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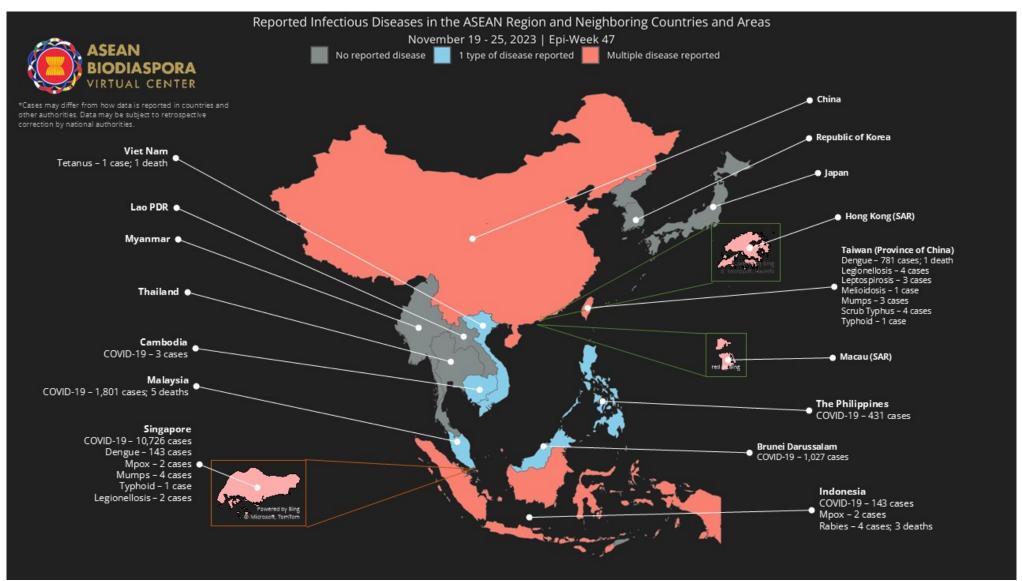
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Reported Infectious Diseases in the ASEAN Region and Neighboring Countries

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

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		COVID-19			Мрох		Rabies			Dengue		
Infectious Diseases	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	516	-	0.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	26,912	39	0.14%
Indonesia	102,408	1,308	1.28%	59	-	0.00%	320	55	17.19%	78,209	574	0.73%
Lao PDR	1,312	87	6.63%	1	-	0.00%	-	-	-	30,292	19	0.06%
Malaysia	115,232	334	0.29%	4	-	0.00%	21	19	90.48%	108,108	80	0.07%
Myanmar	7,793	5	0.06%	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,685	30	0.45%
Philippines	124,908	1,358	1.09%	1	-	0.00%	327	327	100.00%	167,355	575	0.34%
Singapore	523,943	189	0.04%	28	-	0.00%	-	-	-	8,831	-	0.00%
Thailand	40,198	822	2.04%	565	1	0.18%	5	5	100.00%	136,655	255	0.19%
Vietnam	100,747	20	0.02%	78	1	1.28%	64	64	100.00%	135,879	35	0.03%
Total ASEAN Region	1,069,536	4,200	0.39%	736	2	0.27%	737	470	63.77%	698,926	1,607	0.23%



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

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		Malaria		Cł	Chikungunya			Measles			Diphtheria		
Infectious Diseases	Cumulative Cases	Cumulative Deaths	CFR										
Brunei Darussalam	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Cambodia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Indonesia	1,899	-	0.00%	462	-	0.00%	8,802	17	0.19%	737	45	6.10%	
Lao PDR	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Malaysia	1,116	-	0.00%	185	-	0.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Myanmar	4,510	-	0.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Philippines	31	-	0.00%	2,691	-	0.00%	2,024	6	0.30%	162	38	23.46%	
Singapore	20	-	0.00%	13	-	0.00%	6	-	0.00%	-	-	-	
Thailand	4,767	4	0.08%	1,233	-	0.00%	312	-	0.00%	5	-	0.00%	
Vietnam	349	-	0.00%	-	-	-	-	-	-	41	3	7.32%	
Total ASEAN Region	12,692	4	0.03%	4,584	0	0.00%	11,144	17	0.15%	621	86	13.85%	





COVID-19 Cases and Deaths

- As of 25 November 2023 (5PM, GMT+7), there were 698,444,224 confirmed cases worldwide, including 6,943,800 deaths. Globally, Case Fatality Rate (CFR) was 0.99%.
- 36,479,639 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	1,027	225	-	70,475	451,149	446,714	340,466	102.11
Cambodia	27-Jan-20	25-Nov-23	138,954	516	3	3,056	-	809	15,311,319	14,688,007	10,762,713	87.85
Indonesia	02-Mar-20	24-Nov-23	6,814,111	102,408	143	161,920	-	2,441	203,878,473	174,965,361	69,304,587	74.56
Lao PDR	24-Mar-20	25-Nov-23	218,898	1,312	3	758	-	2,926	6,324,678	5,691,962	2,451,034	78.23
Malaysia	25-Jan-20	16-Nov-23	5,134,632	115,232	1,801	37,191	5	15,475	28,140,965	27,554,035	16,348,342	85.13
Myanmar	23-Mar-20	14-Nov-23	641,368	7,793	-	19,495	-	1,161	41,551,927	35,937,796	15,987,381	66.05
Philippines	30-Jan-20	24-Nov-23	4,123,920	124,908	431	66,755	-	3,665	82,684,774	78,443,972	23,811,248	71.58
Singapore	23-Jan-20	20-Nov-23	2,710,617	523,943	10,726	1,900	-	45,606	5,284,679	5,248,693	4,769,158	89.72
Thailand	13-Jan-20	20-Nov-23	4,759,106	40,198	-	34,491	-	6,791	57,677,705	54,190,437	27,408,651	77.33
Vietnam	23-Jan-20	24-Oct-23	11,624,114	100,747	-	43,206	-	11,747	90,272,853	85,961,564	57,975,220	88.31
	ASEAN REGION		36,479,639	1,069,536	14,144	368,997	5	5,364	531,578,552	483,128,541	229,158,800	71.04

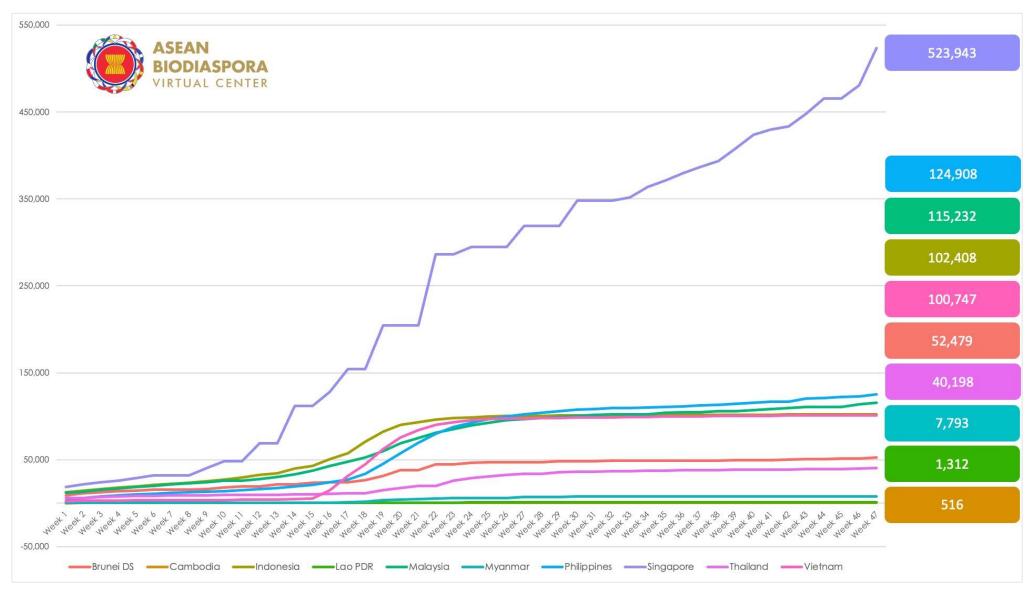
REGIONS	TOTAL CONFIRMED CASES	NEW CASES	TOTAL DEATHS	NEW DEATHS
AFRICA	12,845,325	860	258,851	4
AMERICAS	198,657,734	74,300	3,018,448	403
ASEAN	36,479,639	14,144	368,997	5
ASIA & OCEANIA	199,157,529	9,416	1,213,823	165
EUROPE	251,303,997	82,763	2,083,681	1,309
GLOBAL TOTAL	698,444,224	181,483	6,943,800	1,886

^{**}Data References: Worldometer, and the WHO



COVID-19 Epidemic Curve Among the ASEAN Member States

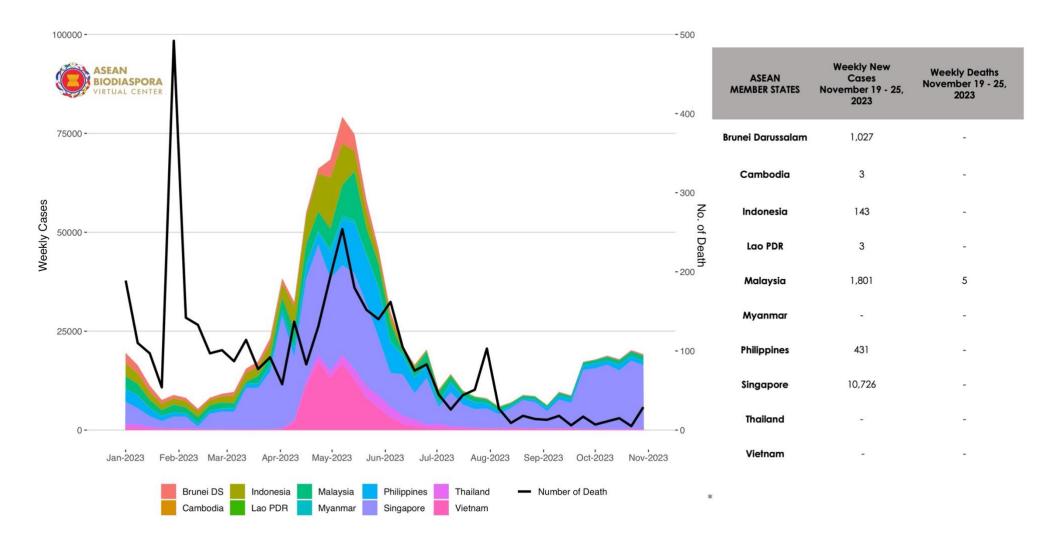
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ASEAN Weekly COVID-19 New Cases and Deaths

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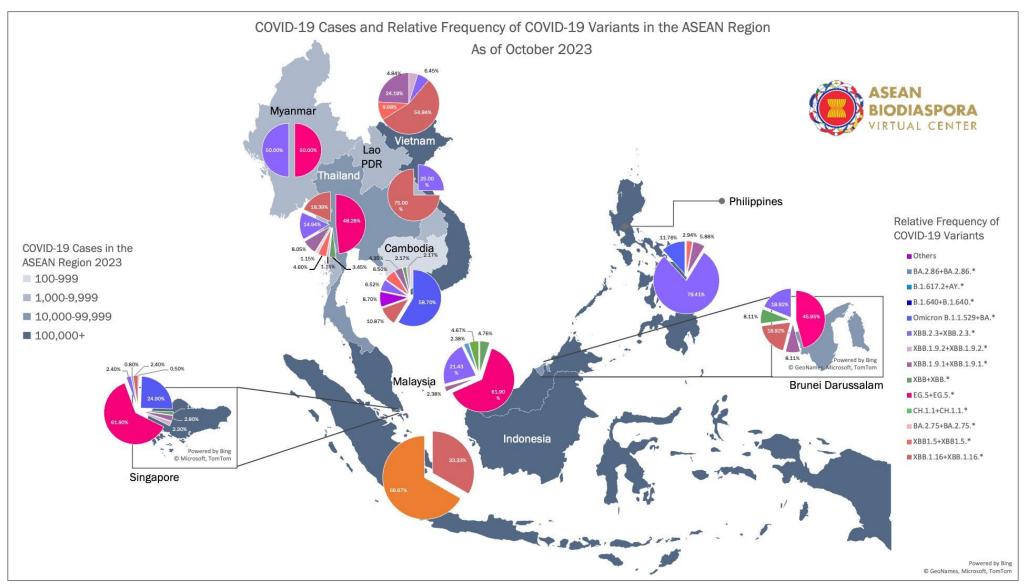


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COVID-19 Variants Frequencies Among the ASEAN Member States

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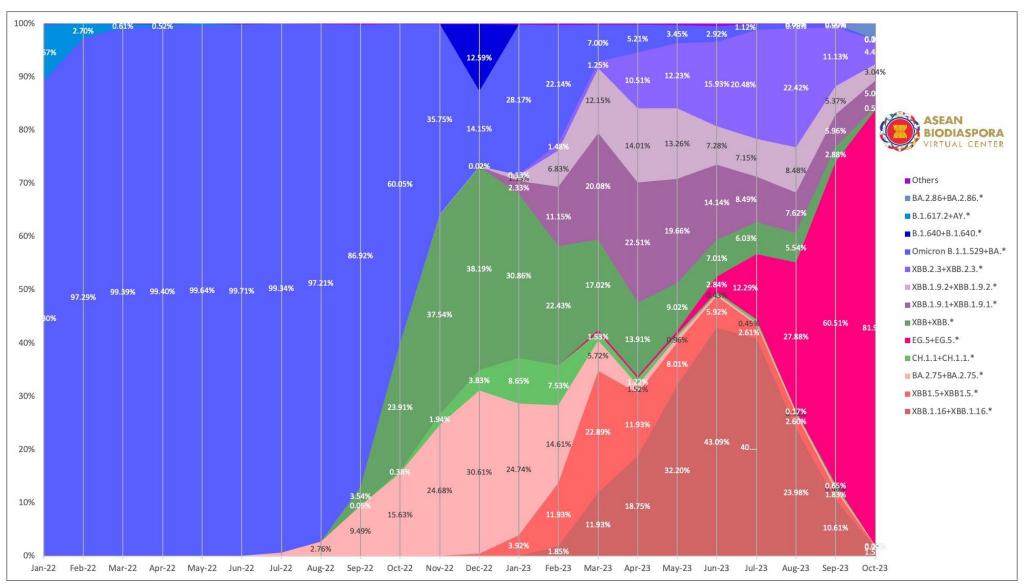


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COVID-19 Variants Frequencies in the ASEAN Region

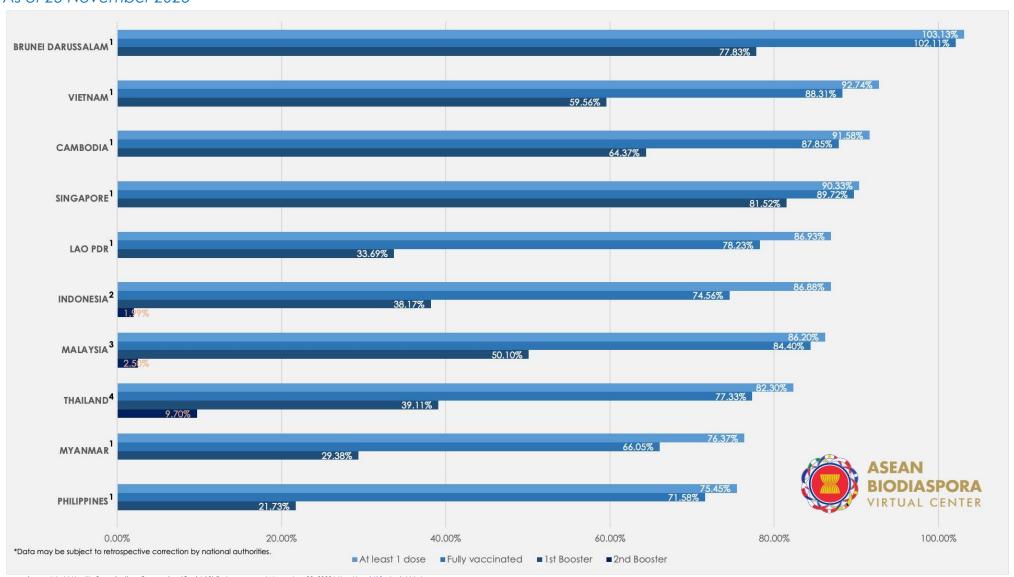
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ASEAN COVID-19 Vaccination Status

As of 25 November 2023

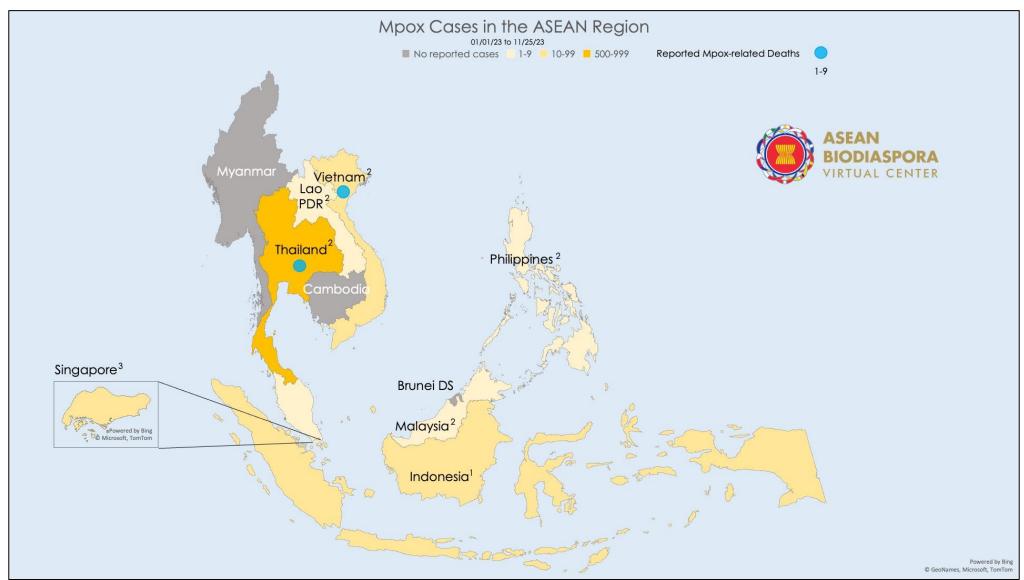


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Mpox Cases Reported in the ASEAN Region

January 1 – November 25, 2023



World Health Organization. "2022-23 Mpox (Monkeypox Outbreak Global Trends," accessed November 25, 2023, https://worldhealthorg.shinyapps.io/mpx_global/.



Mpox: Highlights and Situation Overview

- From 01 January to 25 November 2023, there were **7,900** confirmed cases worldwide in 2023, including **94** deaths. Globally, the CFR was **1.19%**.
- 736 confirmed cases including two deaths in the ASEAN region in 2023, with a CFR of 0.27%.
- 7,164 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 Nov. 25, 2023)

ASEAN Member States	Cumulative Cases 2023	New Cases Since Previous Report	Cumulative Deaths 2023	CFR
Indonesia ¹	59	2	-	0.00%
Lao PDR ²	1	-	-	0.00%
Malaysia ²	4	-	-	0.00%
Philippines ²	1	-	-	0.00%
Singapore ³	28	2	-	0.00%
Thailand ²	565	-	1	0.18%
Vietnam ⁴	78	-	1	1.28%
ASEAN Total	736	4	2	0.27%

^{1.} Ministry of Health, Republic of Indonesia

Top 5 countries with the most mpox cases globally (Jan. 1 to Nov. 25, 2023)

Country	Cumulative Cases 2023	New Cases Since Previous Report	Cumulative Deaths 2023	CFR
People's Republic of China ¹	1,608	0	0	0.00%
United States of America ²	1,289	0	35	3.25%
Democratic Republic of Congo ²	610	0	2	0.33%
Thailand ²	565	0	1	0.18%
Brazil	448	0	2	0.44%

^{1. 2022-23} Mpox Outbreak: Global Trends. Geneva: World Health Organization, 2023. Available online: https://worldhealthorg.shinyapps.io/mpx_global/ (last cited: November 27, 2023).

Mpox cases per region

REGIONS	CUMULATIVE CASES 2023	NEW CASES SINCE THE PREVIOUS REPORT	CUMULATIVE DEATHS 2023	CFR
AFRICA*	765	0	7	0.92%
AMERICAS*	3,378	0	82	2.43%
ASEAN	736	4	2	0.27%
ASIA & OCEANIA*	2,331	0	1	0.04%
EUROPE*	690	0	2	0.27%
TOTAL	7,900	4	94	1.19%

^{*}Edouard Mathieu, Fiona Spooner, Saloni Dattani, Hannah Ritchie and Max Roser (2022) - "Mpox (monkeypox)". Published online at OurWorldInData.org. Retrieved from: 'https://ourworldindata.org/monkeypox' [Online Resource]

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Event Updates for Emerging Diseases

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Global Updates for Emerging Diseases

Mpox

• **USA:** Mpox has spread within Idaho, with seven cases reported this month. Six cases were reported in Ada County, and a man in Canyon County also has mpox (Pfannenstiel, 2023). Symptoms include a rash, fever, chills, and muscle aches. People who suspect they might have mpox should visit a healthcare provider, get tested upon recommendation and avoid close contact with people, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention says. [Full article]

Regional Updates for Emerging Diseases

Mpox

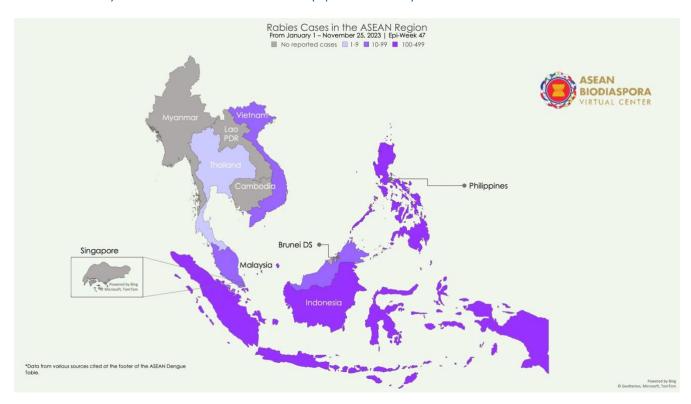
• Indonesia: The Indonesian Ministry of Health has reported 51 confirmed mpox cases in five provinces: Jakarta, West Java, Banten, Riau Islands, and East Java (Antara, 2023). The highest number of cases was 38 in Jakarta, with 23 patients recovering. West Java had six cases and two recoveries, while Banten had five cases. Riau Islands and East Java had one case each, and the patients are currently in the recovery process. Currently, mpox vaccinations are only available in Jakarta due to limited vaccine supplies. The Ministry of Health has readied 4,500 doses of the mpox vaccine and 1,008 bottles of the antiviral drug Tecovirimat for treatment. [Full article]





Rabies Cases in the ASEAN Region

From January 1 to November 25, 2023 (Epi-Week 47)



Rabies cases in the ASEAN region

Country	Epi-Week Reported	Cumulative Reported Rabies Cases	Laboratory- Confirmed Rabies Cases	Rabies-Related Deaths
Brunei Darussalam	-	-	-	-
Cambodia	-	-	-	-
Indonesia ¹	Week 47	320	21	55
Lao PDR	-	-	-	-
Malaysia ¹	Week 38	21	9	19
Myanmar	-	-	-	-
Philippines ²	Week 43	327	327	327
Singapore	-	-	-	-
Thailand ³	Week 46	5	5	5
Vietnam ¹	Week 40	64	34	64
Total		737	396	470

BlueDot Developer Portal, accessed November 28, 2023, https://developer-portal.bluedot.global/.
 Department of Health Website, accessed November 28, 2023 "Statistics", https://doh.gov.ph/statistics

The ASEAN region reported 737 rabies cases, 396 confirmed rabies cases, and 470 rabies-related deaths.

^{3.} Bureau of Epidemiology, Department of Disease Control, Ministry of Public Health Thailand, accessed November 28, 2023, http://doe.moph.go.th/surdata/index.php



Event Updates for Zoonosis Diseases

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Regional Updates for Zoonosis Diseases

Rabies

- Indonesia: Rabies cases on Timor Island, East Nusa Tenggara, have reached 12, with 12 deaths as of November 22, 2023 (Metrotvnews.com, 2023). The disease has spread to 245 villages and 32 sub-districts in the district, with 202 cases recorded in North Timor Tengah District. The disease first appeared in Fenun Village in May 2023 and spread quickly to North Timor Tengah District. Pet dogs in settlements are vulnerable to contracting the virus, and vaccinations are still being conducted. The last death victim was a man from Seo village, Noemuti sub-district. [Full article]
 - A rabies outbreak in North Timor Tengah District has resulted in two deaths and 202 bites among residents (Detik.com, 2023). The first victim was from West Miomato District, who died on November 7, 2023. The government is implementing vaccinations and public outreach to prevent further spread and victims. The 202 bite cases were spread across 15 health centers and 12 sub-districts, with 700 people receiving the vaccine. The health service received 700 vials of vaccine and 25 vials of anti-rabies vaccine. [Full article]
- **Philippines:** Iloilo province is facing a high number of rabies cases, with two probable cases confirmed (Lena, 2023). The investigation continues for a seven-year-old boy from Carles, while the Provincial Epidemiology and Surveillance Unit is investigating another case in Mina (Villanueva, 2023). The provincial government is strengthening its antirabies campaign, with budgets allocated for both human and dog vaccines. As of November 14, around 75.77% of the 302,302 dog population was vaccinated. The province aims to declare itself rabies-free by 2026. The provincial government has allocated PHP 8 million for rabies vaccines over the past two years. [Full article]

Vector-Borne Diseases





Dengue Cases in the ASEAN Region

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Dengue cases in the ASEAN region

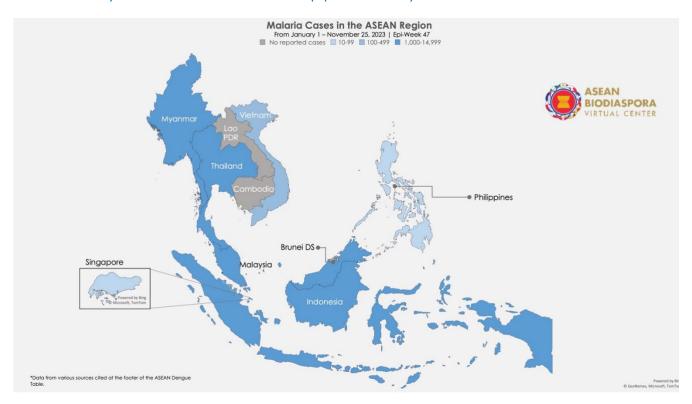
Country	Epi-Week Reported	Cumulative Dengue Cases	New Cases Since the Previous Report	Cumulative Deaths	New Deaths	CFR
Brunei Darussalam	=	-	-	=	=	-
Cambodia ¹	Week 42	26,912	974	39	0	0.14%
Indonesia ²	Week 46	78,209	1,760	574	3	0.73%
Lao PDR ¹	Week 45	30,292	2,247	19	0	0.06%
Malaysia ³	Week 47	108,108	2,703	80	7	0.07%
Myanmar ⁴	Week 28	6,685	0	30	0	0.45%
Philippines ⁵	Week 43	167,355	4,956	575	11	0.34%
Singapore ⁶	Week 47	8,831	129	0	0	0.00%
Thailand ⁷	Week 46	136,655	4,523	255	113	0.19%
Vietnam ¹	Week 44	135,879	7,972	35	2	0.03%
Total		698,926	25,264	1,607	136	0.23%

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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 25,264 new dengue cases in Indonesia, Cambodia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, and Vietnam – 136 Deaths. The region reported 698,926 total cases and 1,607 total deaths in 2023 with 0.23% CFR.



Malaria Cases in the ASEAN Region

From January 1 to November 25, 2023 (Epi-Week 47)



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 ¹	Week 44	1,899	0	0	0.00%
Lao PDR	-	-	-	-	=
Malaysia ¹	Week 45	1,116	0	0	0.00%
Myanmar ¹	Week 23	4,510	0	0	0.00%
Philippines ¹	Week 28	31	0	0	0.00%
Singapore ²	Week 46	20	0	0	0.00%
Thailand ³	Week 46	4,767	124	4	0.08%
Vietnam ¹	Week 42	349	0	0	0.00%
Total		12,692	124	4	0.03%

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The ASEAN region reported 124 new malaria cases in Thailand since the previous report.
 The region reported 12,692 total cases and four total deaths in 2023 with 0.03% CFR.

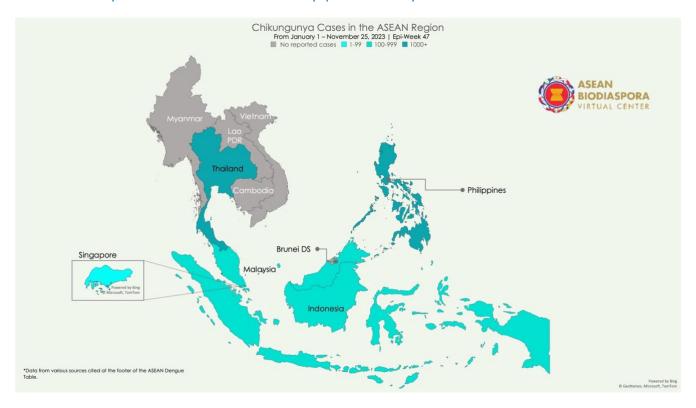
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Chikungunya Cases in the ASEAN Region

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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 ¹	Week 47	462	-	0	-	0.00%
Lao PDR	-	-	-	-	-	-
Malaysia ²	Week 44	185	-	0	-	0.00%
Myanmar	-	-	-	-	-	-
Philippines ³	Week 43	2,691	-	0	-	0.00%
Singapore ⁴	Week 46	13	2	0	-	0.00%
Thailand ⁵	Week 46	1,233	59	0	-	0.00%
Vietnam	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total		4,584	61	0		0.00%

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Global Updates for Vector-borne Diseases

Dengue

- **Bangladesh** has recorded 645 dengue cases, raising the tally to 306,437 this year (BdNews24.com, 2023). The death toll from the mosquito-borne virus increased by six to 1,583. Dhaka saw four new deaths and 154 new patients. Experts attributes the increase of dengue cases to a prolonged monsoon, rising temperatures, and a lack of effective measures to kill the Aedes aegypti mosquito during the outbreak. [Full article]
- France: A case of local dengue transmission in Paris has been identified for the first time, primarily in the south of France (Miranda, 2023). The patient had not made international trips in 15 days prior to the onset of symptoms. The World Health Organization (WHO) has been warning about the risks of arboviruses spreading to traditionally cold regions due to climate change. The mosquito, Aedes albopictus, is responsible for dengue transmission in Europe and can transmit other arboviruses. Parisians have adopted new strategies against dengue, including fumigation and insecticide treatment. The French public health agency recorded 1,414 cases of dengue between May 1 and October 27, 2023, with most cases occurring outside the country. Local infections in France have been concentrated in the south, with over 30 indigenous cases confirmed in 2023. [Full article]
- India: The district has reported 1,154 cases of dengue, with 79 active cases on November 24 (Tribune, 2023). 18 people have died of the disease. To prevent further spread, people are advised to wear full-sleeve shirts, cover their legs and feet, use mosquito repellents and nets, and avoid waterlogging around their homes, especially on rooftops. It is crucial to prevent waterlogging and ensure safety. [Full article]
- Italy: As of November 20, 2023, Italy has confirmed 81 cases of locally transmitted dengue, with four unconnected cases in Lodi, Latina, and Rome (Fundación, 2023). All known cases have recovered or are improving. Since the start of the year, 246 cases of dengue imported from other countries have been reported, including one death. Indigenous transmission of the virus is evolving, although with a limited number of cases. [Full article]
- **Sri Lanka:** The dengue outbreak in Punjab has reached 13,366 confirmed cases across 36 districts this year, with Lahore leading with 6,000 cases (Fernandopulle, 2023). The situation continues with 74 new cases reported in Lahore, Rawalpindi, Gujranwala, Multan, and Faisalabad. 134 patients are currently undergoing treatment in hospitals across Punjab, with 88 in Lahore district hospitals. The Secretary of Health Punjab, Ali Jaan Khan, urges citizens to maintain clean and dry surroundings and cooperate with health department teams. [Full article]

Malaria

• India. The district health department has launched an anti-larva drive and issued an advisory to prevent vector-borne diseases due to frequent weather fluctuations (Reporter, 2023). The department has reported 434 dengue cases, 10 malaria cases, and 13 chikungunya cases in 2023. The district has launched an anti-larvae drive to eliminate larvae from homes and premises. [Full article]

Zika



• India: Pune is experiencing a surge in Zika virus cases, with six new cases reported in the third week of November (Kumari, 2023). The Pune Municipal Corporation is intensifying surveillance and vector control measures to contain the spread of the virus. The first case was reported on November 16, 2023, involving a 64-year-old woman. [Full article]

Regional Updates for Vector-borne Diseases

Chikungunya

• The **Philippines** has seen a 384% increase in chikungunya cases over the past 10 months, with 2,691 reported from January 1 to October 28 (Villanueva, 2023). The Cordillera Administrative Region saw the highest increase, followed by Ilocos, Cagayan Valley, and Mimaropa. The virus, which causes fever and joint pain, is rare, but severe cases and deaths are rare. [Full article]

Dengue

- Malaysia: Penang has recorded nine dengue deaths between January 1 and November 20 this year, with 6,720 cases until the 47th epidemiology week of 2023 (Dermawan, 2023). The state government has mobilized the Dengue Special Task Force Committee to strengthen cooperation between agencies. The number of gotong royong programs increased by almost five-fold, with 563 events this year compared to 117 last year. Enforcement actions have been taken according to law provisions. [Full article]
- **Vietnam:** Dengue fever, caused by four dengue virus types, has reached 33,489 cases in Hanoi, with four deaths so far (VietNamNet, 2023). The virus is prevalent in all 30 districts and towns, with the only vaccine available globally not recommended for those who haven't had the disease. Vietnam is working to find an effective solution. [Full article]

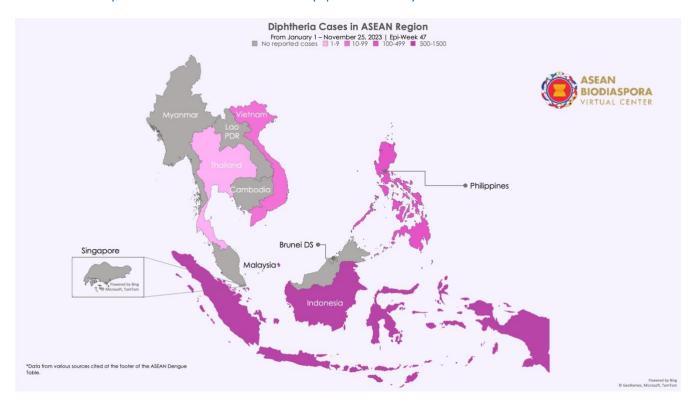






Diphtheria Cases in the ASEAN Region

From January 1 to November 25, 2023 (Epi-Week 47)



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 ¹	Week 46	737	28	45	6.10%
Lao PDR	-	-	-	-	-
Malaysia	-	-	-	-	-
Myanmar	-	-	-	-	-
Philippines ²	Week 43	162	5	38	23.46%
Singapore ³	Week 46	0	0	0	0.00%
Thailand ⁴	Week 46	5	0	0	0.00%
Vietnam ⁵	Week 38	41	0	3	7.32%
Total		621	33	86	13.85%

Bureau of Epidemiology, Department of Disease Control, Ministry of Public Health Thailand, accessed November 28, 2023, http://doe.moph.go.th/surdata/index.php BlueDot Developer Portal, accessed November 28, 2023, https://doe.moph.go.th/surdata/index.php BlueDot Developer Portal, accessed November 28, 2023, https://doe.moph.go.th/surdata/index.php BlueDot Developer Portal, accessed November 28, 2023, https://doe.moph.go.th/surdata/index.php

The ASEAN region reported 33 new diphtheria cases since the previous report. The region reported 621 total cases and 86 total deaths in 2023 with 13.85% CFR.

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Measles Cases in the ASEAN Region

From January 1 to November 25, 2023 (Epi-Week 47)



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 ¹	Week 46	8,802	626	11	0.12%
Lao PDR	-	-	-	-	-
Malaysia	-	-	-	-	-
Myanmar	-	-	-	-	-
Philippines ²	Week 43	2,024	195	6	0.30%
Singapore ³	Week 46	6	0	0	0.00%
Thailand ⁴	Week 46	312	11	0	0.00%
Vietnam	-	-	-	-	-
Total		11,144	832	17	0.15%

Ministry of Health, Republic of Indonesia

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Bureau of Epidemiology, Department of Disease Control, Ministry of Public Health Thailand, accessed November 28, 2023, http://doe.moph.go.th/surdata/index.php

The ASEAN region reported 832 new measles cases in Indonesia, the Philippines, and Thailand since the previous report. The region reported 11,144 total cases and 17 total deaths in 2023 with 0.15% CFR.

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Measles

• **Russia:** The Saratov region continues to experience measles spread, with 149 confirmed cases registered, mainly children (Aksyanova, 2023). Since October, 117 cases have been registered, with most Roma. During the week, 14,437 fell ill, with 36.5% of the threshold exceeded. Four kindergarten groups and 32 schools have closed. The minister clarified that an acute respiratory viral infections (ARVI) epidemic is not currently possible, and there is no plan to introduce a ban on visiting patients. [Full article]

Pertussis

• **USA:** Montgomery County has seen a significant increase in whooping cough cases since August, with 89 cases reported since August 1 (Lima, 2023). The cases, affect children aged one week to 81 years. The outbreak is slightly higher than pre-pandemic cases, with 100 cases reported in 2019 and 86 in 2018. Warren County Health District has also reported an increase in pertussis cases, with 15 cases in 2023, including 14 in the last month. [Full article]

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Pertussis

• **Thailand:** The Thai Ministry of Public Health (MOPH) has raised concerns over a rise in pertussis cases, particularly in the southern border provinces of Pattani and Narathiwat (BNN, 2023). The disease has already claimed the life of an 18-day-old newborn, raising concerns about a potential resurgence. The disease is not yet classified as an outbreak, but if a large group of patients is discovered, a disease investigation will be initiated. Thailand has confirmed 93 cases of pertussis from January 1 to November 22, 2023, with one death. [Full article]



Event Updates for Other Infectious Diseases

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Global Updates for Other Infectious Diseases

Tuberculosis

• India: According to the WHO's 2023 tuberculosis (TB) Report, India remains the worst TB-affected country in the world with 27% of total TB cases in the world (Tahir, 2023). The National Institute of TB and Respiratory Diseases in Mehrauli, an autonomous institute under the Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, is one of the best hospitals for the disease. The hospital offers basic facilities, including sanitation, and has started robotic surgery for TB patients. The hospital also provides three meals to patients at a registration fee of Rs 10 per patient. The hospital has started a cleanliness initiative and runs an awareness programme in slum areas. Patients are satisfied with the treatment, but the lack of administrative initiatives and lack of administrative initiatives poses challenges in eliminating TB. [Full article]

Filariasis

• India: Filarial hydrocele (scrotal swelling resulting from a parasitic infection) is a widespread disease in tropical and subtropical regions, primarily affecting men (TimesNow, 2023). It can cause infertility, lymphedema, and fluid retention. Around 120 million people worldwide, or 1.5% of the world's population, have a filariasis infection. Dr. Bhupendra Tripathi, Deputy Director of Infectious Diseases and Vaccine Delivery at the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation emphasizes the need to educate men about the disease's prevalence and effects. The disease is caused by filarial parasites Wuchereria bancrofti, Brugia malayi, and Brugia timori. Raising awareness about filarial hydrocele is crucial for fostering informed healthcare practices, dismantling stigma, and encouraging early intervention. Global elimination of lymphatic filariasis is now considered possible due to advances in single-dose therapies. [Full article]

Regional Updates for Other Infectious Diseases

Tuberculosis

• **Vietnam** demonstrated its commitment to tuberculosis prevention at the Union World Conference on Lung Health 2023 in Paris (Vna, 2023). The country's achievements in new treatment regimens, diagnostics quality, and screening were highlighted, along with its post-pandemic response and recovery. Vietnam is currently ranked 11th among 30 countries with the highest burden of TB and multidrug-resistant TB. In 2022, the country detected 103,120 TB patients, up nearly 31% year-on-year and 1.8% compared to 2020. A 50% effective vaccine could save 8.5 million lives and reduce antibiotic treatment costs for TB-affected households. [Full article]



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