

### **COVID Monitor**

Friday, March 25, 2022 Data as of March 24, 2022

#### **Cumulative New Cases and Deaths**

Worldwide	ASEAN+3	Plus-3	ASEAN		
<b>477,340,447</b> Cases	<b>46,524,788</b> Cases	<b>18,642,616</b> Cases	<b>27,882,172</b> Cases		
<b>6,109,588</b> Deaths	<b>392,264</b> Deaths	<b>53,201</b> Deaths	<b>339,063</b> Deaths		

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

#### **Recent Developments**

#### **Global News**

- More than <u>73%</u> of **US** counties experienced a <u>natural decrease or an excess of deaths</u> <u>over births</u>, up from 55.5% in 2020 and 45.5% in 2019, according to a study released by the U.S. census bureau on Thursday.
- The **European** Medicines Agency on Thursday recommended the use of AstraZeneca Plc's AZN.L antibody drug for preventing COVID-19 infections in adults and adolescents over 12 years of age, which needs to be officially authorized by the European Commission.

#### **Regional News**

- **Singapore** announced on Thursday that it will <u>lift quarantine requirements</u> for all <u>vaccinated travellers from next week</u>, as the country moves more firmly toward a "living with the virus" approach. The new rules also include <u>scrapping requirements to wear masks outdoors and allow larger groups to gather starting Mar 29.</u>
- From April 1, those who are fully vaccinated will be able to travel between **Singapore** and **Malaysia** by land, including driving, <u>without testing or quarantine</u>. Moreover, **Malaysia** and **Thailand** have agreed to <u>reopen two land border gates from April 1</u>.
- **Indonesia** will <u>lift a ban on domestic travel during the Muslim holiday season</u> of Eid al-Fitr in early May, President Joko Widodo said on Wednesday, after banning the annual tradition for two years during the pandemic.

#### **Vaccine News**

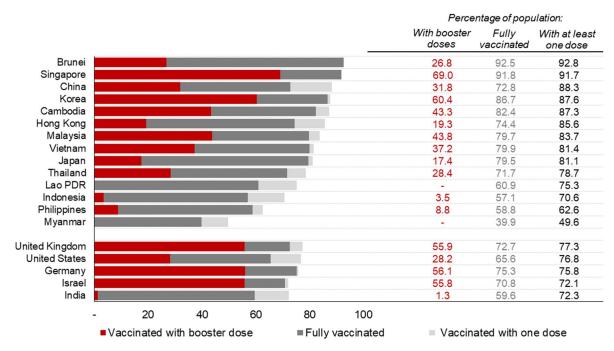
- US biotech firm Moderna on Wednesday said it was pursuing regulatory approval for its Covid vaccine in <u>children under six years old</u> after the two-shot regimen was found to be safe and produced a strong immune response.
- **Japan** will start preparations for the administration of <u>fourth shots of coronavirus</u> <u>vaccines</u>, a health ministry subcommittee agreed on Thursday after the government said it had agreed to procure additional doses from Pfizer Inc. and Moderna Inc.
- Australia is offering a <u>fourth dose</u> of COVID-19 vaccines to <u>over 65s</u> from next month, federal health authorities announced on Mar 25.

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

Economy	Total Cases ('000)	Cases per 1M Population	New Cases <sup>1</sup>	New Cases <sup>1</sup> since 2020 <sup>2</sup>	New Cases per 1M Pop. <sup>1</sup>	ΔNew Cases <sup>1</sup>	Δ% New Cases <sup>1</sup>	Total Deaths	New Deaths <sup>1</sup>	Fatality Rate (%)
Global	477,340		1,582,976		•	-217,771	0.3	6,109,588	6,302	1.3
ASEAN+3	46,525		680,508		7	-157,933	1.6	392,264	1,201	0.8
Plus-3	18,643		413,811		1	-71,582	2.4	53,201	693	0.3
ASEAN	27,882		266,697		<del>,</del>	-86,351	1.0	339,063	508	1.2
China	141	100	2,319	t	2	682	1.8	4.638	0	3.3
Hong Kong, China	1,101	144,234	14,909		1,953	-12.956	1.4	6,770	233	0.6
Japan	6,239	49,607	38,780		308	-12,113	0.6	27,499	100	0.4
Korea	11,162	214,427	357,803		6,873	-47,194	3.7	14,294	359	0.1
Indonesia	5,987	22,185	6,821	- X	25	-6,205	0.1	154,343	162	2.6
Malaysia	4,079	122,791	21,686		653	-4,807	0.5	34,664	68	0.8
Philippines	3,676	33,404	451	~^	4	-31	0.0	58,771	127	1.6
Singapore	1,053	184,696	9.546		1,674	-2,535	0.9	1,226	6	0.1
Thailand	3,451	50,738	21,116		310	-2,673	0.6	24,579	72	0.7
Brunei Darussalam	129	286,211	1,212	^	2,686	-1,157	1.0	200	3	0.2
Cambodia	135	8,081	94		. 6	-66	0.1	3,054	1	2.3
Lao PDR	162	22,277	1,819		250	1,243	1.2	653	1	0.4
Myanmar	610	11,431	333	_~~	6	-321	0.1	19,428	1	3.2
Vietnam	8,600	89,203	203,618		2,112	-69,800	2.6	42,145	66	0.5
Australia	4,180	160,942	52,592		2,025	11,958	1.3	5,850	23	0.1
Brazil	29,776	140,865	34,680		164	-4,407	0.1	658,600	272	2.2
France	23,963	368,691	108,764		1,673	32,622	0.5	138,323	99	0.6
Germany	19,366	233,386	148,558		1,790	-67,340	0.8	127,459	115	0.7
India	43,016	31,409	1,767		<b>1</b>	-1,054	0.0	516,755	68	1.2
United Kingdom	20,771	308,835	109,866		1,634	32,201	0.5	164,874	213	0.8
United States	79,334	239,643	28,776	لـــــــــــــــــــــــــــــــــــــ	87	-3,546	1.2	971,196	832	1.2

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

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



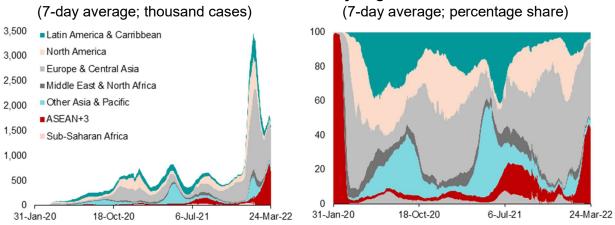
Sources: Our World in Data via Haver Analytics; and AMRO staff calculations.

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.

<sup>1/</sup> Values show the 7-day average.

<sup>2/</sup> Since January 31, 2020.

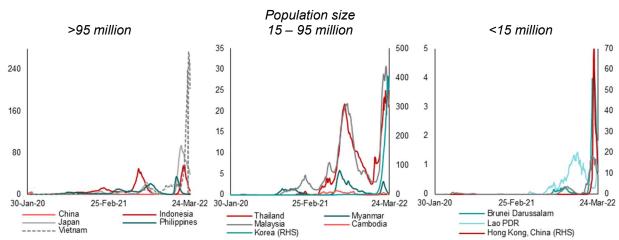
#### World: New Cases by Region



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

### **ASEAN+3: Daily New Cases by Size of Population**

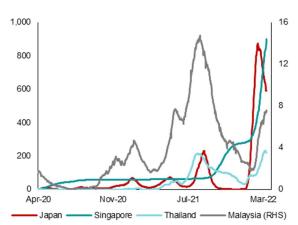
(7-day average; thousand cases)



Source: Haver Analytics, sourced from Johns Hopkins University; and AMRO staff calculations. Note: For ease of comparability, ASEAN+3 economies are grouped by population size.

#### Selected ASEAN+3: COVID-19 Hospitalizations

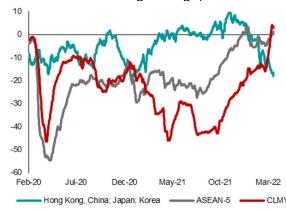
(Thousand persons)



Sources: Haver Analytics, sourced from national authorities.

## 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.