

Total Confirmed Cases and Deaths

Worldwide	ASEAN+3	Plus-3	ASEAN
493,674,860 Cases	52,085,016 Cases	22,329,992 Cases	29,755,022 Cases
6,169,905 Deaths	401,460 Deaths	58,894 Deaths	342,566 Deaths

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

Recent Developments

Global News

- **Germany** will make quarantine for COVID-19 patients voluntary beginning May 1. Infections rose to record high in recent days, but cases are mild and hospitals have not been overwhelmed.
- The **UK** has added nine more official COVID-19 symptoms in addition to fever, new and persistent cough, and a loss of taste or smell. The new symptoms include sore throat, fatigue and headache.

Regional News

- Some cases in at least three cities in **China** were related to clothing imported from **Korea**, raising concerns that COVID-19 may be transmitted via imported products.
- **China** has mobilized military personnel and thousands of healthcare workers to conduct COVID-19 tests for all the 26 million residents in Shanghai.
- After reporting its first case of the Omicron XE variant, **Thailand** has reported a suspected case of the XJ COVID-19 variant that was first detected in Finland.
- Average daily cases remained above 2,000 for the ninth consecutive day in Lao PDR, with a positivity rate of 46 percent. Authorities are focusing on accelerating vaccinations.

Vaccine News

- **China** has approved CanSinoBIO's mRNA vaccine candidate for clinical trials. The vaccine is reported to be effective against multiple variants, including Omicron.
- The **WHO** has suspended the UN's supply of Bharat Biotech's Covaxin vaccine to enable the manufacturers to address deficiencies found in an inspection. The **WHO** reiterated that the vaccine is effective and that there are no safety concerns.
- The **US FDA** said that COVID-19 vaccines may need to be updated to ensure high level of effectiveness against the virus.

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

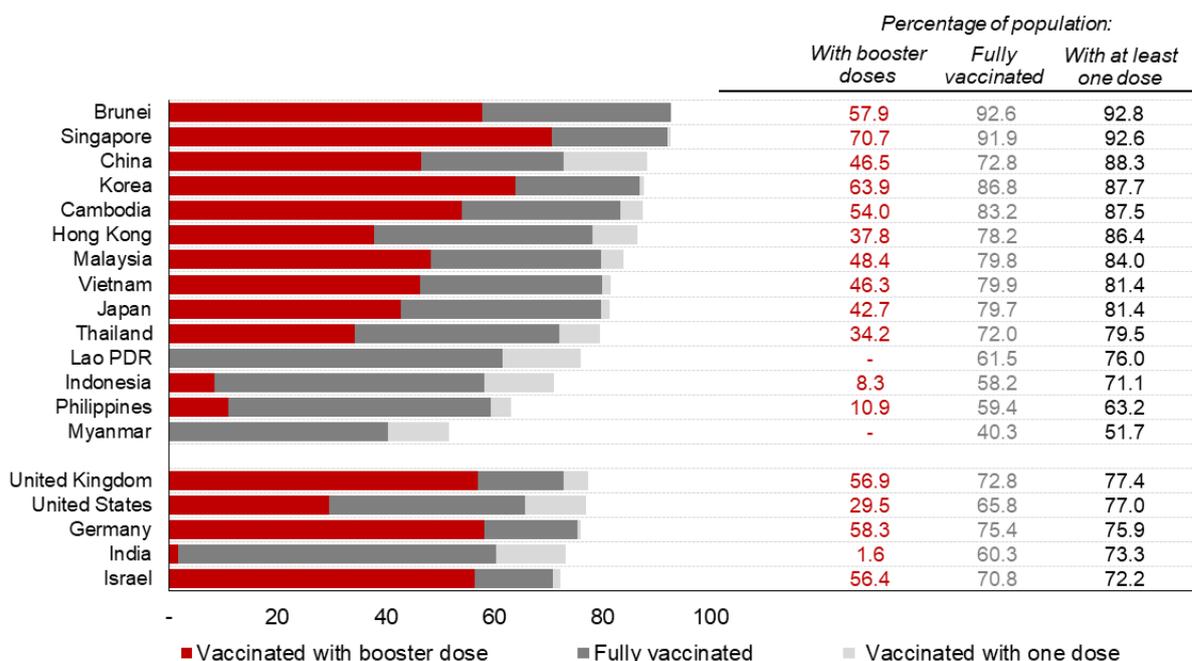
Economy	Total Cases ('000)	Cases per 1M Population	New Cases ¹	New Cases ¹ since 2020 ²	New Cases per 1M Pop. ¹	ΔNew Cases ¹	Δ% New Cases ¹	Total Deaths	New Deaths ¹	Fatality Rate (%)
Global	493,675		1,492,885			-93,428	0.3	6,169,905	5,907	1.2
ASEAN+3	52,085		463,566			-163,960	0.9	401,460	796	0.8
Plus-3	22,330		327,358			-69,732	1.6	58,894	510	0.3
ASEAN	29,755		136,208			-94,228	0.5	342,566	286	1.2
China	157	112	1,653		1	-225	1.1	4,638	0	2.9
Hong Kong, China	1,175	153,839	5,481		718	-5,152	0.5	8,262	120	0.7
Japan	6,731	53,521	46,371		369	6,634	0.7	28,332	70	0.4
Korea	14,267	274,078	273,853		5,261	-70,988	2.1	17,662	320	0.1
Indonesia	6,016	22,292	2,000		7	-2,939	0.0	155,164	56	2.6
Malaysia	4,256	128,126	14,895		448	-5,284	0.4	35,127	41	0.8
Philippines	3,680	33,440	341		3	-42	0.0	59,365	48	1.6
Singapore	1,110	194,624	5,391		946	-1,673	0.5	1,283	4	0.1
Thailand	3,758	55,245	26,025		383	796	0.7	25,603	92	0.7
Brunei Darussalam	136	302,381	597		1,324	-272	0.4	213	1	0.2
Cambodia	136	8,111	38		2	-23	0.0	3,054	0	2.2
Lao PDR	185	25,406	2,192		302	26	1.2	682	3	0.4
Myanmar	612	11,464	129		2	-118	0.0	19,433	0	3.2
Vietnam	9,867	102,348	84,599		878	-84,699	0.9	42,642	41	0.4
Australia	4,772	183,731	55,785		2,148	715	1.2	6,425	71	0.1
Brazil	30,015	142,000	22,531		107	-7,120	0.1	660,570	192	2.2
France	25,331	389,737	136,333		2,098	10,612	0.6	139,520	118	0.6
Germany	21,706	261,595	197,507		2,380	-24,128	0.9	130,052	228	0.6
India	43,030	31,419	1,122		1	-451	0.0	521,416	49	1.2
United Kingdom	21,523	320,020	88,206		1,312	4,480	0.4	166,378	244	0.8
United States	80,934	244,475	213,658		645	183,352	1.2	992,456	2,774	1.2

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

1/ Values show the 7-day average.

2/ Since January 31, 2020.

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



Sources: Our World in Data via Haver Analytics; various media sources; national authorities; and AMRO staff estimates and calculations.

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.