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Situation Summary

Cumulative numbers from 25 Jan 2020 – 3 July 2022



Highlights from Current Community Outbreak (from 27 April 2021 to 3 July 2022)¹

- The overall downward trend observed in past month continue for daily new, severe and death cases nationwide. However, interpretation of trends in cases and deaths are quite tentative depending on the degree of testing being implemented.
- There is no current evidence of strain on the healthcare system. There are 25 severe and critical cases requiring
 medical oxygen in HCFs, decreased 32.4% compared to previous 14 days. More than 99.9% of the cases are under
 home recovery.
- During the week (from 27 Jun 3 Jul), a total of 5,188 new cases and 3 new deaths were reported.
- The 7-day moving average of cases was **748** (decreased **9.4%**); of severe cases was **29** (decreased **27.6%**); of deaths was less than **1**, as compared to the previous week.
- Cumulatively from April 2021 to 3 July 2022, 10,745,787 cases have been reported including 43,052 deaths (PFC 0.4%) from 63 cities/provinces. Number of recovered cases is 9,706,167 (90.3%). See Figures 1 and 2.
- Five (5) cities/ provinces with highest case number reported include: Ha Noi (1,606,399 cases, 1,224 deaths, PFC 0.08%); HCMC (610,257 cases, 20,475 deaths, PFC 3.41%); Nghe An (485,794 cases, 145 deaths, PFC 0.03%); Bac Giang (387,747 cases, 92 deaths, PFC 0.02%), and Binh Duong (383,808 cases, 3,465 deaths, PFC 0.90%).
- Continuous multisource surveillance especially using trends in hospital admissions for severe and critical cases, reports of deaths and EBS are recommended.

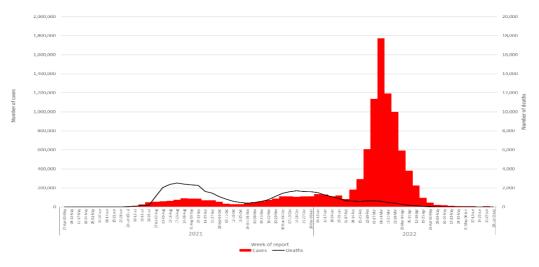


Figure 1. Epidemic curve of COVID-19 laboratory confirmed cases and deaths by week of reporting for the current outbreaks, from 27 Apr 2021 – 3 July 2022, Viet Nam

¹ For updates before 20 Jun 2021, refer to previous Sitreps. While epidemiological figures are as of 3 Jul, other information may cover beyond this cut-off date.



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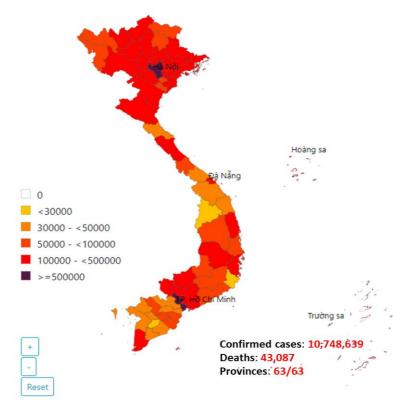


Figure 2. Distribution of COVID-19 laboratory confirmed cases in the current outbreaks by province, 27 Apr 2021 – 4 July 2022, Viet Nam

Age and sex distribution of COVID-19 cases: Analysis from 9,895,990 cases shows that ages of cases range from 2 months to 100 years old. About 48.4% of all cases are in the 30-69 years old age group, 3.7% are above 70 years old, and the remaining 47.9% are under 30 years old. The proportion of males vs females is 45.2% vs 54.8%. *See Figure 3*.

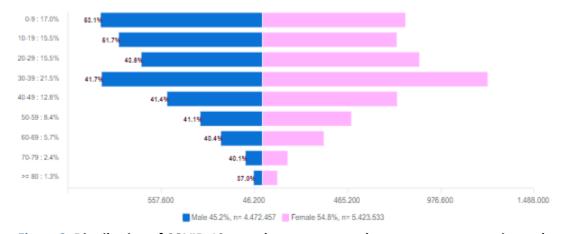


Figure 3. Distribution of COVID-19 cases by age group and sex, current community outbreak as of 3 July 2022 (N=9,895,990)

For more details, visit: COVID-19 Dashboard of the General Department of Preventive Medicine (GDPM)/MOH.

Cumulatively from Jan 2020 to 3 July 2022, Viet Nam has reported a total cumulative number 10,748,639 laboratory confirmed cases from all 63 provinces including 43,087 deaths (PFC 0.4%); of those approximately 90.3% have recovered. There are currently 996,568 people being monitored and treated of those 29 are severe cases (about 0.003%), no patients under ECMO (update as of 16:00 2 July 2022).





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Vaccine supply and vaccination (See Annex 1)

- As of 3 July, a total of 251,429,676 doses of COVID-19 vaccines have arrived in Viet Nam. In which: COVAX: 68,137,050 doses; donation from countries: 50,178,800 doses; and bilateral procurement: 133,113,826 doses.
- As of 3 July, a total of 233,534,501 doses have been administered (~7.6M doses last 2 weeks): 86,510,260 people from 12 years of age and above got 1st dose (~88.1% of total pop) and number of people from 12 years and above completed 2nd dose has reached 79,850,154 (~81.3% of total pop). There are 14,655,437 immunocompromised people and high-risk people got additional dose and 46,371,358 people who are fully vaccinated got booster dose (47.2% of total population or 66.8% of target population from 18 years old and above).
- As of 3 July, a total of 8,998,717 adolescents 12-17 years of age got first dose (100%) and 8,648,102 got full doses (98.5%)
- As of 3 July, 6,011,809 children 5-11 years old vaccinated with first dose (50.6% of targeted children) and 2,321,444 children get full dose (19.5% of targeted children).
- To date, nine vaccines in Emergency Use Authorization by NRA of Viet Nam: AstraZeneca, Pfizer, Moderna, Johnson & Johnson (Janssen), Sinopharm BIBP, Sputnik V, and Hayat-Vax COVID-19 (Sinopharm manufacturing site), Abdala and recently Covaxin (produced by Bharat Biotech International Limited, India).
- On 18 June 2022, MOH issued guidance for 3rd dose/first booster dose for all adolescent aged 12-17 years old.

Government direction and key public health and social measures (PHSM)

- 2 Jul The GoV issued the letter regarding the PM's direction to MOH, relevant ministries and localities on accelerating vaccination. The PM ordered: (i) MOH, relevant ministries and localities to strictly and effectively implement the previous directions of the government and PM on accelerating COVID-19 vaccination; (ii) DPM Vu Duc Dam to direct the MOH, relevant ministries, and 63 cities/provinces to implement COVID-19 prevention and control measures, especially accelerating COVID-19 vaccination; (iii) Chairpersons of City/Provincial People's Committees (PC) to direct vaccination the booster and additional doses for people aged 12 years and older, second dose for children from 5 to under 12 years old, and to ensure adequate medicines, biological products, supplies and equipment for outbreak prevention and control; and (iv) The Ministry of Information and Communications (MOIC) in collaboration with MOH to direct media agencies to enhance communication activities for public to facilitate COVID-19 vaccines uptake [EBS].
- 30 Jun DPM Vu Duc Dam and MOH leader visited Ho Chi Minh City (HCMC) to direct COVID-19 vaccination and Dengue prevention and control activities. For COVID-19 vaccination, the DPM ordered: (i) HCMC to enhance COVID-19 vaccination following the MOH's recent guidance; (ii) HCMC to continue maintaining COVID-19 outbreak surveillance and response system; and (iii) The City to enhance communication on benefit of vaccination
- 30 Jun Vice Health Minister (VM) Nguyen Thi Lien Huong chaired a meeting on acceleration of COVID-19 vaccination and Dengue prevention and control in Central region at the Pasteur institute in Nha Trang, Khanh Hoa province. The VM directed: (i) The regional Pasteur/Hygiene and Epidemiology institutes to continue to support and ensure adequate COVID-19 vaccines to provinces; (ii) GDPM to provide support in solving difficulties and problems that Institutes and localities are facing during vaccination process; (iii) The health sector to provide consultation to City/provincial PC on enhancing communication activities on vaccination [EBS].
- Assessment of outbreak level
 - Localities continue assessing the local outbreak level from commune/ward level (noting that several provinces have not updated their assessment results), as guided by the Government Resolution No. 128/ NQ-CP and the MOH's Decision No. 218/QD-BYT.
 - As of 5 July 2022, there were 9,555 (90.1%) communes assessed as Level 1 (-0.8%); 893 (8.4%) communes assessed as Level 2 (-0.4%); 149 (1.4%) communes assessed as Level 3 (-0.4%); and 7 (0.1%) communes assessed as Level 4 (unchanged) compared to the assessment done on 20 Jun. (See the MOH Link for the most updated information).

Laboratory testing

As of 19 June, approximately 45,253,655 RT-PCR tests (both single and pooled samples) have been conducted since Jan 2020. For the current outbreak, 39,514,229 RT-PCR tests (both single and pooled samples) and during





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the past two weeks, 4,122 RT-PCR tests (both single and pooled samples) have been conducted, increased 147,1% compared to the previous two weeks.

- Whole Genome Sequencing: As of 19 June, Viet Nam has uploaded a total of 5,323 SARS-CoV-2 sequences to the GISAID platform (since the beginning of the pandemic), 209 additional sequences have been uploaded since the last Sitrep and of those 205 sequences are Omicron, one sequence is Delta. Of the 3,164 sequences uploaded from 24 Dec 2021 to date, 2,339 sequences (73,9%) were Omicron.
- Currently, there are 403 confirmatory laboratories for COVID-19 by RT-PCR established in country (167 from Northern region, 40 from Central-coastal region, 9 from Central-highland region, and 187 from Southern region).

Case management

- As of 3 July, 5,815 COVID-19 cases (60.1% decrease from previous 14 days) are being isolated, monitored or treated in the country. Of those, 25 severe/critical cases are requiring oxygen (32.4% decrease from previous 14 days), this includes 23 cases in non-invasive ventilation (28.1% decrease from previous 14 days), 2 cases with invasive ventilation, and 0 cases under ECMO. (Source)
- The number of COVID-19 cases being isolated, monitored/ home recovery or treated in the country rapidly decrease, with two deaths were reported during the past two weeks (Figure 4).

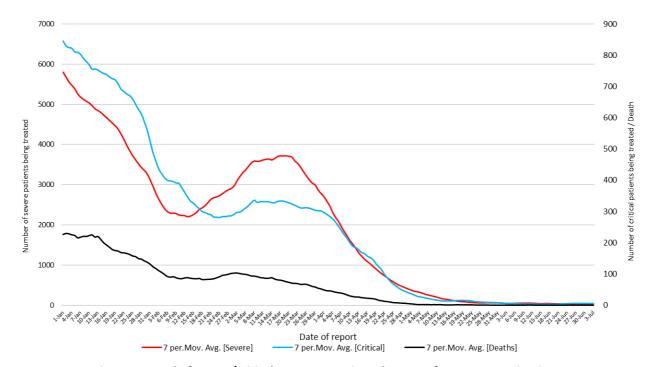


Figure 4. Trend of severe/critical COVID-19 patients by type of management in Viet Nam,

1 January to 3 July 2022 (Source)

Risk communication

- MOH organized a press briefing on 27 June 2022 to address public concerns on the booster dose. In the briefing, WHO Viet Nam's Acting Representative highlighted latest WHO's latest recommendations and the safety and benefits of booster doses against COVID-19.
- WHO also responded to media queries and provided public health advice on the Omicron sublineages BA.4 and BA.5.
- Timely advice and guidance to the public from MOH and WHO are available in multiple channels and can also be
 accessed in the MOH Facebook page: <u>VNM MOH Sức khỏe Việt Nam</u> as well as WHO Facebook page: <u>World Health</u>
 <u>Organization Viet Nam.</u> WHO also published new content on COVID-19 vaccination, under the joint UNICEF-MOHWHO Safe Journeys campaign.





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WHO's support

WHO continues to support the MOH in various technical areas, such as providing technical advice with scientific evidence of sustained management of COVID-19; variants of concern (VOCs); vaccine development, deployment and distribution (vaccination to 5-11 years old age group; additional/ booster doses); PHSMs; supporting data management, reporting and information sharing; supporting periodic review and update of strategies and technical guidelines including surveillance, testing, outbreak level assessment, quarantine, PHSMs in the context of reopening socioeconomic and tourism activities; supported conducting after-action review (AAR) and intra-action review (IAR); and effective communication (e.g., reinforcement of preventive measures, media engagement and communications on vaccine safety, vaccine hesitancy); supported development of the National COVID-19 Prevention and Control Program, 2022-2023 which was issued via the Government Resolution 38 on 17 March 2022. Supported review and revision of the national response plan for COVID-19 based on the WHO's newly released updated Strategic Preparedness, Readiness and Response Plan (SPRRP) to end the Global COVID-19 Emergency in 2022. Supported daily monitoring and reporting of event-based surveillance and risk assessment before-during-after the SEA Games 31 which was held in Viet Nam from 12-23 May 2022. Provided comments, inputs and technical advice on the proposed measures for COVID-19 prevention and control in the new normal to be submitted to Prime Minister in July 2022. These measures are in line with the WHO latest version SPRRP and the recommendations from the eleventh IHR(2005) Emergency Committee meeting on new coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic that was held on 13 April 2022.

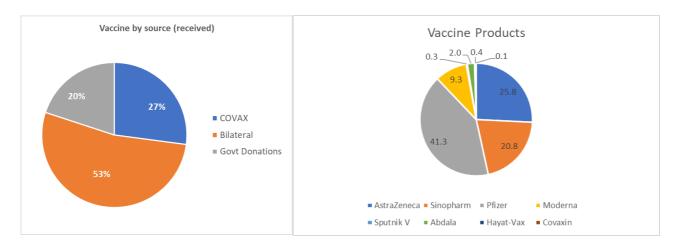




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ANNEX 1 – COVID-19 vaccines supply and deployment as of 3 July 2022



Progress of vaccine usage and vaccination coverage per total population

