

Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19)

WHO Thailand Situation Report – 10 April 2020

Data as reported by the Thai Ministry of Public Health

HIGHLIGHTS

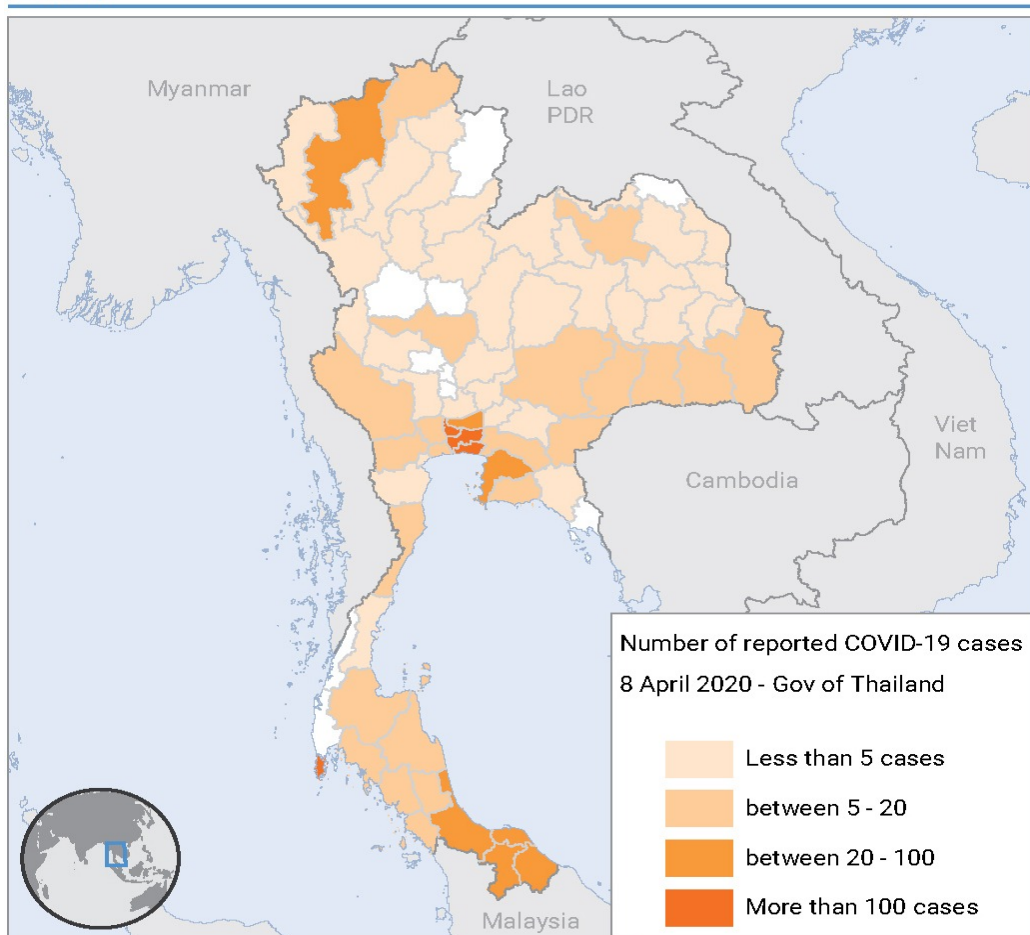
- On the 10th of April 2020, 50 new cases of laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 were announced by the Ministry of Public Health of Thailand, bringing the total number of cases to 2,473.
- Of the newly reported cases, three cases were identified in people returning from outside Thailand.
- To reduce transmission from imported cases, all persons returning from other countries will be quarantined in state-arranged venues.
- An additional four healthcare workers are included in the newly reported cases, bringing the total number to 84 (3.4% of all cases).
- To protect healthcare workers and the healthcare system, it is essential that everyone complies with measures to reduce transmission of COVID-19.
- A total of 27 of the new cases are close contacts of previously confirmed cases, mainly among family members. Five of the new cases are reported in individuals whose work brings them into contact with large numbers of people.
- 68 of 77 provinces have now reported laboratory-confirmed cases of COVID-19.

THAILAND SITUATION in the last 24 hours

2,473 confirmed (50 new)
33 deaths (1 new)
1,427 people hospitalized
84 healthcare staff infected (4 new)
36 severe cases
1,103 recovered



THAILAND: COVID-19 cases (as of 8 April 2020)



Map Sources: UN Cartographic Section, Royal Thai Survey Dept., Gov. of Thailand

UPDATE ON MEASURES FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF THAILAND:

- The Ministry of Education has announced that all Thai schools are required to postpone the start of the next term to the 1st of July and to provide learning arrangements to suit the emergency context.
- Bangkok and 11 provinces have banned the sale of alcohol from April 10th to 20th to reduce the risk of social gatherings at home or in a community.
- The Department of Health Services supports 1.04 million community health volunteers (CHVs) nationwide to help educate, communicate and enforce social distancing measures. To date, around 9 million households have been visited to deliver these important messages.

KEY MESSAGES FROM THE NEW WHO GUIDANCE ON FACE MASKS IN THE COMMUNITY:

- It is critical that medical masks and respirators be prioritized for health care workers.
- The use of nonmedical masks made of other materials (e.g., cotton fabric) in the community setting has not been well evaluated. There is no current evidence to make a recommendation for or against their use in this setting.

ADVICE FOR THE PUBLIC

Keeping each other safe and connected is everyone's responsibility



Physical distancing is **not** social isolation

Protecting yourself and your loved ones over Songkran

- The government of Thailand has strongly advised against travel at this time.
- Greetings and well-wishes should be sent through phone calls or online channels.
- For those staying in the same house with their parents, please practice physical distancing when paying respects.
- Gifts to parents and grandparents should be delivered through available logistics services, not in person.



WHAT WHO IS DOING TO PROVIDE SUPPORT TO THAILAND

WHO Thailand remains in frequent direct contact with the Royal Thai Government through the Ministry of Public Health, sharing information on key developments, guidelines and scientific updates.

WHO supports the wider UN response and provides information / advice to staff of the UN system in Thailand.

MEDIA

WHO Thailand's [website](#), [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#) accounts, regularly provide content on all aspects of the outbreak in Thailand and around the world. Media queries can be directed to sethawebsite@who.int and kanpirom@who.int

USEFUL LINKS

- The Thailand COVID19 situation report is available in Thai and English at <http://covid19.th-stat.com/en>.
- For regular updates on WHO's response in Thailand, please visit www.who.int/thailand
- For global figures and technical advice from WHO please [visit](#).