

COVID Monitor

Friday, July 29, 2022 Data as of July 28, 2022

Cumulative New Cases and Deaths

Worldwide	ASEAN+3	Plus-3	ASEAN		
574,835,501	66,171,056	33,327,580	32,843,476		
Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases		
6,395,493	424,722	72,015	352,707		
Deaths	Deaths	Deaths	Deaths		

Source: Haver Analytics, sourced from Johns Hopkins University; and AMRO staff calculations.

Recent Developments

Global News

- A new large-scale study published in the British Medical Journal <u>found that about 5</u> percent of COVID-19 patients develop long-lasting problems with their sense of smell or taste, potentially contributing to the burden of "long COVID."
- After more than two years, New Zealand is <u>fully reopening to all international travelers</u> <u>this Sunday, July 31</u>. Visitors will still be required to show a proof of vaccination to enter, and to undertake two rapid antigen tests.

Regional News

- The <u>spread of the BA.5 sub-variant has pushed daily new infections</u> in **Japan** to <u>a</u> <u>record-high of over 233,000 yesterday</u>. Prefectural governments are encouraged to tailor measures to the local situation, as opposed to the use of nationwide restrictions.
- In **Korea**, authorities are looking for <u>ways to reduce the cost of COVID-19 tests</u>, <u>especially for asymptomatic cases</u>. Close contacts of confirmed patients, as well as asymptomatic people, pay about 10 times more than those with symptoms.

Vaccine News

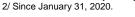
- **China** this week <u>approved its first home-grown COVID-19 antiviral pill</u>. Azvudine, by Genuine Biotech, is authorized for adults with moderate symptoms.
- Next week, Hong Kong's COVID-19 expert advisory panel will discuss the possibility of <u>making vaccines available for children under the age of three</u>. Hong Kong currently allows those aged three and above to receive Sinovac and Pfizer-BioNTech shots.
- **Singapore** is reportedly looking to <u>inoculate children between six months and four</u> <u>years by the fourth quarter of 2022</u>, following the deaths of two children from the virus in recent months.
- **US** authorities are expecting to <u>begin a booster campaign with "updated" vaccines by</u> <u>September</u>, following indications from Pfizer and Moderna that they can deliver the doses before then. The redesigned vaccines are expected to <u>perform effectively</u> <u>against Omicron sub-variant BA.5</u>.

Economy	Total Cases	Cases per 1M	New	New Cases ¹	New Cases	ΔNew	∆% New	Total	New	Fatality
	('000)	Population	Cases ¹	since 2020 ²	per 1M Pop. ¹	Cases ¹	Cases ¹	Deaths	Deaths ¹	Rate (%)
Global	574,836		988,740	^		-79,610	0.2	6,395,493	2,280	1.1
ASEAN+3	66,171		298,929	t	,	98,043	0.5	424,722	161	0.6
Plus-3	33,328		273,179	t	,	98,130	0.8	72,015	110	0.2
ASEAN	32,843		25,750			-86	0.1	352,707	51	1.1
China	229	163	134	1	0	-39	0.1	5,226	0	2.3
Hong Kong, China	1,340	175,480	4,369	1	572	699	0.3	9,493	6	0.7
Japan	12,138	96,519	191,125		1,520	76,707	1.7	32,304	80	0.3
Korea	19,621	376,912	77,551	ì	1,490	20,763	0.4	24,992	24	0.1
Indonesia	6,192	22.944	5,310		20	918	0.1	156,957	11	2.5
Malaysia	4,668	140,518	3,986	^	. 120	-509	0.1	35,946	8	0.8
Philippines	3,764	34,209	3,194	_	. 29	822	0.1	60,458	0	1.6
Singapore	1,694	297,168	8,335	î /	1,462	-1,192	0.5	1,492	4	0.1
Thailand	4,584	67,397	1,884		. 28	-389	0.0	31,290	27	0.7
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Brunei Darussalam	204 137	453,180	1,564 21		3,468	-175 3	0.8	225	0	0.1
Cambodia Lao PDR	211	8,164	∠⊺ 54		. 1	3 19	0.0	3,056 757	-	0.4
	614	29,047	54 17		0	19	0.0		0	3.2
Myanmar Vietnam	10.775	11,503 111,762	1,385		14	3 414	0.0	19,434 43,092	0	0.4
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Australia	9,326	359,055	43,925	i ~	1,691	-2,806	0.5	11,669	92	0.1
Brazil	33,749	159,663	34,751	l	164	-17,187	0.1	678,069	226	2.0
France	32,828	505,092	55,479	i		-37,694	0.2	148,514	91	0.5
Germany	30,787	371,034	78,312	^	944	-17,285	0.3	143,855	113	0.5
India	43,959	32,097	16,037		. 12	-3,540	0.0	526,212	49	1.2
United Kingdom	23,515	349,646	43,265	h	. 643	23,599	0.2	184,648	274	0.8
United States	90,179	272,403	127,886	سأسمي	. 386	6,761	0.1	1,023,952	414	1.1

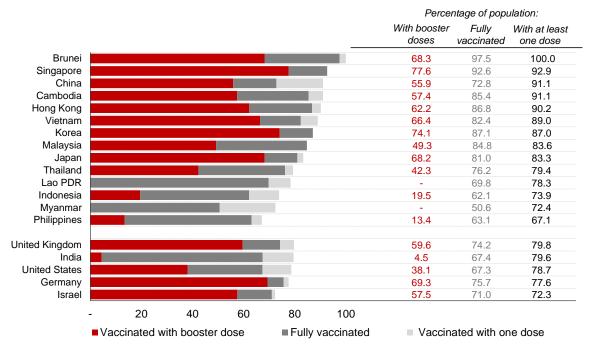
ASEAN+3 and Selected Economies: COVID-19 Cases and Deaths

Source: Haver Analytics, sourced from Johns Hopkins University; and AMRO staff calculations.

1/ Values show the 7-day average.

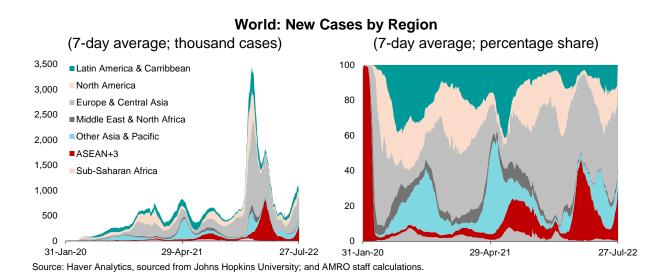


ASEAN+3 and Selected Economies: Vaccination Coverage Status (Percent of population)

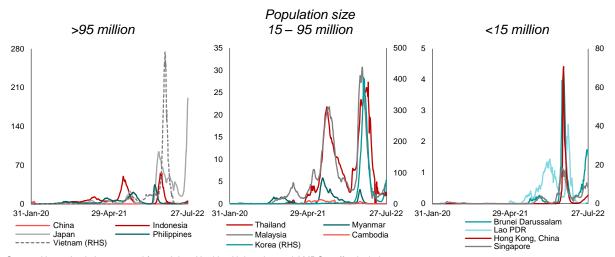


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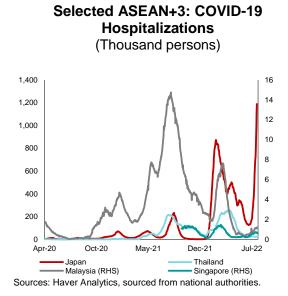
Note: Percent of fully vaccinated population shows the number of people who received all doses prescribed by the vaccination protocol (e.g. one dose of a single-dose vaccine, or two doses of a two-dose vaccine). In the event of discrepancy between data from Our World in Data and national authorities, data from national authorities take precedence.



ASEAN+3: Daily New Cases by Size of Population (7-day average; thousand cases)

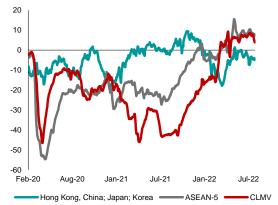


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Selected ASEAN+3: Aggregate Non-Residentials Mobility (Percentage change from baseline; 5-day

moving average)



Sources: Haver Analytics, sourced from Google COVID-19 Community Mobility reports; and AMRO staff calculations. Note: Baseline refers to the median value of the corresponding day in the period Jan 3–Feb 6, 2020. "Non-residentials" refer to the aggregated mobility data for places such as groceries and pharmacies, retail and recreation facilities, transit station and workplaces. ASEAN-5 = Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Thailand, and Singapore. CLMV = Cambodia, Lao PDR, Myanmar, and Vietnam (Vietnam data only up to October 21, 2021).

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