

Thailand situation update on 30 December 2021

## 1. International Situation

	Total Number	Daily Increase	Case Fatality Rate (CFR)
<b>Confirmed cases</b>	284,984,857	1,716,565	
<b>Deaths</b>	5,440,544		1.91%

## 2. The Disease Situation in Thailand

Situation	Total Number
<b>Number of new confirmed cases</b>	<b>3,037</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cases found in quarantine facilities/centers (Imported)</li> </ul>	112
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cases found in prisons</li> </ul>	81
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cases infected in Thailand (Local transmission)</li> </ul>	2,794
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cases found from active case finding (Local transmission)</li> </ul>	50
<b>Total number of confirmed cases</b>	<b>2,220,324</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Total recovered and discharged from hospitals</li> </ul>	2,165,253 (97.52%)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Newly recovered and discharged from hospitals</li> </ul>	3,115
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Undergoing treatment</li> </ul>	33,399 (1.50%)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Deaths</li> </ul>	21,672 (0.98%)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- New deaths</li> </ul>	25
<b>Total number of Vaccinations (Doses)</b>	<b>102,303,083</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>First dose</li> </ul>	50,956,447
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Second dose</li> </ul>	45,202,632
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Third dose</li> </ul>	6,144,004
<b>Number of people screened at Ports of Entry</b> (Airports, Ground Ports, Seaports)	9,959,596
<b>Number of people screened when renewing their passports</b> (at the Immigration Bureau, Chaeng Watthana)	780,116

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Characteristics of Deaths (21,672 deaths)	Wave: 1 Jan - 14 Dec 2020 (60 deaths)	Wave: 15 Dec 2020 - 31 Mar 2021 (34 deaths)	Wave: 1 April 2021 - now (21,578 deaths)
<b>Case Fatality Rate (CFR) in each age group</b>			
• 15 - 39 years old	0.20%	0.02%	0.09%
• 40 - 59 years old	2.10%	0.02%	0.75%
• 60+ years old	6.50%	2.60%	5.42%
• < 1 year old (2 deaths)			
<b>Percentage of COVID-19 deaths that consist of elderly patients, patients with underlying diseases including obesity, or pregnant patients</b>			
	64%	100%	90%

### 3. Thailand Implementations

- Bangkok Metropolitan Administration (BMA) has released the announcement regarding the determination of places and businesses that can be carried out as a specific case for the New Year Festival. The announcement has stated that outdoor shops or restaurants with good ventilation are allowed to sell alcoholic beverages (sit and drink) on the night of December 31, 2021 until 01:00 a.m. of January 1, 2022. The shops must strictly follow the COVID Free Setting measures. The shops that pass the Thai Stop COVID 2 Plus (TSC 2+) assessment can still sell alcoholic beverages and be allowed to sit and drink as before.
- The Secretariat Office of Senate has ordered all government officers and personnel to work from home (WFH) January 4 - 14, 2022, except for executive positions, consisted of the Secretary-General of the Senate, Deputy Secretary-General of the Senate, Advisors, Directors, as well as those government officials with urgent duties according to their responsibilities.
- The National Health Security Office (NHSO) has prepared support for the "Home Isolation" measure after the continued findings of the Omicron cases. The office has also revised the service compensation guideline on providing appropriate service support including a faster disbursement process. Changes in the guideline for COVID-19 home isolation and care service include the advance lump sum payment in the amount of 1,000 Baht which will be transferred to the service unit every week.

### 4. Risk Assessment of COVID-19 Situation

From the COVID-19 situation monitoring, as of December 27, 2021, there were 2,437 new cases and 18 deaths. The number of daily cases in Thailand has continued to decline since mid-August which aligned with the number of decreasing deaths from COVID-19. The



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active surveillance of infected person by ATK testing, as of July 5 to the present, a total of 6,968,228 samples were tested for COVID-19 and 488,653 samples were positive representing the incidence rate of 7.01%. The trend of infection rates has started to decline since September and have been stable since November 2021. The average positive rate was 2.50% in the past 1 month. In addition, 49 provinces have shown the decreasing trend of positive rates by ATK, 15 provinces have had stable rates. The 14 provinces that have had increasing positive rates are mostly those in the Northeastern, Southern, and Northern regions. The positive rates by ATK correspond well with the trend from the PCR testing. Most of the provinces with stable rates are those with low ATK positive rates. Surveillance of the Omicron variant has detected 514 reported cases in several provinces especially Bangkok, Kalasin, Phuket, Roi Et and Samut Prakan. All these provinces have decreasing ATK positive rates. Therefore, it can be concluded that the situation of the COVID-19 pandemic in Thailand at the present is getting better as the number of infected people is decreasing. However, outbreaks from the Omicron variant have been detected in the country with the outbreak center in the Northeastern region. Moreover, the Omicron variant has also been detected in travelers from abroad in many provinces across the country. Therefore, in order to monitor the variant, random testing among people living in high-risk areas such as the outbreak areas should be encouraged. Testing among travelers from abroad or tourist attraction areas, will help monitor the prevalence of variant.