total Number
Total number of people screened	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ports of entry (Airports, ground ports, and seaports) 	8,998,278
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> People renewing their passports at the Immigration Bureau, Chaeng Watthana 	655,513
Total number of laboratory tests	3,367,605
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> People who met the PUI criteria 	2,938,093
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Returnees in quarantine facilities/centers 	83,778
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> People who did not meet the PUI criteria 	345,734
Total number of people who met the criteria of PUI	2,938,093
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Detected from ports of entry 	6,146
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sought medical services on their own at hospitals (820,016 cases in private hospitals, and 2,093,659 cases in public hospitals) 	2,931,859
<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 (10,085 deaths)	Wave: 1 Jan - 14 Dec 2020 (60 deaths)	Wave: 15 Dec 2020 - 31 Mar 2021 (34 deaths)	Wave: 1 April 2021 - now (9,991 deaths)
Case Fatality Rate (CFR) in each age group			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 15 - 39 years old 	0.20%	0.02%	0.13%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 40 - 59 years old 	2.10%	0.02%	0.97%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 60+ years old 	6.50%	2.60%	7.29%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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%

3. Thailand Implementations

- The Ministry of Public Health provides facilities for people in up-country provinces who have received the first dose of COVID-19 vaccination at Bang Sue Grand Station to choose to receive the second dose at any community hospitals or nearby hospitals under the Ministry of Public Health. People who wish to do so should bring their appointment cards issued at the Bang Sue Grand Station to submit to the intended hospitals at least 2 weeks in advance.
- The Ministry of Public Health has noted the proposal of the Thai Restaurant Operators Association and has prepared to consider relaxation of measures for restaurants to reopen after the situation has been continuously improving. In principle, safety measures must be strictly taken. For the initial period, strict measures will be focused among air-conditioned restaurants and department stores which are at risk of easy disease spreading.
- The Department of Health has enhanced COVID-10 preventive measures by proactive surveillance and implementation of contingency response by randomly screening vendors and workers in fresh markets as well as people in surrounding communities. It also provides assistance to quarantine facilities and isolation facilities. Moreover, markets are advised to strengthen screening and social distancing measures by setting up a single entry-exit point. Market sanitation, environmental health and good ventilation must be maintained as well as the disease surveillance and prevention.

4. Risk Assessment of COVID-19 Situation

According to the COVID-19 situation monitoring, as of 25 August 2021, there have been a total of 1,102,368 COVID-19 confirmed cases. Today, there are 18,417 new cases and 297 deaths. For the current vaccination rollout situation in Thailand, more than 28 million doses have been administered to target populations. Therefore, it is expected that the disease transmission will be starting to slow down especially in provinces with high vaccine coverages. However, disease prevention and control must be continuously carried out including active case finding in outbreak at-risk locations to rapidly search for patients with symptoms that fit with the COVID-19 case definition and promptly control the disease. The concerned agencies must provide risk communication aimed at promoting people health behavior to strictly follow the preventive measures including wearing masks, washing hands, working from home, reducing unnecessary travels, avoiding going to crowded places and getting vaccination as soon as possible.