

# COVID-19 Situational Report in the ASEAN+3 Region

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# COVID-19: Highlights and Situation Overview

## Global Update

- Worldwide, there have been over 520 million cases and over 6 million deaths attributed to COVID-19.
- According to the World Health Organization's (WHO) Weekly Epidemiological Update, globally the number of new COVID-19 cases and deaths has continued to decline since the end of March 2022. During the week of 2 through 8 May 2022, over 3.5 million cases and over 12 000 deaths were reported, decreases of 12% and 25% respectively, as compared to the previous week. At the regional level, the number of new weekly cases increased in the Region of the Americas (+14%) and in the African Region (+12%), remained stable in the Western Pacific Region (+1%), and decreased in the remaining three regions. The number of new weekly deaths increased in the African Region (+84%), remained stable in the Region of the Americas (+3%), while decreasing trends were reported in the other four regions. As of 8 May 2022, over 514 million confirmed cases and over six million deaths have been reported globally. These trends should be interpreted with caution as several countries have been progressively changing COVID-19 testing strategies, resulting in lower overall numbers of tests performed and consequently lower numbers of cases detected. At the country level, the highest number of new weekly cases were reported from the United States of America (451 414 new cases; +19%), Australia (431 410 new cases; +59%), Germany (427 044 new cases; -29%), Italy (304 573 new cases; -21%), and the Republic of Korea (268 749 new cases; -29%). The highest number of new weekly deaths were reported from the United States of America (2 652 new deaths; +19%), the Russian Federation (915 new deaths; -19%), Italy (910 new deaths; +1%), France (732 new deaths; -19%), and Brazil (681 new deaths; -20%). According to the WHO, its latest assessment of the COVID-19 pandemic, there were only two regions where reported COVID-19 infections increased: the Americas by 14%, and Africa by 12%. Cases remained stable in the Western Pacific and have decreased in other regions. WHO Director-General said that COVID-19 variants, including mutated versions of the highly infectious omicron, are driving a resurgence of COVID-19 in several countries, including South Africa. He also warned during a press briefing this week that "the rising cases in more than 50 countries highlights the volatility of this virus."

## Regional Update

- Cambodia: Prime Minister Hun Sen announced on May 12 that Cambodia has not detected new COVID-19 cases for five days in a row. As of today, a total of 136,262 people have been diagnosed, a total of 133,184 people were cured and a total of 3,056 people died from COVID in Cambodia.
- Indonesia has begun its transition from pandemic to the endemic phase, Coordinating Minister for Human Development and Culture Muhadjir Effendy has said. Based on an internal survey of 18 Jakarta hospitals by the Coordinating Ministry for Human Development and Culture in February this year, COVID-19 is currently ranked 14th in terms of the mortality rate in the country. A clearer picture of the transition from the pandemic to the endemic phase will emerge after the Eid al-Fitr holidays. If the number of cases does not increase significantly, then COVID-19 in Indonesia will soon become endemic, he said.
- Singapore: There is "no evidence of a new wave" despite the recent increase in COVID-19 cases in the community, Health Minister Ong Ye Kung said on Thursday (May 12). Describing the recent trend as an "uptick" in cases, Mr. Ong said in a Facebook post "community cases are

rising, but not doubling every few days". Most of the COVID-19 cases showed mild symptoms and recover "uneventfully" at home, said Mr. Ong, adding that the hospitals and intensive care units are also not seeing a rise in severe cases. Mr. Ong added that Singapore will continue to monitor the situation closely, "as things can change very quickly, especially if a new variant was to emerge".

- Thailand is likely to further ease COVID-19 warnings late this month, as the country is preparing to redesignate COVID-19 outbreak as an endemic. According to the Public Health Minister on May 12 (Thursday), the country is expected to reduce its COVID-19 warning from Level 3 at present to Level 2 around late this month to June, as the pandemic situation was at a "declining stage". The country's COVID-19 warning is now at Level 3, reduced from the highest Level 4, after the situation improved from the "combating stage" to the "plateau stage" earlier this year. He added that measures are being taken as part of efforts to declare COVID-19 an endemic, which include giving booster shots, improving treatment for vulnerable patients, and promoting the policy of universal prevention and COVID-free setting.
- South Korea's new President Yoon Suk-yeol pledged on Thursday (May 12) to provide an additional \$300 million won (US\$232,744) to a global initiative to fund COVID-19 tests, treatments and vaccines for poorer countries. Yoon made the announcement in his speech to a second global COVID-19 summit, held virtually, aimed at facilitating efforts to end the pandemic and prepare for future health threats. His funding pledge would bring South Korea's total donations to the Access to COVID-19 Tools Accelerator (ACT-A), sponsored by the World Health Organization (WHO) and other aid groups, to \$510 million. Yoon also showed support for the establishment of a financial intermediary fund, a global project pushed by the United States and Indonesia to boost pandemic preparedness, and provisionally agreed on by G20 countries last month. The summit, jointly hosted by the United States, Belize, Germany, Indonesia and Senegal, came hours after North Korea confirmed its first outbreak of COVID-19. The ACT-A program is seeking a US\$23.4 billion budget for its work until September, but leaders of the initiative said in February that just \$814 million has been pledged. It is also backed by organizations including the Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations, the Global Fund, and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

### Vaccine Update

- Based on Malaysia's CovidNow portal, 22,970,424 or 97.6% of the adult population are fully vaccinated against COVID-19, 23,245,673 or 98.8% have received at least one dose, and 16,057,632 or 68.2% of their population received the booster dose as of May 12 (Thursday). For adolescents aged between 12 and 17, a total of 2,901,725 or 93.3% of the group are fully vaccinated, while 2,999,490 or 96.4% have received at least one dose. In addition, a total of 993,652 children aged between five and 11 years, or 28% of the group are fully vaccinated while 1,596,416 children or 45% have received at least one dose under the National COVID-19 Immunization Programme for Children (PICKids), bringing the cumulative number of vaccine doses administered in the country to 70,551,572. Meanwhile, the deadline for the first dose of a two-dose COVID-19 vaccine for children aged five to 11-years-old through PICKids, which was scheduled to end on May 15, has been extended until May 31. The Deputy Health Minister said that the matter was decided at the COVID-19 Immunisation Task Force for Children (CITF-C) meeting on May 10, taking into account the Hari Raya and Labor Day holidays and the closure of the vaccination centres. He added that this extension will give parents a chance to reschedule their child's vaccination appointments, however, this is only applicable to those who registered before May 8 via the MySejahtera application and could not get the vaccination on the set date. After May 31, children in the PICKids age group will no longer be offered free COVID-19 vaccine shots and that

vaccination will instead be available for a fee at private facilities. Exceptions will be made for those who were forced to cancel their appointments on or before May 31 due to COVID-19 infection.

### **Travel Advisories** (new update/s)

- Malaysia has conditionally approved the monoclonal antibody drug Evusheld for preventing COVID-19 in certain vulnerable populations. Myanmar's Immigration and Population Ministry said on Thursday. This comes after the country allowed the resumption of international commercial flight operations on April 17 and the reopening of its borders to international travelers. This also comes as the country's COVID-19 daily positivity rate has been below 1 percent since April 4. The country, which resumed accepting business e-visa applications on April 1, launched its online visa application platform in September 2014.
- Thailand: According to the assistant spokesperson on the Centre for COVID-19 Situation Administration (CCSA) assistant spokesperson said on Thursday (May 12), Travellers to Thailand still need to register with the Thailand Pass system, dismissing rumours that it has been scrapped. Starting May 1, fully vaccinated travellers entering the country are exempted from RT-PCR testing while those unvaccinated or not fully vaccinated still need hotel quarantine and will need to get approval within 48 hours while examination is underway for details about their quarantine and hotel reservation. Thailand Pass was still a requirement despite the relaxation of entry rules. When registering with Thailand Pass, vaccinated travellers must attach their passport, vaccine information, and proof of insurance for US\$10,000. Those unvaccinated or not fully vaccinated must also submit those documents, along with a negative RT-PCR test result issued within 72 hours before their flight to Thailand if they do not wish to quarantine.
- Vietnam: According to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs on May 12 (Thursday), a total of 81 countries and territories, including all European Union's members, have recognized Vietnam's COVID-19 vaccine passports so far. The deputy spokesperson said that has obtained mutual recognition of COVID-19 vaccine passports with 20 nations, including Japan, the United States, Australia, the United Kingdom, India, Belarus, Cambodia, Philippines, Palestine, Maldives, New Zealand, Sri Lanka, Egypt, Turkey, Singapore, Saint Lucia, Republic of Korea, Iran, Malaysia, and Dominican Republic. In addition, on May 11, the European Commission (EC) recognized the digital COVID-19 certificates of Vietnam as equivalents to the EU COVID-19 certificates issued by authorities in the EU. Vietnam's vaccine certificates would also be accepted in the 39 partner countries and territories that are participating in the EU's digital COVID-19 vaccine certificate system.

## Cases and Deaths as of 13 May 2022

- As of 13 May 2022 (2PM, GMT+8), worldwide, there were **520,783,751** confirmed cases, including **6,293,775** deaths. Globally, Case Fatality Rate (CFR) was **1.2**.
- 59,516,238 confirmed cases** of COVID-19 have been reported in the **ASEAN +3** countries including **31,582,995 cases** in the ASEAN region and **27,933,243 cases** in the PLUS THREE countries, with CFR of **0.7**.

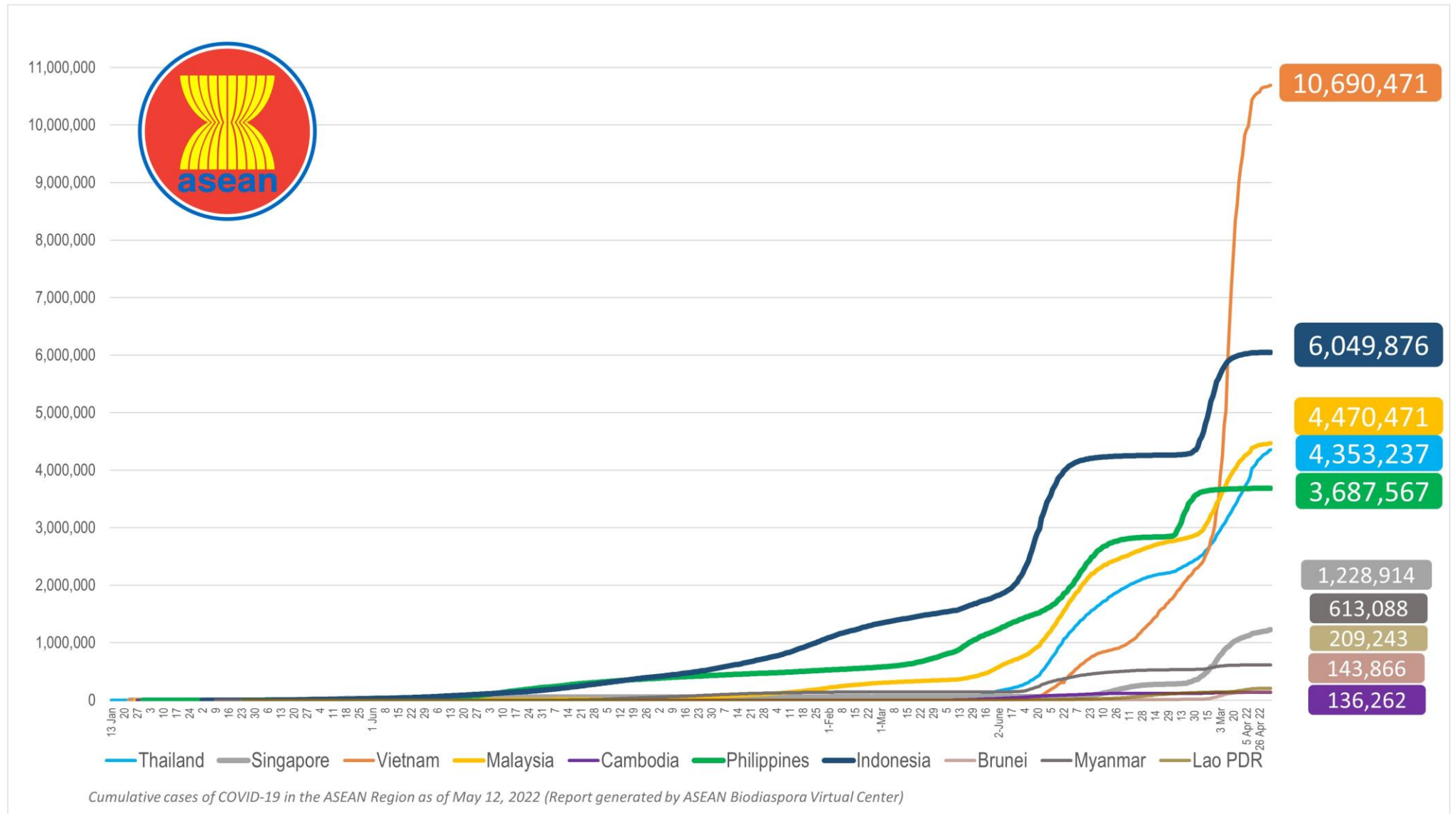
REGION	COUNTRY	FIRST CONFIRMED CASE(S)	LATEST REPORT ON CONFIRMED CASE(S)	TOTAL CONFIRMED CASES	NEW CASES	TOTAL DEATHS	NEW DEATHS	CASE FATALITY RATE	CUMULATIVE CASES/ 100,000	NUMBER OF TESTS LAST 14 DAYS/ 100,000	CUMULATIVE VACCINATED	CUMULATIVE FULLY VACCINATED	CUMULATIVE BOOSTERED	FULLY VACCINATED / 100
ASEAN REGION	Brunei	10 Mar 20	12-May-22	143,866	250	219	-	0.2%	33,204		432,057	409,091	282,887	92.7
	Cambodia	27 Jan 20	10-May-22	136,262	-	3,056	-	2.2%	827	66	14,958,188	14,217,963	8,604,242	83.9
	Indonesia	02 Mar 20	12-May-22	6,049,876	335	156,438	14	2.6%	2,236	-	199,352,565	165,707,687	37,458,813	60.0
	Lao PDR	24 Mar 20	12-May-22	209,243	274	752	-	0.4%	2,919	91	5,788,210	4,957,803		67.2
	Malaysia	25 Jan 20	12-May-22	4,470,471	3,410	35,602	4	0.8%	13,992	1,302	27,824,090	26,846,782	16,053,311	81.9
	Myanmar	23 Mar 20	12-May-22	613,088	6	19,434	-	3.2%	1,134	280	30,994,375	24,329,862		44.4
	Philippines	30 Jan 20	12-May-22	3,687,567	139	60,452	13	1.6%	3,411	20	70,173,137	68,526,134	13,519,545	61.7
	Singapore	23 Jan 20	12-May-22	1,228,914	3,890	1,358	2	0.1%	21,546		5,013,834	4,984,296	4,029,232	91.4
	Thailand	13 Jan 20	12-May-22	4,353,237	8,019	29,314	59	0.7%	6,252	-	56,251,652	51,630,249	26,548,844	73.8
	Vietnam	23 Jan 20	12-May-22	10,690,471	3,949	43,063	3	0.4%	11,076	11	79,947,189	77,754,108	45,443,077	79.2
<b>ASEAN COUNTRIES</b>				<b>31,582,995</b>	<b>20,272</b>	<b>349,688</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>1.1%</b>			<b>490,735,297</b>	<b>439,363,975</b>	<b>151,939,951</b>	
ASEAN PLUS THREE	South Korea	20-Jan-20	12-May-22	17,694,677	35,883	23,554	63	0.1%	34,220	3,425	45,040,871	44,558,791	36,392,465	86.9
	Japan	16-Jan-20	12-May-22	8,239,285	42,080	29,802	32	0.4%	6,525	1,039	103,335,155	101,711,917	69,875,926	80.7
	China	31-Dec-19	12-May-22	1,999,281	65,652	15,526	22	0.8%	18,605	3,874	1,313,211,941	1,276,582,325	775,053,298	83.4
	<b>PLUS THREE COUNTRIES</b>				<b>27,933,243</b>	<b>143,615</b>	<b>68,882</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>0.2%</b>			<b>1,461,587,967</b>	<b>1,422,853,033</b>	<b>881,321,689</b>
<b>ASEAN +3</b>				<b>59,516,238</b>	<b>163,887</b>	<b>418,570</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>0.7%</b>			<b>1,952,323,264</b>	<b>1,862,217,008</b>	<b>1,033,261,640</b>	

- 461,267,513 confirmed cases** of COVID-19 have been reported in **5 continents** (other than ASEAN +3 countries):

CONTINENT	TOTAL CONFIRMED CASES	NEW CASES	TOTAL DEATHS	NEW DEATHS	CASE FATALITY RATE	CUMULATIVE CASES/ 100,000	NUMBER OF TESTS LAST 14 DAYS/ 100,000	CUMULATIVE VACCINATED	CUMULATIVE FULLY VACCINATED	CUMULATIVE BOOSTERED
AFRICA	12,246,857	9,664	255,164	23	1.0	229,723	13,350	306,116,426	231,778,485	23,072,194
AMERICAS	157,047,243	66,272	2,766,883	211	0.8	926,369	54,343	798,596,565	704,002,187	362,370,656
ASIA PACIFIC	72,034,824	72,297	732,986	97	0.2	327,450	32,983	1,405,917,896	1,233,379,078	115,709,464
EUROPE	199,142,435	210,679	1,887,199	992	0.6	1,751,214	99,999	557,350,602	529,760,277	310,279,110
MIDDLE EAST	20,796,154	5,399	232,973	7	0.3	189,430	47,615	141,155,473	126,460,361	54,817,581
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>461,267,513</b>	<b>364,311</b>	<b>5,875,205</b>	<b>1,330</b>	<b>1.3%</b>			<b>3,209,136,962</b>	<b>2,825,380,388</b>	<b>866,249,005</b>

# COVID-19 Epi curve among ASEAN Countries:

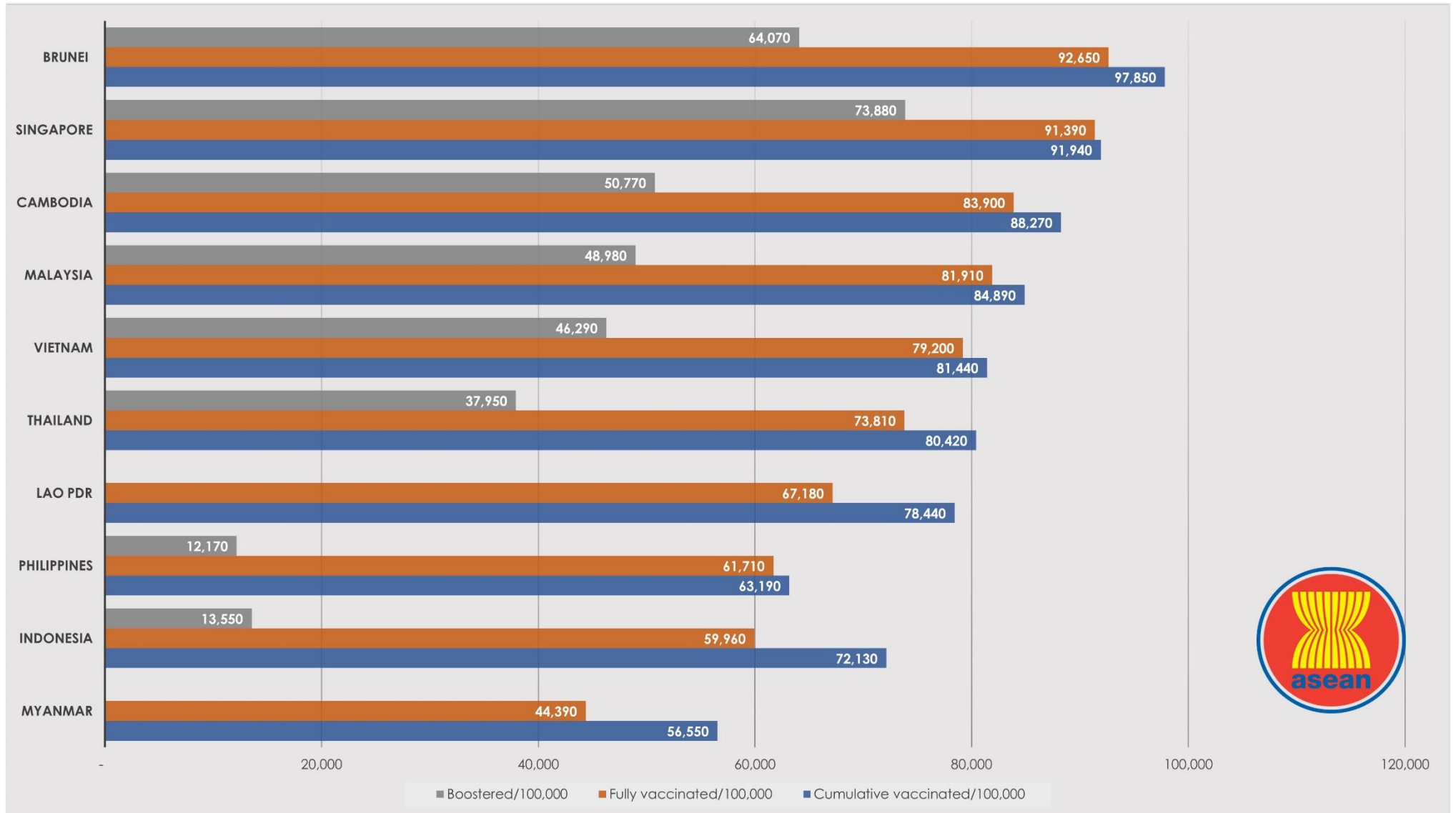
From January 1, 2021 to May 12, 2022






# COVID-19 Vaccination Status

as of 12 May 2022



# COVID-19 Outlook Assessment

as of 10 May 2022

 <b>ASEAN MEMBER STATE</b>	REQUIREMENT							
	At least <b>80% of the high-risk population has been vaccinated</b> with at least one dose of a COVID-19 vaccine.		At least <b>65% of the total population has a level of immunity</b> to COVID-19; either recovered from COVID-19 or have been vaccinated with at least one dose of a COVID-19 vaccine.		<b>Case levels are generally low</b> (a 7-day rolling average number of daily new cases that is <10 cases per 100,000, with each day's past-14-day test positivity is consistently <5%).		<b>Government Policy</b> on containment and health (strictness and comprehensiveness in COVID-19 related government policies)	
	% of High risk population fully vaccinated	Population vaccinated/day (7-day average)	% of Total population fully vaccinated / boosted	Population vaccinated/day (7-day average)	Daily cases/100,000	Test positivity last 14 days	Containment and health index score - Oxford COVID-19 Government Response Tracker (OxCGRT)	Change over the past 30 days
Brunei	≥90.0	Unknown	≥90.0/60.5	Unknown	47.80	Unknown	65.5/100	0.0
Cambodia	≥90.0	0%/day	≥90.0/50.8	0.06%/day	0.03	0.7	31.3/100	-8.6
Indonesia	≥90.0	0%/day	63.4/13.6	0.02%/day	0.10	Unknown	53.0/100	-4.5
Lao PDR	≥90.0	0%/day	73.4/ND	0.53%/day	1.71	58.8	71.2/100	0.0
Malaysia	≥90.0	0%/day	82.3/49.0	0.05%/day	6.36	7.4	58.0/100	0.0
Myanmar	≥90.0	0%/day	45.5/ND	0.78%/day	0.04	0.3	63.1/100	-14.6
Philippines	≥90.0	0%/day	65.7/11.9	Unknown	0.14	1.3	62.8/100	+1.8
Singapore	≥90.0	0%/day	88.4/73.9	0.02%/day	56.30	Unknown	58.9/100	-11.9
Thailand	≥90.0	0%/day	74.9/37.8	0.07%/day	11.16	49	47.9/100	0.0
Vietnam	88.0	0.06%/day	83.9/46.3	Unknown	3.18	100	58.3/100	-3.0





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