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COVID-19



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COVID-19: Highlights and Situation Overview

Global Updates

- **Worldwide**, over 695 million cases and over 6 million deaths have been attributed to COVID-19.
- **Bulgaria** has confirmed 305 new cases of coronavirus in the last 24 hours, with a 13.7% positive rate (Novinite.com, 2023). There are 343 hospitalized patients with COVID-19, 26 in intensive care units, and 54 new hospital admissions. 252 people have been cured, and 3,475 active cases have been reported. Currently, 38,470 people in Bulgaria have lost their battle against the virus. [[Full article](#)]
- **USA**: Two Sheridan County residents died due to COVID-19, bringing the total to 94 (The Sheridan Press, 2023). Both were not hospitalized but had health conditions putting them at higher risk. Deaths are added to the state's coronavirus-related death total based on permanent residence location and death certificate information. [[Full article](#)]
- **India** has recorded 38 new coronavirus infections, 396 active cases, and 5,32,034 deaths, according to Union Health Ministry data, with the death toll at 8 am (PTI, 2023). [[Full article](#)]

Regional Updates

- **Singapore** experienced a significant increase in COVID-19 infections from September 17 to 23, with 14,843 people diagnosed, more than double the previous week's 6,401 cases (Khalik, 2023). The Ministry of Health is monitoring the situation but does not worry about the current spike in cases. The peak number of infections was 28,410 a week in March, with 159 hospitalizations and seven ICU admissions. However, hospitalization and ICU admissions usually lag infections. [[Full article](#)]



ASEAN Travel Advisories (new update/s) as of 05 October 2023

ASEAN Country	Published	Foreign travelers allowed	COVID-19 vaccination requirement	Required COVID-19 testing for fully vaccinated	Required COVID-19 testing for NOT fully vaccinated	Quarantine upon arrival	Health insurance requirement	Arrival health declaration/ registration/ documents
Brunei Darussalam	December 1, 2022	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
Cambodia	October 6, 2022	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
Indonesia	June 10, 2023	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
Laos	December 29, 2022	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
Malaysia	August 2, 2022	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
Myanmar	September 5, 2023	Yes	No	Passengers are subject to medical screening and could be subject to a test upon arrival.		No	Printed medical insurance except Myanmar nationals.	COVID-19 insurance Myanmar nationals. Passengers present a Declaration upon arrival.
Philippines	July 25, 2023	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
Singapore	February 13, 2023	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
Thailand	March 1, 2023	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
Vietnam	May 16, 2022	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No

- Reference: [IATA Travel Centre](#)



COVID-19 Cases and Deaths

- As of 05 October 2023 (5PM, GMT+7), there were **695,873,553** confirmed cases worldwide, including **6,920,677** deaths. Globally, Case Fatality Rate (CFR) was **1.0%**.
- 36,415,690 total confirmed cases** of COVID-19 have been reported in the **ASEAN Region**.
- The Case Fatality Rate in the **ASEAN Region** was **1.01%**.

COVID-19 cases in ASEAN region

REGION	COUNTRY	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 VACCINATED	CUMULATIVE FULLY VACCINATED	CUMULATIVE BOOSTED	FULLY VACCINATED PER 100
ASEAN REGION	Brunei Darussalam	10-Mar-20	28-Aug-23	311,020	49,580	-	225	-	69,824	451,149	446,714	340,466	102.1
	Cambodia	27-Jan-20	18-Sep-23	138,941	503	-	3,056	-	793	15,307,310	14,683,075	10,746,738	87.8
	Indonesia	02-Mar-20	20-Sep-23	6,813,429	101,726	-	161,918	-	2,518	203,877,399	174,957,002	69,348,665	74.5
	Lao PDR	24-Mar-20	4-Oct-23	218,871	1,285	3	758	-	2,926	6,324,678	5,691,962	2,451,034	78.2
	Malaysia	25-Jan-20	4-Oct-23	5,126,683	107,283	1,474	37,175	3	15,451	28,134,630	27,547,705	16,342,048	84.4
	Myanmar	23-Mar-20	4-Oct-23	641,290	7,715	2	19,495	-	1,161	40,354,937	35,196,377	13,903,599	62.4
	Philippines	30-Jan-20	13-Sep-23	4,174,101	116,472	-	66,643	-	3,824	82,684,774	79,164,840	24,178,325	72.5
	Singapore	23-Jan-20	4-Oct-23	2,610,108	423,434	15,299	1,883	-	43,395	5,323,488	5,285,463	4,797,037	89.28
	Thailand	13-Jan-20	2-Oct-23	4,757,473	38,565	190	34,475	1	6,788	57,673,286	54,186,784	27,401,825	77.3
	Vietnam	23-Jan-20	4-Oct-23	11,623,774	100,407	107	43,206	-	11,747	90,272,853	85,961,564	57,975,220	88.3
ASEAN COUNTRIES				36,415,690	946,970	17,075	368,834	4	158,427	530,404,504	483,121,486	227,484,957	71.07

REGION	TOTAL CONFIRMED CASES	NEW CASES	TOTAL DEATHS	NEW DEATHS
ASIA	235,441,650	27,463	1,580,327	101
AFRICA	12,838,449	27	258,830	0
AMERICAS	197,601,223	169,973	3,009,995	1,806
EUROPE	250,297,395	107,701	2,074,136	704
TOTAL	696,178,717	305,164	6,923,288	2,611

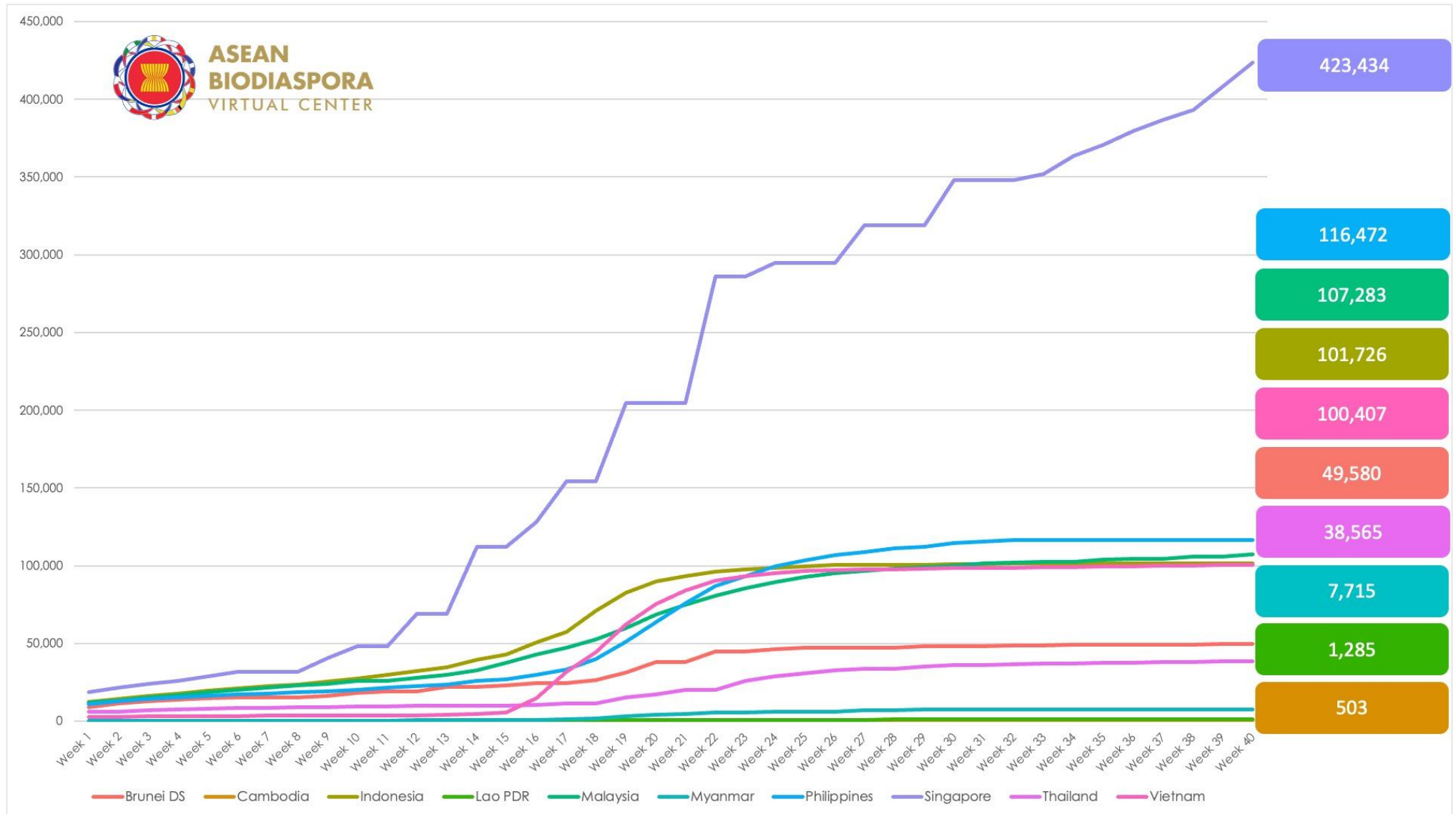
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COVID-19 Epidemic Curve Among ASEAN Countries

From January 1 to October 5, 2023

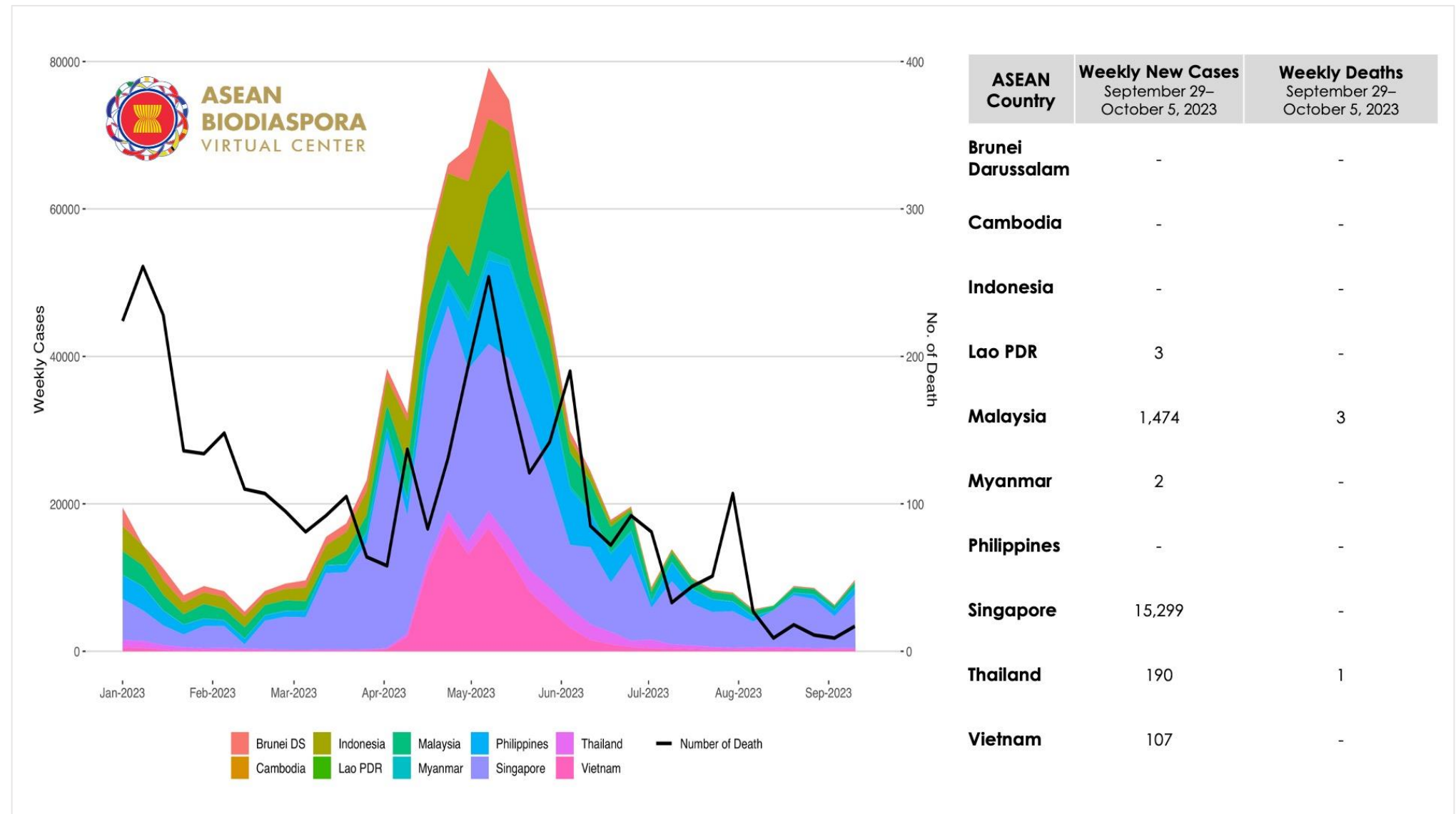
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ASEAN Weekly COVID-19 New Cases and Deaths

From January 1, 2023 to October 5, 2023

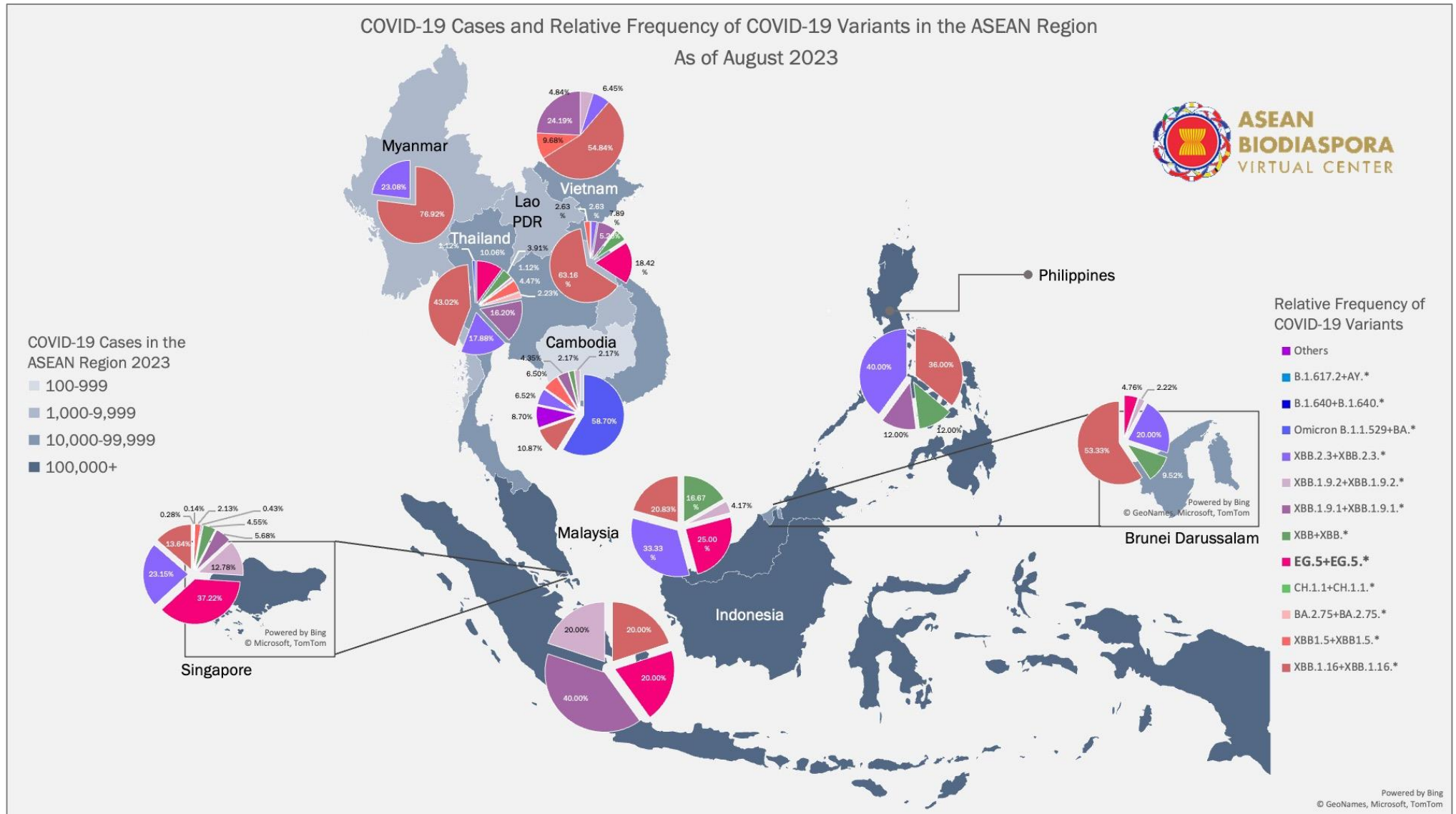


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COVID-19 Variants Frequencies Among ASEAN Countries

As of August 2023

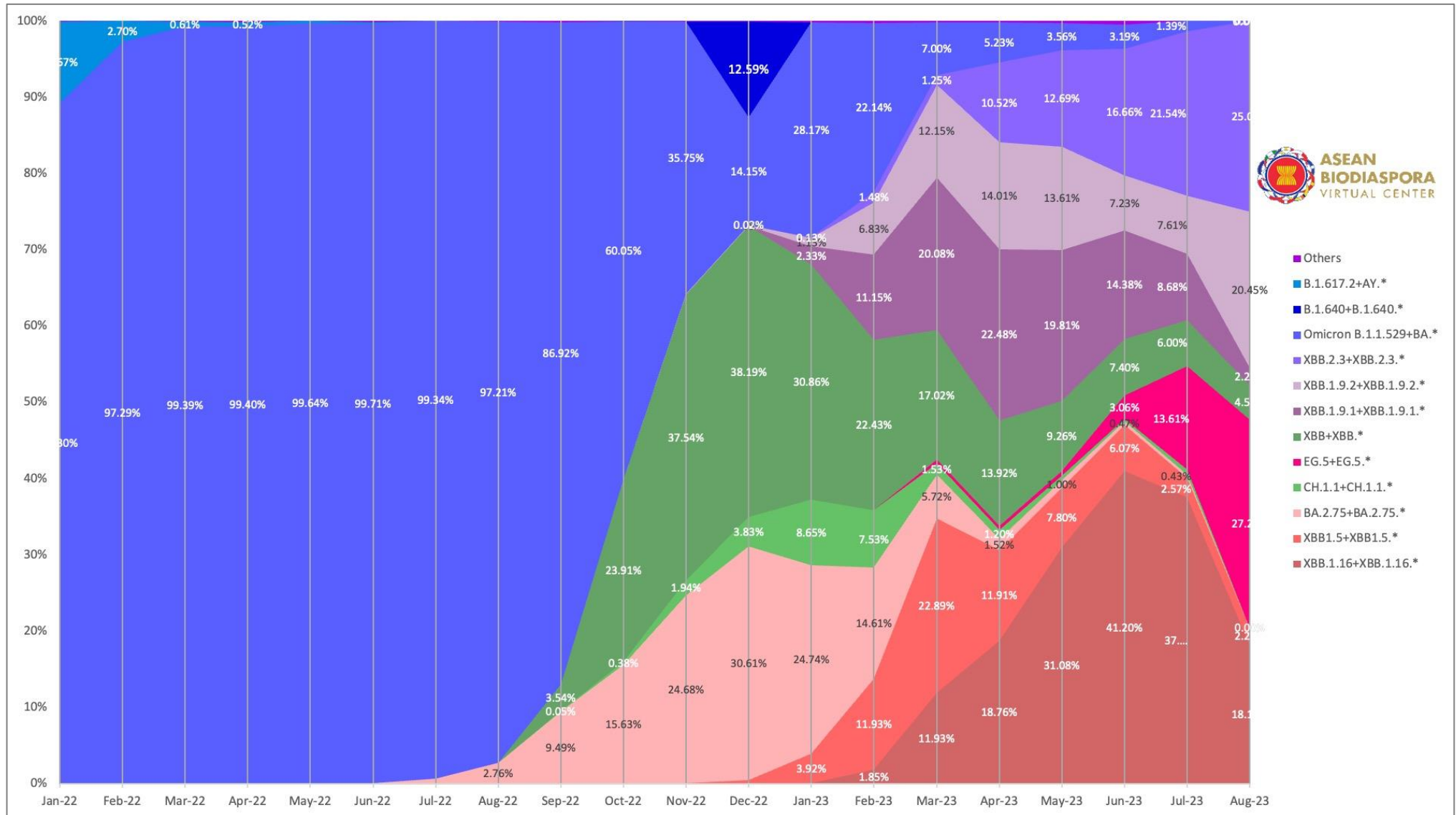


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COVID-19 Variants Frequencies in the ASEAN Region

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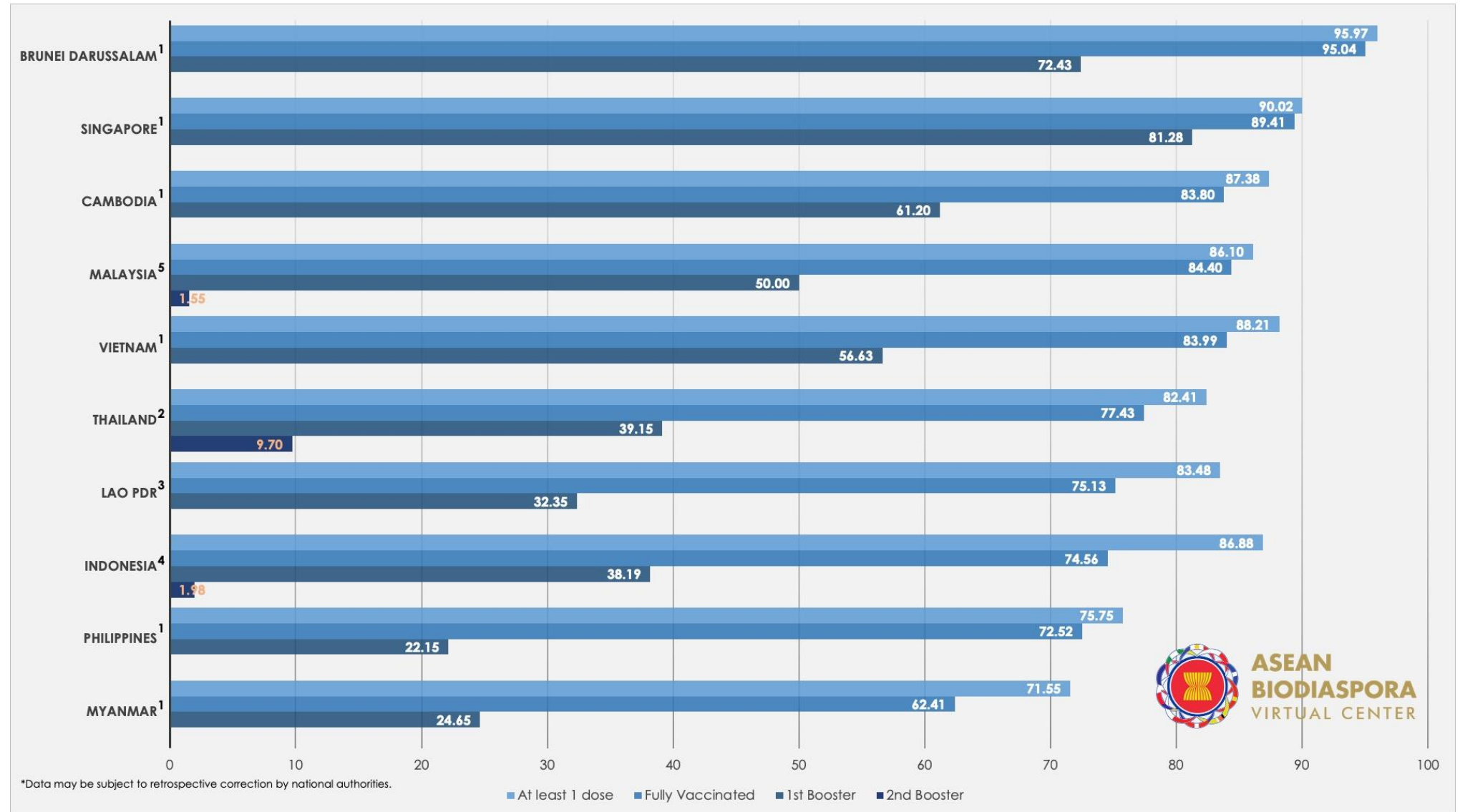


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ASEAN COVID-19 Vaccination Status

as of 05 October 2023



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MPOX

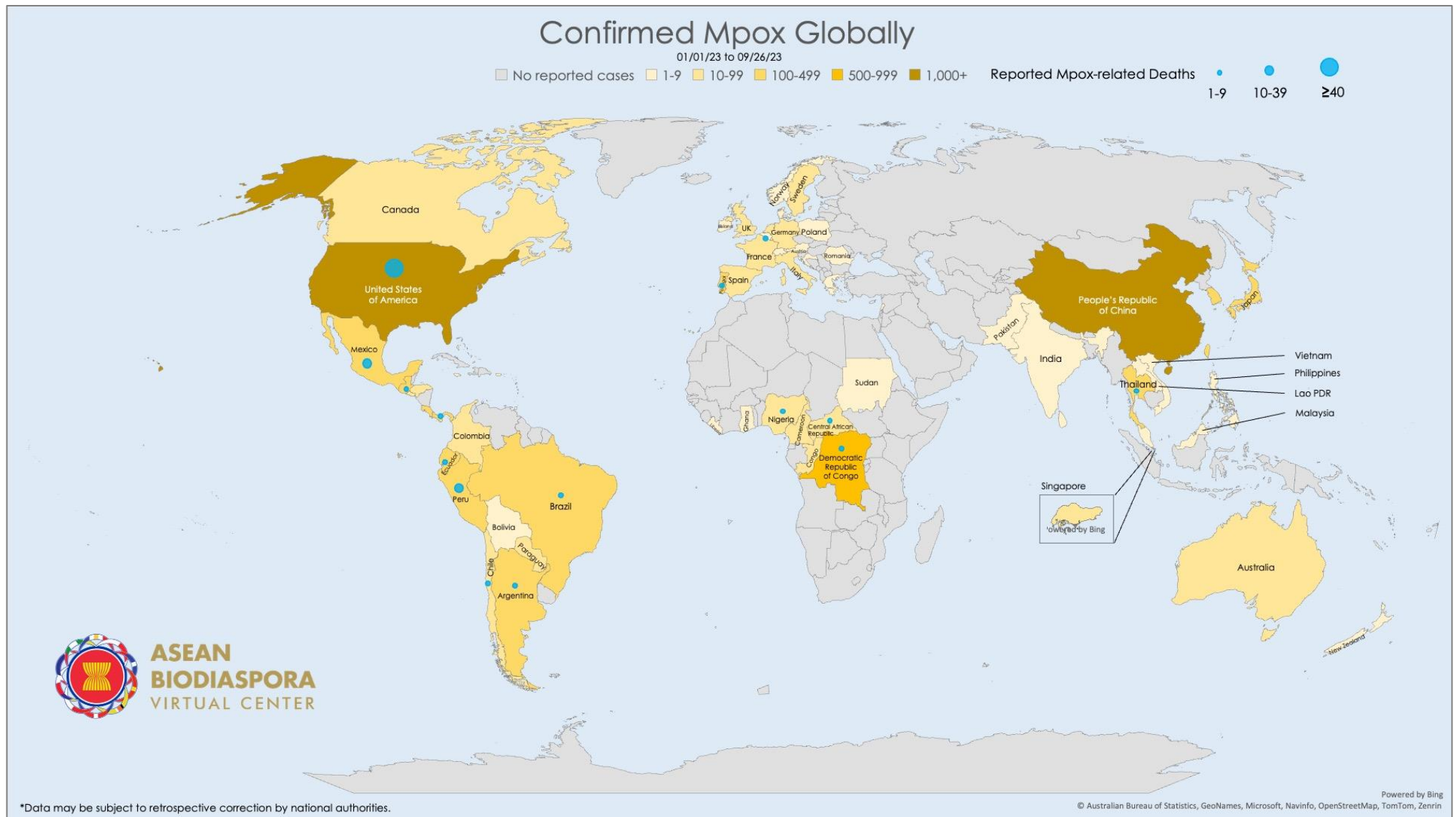


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Mpox Cases Reported Globally

January 1 – September 26, 2023

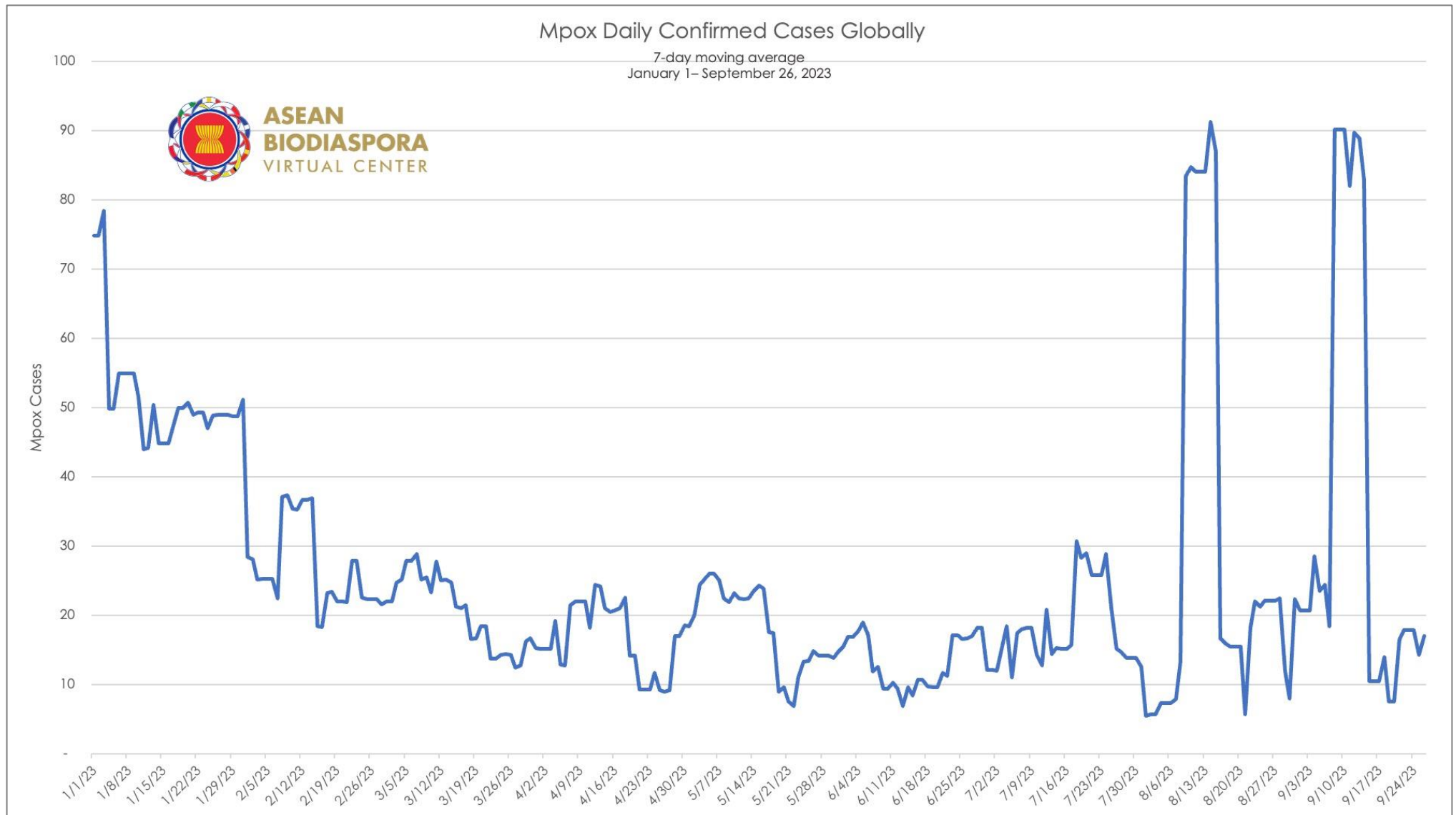


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Mpox Daily Trend Globally

January 1 – September 26, 2023



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Mpox: Highlights and Situation Overview

- From 01 January to 26 September 2023, there were **6,517** confirmed cases worldwide in 2023, including **83** deaths. Globally, the Case Fatality Rate (CFR) was **1.27%**.
- 403 confirmed cases** including **1 death** in the ASEAN region in 2023, with a CFR of **0.25%**.
- 6,112 confirmed cases** of mpox have been reported in other **5 regions** in 2023 (other than the ASEAN region):

Mpox cases in the ASEAN region (Jan. 1 to Sep. 26, 2023)

Country	Cumulative Cases 2023	New Cases Since Previous Report	Cumulative Deaths	Case Fatality Rate (CFR)
Lao PDR	1	-	-	0.00%
Malaysia	2	-	-	0.00%
Philippines	1	-	-	0.00%
Singapore	10	-	-	0.00%
Thailand	387	-	1	0.26%
Vietnam	2	-	-	0.00%
ASEAN Total	403	0	1	0.25%

Mpox cases in the Asia-Pacific region (Jan. 1 to Sep. 26, 2023)

Country/Territory	Cumulative Cases 2023	New Cases Since Previous Report	Cumulative Deaths	Case Fatality Rate (CFR)
Australia	12	-	-	0.00%
India	2	-	-	0.00%
Japan	196	-	-	0.00%
Nepal	1	-	-	0.00%
New Zealand	2	-	-	0.00%
People's Republic of China*	1,479	2	-	0.00%
Republic of Korea	137	-	-	0.00%
Sri Lanka	2	-	-	0.00%
Asia Pacific Total	1,830	2	0	0.00%

*People's Republic of China – including Hong Kong (SAR), Macao (SAR), and Taiwan (Province of China)

Top 5 countries with the most mpox cases globally (Jan. 1 to Sep. 26, 2023)

Country	Cumulative Cases 2023	New Cases Since Previous Report	Cumulative Deaths	Case Fatality Rate (CFR)
People's Republic of China	1,144	0	0	0.00%
United States of America	1,033	0	30	2.90%
Democratic Republic of Congo	610	0	2	0.33%
Brazil	456	0	2	0.44%
Mexico	425	0	26	6.12%



Mpox cases per region

REGION	CUMULATIVE CONFIRMED CASES (JAN. 1 – SEP. 26, 2023)	NEW CASES SINCE THE PREVIOUS REPORT	CUMULATIVE DEATHS	CASE FATALITY RATE
AFRICA	756	0	5	0.66%
AMERICAS	3,107	0	75	2.41%
ASEAN	403	0	1	0.25%
ASIA PACIFIC	1,830	2	-	0.00%
EUROPE	409	10	2	0.49%
MIDDLE EAST	12	0	-	0.00%
TOTAL	6,517	12	83	1.27%

World Health Organization. "2022-23 Mpox (Monkeypox Outbreak Global Trends," accessed October 5, 2023, https://worldhealthorg.shinyapps.io/mpx_global/.

Regional Updates

- **Vietnam:** Ho Chi Minh City has reported a new monkeypox case, with a 34-year-old male patient showing suspected symptoms (Vietnam+, 2023). The patient, who lives in Binh Chanh district, has not had contact with foreigners or gone abroad recently. The city has recorded four monkeypox cases since 2022, including two female patients returning from abroad. The patient has been quarantined for treatment. [[Full article](#)]



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