

COVID Monitor

Tuesday, March 15, 2022 *Data as of March 14, 2022*

Cumulative New Cases and Deaths

Worldwide	ASEAN+3	Plus-3	ASEAN		
459,802,605 Cases	38,757,856 Cases	13,786,727 Cases	24,971,128 Cases		
6,045,820 Deaths	379,785 Deaths	46,077 Deaths	333,708 Deaths		

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

Recent Developments

Global News

- Australia will be <u>lifting its entry ban for international cruise ships next month, marking the end of all major virus-related travel bans</u> after two years. The current ban, implemented since March 2020, will be in place until April 17.
- The **United Kingdom** will be <u>dropping the last of its COVID-19 travel measures</u> <u>starting Friday, March 18</u>. Incoming travellers will no longer be required to fill out the passenger locator form, or undertake tests upon arrival, among others.
- France <u>lifted most of its restrictions yesterday</u>, despite the recent increase in new infections. Masks are no longer required in most settings, while unvaccinated individuals are allowed back into restaurants, cinemas, and other venues.

Regional News

- In **Singapore**, <u>streamlined COVID-19 measures</u>—initially announced last month but postponed due a surge in infections—<u>are taking effect today</u>. Safe distancing will no longer be required for mask-on settings, while social gatherings at workplaces are allowed to resume with a 5-person cap.
- China reported <u>around 5,280 new infections today, surpassing the previous day's tally</u> as the Omicron variant continues to spread across the economy. Several cities are under either full or partial lockdowns, including the hard-hit area of Jilin.
- <u>Daily new infections</u> in **Korea** <u>stayed above 300,000 for the fourth straight day today</u>, most of which are locally transmitted. The number of critically-ill patients also reached an all-time high of around 1,200.

Vaccine News

- India will be <u>administering vaccinations to the 12 to 14-year old age group starting tomorrow, March 16,</u> as schools reopen across the economy. Authorities will use a locally-developed vaccine called Corbevax.
- Health authorities in **the Philippines** yesterday <u>granted emergency use authorization</u> to Sinovac's vaccine, CoronaVac, to be given to children aged 6 and above.

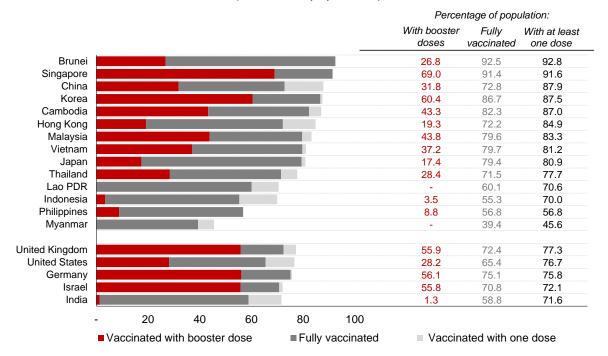
ASEAN+3 and Selected Economies: Confirmed COVID-19 Cases and Deaths

Баанаши	Total Cases	Cases per 1M	New	New Cases ¹	New Cases	ΔNew	Δ% New	Total	New	Fatality
Economy	('000)	Population	Cases ¹	since 2020 ²	per 1M Pop.1	Cases ¹	Cases ¹	Deaths	Deaths ¹	Rate (%)
Global	459,803		1,702,689	^		161,147	0.4	6,045,820	5,473	1.3
ASEAN+3	38,758		756,431		•	154,326	2.1	379,785	1,308	1.0
Plus-3	13,787		410,943		•	80,160	3.4	46,077	686	0.3
ASEAN	24,971		345,487	<u></u>	•	74,166	1.5	333,708	622	1.3
China	117	84	844		. 1	559	0.7	4,636	0	3.9
Hong Kong, China	636	83,258	19,844		2,599	-21,726	3.6	4,279	285	0.7
Japan	5,805	46,161	53,276	^	424	-7,619	1.0	26,274	172	0.5
Korea	7,229	138,861	336,980		6,473	108,945	5.8	10,888	229	0.2
Indonesia	5,900	21.863	18,574		69	-10,805	0.3	152,437	287	2.6
Malaysia	3,846	115,758	28,020		843	-1,513	0.8	33,899	85	0.9
Philippines	3,671	33,363	432		4	-464	0.0	57,625	80	1.6
Singapore	948	166,341	14,591		2,559	-2,826	1.6	1,153	10	0.1
Thailand	3,227	47,440	22,842		336	-2,139	0.7	23,848	68	0.7
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Brunei Darussalam		253,594	3,048		6,759	-1,165	3.0	170	3	0.1
Cambodia	134	8,017	215		13	-132	0.2	3,047	1	2.3
Lao PDR	147	20,188	338		47	113	0.2	641	1	0.4
Myanmar	606	11,357	944	_~~	18	-731	0.2	19,411	3	3.2
Vietnam	6,377	66,151	256,483		2,660	93,830	4.8	41,477	84	0.7
Australia	3,652	140,586	31,790	1.	1,224	4,053	0.9	5,615	22	0.2
Brazil	29,391	139,048	44,788		212	4,608	0.2	655,557	416	2.2
France	22,889	352,178	62,734		965	12,519	0.3	137,210	117	0.6
Germany	17,471	210,548	200,806	^	2,420	36,177	1.2	125,878	203	0.7
India	42,996	31,394	3,536		3	-2,216	0.0	515,974	109	1.2
United Kingdom	19,845	295,071	85,674		1,274	34,445	0.4	163,454	187	8.0
United States	79,013	238,672	31,442	1	95	-10,113	1.2	963,094	1,056	1.2

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

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.

^{1/} Values show the 7-day average.

^{2/} Since January 31, 2020.