



Viet Nam COVID-19 Situation Report #2

30 July 2020

Report as of 30 July 2020, 17:30 am ICT

Situation Summary

Highlights of Current Situation Report

- From the last report (on 19 Jul) there have been additional 76 laboratory confirmed cases of COVID-19 reported; of these 33 were imported cases and 43 were locally transmitted.
- After 99 consecutive days since the last community transmission case reported on 16 April, between 25 and 30 July, a total of 43 newly confirmed cases have been reported from the community. Most of these cases were either related to three major hospitals in Da Nang city or have history of visiting Da Nang (see *Figure 1*).
- As of 30 July 2020, a total of 459 laboratory confirmed cases of COVID-19 have been reported without any deaths. Of the 459 reported cases, 310 cases (67%) are imported, 54% are male, 414 cases (92%) are Vietnamese. Nine healthcare workers have been infected and of these, four have recovered. To date, 8 clusters have been recorded.
- A total of 81 546 people are currently under quarantine. Of those under quarantine, 14 213 are in centralized quarantine facilities, 66 861 in self/home-quarantine, and 472 in health care facilities. Please see *Annex 1* for more detailed key public health interventions along the outbreak timeline.

Upcoming Events and Priorities

- WHO is working closely with the Government to provide technical assistance, as required, in response to the ongoing community outbreak.
- WHO continues dialogues with the Government of Viet Nam and provides support in making balanced decisions in view of the ongoing community transmission, as well as socioeconomic impact caused by COVID-19. It is also important to pay due attention to other routine and priority activities, including responses to other ongoing and potential outbreaks including diphtheria, dengue, etc.
- WHO continues to provide technical assistance on COVID-19 preparedness: strengthening and streamlining existing surveillance system, incorporating multisource surveillance, conducting after-action reviews, strengthening capacities in health care facilities by supporting the updating and implementing of national guidelines and procuring necessary equipment, working with other development partners in preparing to ensure the continued capacity for laboratory testing, support following up a discussion about COVID-19 vaccine issues, and better communication in response to current situation and in case wider/community transmission occurs.

National Transmission Assessment

2-Localized community transmission After 99 consecutive days since the last case was reported from the community on 16 April 2020, from 25 Jul, a resurgence of locally transmitted cases emerged. Starting from a first case (a 57-year-old man) reported via the SVP surveillance from a tourist hotspot of Da Nang city, cases have been reported from five hospitals in Da Nang including patients, caretakers and healthcare workers. Between 25-30 July, 43 locally transmitted cases have been reported from six cities/provinces including Da Nang (31 cases); other central provinces of Quang Ngai (2 cases), Quang Nam (5 cases); to North – Ha Noi (2 cases); to South – HCMC (2 cases); and Central highland province of Da Lak (1 case). Meanwhile additional imported cases continue to be reported (33 cases during the reporting period; 71 cases in past 28 days) among repatriated citizens and incoming experts. As per the Government's policy, all incoming travellers are to be quarantined for 14 days and tested at least twice (day 1 and 14). As the surveillance continues being enhanced from various platforms including ILI/ SARI, SVP, community and hospital-based EBS, investigation and aggressive contact tracing are ongoing, it is expected that more cases will be reported including from other parts of country in coming days.



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Epidemiology

Epi Update COVID-19

Tests	Cases	Deaths	ICU Admissions
TBD	76	0	2
NAT Tests past 7days (TBD % 7-day)	New cases past 7days (-35% 7-day)	Deaths past 7days (0% 7-day)	ICU Admissions past 7days (0% 7-day)
443,286	459	0	24
Cumulative NAT Tests	Cumulative Cases	Cumulative Deaths	Cumulative ICU Admissions

62.3%	TBD	1	0
Imported Cases in past 28 days (71)	Cases in past 28 days with no link (2)	Active Clusters	Active clusters with >3 generations

Health Service Provision COVID-19

Most of national hospital staff	5	76	TBD	TBD
Health care workers trained in COVID19 Case Management	Healthcare worker cases reported past week	Hospitals admitting COVID-19 patients past week	ICU beds for COVID-19 patients	Non-ICU Hospital beds for COVID19 patients

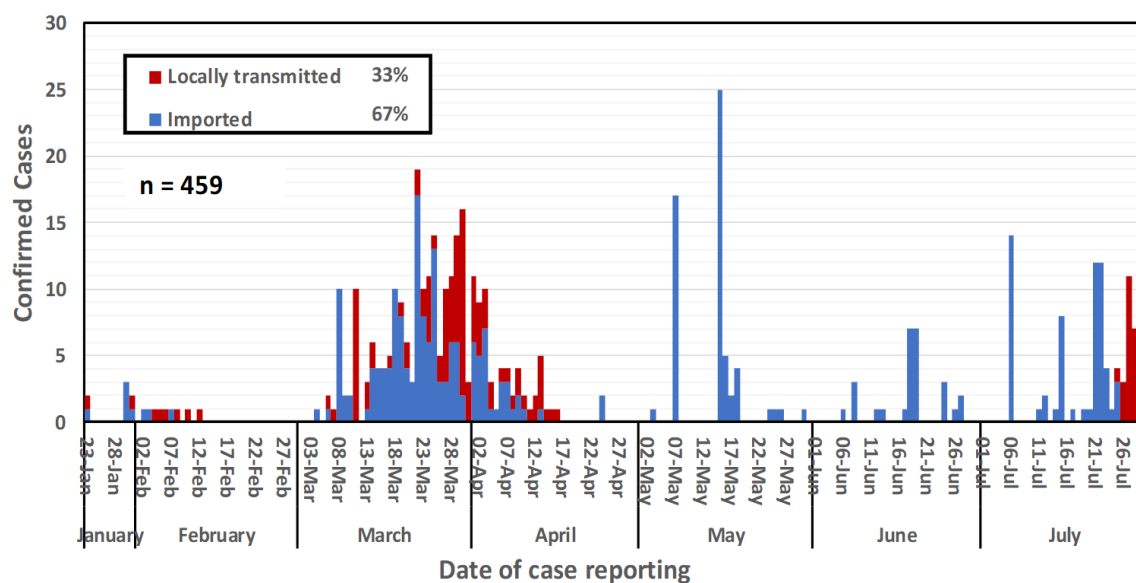


Figure 1. Epidemic curve of COVID-19 laboratory confirmed cases in Viet Nam, by date of reporting

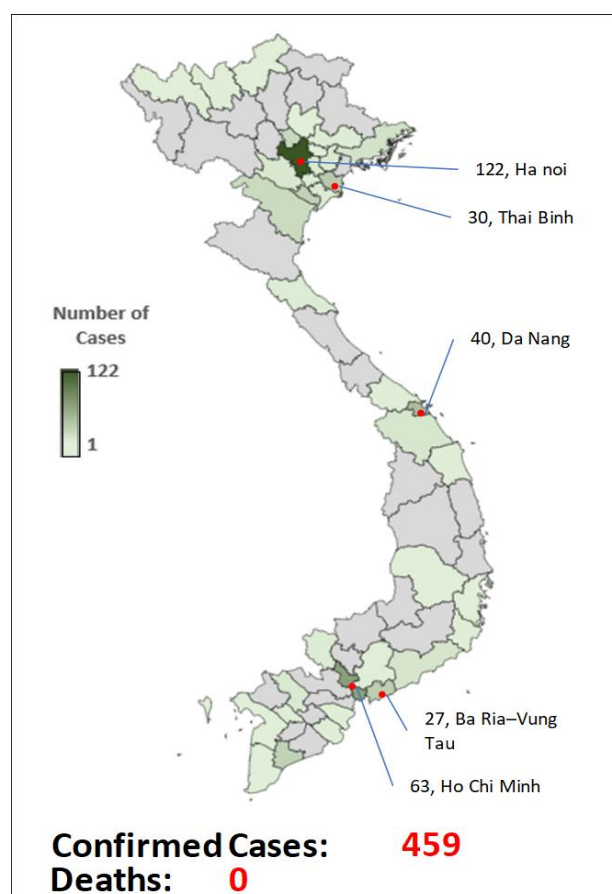
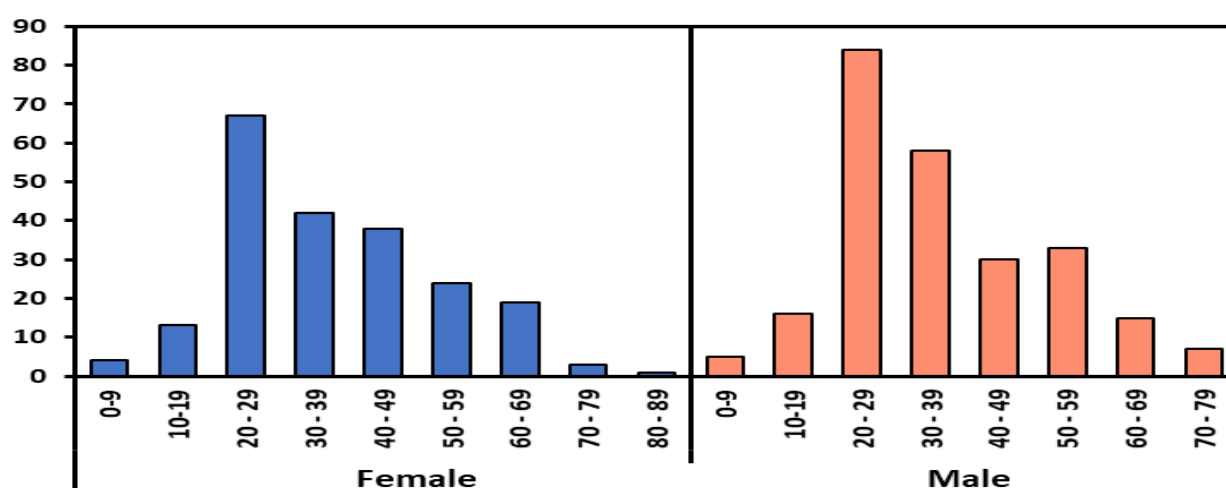


Figure 2. Distribution of COVID-19 laboratory confirmed cases by place of detection in Viet Nam

Table. Cumulative and new (past 7 days) cases and deaths by age and sex

Age group	Female		Male	
	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths
0-9	4 (1)	0 (0)	5 (0)	0 (0)
10-19	13 (0)	0 (0)	16 (2)	0 (0)
20 - 29	67 (3)	0 (0)	84 (3)	0 (0)
30 - 39	42 (5)	0 (0)	58 (2)	0 (0)
40 - 49	38 (4)	0 (0)	30 (1)	0 (0)
50 - 59	24 (5)	0 (0)	33 (5)	0 (0)
60 - 69	19 (7)	0 (0)	15 (4)	0 (0)
70 - 79	3 (2)	0 (0)	7 (3)	0 (0)
80 - 89	1 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Total	211 (27)	0 (0)	248 (20)	0 (0)



Strategic Approach

National and Provincial Public Health Response

In January 2020, the Government of Viet Nam rapidly issued the first national response plan and assembled the National Steering Committee to implement this plan. The National Steering Committee is central to the command and control governance of the COVID-19 response. The Committee is chaired by Deputy Prime Minister Vu Duc Dam with high-level representation from 14 Ministries and sectors, the National Assembly, media, and information technology companies, and oversees four sub-committees in technical and logistic areas. The plan outlines clear roles and responsibilities of each sector and levels of authority – central, provincial, district, and commune. The rapid mobilization of financial and human resources allowed the Prime Minister and Deputy Prime Minister to lead a whole-of-society approach, based on the Prime Minister's Directive No. 05/CT-TTg, toward combating COVID-19, with the principle of "protecting people's health first." The Government's commitment has remained the same in the response to the ongoing outbreak.

Strategic Approach to COVID-19 Prevention, Detection and Control

Viet Nam has successfully and rapidly implemented necessary COVID-19 prevention, detection, and control activities under the strong leadership of the Government and effective multi-sectoral coordination and collaboration. There have been persistent and strict applications of key outbreak response measures: early detection – testing and treatment – contact tracing – isolation/quarantine, along with strategic risk communications. This was evident during the first phase of the outbreak response and continues to be demonstrated in the ongoing response to the resurgence of cases in the community. For years, WHO has been supporting Viet Nam in building and strengthening the capacities for managing disease outbreaks and public health emergencies, as required by the International Health Regulations (IHR) (2005). Guided by the Asia Pacific Strategy for Emerging Diseases and Public Health Emergencies, Viet Nam has made significant progress in enhancing capacity in the required technical areas and all the years of investment are reflected in the country's response to COVID-19.

NPI	Monitoring status					
	Date first implemented	Date last modified	Implementation		Partial lift	Lifted
			Geographical (national or sub-national)	Recommended or Required	Lifted for some area	Lifted for all areas
Wearing Face Masks, Hand Hygiene, Respiratory Etiquette	31 Jan		National	Recommended Required: 16 Mar- 7 May	No	No
School Closure	22 Jan		-	-	4 May	11 May
	28 Jul		Sub- national: Da Nang	Required		
Workplace Closure	1 Apr	1 June	Sub-national	Required	15 Apr	23 Apr
	28 Jul		Sub national: Da Nang	Required		
Mass Gatherings	31 Jan	None	National	Required		7 May
	27 Jul	29 Jul	Sub-national: Da Nang, Hue, Quang Nam, Quang Ngai, Ha Noi	Required		
Stay at Home	1 Apr	None	National	Required	15 Apr	21 Apr
	28 Jul		Sub-national: Da Nang	Required		
Restrictions on Internal Movement (within country)	1 Apr	None	National	Required	15 Apr	23 Apr
	28 Jul		Sub-national: Da Nang			
Restrictions on International Travel	China: 25 Jan; all countries: 22 Mar	22 March	National	Required	No	No
Communities/ hospital lock down	28 Jul	29 Jul	Da Nang, HCMC, Ha Noi, Quang Nam, Quang Ngai, Dak Lak	Required	No	No
Others; specify in narrative: Centralized Quarantine entry people	Hubei China: 7 Feb. All countries: 21 Mar	None	-	Required	No	No



Best Practice/Lessons Learned

The Response Enabling Factors and Adjustments to the Response

- Strong government leadership with effective multi-sectoral collaboration and coordination and successful mobilization of national resources using a whole-of-society approach
- Early activation of a strong response system, including surveillance and risk assessment, laboratory, clinical management and IPC, and risk communication, which enabled Viet Nam's successful control of COVID-19
- WHO supports long-term country investment to strengthen the health emergency response after previous epidemics, and is providing technical support in necessary areas, including the continuation of essential public health services.

Non-Pharmaceutical Interventions (NPI)

Narrative Non-Pharmaceutical Interventions

Viet Nam instituted a gradual roll-out of comprehensive non-pharmaceutical public health interventions based on the evolving context/evidence, thus they did not come as a “shock” to the public. Such interventions were implemented along with strong economic relief efforts, thereby minimizing the economic impact to businesses and households, especially vulnerable populations, during these uncertain times. As the global situation of COVID-19 has continued to evolve with complexity, the country borders have remained close except for specific circumstances. The 14-day centralized quarantine policy continues to be applied to both incoming Vietnamese and foreign travelers.

Given the resurgence of locally transmitted cases reported from 25 July to date, physical distancing measures have been applied in Da Nang City since 0:00 of 28 July. Suspension of non-essential services/business and mass gathering have been implemented in Quang Nam, Quang Ngai and Thua Thien Hue provinces, followed by Ho Chi Minh City, Dak Lak and Ha Noi. Other provinces have requested people who returned from Da Nang to self-quarantine at home. Those who have visited the identified high-risk areas in Da Nang (as announced by the Ministry of Health) should fill up the health declaration form and notify local health authorities for sample collection and testing.

Annexes

Annex 1 – Key public health interventions on COVID-19, January – July 2020

