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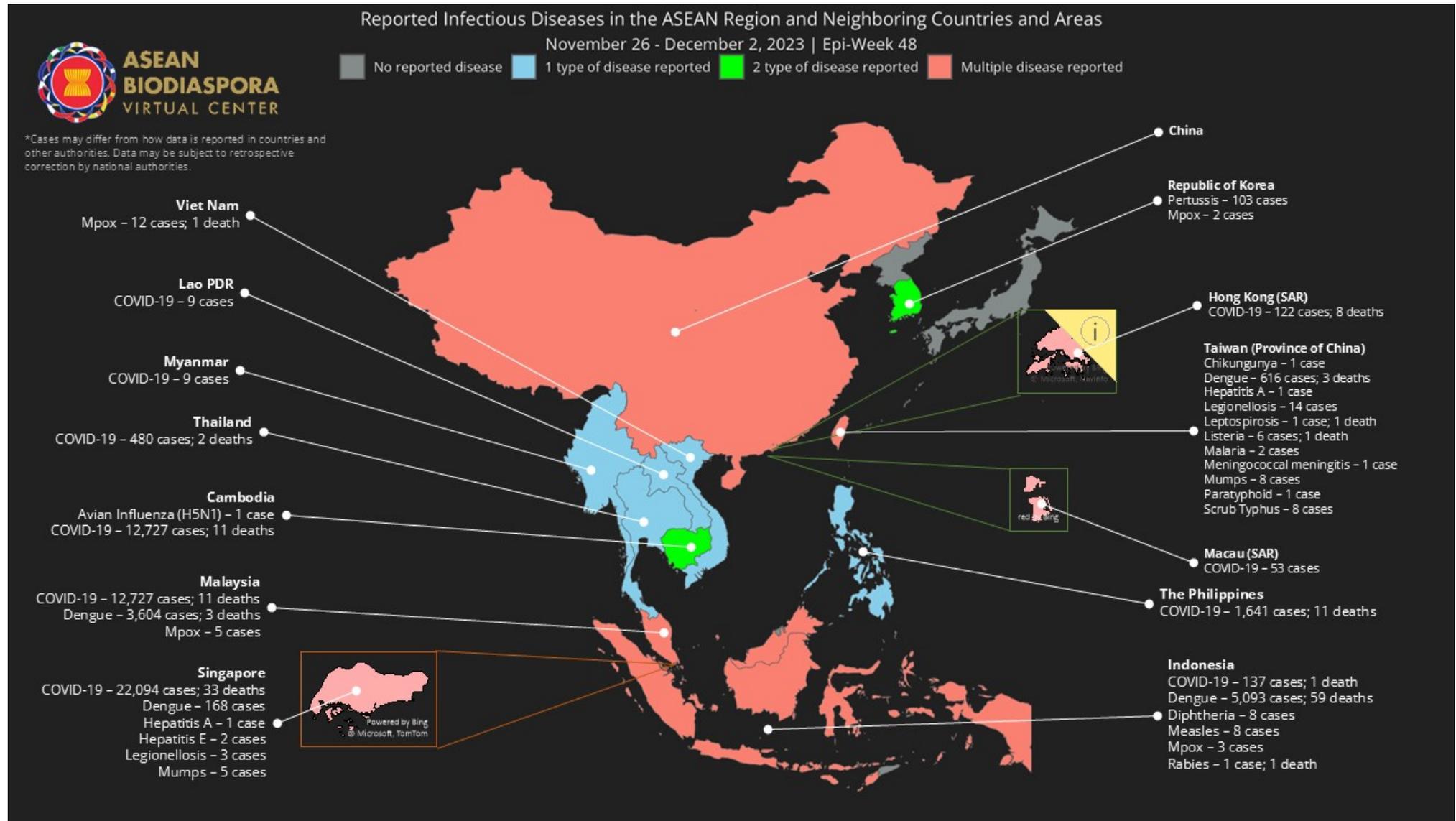
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# Reported Infectious Diseases in the ASEAN Region and Neighboring Countries

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# Infectious Diseases in the ASEAN Region in 2023 – Summary Table 1 of 2

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Infectious Diseases	COVID-19			Mpox			Rabies			Dengue		
	Cumulative Cases	Cumulative Deaths	CFR	Cumulative Cases	Cumulative Deaths	CFR	Cumulative Cases	Cumulative Deaths	CFR	Cumulative Cases	Cumulative Deaths	CFR
Brunei Darussalam	52,479	77	0.15%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cambodia	518	0	0.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	26,912	39	0.14%
Indonesia	102,545	1,309	1.28%	62	0	0.00%	321	56	17.45%	83,302	633	0.76%
Lao PDR	1,315	87	6.62%	1	0	0.00%	-	-	-	30,292	19	0.06%
Malaysia	127,959	345	0.27%	9	0	0.00%	21	19	90.48%	111,712	83	0.07%
Myanmar	7,802	5	0.06%	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,685	30	0.45%
Philippines	126,549	1,369	1.08%	1	0	0.00%	327	327	100.00%	167,355	575	0.34%
Singapore	546,037	222	0.04%	28	0	0.00%	-	-	-	8,899	0	0.00%
Thailand	40,678	822	2.02%	565	1	0.18%	5	5	100.00%	139,719	151	0.11%
Vietnam	100,747	20	0.02%	90	2	2.22%	64	64	100.00%	135,879	35	0.03%
ASEAN Region	1,106,629	4,256	0.38%	756	3	0.407%	738	471	63.82%	710,755	1,565	0.22%



## Infectious Diseases in the ASEAN Region in 2023 – Summary Table 2 of 2

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Infectious Diseases	Malaria			Chikungunya			Measles			Diphtheria		
	Cumulative Cases	Cumulative Deaths	CFR									
Brunei Darussalam	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cambodia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Indonesia	1,899	0	0.00%	462	0	0.00%	8,810	11	0.12%	745	45	6.04%
Lao PDR	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Malaysia	1,116	0	0.00%	185	0	0.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-
Myanmar	4,510	0	0.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Philippines	31	0	0.00%	2,691	0	0.00%	2,024	6	0.30%	162	38	23.46%
Singapore	20	0	0.00%	13	0	0.00%	6	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%
Thailand	4,815	4	0.08%	1,271	0	0.00%	320	0	0.00%	5	0	0.00%
Vietnam	349	0	0.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	41	3	7.32%
ASEAN Region	12,740	4	0.03%	4,622	0	0.00%	11,160	17	0.15%	953	86	9.02%

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# Emerging Diseases



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## COVID-19 Cases and Deaths

- As of 02 December 2023 (5PM, GMT+7), there were **698,724,336** confirmed cases **worldwide**, including **6,942,009** deaths. Globally, Case Fatality Rate (CFR) was **0.99%**.
- 36,516,732** total confirmed cases of COVID-19 have been reported in the **ASEAN Region**.
- The CFR in the **ASEAN** Region was **1.01%**.

### COVID-19 cases in the ASEAN region

ASEAN MEMBER STATES	FIRST CONFIRMED CASES	LATEST REPORT ON CONFIRMED	CUMULATIVE CASES	CUMULATIVE CASES IN 2023	NEW CASES SINCE LAST REPORT	CUMULATIVE DEATHS	NEW DEATHS SINCE LAST REPORT	CUMULATIVE CASES/ 100,000	CUMULATIVE WITH AT LEAST ONE DOSE	CUMULATIVE FULLY VACCINATED	CUMULATIVE BOOSTED	FULLY VACCINATED PER 100
Brunei Darussalam	10-Mar-20	13-Nov-23	313,919	52,479	0	225	-	70,475	451,149	446,714	340,466	100.29
Cambodia	27-Jan-20	2-Dec-23	138,956	518	2	3,056	-	809	15,311,319	14,688,007	10,762,713	85.55
Indonesia	02-Mar-20	24-Nov-23	6,814,248	102,545	137	161,921	1	2,441	203,878,498	174,965,692	69,306,543	74.56
Lao PDR	24-Mar-20	1-Dec-23	218,901	1,315	3	758	-	2,926	6,324,678	5,691,962	2,451,034	76.09
Malaysia	25-Jan-20	1-Dec-23	5,147,359	127,959	12,727	37,202	11	15,513	28,137,306	27,550,493	16,346,625	84.40
Myanmar	23-Mar-20	28-Nov-23	641,377	7,802	9	19,495	-	1,161	41,551,927	35,937,796	15,987,381	65.07
Philippines	30-Jan-20	1-Dec-23	4,125,561	126,549	1,641	66,766	11	3,667	82,684,774	78,443,972	23,811,248	69.72
Singapore	23-Jan-20	2-Dec-23	2,732,711	546,037	22,094	1,933	33	45,978	5,284,679	5,248,693	4,769,158	89.41
Thailand	13-Jan-20	27-Nov-23	4,759,586	40,678	480	34,491	2	6,792	57,678,095	54,190,737	27,409,289	77.33
Vietnam	23-Jan-20	24-Oct-23	11,624,114	100,747	0	43,206	-	11,747	90,272,853	85,961,564	57,975,220	86.87
<b>ASEAN REGION</b>			<b>36,516,732</b>	<b>1,106,629</b>	<b>37,093</b>	<b>369,053</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>5,369</b>	<b>531,575,278</b>	<b>483,125,630</b>	<b>229,159,677</b>	<b>71.04</b>

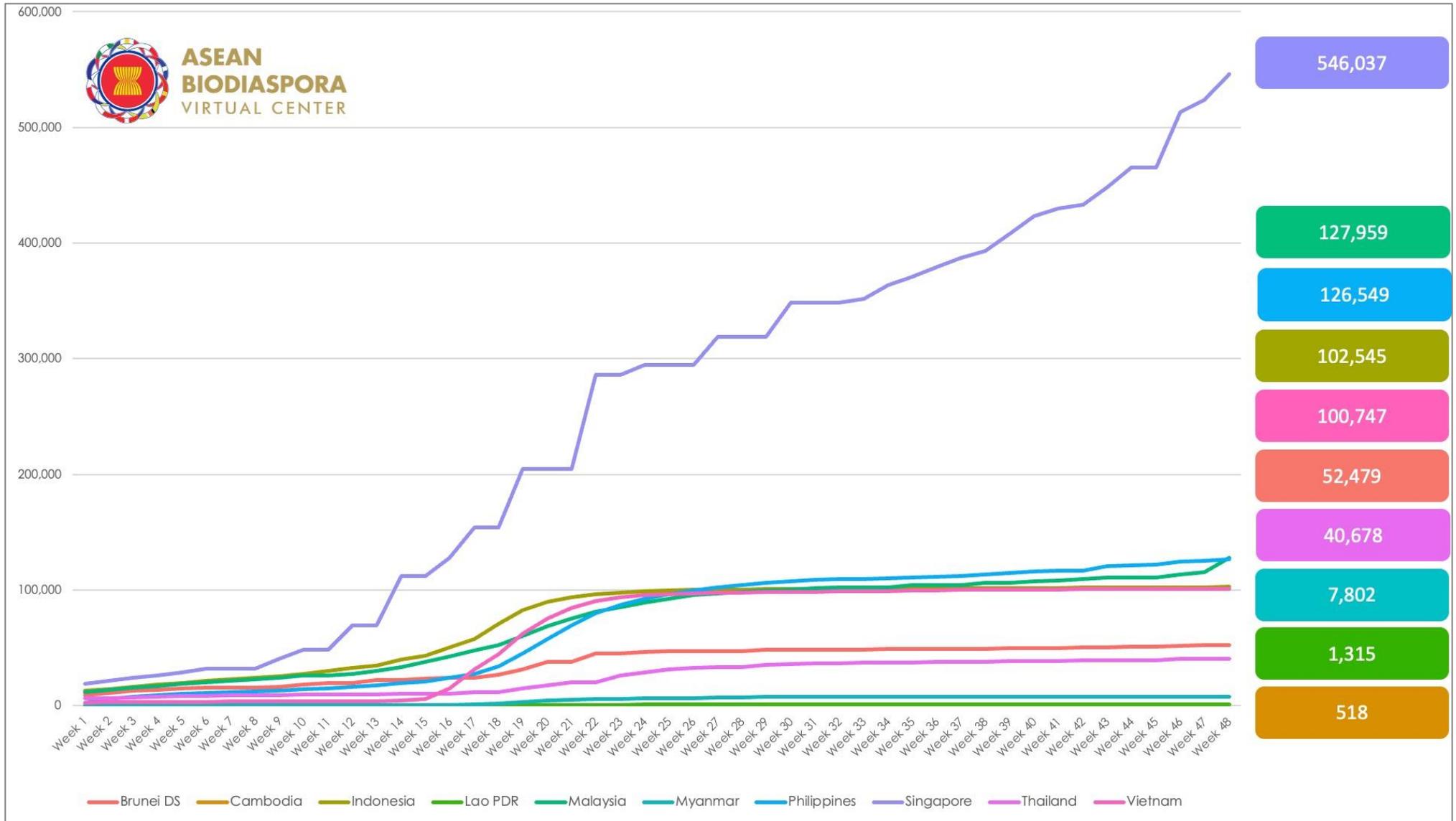
REGIONS	TOTAL CONFIRMED CASES	NEW CASES	TOTAL DEATHS	NEW DEATHS
AFRICA	12,845,325	860	258,847	4
AMERICAS	198,810,192	152,458	3,019,540	3137
ASEAN	36,516,732	37,093	369,053	58
ASIA & OCEANIA	199,042,725	114,804	1,214,033	210
EUROPE	251,509,362	205,365	2,080,536	5,047
<b>GLOBAL TOTAL</b>	<b>698,724,336</b>	<b>510,580</b>	<b>6,942,009</b>	<b>8,456</b>

\*\*Data Reference: [Worldometer, WHO](https://www.worldometers.info/coronavirus/)



# COVID-19 Epidemic Curve Among the ASEAN Member States

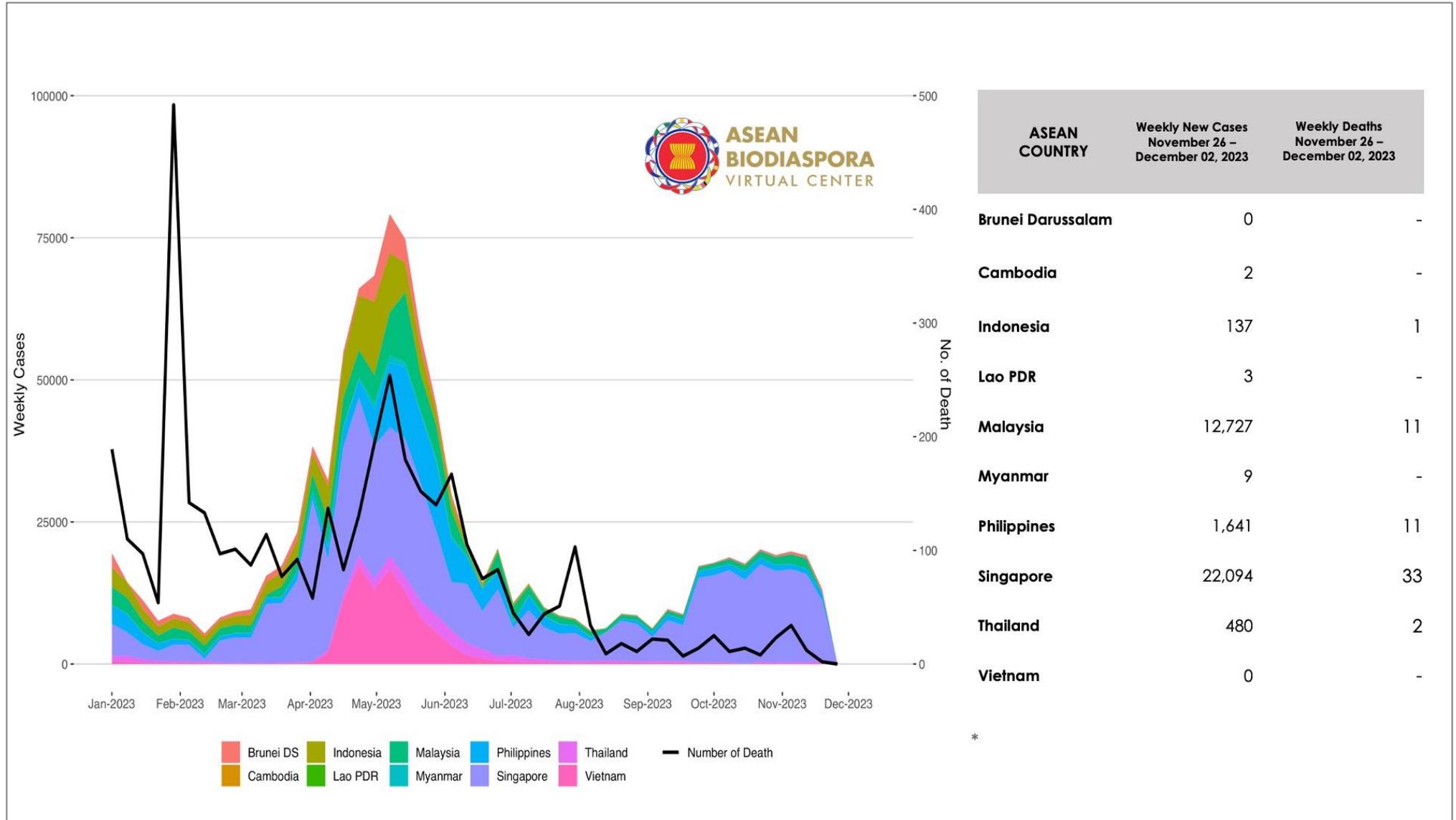
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# ASEAN Weekly COVID-19 New Cases and Deaths

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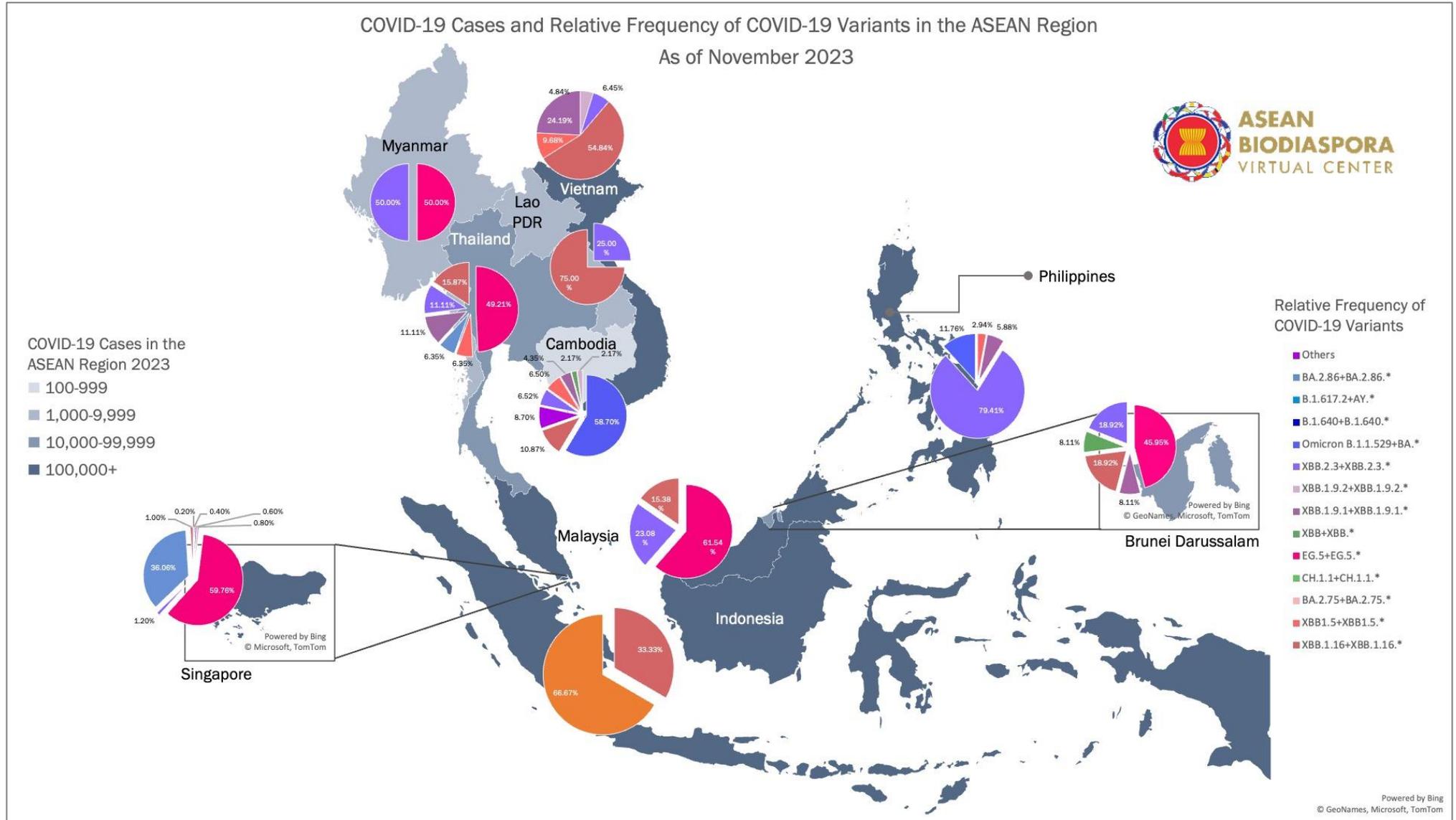


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# COVID-19 Variants Frequencies Among the ASEAN Member States

As of November 2023

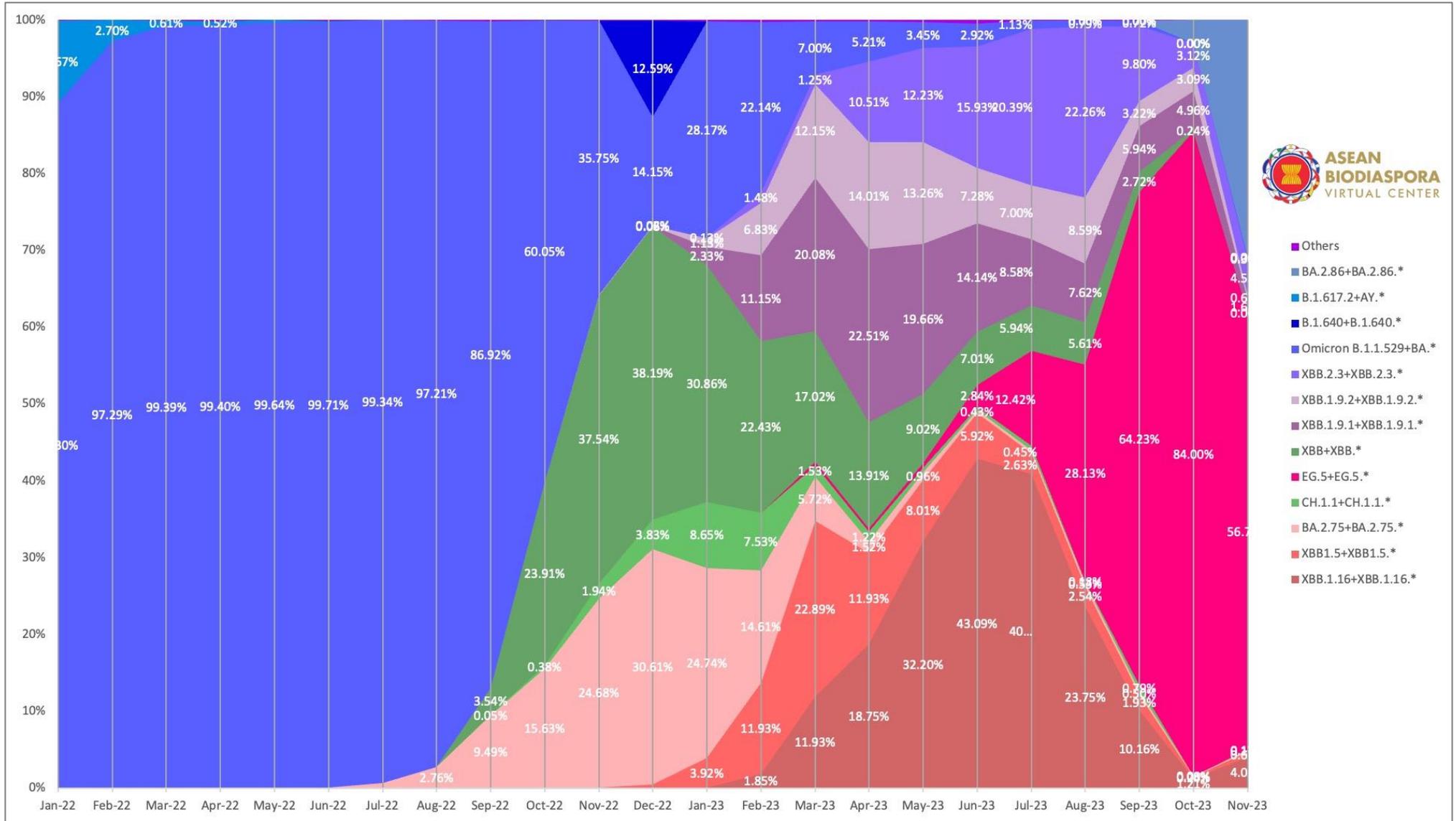


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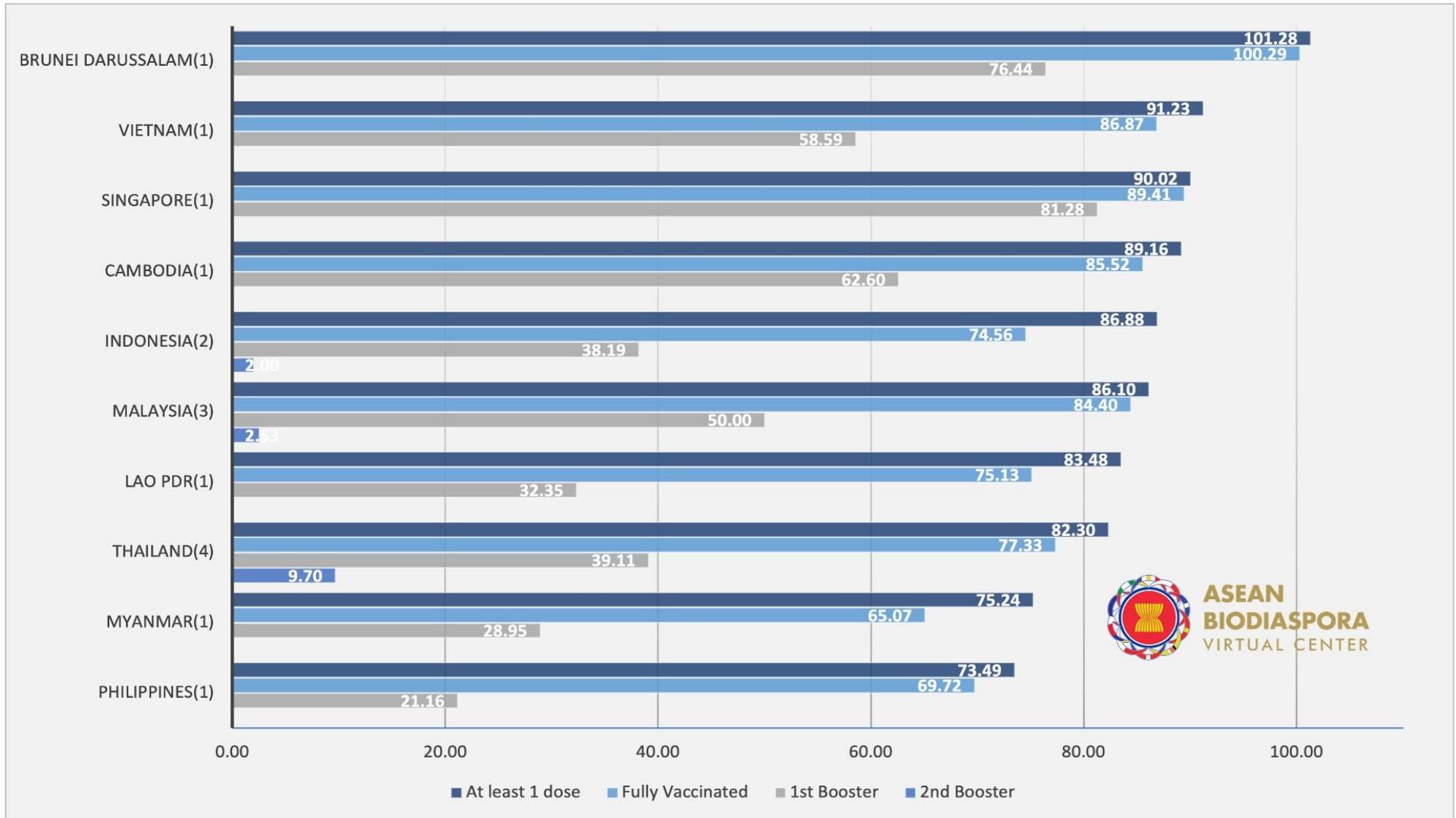


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# ASEAN COVID-19 Vaccination Status

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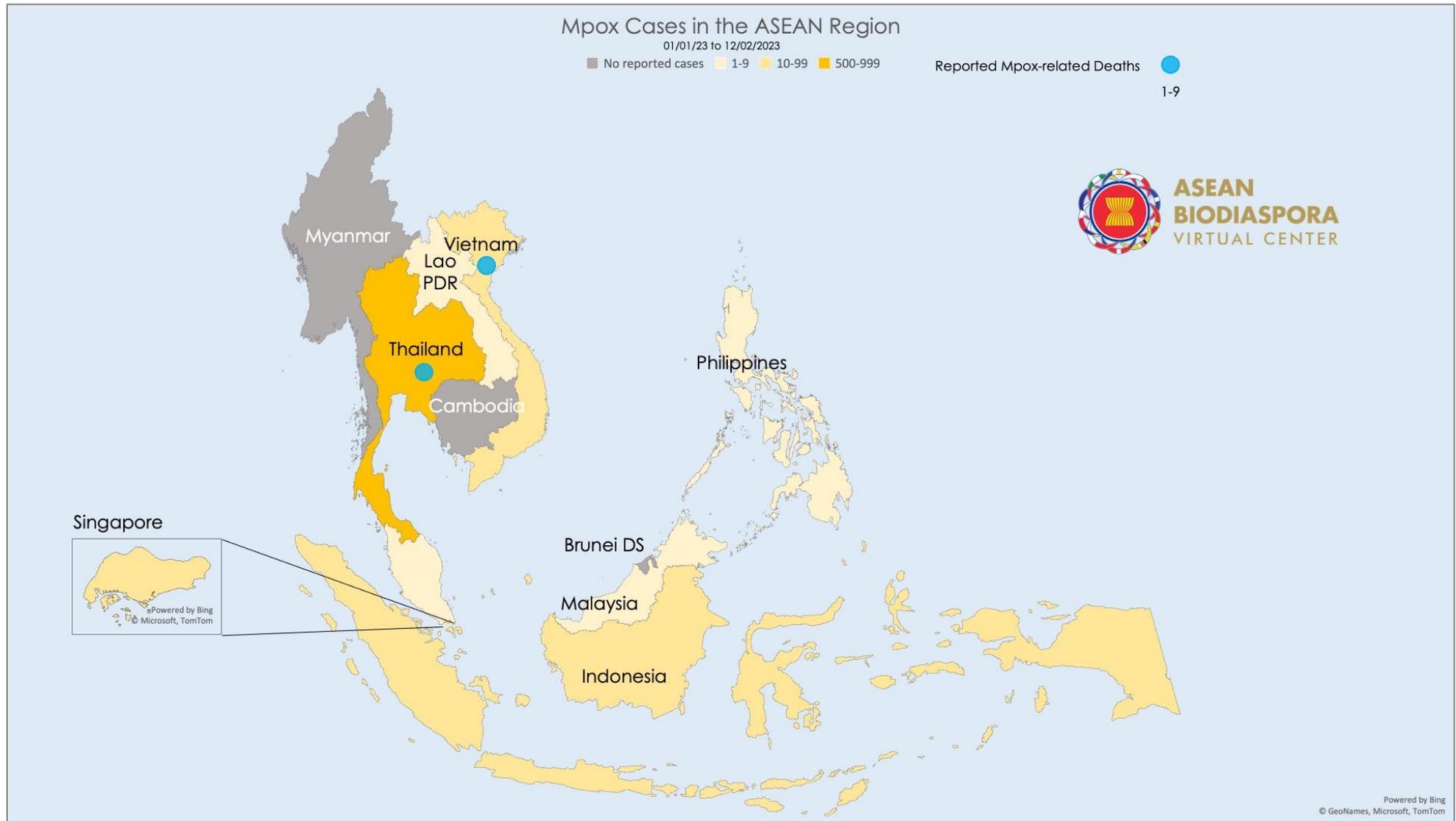


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# Mpox Cases Reported in the ASEAN Region

January 1 – December 2, 2023



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## Mpox: Highlights and Situation Overview

- From 01 January to 02 December 2023, there were **8,309** confirmed cases worldwide in 2023, including **97** deaths. Globally, the CFR was **1.17%**.
- **756 confirmed cases** including **two deaths** in the **ASEAN** region in 2023, with a CFR of **0.40%**.
- **7,553 confirmed cases** of mpox have been reported in **other regions** in 2023 (other than the **ASEAN** region):

### Mpox cases in the ASEAN region (Jan. 1 to Dec. 2, 2023)

ASEAN Member States	Cumulative Cases 2023	New Cases Since Previous Report	Cumulative Deaths 2023	CFR
Indonesia <sup>1</sup>	62	3	0	0.00%
Lao PDR <sup>2</sup>	1	-	0	0.00%
Malaysia <sup>2</sup>	9	5	0	0.00%
Philippines <sup>2</sup>	1	-	0	0.00%
Singapore <sup>3</sup>	28	-	0	0.00%
Thailand <sup>2</sup>	565	-	1	0.18%
Vietnam <sup>4</sup>	90	12	2	2.22%
<b>ASEAN Total</b>	<b>756</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0.40%</b>

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### Top 5 countries with the most mpox cases globally (Jan. 1 to Dec. 2, 2023)

Country	Cumulative Cases 2023	New Cases Since Previous Report	Cumulative Deaths 2023	CFR
People's Republic of China <sup>4</sup>	1,939	331	1	0.05%
United States of America <sup>5</sup>	1,467	178	35	2.39%
Democratic Republic of Congo <sup>5</sup>	610	0	2	0.33%
Thailand <sup>5</sup>	565	0	1	0.18%
Brazil <sup>5</sup>	456	8	2	0.44%

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### Mpox cases per region

REGIONS	CUMULATIVE CASES 2023	NEW CASES SINCE THE PREVIOUS REPORT	CUMULATIVE DEATHS 2023	CFR
AFRICA <sup>5</sup>	765	0	7	0.92%
AMERICAS <sup>5</sup>	3,561	183	84	2.36%
ASEAN	756	20	3	0.40%
ASIA & OCEANIA <sup>5</sup>	2,537	243	1	0.04%
EUROPE <sup>5</sup>	690	0	2	0.29%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8,309</b>	<b>446</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>1.17%</b>



## Event Updates for Emerging Diseases

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### Global Updates for Emerging Diseases

#### COVID-19

- **Australia:** South Australia reported 1,802 new COVID-19 cases in the past week, with 76 people in hospital, four in ICU, and 24 new deaths notified to the Department for Health and Wellbeing (Adelaide, 2023). The total number of cases has been readjusted due to data reconfiguration. [[Full article](#)]
- **India** has recorded 88 new COVID-19 infections, 396 active cases, and 5,33,300 deaths (PTI, 2023). The country's COVID-19 case tally is 45 million, with a recovery rate of 98.81% and a CFR of 1.19%. 2.2 billion COVID-19 vaccine doses have been administered. [[Full article](#)]
- **New Zealand** has reported 6,656 new COVID-19 cases and 20 additional deaths, with 1,131 probable cases and 3,553 reinfections (RNZ, 2023). The seven-day rolling average of new cases was 951 per day. COVID-19 booster vaccinations are available for those aged over 30 and those with underlying health conditions. Otago University public health expert Michael Baker emphasized the importance of boosters. Te Whatu Ora reported 6,814 new cases and 27 deaths. [[Full article](#)]

### Regional Updates for Emerging Diseases

#### COVID-19

- The **Philippines** recorded 1,340 new COVID-19 cases from November 28 to December 4, 2023, the highest number in 19 weeks, according to the Department of Health (DOH) (Locus, 2023). The recent week saw a 10% increase in new cases compared to the previous week, marking the fourth consecutive week of increasing cases and over 1,000 new weekly cases. The average daily case rate was 191, with 11 tagged as severe or critical cases. Healthcare utilization remains low-risk, with over 78 million individuals completing their primary doses and 23 million receiving booster shots. [[Full article](#)]
- **Singapore:** The Ministry of Health (MOH) Singapore reported a significant increase in COVID-19 cases, with an estimated 22,094 cases in the period of 19-25 November 2023 (Hardiyanto, 2023). This increase is attributed to factors such as the year-end travel season and a decline in the population's immune system. The MOH urges Singaporeans to take the COVID-19 vaccination immediately. The EG.5 virus variant and its sub-descendant, HK.3, are the dominant subvariants locally, accounting for over 70% of cases in the Lion Country. However, overall cases of respiratory diseases in Singapore, especially those affecting children, remain stable. The MOH recommends administering additional doses about a year after the last vaccine dose is injected, especially for those aged 60 and above, medically vulnerable people, and residents of aged care facilities. Free vaccines are currently available at the Joint Testing and Vaccination Center and some selected clinics. The MOH continues to monitor the global and local situation closely. [[Full article](#)]

A 13-month-old boy in Singapore died from COVID-19, marking the first pediatric case in 2023 (Vaidyanathan, 2023). The toddler, who was not vaccinated and had a history of congenital conditions, passed away on October 12. Singapore recorded no COVID-related child deaths in 2020 and 2021, but three children died last year. The risk of severe COVID-19 in young children is lower than in older adults, but severe outcomes can still occur. The country is experiencing a "second COVID-19 infection wave" this year, primarily fueled by the EG.5 and HK.3 sub-lineages of the XBB Omicron variant. [[Full article](#)]



## Mpox

- Indonesia:** Two residents in West Java have been confirmed positive for mpox, and are currently undergoing self-isolation at home (Fitrati, 2023). The case was confirmed on November 23, 2023, after specimens were taken from the Jakarta Health Development Policy Agency (BKPK) Laboratory. The handling of mpox cases in Bogor City is coordinated with the West Java Provincial Health Office and the MOH. The public is advised to maintain health by implementing clean and healthy living behaviors and to report symptoms to health facilities. [\[Full article\]](#)

Mpox is a significant public health concern in Indonesia, with 62 Mpox patients currently in the country, mainly from DKI Jakarta (Pratiwi, 2023). The virus is primarily contracted from sexual contact and affects males aged 25-50. The Technical Staff of Health Transformation Communication of the Indonesian MOH confirmed that all cases had mild symptoms and were contracted from sexual contact. Currently, 495 people have been vaccinated with the first dose, and 411 have been vaccinated with the second dose. However, monitoring is still necessary to prevent the transmission of cases during celebrations or entertainment events. Collaboration with HIV programs and a tightened TB-HIV-DM collaboration is also necessary for mpox patients. All mpox patients are required to undergo HIV and STI examinations. [\[Full article\]](#)

- Malaysia** has reported nine mpox cases, with Kuala Lumpur having the highest number of cases at six (Yusry, 2023). The virus was detected in three states, with the first and second cases reported in July. The MOH is taking preventive measures to ensure the virus doesn't spread like COVID-19. These include monitoring at international entry points, requiring higher education students from countries with reported cases or endemic countries to self-monitor symptoms for 21 days, and referring travelers with rash signs to healthcare officers for further examination. Symptoms include fever, maculopapular rash, and fever. [\[Full article\]](#)

# Zoonosis

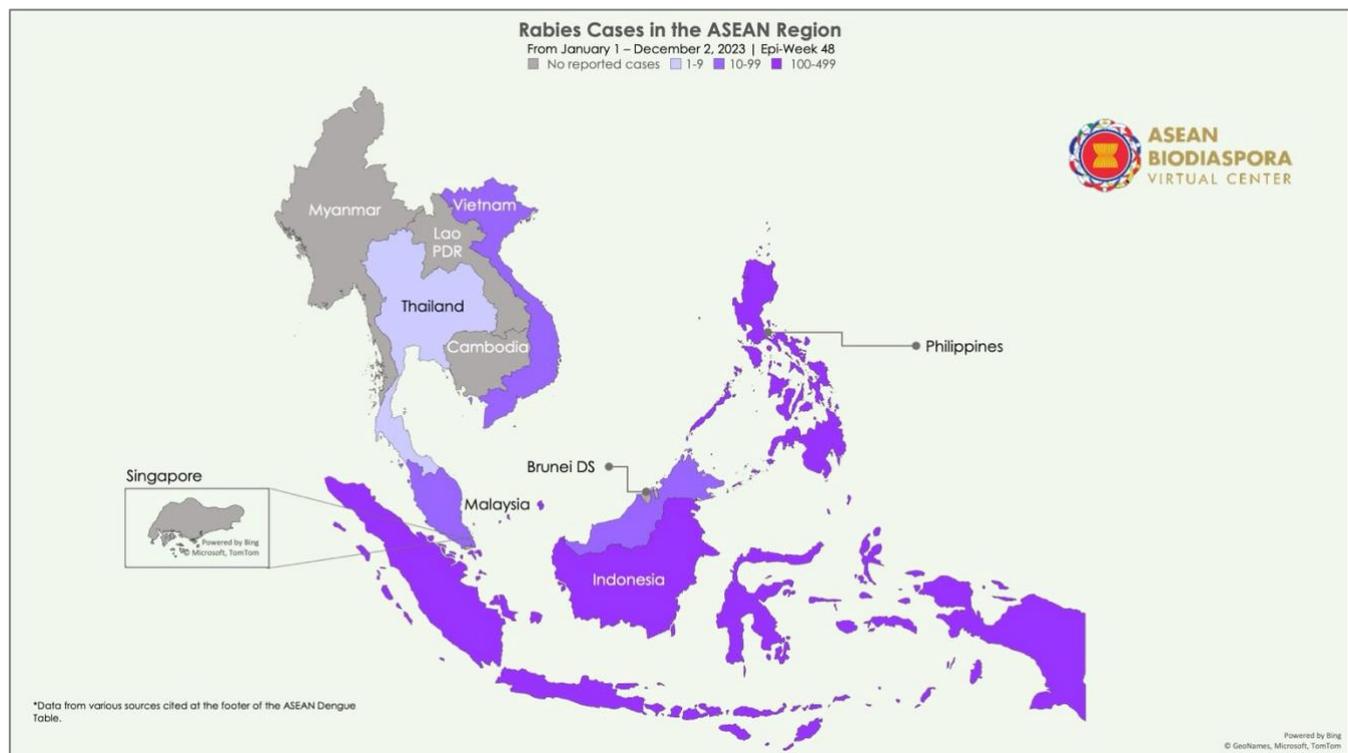


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## Rabies Cases in the ASEAN Region

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### Rabies cases in the ASEAN region

Country	Epi-Week Reported	Cumulative Reported Rabies Cases	Laboratory-Confirmed Rabies Cases	Rabies-Related Deaths
<b>Brunei Darussalam</b>		Rabies-free Country		
<b>Cambodia</b>	-	-	-	-
<b>Indonesia<sup>1</sup></b>	Week 48	321	21	56
<b>Lao PDR</b>	-	-	-	-
<b>Malaysia<sup>1</sup></b>	Week 38	21	9	19
<b>Myanmar</b>	-	-	-	-
<b>Philippines<sup>2</sup></b>	Week 43	327	327	327
<b>Singapore</b>		Rabies-free Country		
<b>Thailand<sup>3</sup></b>	Week 46	5	5	5
<b>Vietnam<sup>1</sup></b>	Week 40	64	34	64
<b>Total</b>		<b>738</b>	<b>396</b>	<b>471</b>

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 3. Bureau of Epidemiology, Department of Disease Control, Ministry of Public Health Thailand, accessed December 5, 2023, <http://doe.moph.go.th/surdata/index.php>

- The **ASEAN** region reported **738** rabies cases, **396** confirmed rabies cases, and **471** rabies-related deaths.



## Event Updates for Zoonosis

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### Global Updates for Zoonosis

#### Leptospirosis

- **Fiji:** The MOH is experiencing a significant rise in dengue cases, with 5,571 recorded this year compared to 4,835 in the previous year, while leptospirosis cases have surpassed the outbreak threshold, with 3,186 reported, along with 260 typhoid cases (Prasad, 2023). The Ministry is monitoring trends and ensuring timely treatment to prevent unnecessary hospital admissions. [\[Full article\]](#)
- **Ukraine:** A 58-year-old resident in Vistova has been diagnosed with leptospirosis, while the first case was registered in August in Kalush (Bikha, 2023). The cause of both cases is unknown, but possible causes include contact with mouse-like rodents, contaminated food or water from unknown uncontrolled sources, or consumption of mouse-like rodent products or their products. [\[Full article\]](#)

#### Rabies

- **India:** A father-son duo in Uttar Pradesh's Kanpur died from rabies after their pet cat was bitten by a stray dog (Mitra, 2023). The incident spread panic among residents, leading to the sending of other family members for testing. The fear of the cat possibly causing the death has led to concerns among those keeping dogs and cats as pets at home. Senior doctor recommends pets receive anti-rabies injections and clean wounds with spirit. Treatment and awareness are crucial in such situations, as symptoms can appear years after the bite. [\[Full article\]](#)

### Regional Updates for Zoonosis

#### Rabies

- **Indonesia:** A male, a 48-year-old rabies patient in Dompu Regency, West Nusa Tenggara, died after being treated for two days at Dompu Hospital (Nickyrawi, 2023). He was bitten by a stray dog in mid-November, and his symptoms, including raging, fear of water, and wind, were confirmed by a neurologist. The death occurred at 9 pm on November 29 in a special isolation room for VIPs. [\[Full article\]](#)
- **Vietnam:** Dak Lak province recorded its fourth suspected rabies death in 2023, a male from village 6, Hoa Thang commune, Buon Ma Thuot City (Cong an, 2023). The patient was bitten by a domestic dog three months ago and developed hydrophobia, and fear of wind. Despite receiving treatment and being diagnosed, the family asked for him to go home. The Dak Lak Provincial Center for Disease Control notified the Department of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Health and Buon Ma Thuot City Medical Center to coordinate handling and rabies prevention. The Health Sector recommends people bitten by dogs to seek anti-serum injections and rabies vaccines, and to monitor health developments to avoid unfortunate consequences. [\[Full article\]](#)

#### Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza H5N1

- **Cambodia:** The MOH has confirmed a bird flu case in a 4-year-old girl and a 21-year-old woman in Trapeang Russey village, Damnak Sokrom commune, Dang Tong district, Kampot province (ProMED, 2023). The ducks were culled by the Kampot Provincial Authority to contain the spread of the virus. Chief of Provincial Animal Production and Treatment, Eng Santepheap, urged villagers to work with local authorities and report any illness to authorities. [\[Full article\]](#)

# Vector-Borne Diseases

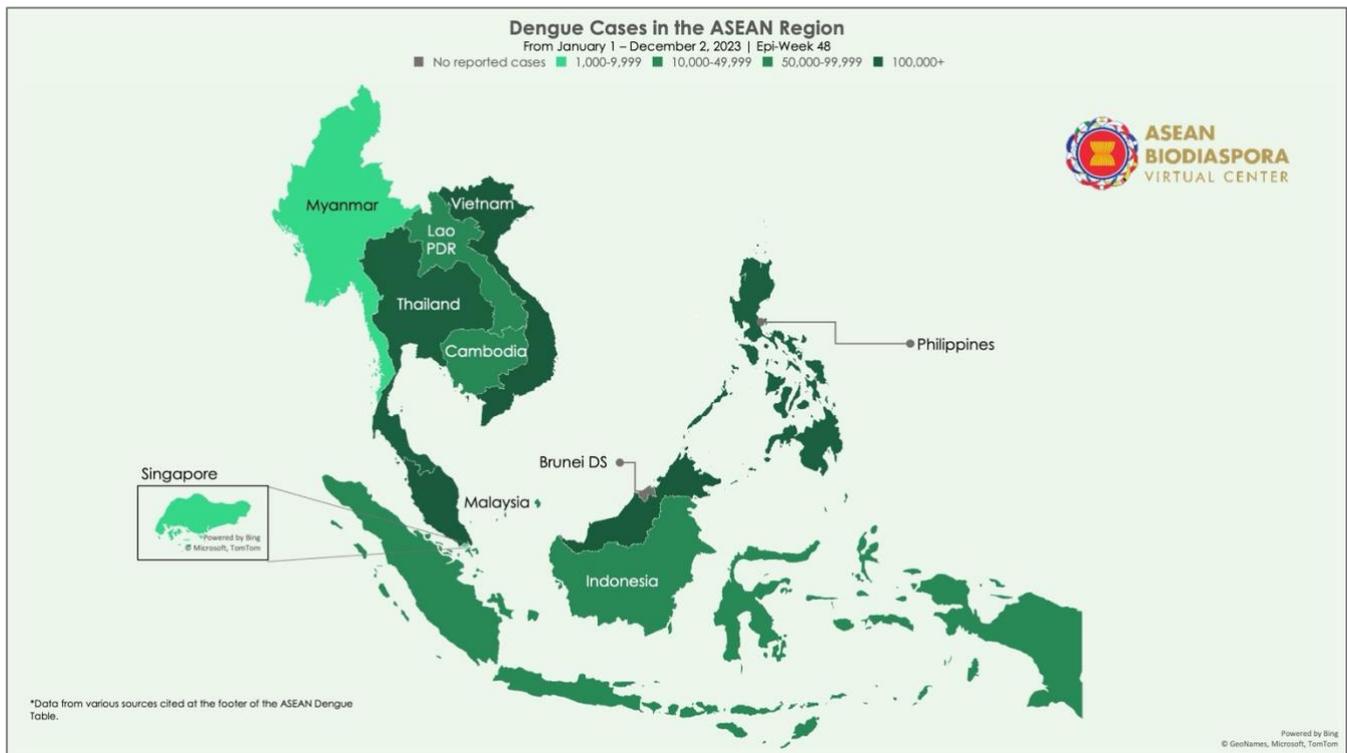


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# Dengue Cases in the ASEAN Region

From January 1 to December 2, 2023 (Epi-Week 48)



## Dengue cases in the ASEAN region

Country	Epi-Week Reported	Cumulative Dengue Cases	New Cases Since the Previous Report	Cumulative Deaths	New Deaths	CFR
<b>Brunei Darussalam</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Cambodia<sup>1</sup></b>	Week 42	26,912	0	39	0	0.14%
<b>Indonesia<sup>2</sup></b>	Week 47	83,302	5,093	633	59	0.76%
<b>Lao PDR<sup>1</sup></b>	Week 45	30,292	0	19	0	0.06%
<b>Malaysia<sup>3</sup></b>	Week 48	111,712	3,604	83	3	0.07%
<b>Myanmar<sup>4</sup></b>	Week 28	6,685	0	30	0	0.45%
<b>Philippines<sup>5</sup></b>	Week 43	167,355	0	575	0	0.34%
<b>Singapore<sup>6</sup></b>	Week 47	8,899	68	0	0	0.00%
<b>Thailand<sup>7</sup></b>	Week 47	139,719	3,064	151	0	0.11%
<b>Vietnam<sup>1</sup></b>	Week 44	135,879	0	35	0	0.03%
<b>Total</b>		<b>710,755</b>	<b>11,829</b>	<b>1,565</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>0.22%</b>

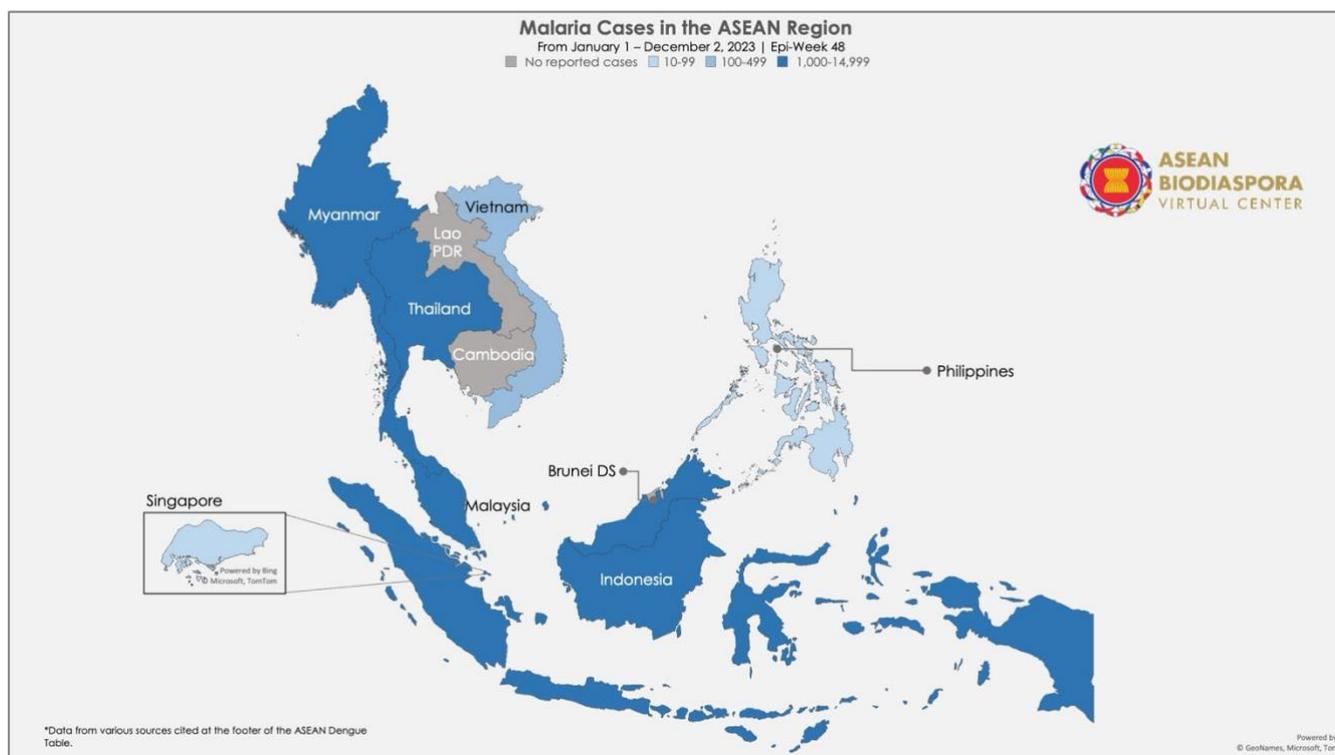
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 2. Ministry of Health, Republic of Indonesia  
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 \*Data were updated and collected from official sources, which may have a 2-8 weeks delay in reporting. Data must be interpreted cautiously.

- The **ASEAN** region reported **11,829** new dengue cases in Indonesia, Malaysia, and Thailand – 62 Deaths. The region reported **710,755** total cases and **1,565** total deaths in 2023 with **0.22%** CFR.



# Malaria Cases in the ASEAN Region

From January 1 to December 2, 2023 (Epi-Week 48)



## Malaria cases in the ASEAN region

Country	Epi-Week Reported	Cumulative Malaria Cases	New Cases Since the Previous Report	Cumulative Deaths	CFR
Brunei Darussalam	-	-	-	-	-
Cambodia	-	-	-	-	-
Indonesia <sup>1</sup>	Week 44	1,899	0	0	0.00%
Lao PDR	-	-	-	-	-
Malaysia <sup>1</sup>	Week 45	1,116	0	0	0.00%
Myanmar <sup>1</sup>	Week 23	4,510	0	0	0.00%
Philippines <sup>1</sup>	Week 28	31	0	0	0.00%
Singapore <sup>3</sup>	Week 47	20	0	0	0.00%
Thailand <sup>2</sup>	Week 47	4,815	48	4	0.08%
Vietnam <sup>1</sup>	Week 42	349	0	0	0.00%
<b>Total</b>		<b>12,740</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0.03%</b>

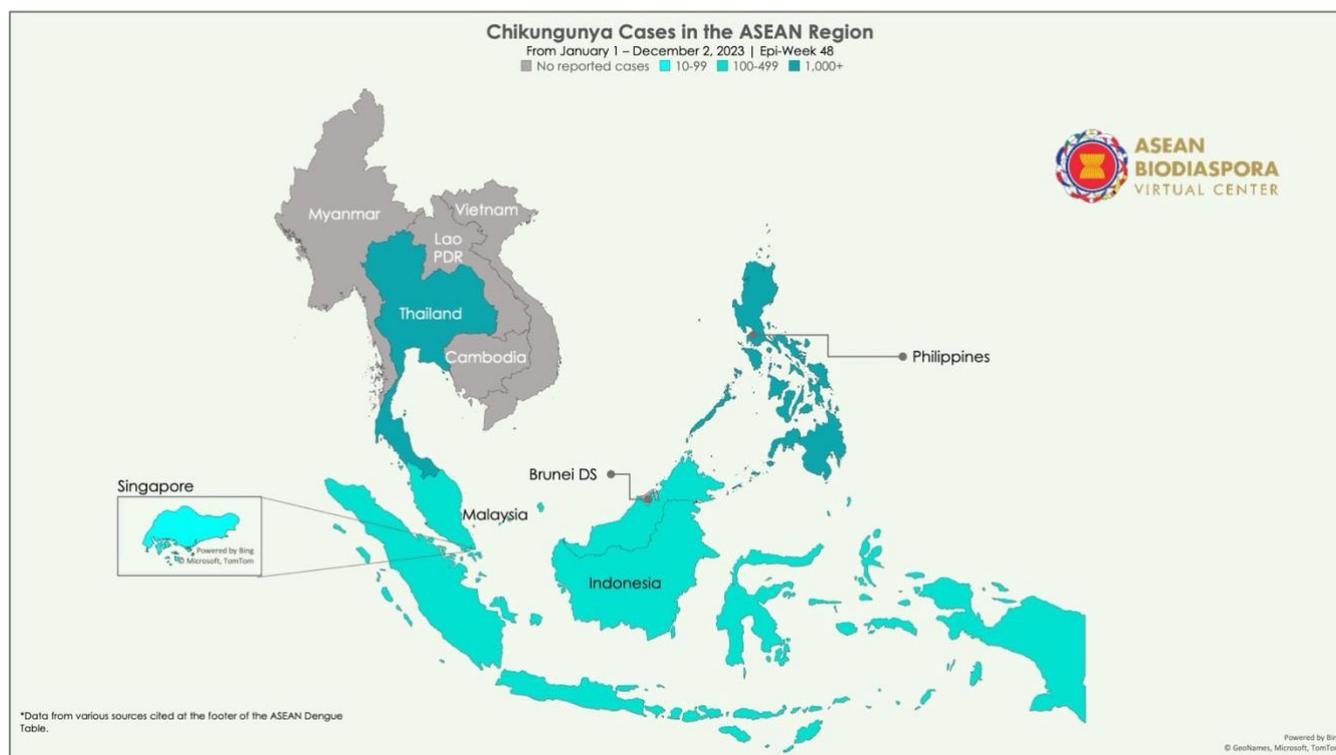
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- The **ASEAN** region reported **48** new malaria cases in Thailand since the previous report. The region reported **12,740** total cases and **four** total deaths in 2023 with **0.03%** CFR.



# Chikungunya Cases in the ASEAN Region

From January 1 to December 2, 2023 (Epi-Week 48)



## Chikungunya cases in the ASEAN region

Country	Epi-Week Reported	Cumulative Dengue Cases	New Cases Since the Previous Report	Cumulative Deaths	New Deaths	CFR
Brunei Darussalam	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cambodia	-	-	-	-	-	-
Indonesia <sup>1</sup>	Week 47	462	-	0	-	0.00%
Lao PDR	-	-	-	-	-	-
Malaysia <sup>2</sup>	Week 44	185	-	0	-	0.00%
Myanmar	-	-	-	-	-	-
Philippines <sup>3</sup>	Week 43	2,691	-	0	-	0.00%
Singapore <sup>4</sup>	Week 47	13	0	0	-	0.00%
Thailand <sup>5</sup>	Week 47	1,271	38	0	-	0.00%
Vietnam	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>		<b>4,622</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>0</b>		<b>0.00%</b>

1. BlueDot Developer Portal, accessed December 5, 2023, <https://developer-portal.bluedot.global/>
2. Portal Rasmi, Ministry of Health Malaysia, accessed December 5, 2023, [https://www.moh.gov.my/index.php/database\\_stores/store\\_view/17](https://www.moh.gov.my/index.php/database_stores/store_view/17)
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- The **ASEAN** region reported **38** new chikungunya cases in Singapore and Thailand. The region reported **4,622** total cases and **NO** deaths in 2023 with **0.00%** CFR.



## Event Updates for Vector-borne Diseases

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### Global Updates for Vector-borne Diseases

#### Dengue

- **Fiji:** The MOH is currently dealing with a notable increase in dengue cases (ReliefWeb, 2023a). According to the Health Minister, this year has seen 5,571 recorded cases, compared to 4,835 during the same period last year. [\[Full article\]](#)
- **India:** Bhopal has seen 10 new dengue cases, bringing the total to 810 in 2023 (Kunchikor, 2023). The district malaria officer, predicts a gradual decline in cases with temperature drops. Dengue fever is primarily transmitted by female mosquitoes and is caused by a Flaviviridae virus. Early reporting and prompt diagnosis are crucial for managing the infection. Preventive measures include eliminating breeding sites, improving sanitation, and promoting mosquito repellents and protective clothing. [\[Full article\]](#)
- **Italy** has reported 82 cases of autochthonous or locally transmitted dengue fever, up from 76 reported in the third week of November (Adnkronos Health, 2023). The cases are from four unconnected transmission episodes in Lodi, Latina, and Rome. All known cases have recovered or are improving. Since the start of the year, 338 cases of Dengue have been reported. [\[Full article\]](#)
- **Pakistan:** Punjab is facing a dengue outbreak with 87 new cases reported, with Lahore leading with 6,494 cases (Yousaf, 2023). The situation persists, with 94 patients receiving treatment in hospitals. The Health Secretary urges citizens to maintain cleanliness and cooperate with health teams to combat the outbreak. [\[Full article\]](#)
- **Sri Lanka:** Dengue cases in 2023 have exceeded the 76,000 mark, with 76,086 reported as of November 30, with the highest number in Colombo district (Fernandopulle, 2023). Health officials urge people to maintain cleanliness and eradicate mosquito breeding sites. [\[Full article\]](#)

#### Malaria

- **Ethiopia:** The number of weekly malaria cases reported nationwide exceeded 100,000, totaling 3.2 million malaria cases up to 26 November 2023 (ReliefWeb, 2023b). [\[Full article\]](#)
- **India:** Five children died in Bada Kutlo Village, Jharkhand's Pakur district, prompting the health department to conduct mass testing for malaria (Angad, 2023). At least 30 positive cases have been confirmed so far. The village is inhabited by the Paharia tribe, under the Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups. The Deputy Commissioner prioritizes testing and diagnosing symptoms among the local population while building trust and awareness for a healthy lifestyle. [\[Full article\]](#)

#### Chikungunya

- **India:** The viral infection chikungunya has swept through the outskirts of Jammu, causing a surge in reported cases and raising concerns among experts (Sharma, 2023). The outbreak, which shares its carrier with dengue, is predicted to persist until the end of December. The migratory population from states like Bihar, Uttarakhand, Chhattisgarh, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, and others has shifted from Jammu City to its outskirts. The region faces a dual health crisis, with over 700 reported cases of chikungunya and over 6,200 cases of dengue. [\[Full article\]](#)

# Vaccine- Preventable Diseases

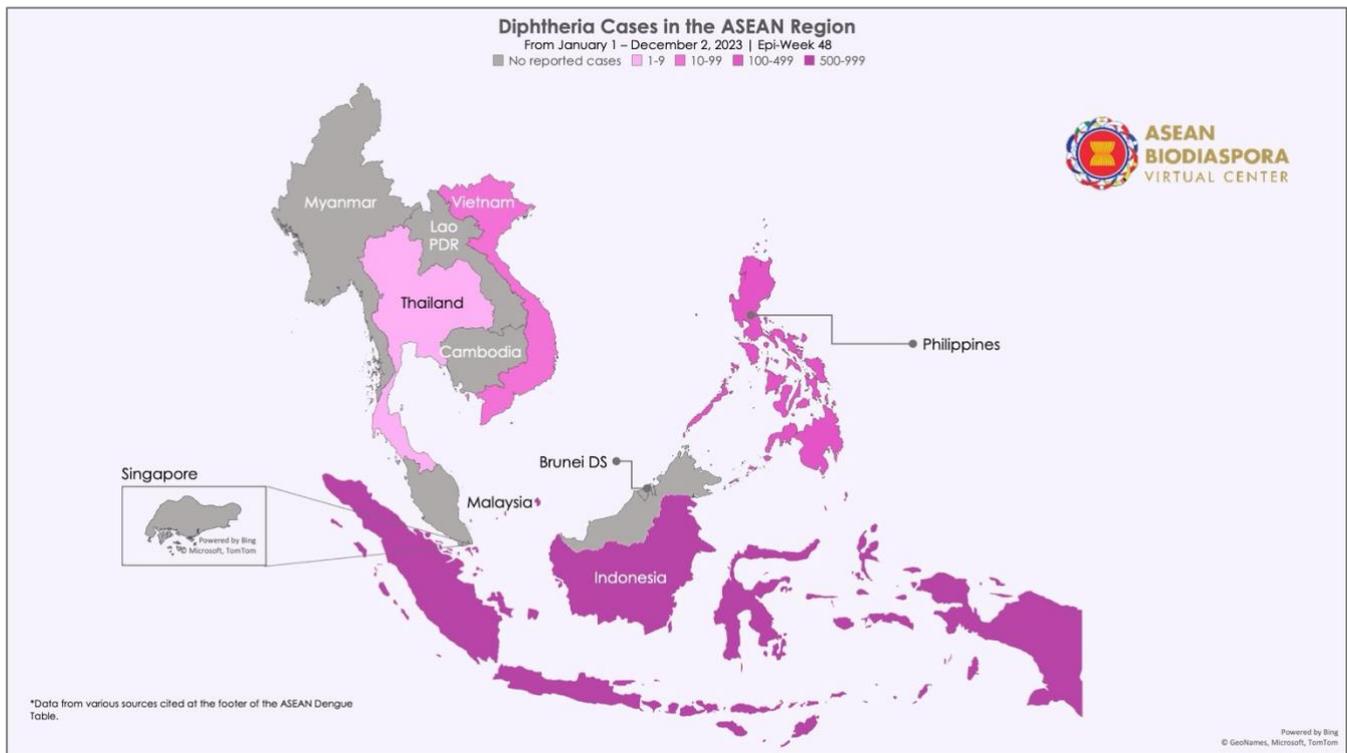


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## Diphtheria Cases in the ASEAN Region

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### Diphtheria cases in the ASEAN region

Country	Epi-Week Reported	Cumulative Diphtheria Cases	New Cases Since the Previous Report	Cumulative Deaths	CFR
Brunei Darussalam	-	-	-	-	-
Cambodia	-	-	-	-	-
Indonesia <sup>1</sup>	Week 47	745	8	45	6.04%
Lao PDR	-	-	-	-	-
Malaysia	-	-	-	-	-
Myanmar	-	-	-	-	-
Philippines <sup>2</sup>	Week 43	162	0	38	23.46%
Singapore <sup>3</sup>	Week 47	0	0	0	0.00%
Thailand <sup>4</sup>	Week 46	5	0	0	0.00%
Vietnam <sup>5</sup>	Week 38	41	0	3	7.32%
<b>Total</b>		<b>953</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>9.02%</b>

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2. Department of Health Website, accessed December 5, 2023 "Statistics," <https://doh.gov.ph/statistics>.
3. Ministry of Health Singapore, accessed December 5, 2023, <https://www.moh.gov.sg/resources-statistics/infectious-disease-statistics/2023/weekly-infectious-diseases-bulletin>
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5. BlueDot Developer Portal, accessed December 5, 2023, <https://developer-portal.bluedot.global/>

- The ASEAN region reported **eight** new diphtheria cases in Indonesia since the previous report. The region reported **953** total cases and **86** total deaths in 2023 with **9.02%** CFR.



## Measles Cases in the ASEAN Region

From January 1 to December 2, 2023 (Epi-Week 48)



### Measles cases in the ASEAN region

Country	Epi-Week Reported	Cumulative Measles Cases	New Cases Since the Previous Report	Cumulative Deaths	CFR
Brunei Darussalam	-	-	-	-	-
Cambodia	-	-	-	-	-
Indonesia <sup>1</sup>	Week 46	8,810	8	11	0.12%
Lao PDR	-	-	-	-	-
Malaysia	-	-	-	-	-
Myanmar	-	-	-	-	-
Philippines <sup>2</sup>	Week 43	2,024	0	6	0.30%
Singapore <sup>3</sup>	Week 47	6	0	0	0.00%
Thailand <sup>4</sup>	Week 46	320	8	0	0.00%
Vietnam	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>		<b>11,160</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>0.15%</b>

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2. Department of Health Website, accessed December 5, 2023 "Statistics," <https://doh.gov.ph/statistics>.
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4. Ministry of Health Singapore, accessed December 5, 2023, <https://www.moh.gov.sg/resources-statistics/infectious-disease-statistics/2023/weekly-infectious-diseases-bulletin>

- The **ASEAN** region reported **16** new measles cases in Indonesia and Thailand since the previous report. The region reported **11,160** total cases and **17** total deaths in 2023 with **0.15%** CFR.



## Event Updates for Vaccine-Preventable Diseases

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### Global Updates for Vaccine-Preventable Diseases

#### Measles

- Australia:** Western Australians are advised to be aware of the risk of measles following a confirmed case in a child. The Health Department's Director of Communicable Diseases has warned that anyone who has had a potential exposure to measles and develops symptoms should see a doctor (WA Health, Government of Western Australia, 2023). Every measles case is treated as a potential public health emergency due to the risk of local spread and the potentially severe nature of the disease. People born after 1965 should ensure they have had two documented doses of a measles vaccine at some stage in their lives. [\[Full article\]](#)
- Canada:** Alberta Health Services (AHS) has confirmed a person with lab-confirmed measles was in public settings in Calgary while infectious (CBC News Canada, 2023). The agency has alerted individuals who may have been exposed to measles in three instances: Calgary International Airport on November 23, Alberta Children's Hospital on November 24, and Alberta Children's Hospital on November 27. AHS encourages those who believe they may have been exposed to review their immunization records and call HealthLink 811 for advice. Those with less than two documented doses of measles-containing vaccine, those born after 1970, pregnant, under one year old, or have a weakened immune system may be eligible for medication to prevent measles. [\[Full article\]](#)
- Ethiopia:** The Southwest region of Ethiopia experienced an extensive measles outbreak, with 8,290 cases reported as of 26 November 2023, including 30 deaths, due to poor immunization coverage (ReliefWeb, 2023b). [\[Full article\]](#)
- Kazakhstan:** Measles cases in the region are mostly from Petropavlovsk, with 68 cases detected in the region (Temirgalieva, 2023). Three cases were imported from the UAE, Russian Federation, and Kyrgyzstan. 79 patients are aged 15 and older, with 79% not vaccinated. The situation is stable, with 48 patients receiving hospital treatment and 181 beds prepared. [\[Full article\]](#)
- Russia:** The Saratov region has seen an increase in measles cases, with 187 confirmed cases registered (Aksenova, 2023). The region's morbidity situation remains stable. [\[Full article\]](#)
- Switzerland:** A measles outbreak has affected the canton of Geneva since October 2023, with six confirmed cases and 750 contact persons identified (Gerome, 2023). The situation seems to be under control, but contact persons must be vaccinated within three days. Those with measles symptoms should contact their doctor to avoid contaminating others. The cantonal doctor's service recommends wearing masks in emergency rooms, medical offices, and ambulances to prevent the virus's spread. Measles epidemics occur regularly in Switzerland, with an average two-dose vaccination coverage of 90% in two-year-olds. A vaccination coverage rate of at least 95% with two doses is essential to eliminate the measles virus. [\[Full article\]](#)
- Uzbekistan:** Since the start of the year, 735 measles cases have been recorded in the Namangan region of Uzbekistan, with 255 children aged three years undergoing treatment (Kurbanov, 2023). The region has a sufficient supply of diagnostic tools, reagents, and vaccines, with 9,500 doses transferred and 1,936 children vaccinated. In November, 3 million doses of measles vaccine were purchased from the state budget.



The World Health Organization (WHO) reported an 18% increase in measles incidence and mortality in 2022 due to decreased vaccination coverage. [[Full article](#)]

### Pertussis

- **Russia:** Kuzbass residents have reported a high incidence of whooping cough since 2023, with 357 children and nine adult residents affected (Klinnikova, 2023). The majority of cases were recorded in Novokuznetsk and Kemerovo, with Leninsk-Kuznetsky having the most cases. [[Full article](#)]

## Regional Updates for Vaccine-Preventable Diseases

### Pertussis

- **Thailand:** A large number of pertussis cases have been reported in Pattani province from September to November 27, 2023 (Bangkok Broadcasting & Television Company Limited, 2023). The province has seen 72 cases spread across several districts, including an 18-day-old baby who died due to co-occupants infected. The high infection rate is attributed to low vaccination rates. Parents are encouraged to get their children vaccinated, as whooping cough, a respiratory infection caused by *Bordetella pertussis*, is contagious and can lead to life-threatening complications. [[Full article](#)]



## Event Updates for Other Infectious Diseases

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### Global Updates for Other Infectious Diseases

#### *Mycoplasma pneumoniae*

- **Taiwan (Province of China):** *Mycoplasma pneumoniae* outbreak in Taiwan has led to cases in Taichung City, including a persistent cough for two months (Everington, 2023). The Taiwan Center for Disease Control (CDC) has declared an "airport alert" and issued a letter to medical professionals to implement the TOCC (travel history, occupation, contact history, and cluster information) inquiry mechanism. [[Full article](#)]

#### HIV/AIDS

- **Taiwan (Province of China):** Taiwan has seen a 9.3% decrease in new AIDS cases this year, surpassing the global average of "86-89-93," according to the Taiwan CDC (Tzu-ti, 2023). The UNAIDS target of "95-95-95" requires 95% of individuals living with HIV to be aware of their status, on life-saving antiretroviral treatment, and achieve viral suppression. Taiwan has seen the highest number of self-tests since its initiation in 2016, with nearly 75,000 individuals conducting self-tests from January to October. [[Full article](#)]

### Regional Updates for Other Infectious Diseases

#### *Mycoplasma pneumoniae*

- **Indonesia:** The DKI Jakarta Health Office has reported cases of children infected with *Mycoplasma pneumoniae* bacteria, which is one of the causes of an increase in pneumonia cases in China (Dany, 2023). The agency is collecting the exact number of infected children through specific tests to determine the type of bacteria causing pneumonia. The main symptom is shortness of breath due to pneumonia, and treatment is needed if the condition is severe. *Mycoplasma pneumoniae* can cause multiple infections, with the most common being respiratory syncytial virus (RSV). The disease is not a new or mysterious one, and many cases are found in school-age children. A study in Chengdu, China, found that cases of pneumonia transmission due to *Mycoplasma pneumoniae* were more common in school-age children and preschool-age children. Atypical pneumonia, often caused by *Mycoplasma pneumoniae*, can be difficult to diagnose and requires further checks for more precise management. [[Full article](#)]

#### Hand, Foot, and Mouth Disease (HFMD)

- **Vietnam:** The Ho Chi Minh City CDC reported 1,373 cases of HFMD from November 13 to November 19, 2023, bringing the total number of cases to 39,413 (Baomoi, 2023). Nha Be, Binh Chanh, and Binh Tan districts had the highest number of cases. Nguyen Dinh Qui, Deputy Head of the Department of Infectious Diseases and acting Head of the Department at Children's Hospital 2, said that the situation of dengue fever and HFMD shows no sign of declining, although the cases are still lower compared to the previous year and have not caused a peak in the epidemic. [[Full article](#)]



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