

Tuesday, January 18, 2022 Data as of January 17, 2022

Cumulative New Cases and Deaths

Worldwide	ASEAN+3	Plus-3	ASEAN		
330,491,623	18,466,494	2,720,531	15,745,963		
Cases	Cases	Cases	Cases		
5,545,207	339,835	29,660	310,175		
Deaths	Deaths	Deaths	Deaths		

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

Recent Developments

Global News

- The **United States** reported about 800,000 daily new infections on average last week. However, there are <u>signs that infections have plateaued or slowing in areas hit earliest</u> by omicron, such as New York, New Jersey, and Washington D.C.
- In England, the minimum self-isolation period has been reduced to five days for those who test positive to help reduce staff shortages, especially for essential public services. The period was initially cut from 10 to 7 days last month.
- Australia recorded <u>74 fatalities today, the highest daily count since the pandemic began</u>. The omicron variant continues to push hospitalization rates to new highs, with younger people accounting for a significant share of admissions.

Regional News

- Japan has shortened the quarantine period for those arriving from overseas to 10 days from the current two weeks. The required quarantine duration for those identified as close contacts of confirmed patients was likewise cut from 14 to 10 days.
- **Hong Kong** <u>extended its ban on flights</u> from Australia, Canada, France, India, Pakistan, the Philippines, the United Kingdom, and the United States <u>up to February 4</u>.

Vaccine News

- Japan is <u>bringing forward vaccination booster shots by as much as two months earlier</u> <u>than planned</u>. Starting March, the elderly can receive the additional jab six months after the second shot, instead of waiting for eight months.
- The **COVAX** global vaccine-sharing program <u>has reached a milestone of delivering 1</u> <u>billion doses to 144 economies</u> around the world.
- A preliminary study from **Israel** suggests that a fourth vaccine shot <u>boosts antibodies</u> to even higher levels than the third jab but not enough to prevent omicron infections, suggesting that the required level of protection against the highly-transmissible variant might be too high for existing vaccine options.

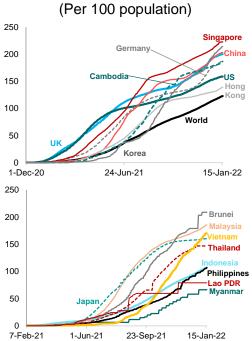
Economy	Total Cases	Cases per 1M	New	New Cases ¹	New Cases	ΔNew	∆% New	Total	New	Fatality
	('000)	Population	Cases ¹	since 2020 ²	per 1M Pop.1	Cases ¹	Cases ¹	Deaths	Deaths ¹	Rate (%)
Global	330,492		2,825,521			260,846	0.9	5,545,207	7,014	1.7
ASEAN+3	18,466		84,057	^_		23,438	0.5	339,835	326	1.8
Plus-3	2,721		23,249	للمب		14,229	0.9	29,660	42	1.1
ASEAN	15,746		60,808	^		9,210	0.4	310,175	284	2.0
China	105	75	184	t	0	23	0.2	4.636	0	4.4
Hong Kong, China	13	1,685	11	1. h.	1	-6	0.1	213	0	1.7
Japan	1,902	15,127	18,823		150	13,588	1.0	18,433	5	1.0
Korea	700	13,449	4,231	السيب	81	623	0.6	6,378	38	0.9
Indonesia	4,272	15,832	825	*	3	365	0.0	144,174	5	3.4
Malaysia	2.811	84,606	3.118		94	2	0.0	31.808	16	1.1
Philippines	3,242	29,465	34.835		317	14.448	1.1	52.929	91	1.6
Singapore	293	51,388	945		166	139	0.3	843	1	0.3
Thailand	2,309	33,942	4,448		65	-1,979	0.2	21,898	9	0.9
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Brunei Darussalam	15.90	35,257	32	A	71	7	0.2	98	0	0.6
Cambodia	120.83	7,217	27	A	2	10	0.0	3,015	0	2.5
Lao PDR	125.33	17,249	830	^	114	-40	0.7	497	7	0.4
Myanmar	533.25	9,990	154	-	3	9	0.0	19,304	2	3.6
Vietnam	2,023.55	20,990	15,593	^	162	-3,752	0.8	35,609	154	1.8
Australia	1,839	70,811	100,030	1	3.851	14,060	7.1	2,750	48	0.1
Brazil	23,090	109,234	75.201		356	38.912	0.3	621,478	159	2.7
France	13.882	213.592	274,147		4.218	8.954	2.1	124,375	175	0.9
Germany	8,104	97,668	76,257		919	31.748	1.0	115.846	246	1.4
India	37.380	27.294	214,923		157	84.133	0.6	486.451	320	1.3
United Kingdom	15,407	229,083	112,806	است	1,677	-57,837	0.8	152,571	334	1.0
United States	65,961	199,248	676,468		2,043	-75,849	1.2	847,824	1,674	1.3

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

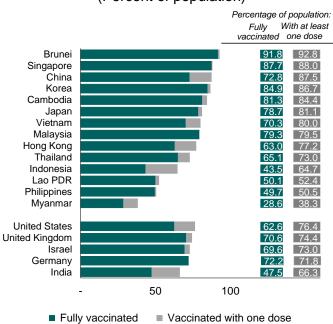
Source: Haver Analytics, sourced from Johns Hopkins University; and AMRO staff calculations. 1/ Values show the 7-day average.

2/ Since January 31, 2020.

ASEAN+3 and Selected Economies: Cumulative Vaccines Administered



ASEAN+3 and Selected Economies: Vaccination Progress



(Percent of population)

Source: Haver Analytics, sourced from Our World in Data; and AMRO staff calculations.

Note: Single vaccination doses only. This does not measure the number of people vaccinated, as two doses are required with most available vaccines. Data is reported at irregular intervals; numbers show latest available. Source: 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). The number in the gray box is the percentage of the population that has received at least one vaccine dose.