

COVID SITUATIONAL UPDATE BY COUNTRY

AS OF 9 JANUARY 2022



SINGAPORE BORDER CONTROL MEASURES

For Singapore Residents and Long-term Pass Holders

To minimise the public health risks associated with the border reopening, travellers arriving in Singapore may be required to observe the relevant health control measures such as **Covid-19 tests** and **Self-Isolation and Segregation Measures**.

From 23 December 2021, there will be no new ticket sales for all designated VTL (Air) flights for entry into Singapore until 20 January 2022, 2359hrs (SGT). Ticket sales for entry from 21 January 2022 will also be temporarily reduced. Travellers who already hold a ticket for a VTL flight can continue to enter Singapore under the VTL (Air) on their originally planned date, provided they meet all VTL (Air) conditions. Applications for the Vaccinated Travel Pass (Air) will remain open.

To tackle the COVID-19 situation, many countries have imposed entry restrictions and border closures. Please refer to the [International Air Transport Association \(IATA\) Travel Centre website](#) when planning your travel routes. As the measures imposed could result in flight cancellations and reduction in flight frequency, you are advised to check with your airline or travel agency to ensure that your flight routes are still operating prior to departing for the airport.

- Check the [MFA website](#) for the latest travel advisories to other countries/regions
- Check with the immigration authority or embassy of the destination country/region on the relevant health requirements imposed on travellers from Singapore, such as Pre-Departure Tests to be taken

Singapore Covid situation update as of 9 Jan 2022

Confirmed cases 286K

Deaths 838

4.74M (**83.4%**) of population has been fully vaccinated to date.

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Malaysia Covid situation update as of 9 Jan 2022

Confirmed cases 2.79M

Deaths 31,678

25.6M (**79.2%**) of population fully vaccinated to date.

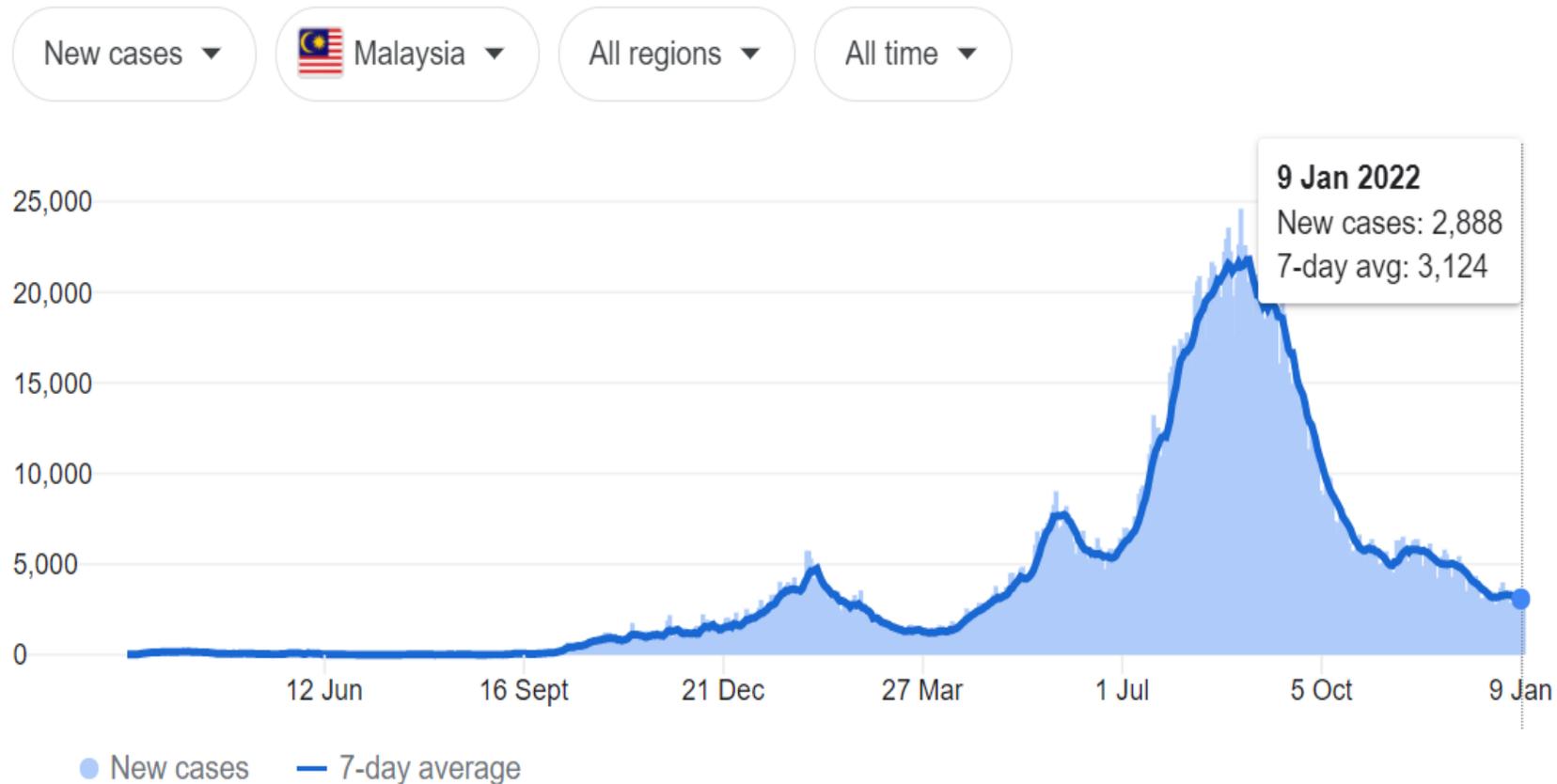
Effective 23 December 2021, Malaysia Airlines temporarily stopped accepting new bookings for all Vaccinated Travel Lane (VTL) flights until 20 January 2022.

Customers with an existing confirmed booking on a VTL flights operated via Malaysia Airlines during this period and who have fulfilled the travel requirements under the VTL scheme will be allowed to continue with their travel plans.

This move is in line with the Singapore government's directive to suspend new bookings during this time due to the growing threat of the Omicron variant.

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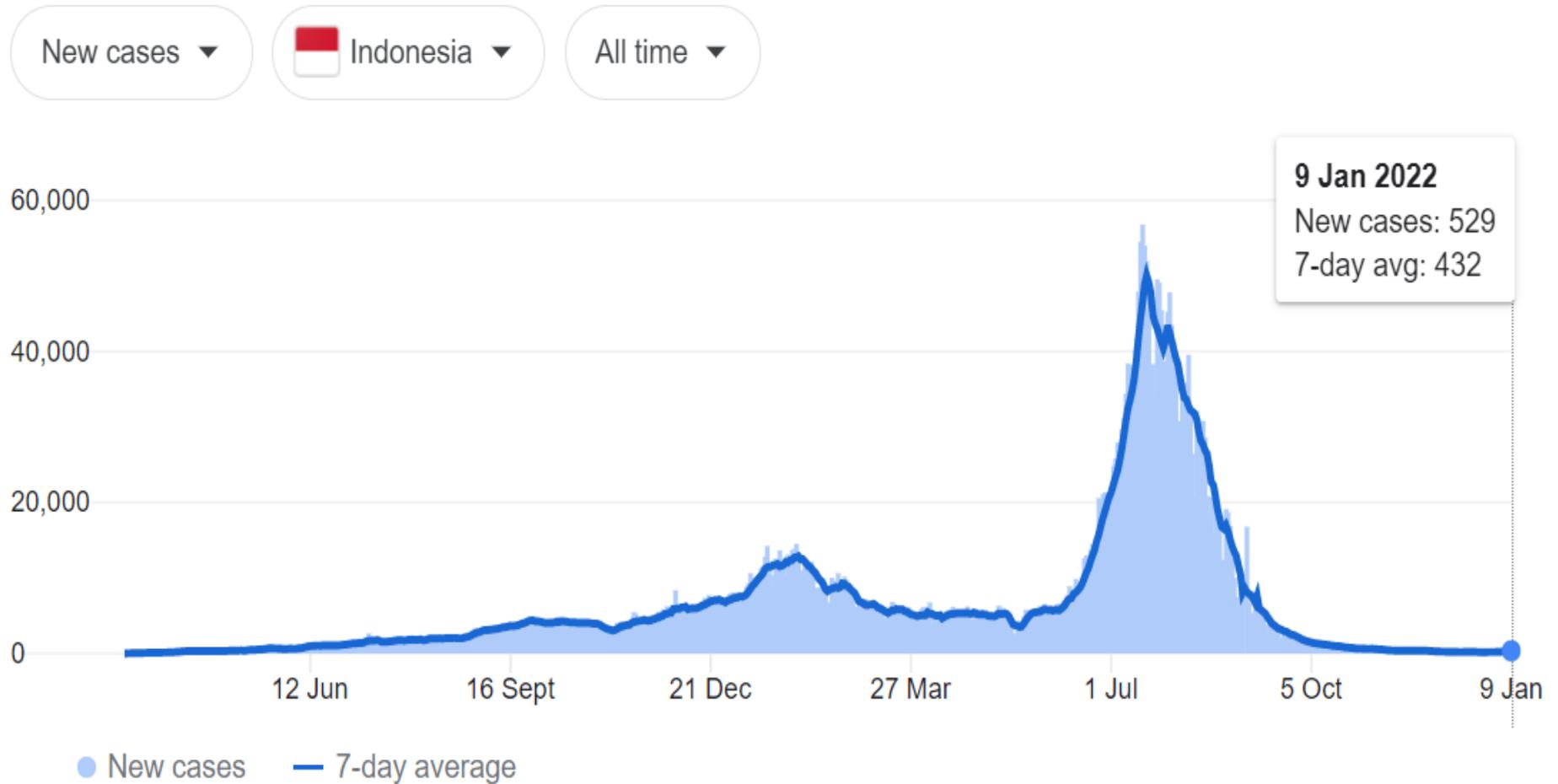
Confirmed cases 4.27 M
Deaths 144K

117M (**42.7%**) of population fully vaccinated to date.

- Indonesian nationals who transit or have lived in the "Omicron variant" countries may be able to enter Indonesia with a **14-day mandatory quarantine**. For other international travelers will have to undertake 10 days of quarantine effective from 2 December, 2021 until further notice.

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Philippines Covid situation update as of 9 Jan 2022

Confirmed cases 3M
Deaths 52,293

52.4M (47.8%) people have been fully vaccinated to date.

- Since the mutual recognition of vaccine certificates between the Philippines and Singapore is still under consideration, BOQ's acceptance of Singapore-issued vaccination certificates **is not guaranteed**. Foreign nationals are strongly encouraged to ask the Bureau of Quarantine (BOQ) or to check with the BOQ counter upon arrival in Manila.
- Effective 3 December 2021, all travellers must secure and present a negative pre-departure RT-PCR test taken within 72h from their travel from an MOH-approved test providers.
- All travellers must undergo mandatory quarantine for 14 days

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Timor Leste Covid situation update as of 9 Jan 2022

Confirmed cases 19.856

Deaths 122

544K (**41.3%**) of population have been fully vaccinated to date.

- The Government of Timor-Leste has stopped the implementation of State of Emergency. The latest one ended on 28 November 2021. Entry to national territory continues to be subject to medical screening. If a passenger is found infected with COVID-19, he or she will be taken to quarantine for further consultation and treatment..
- Entry restrictions apply to all travellers (air, land and sea) and can change with little notice. Travellers must provide a negative COVID-19 test on arrival and be subject to mandatory quarantine at a location determined by authorities, likely at their own expense, and additional testing. Travellers may be asked to provide details on their vaccination status.

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Thailand Covid situation update as of 9 Jan 2022

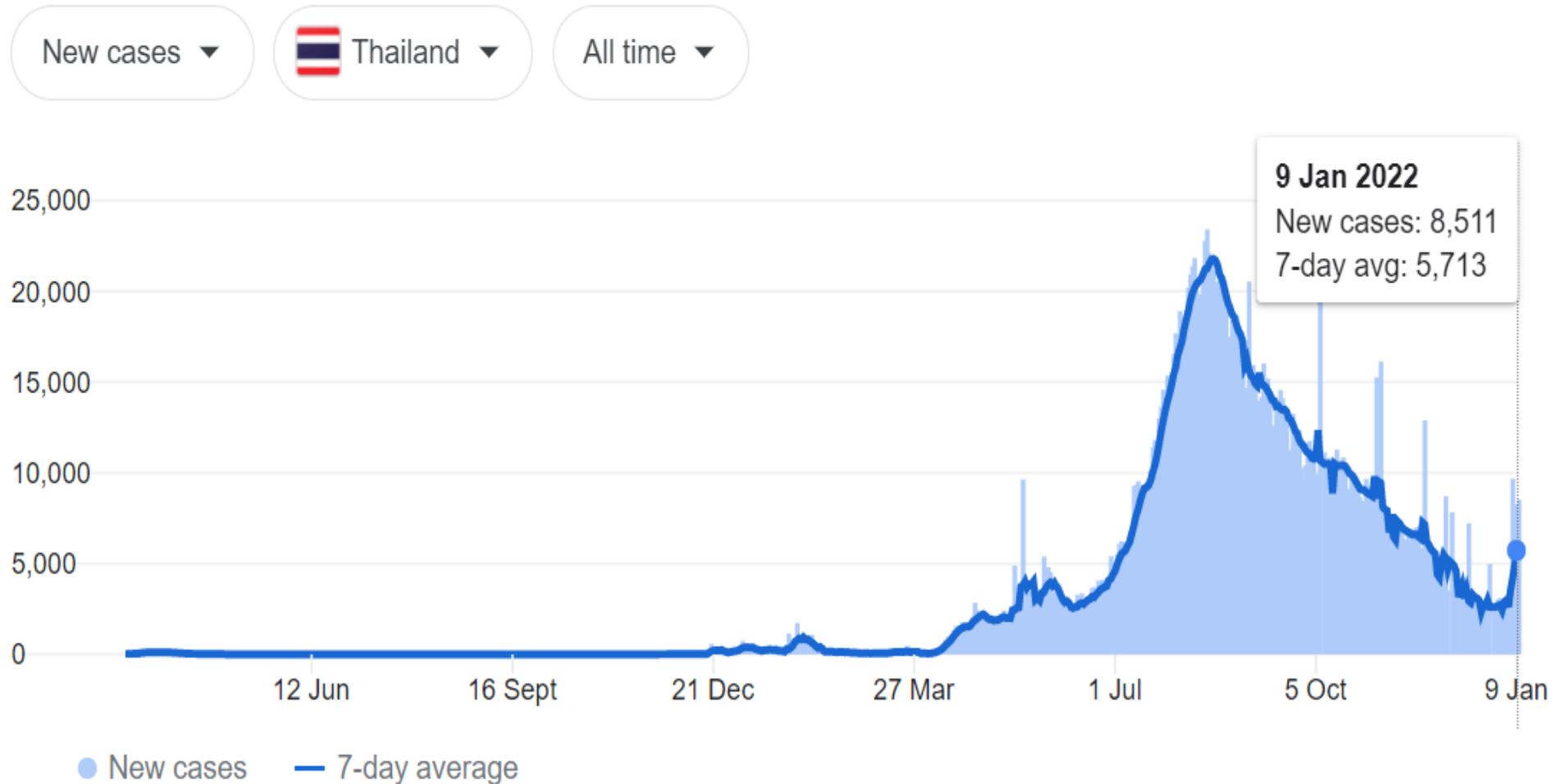
Confirmed cases 2.27M
Deaths 21,825

45.4M (65.1%) of population have been fully vaccinated to date.

- Thailand Pass system has temporarily suspended all new applications for the Test and Go and Sandbox Program (except Phuket Sandbox), starting from 00.00 hrs. on 22 December 2021 until further notice.
- From November 1, Thailand began allowing vaccinated international travelers who have resided in one of 63 countries and territories for at least 21 days to enter without having to enter into a lengthy quarantine.
- They do, however, need to stay in a government-approved hotel for one night while they await the results of their Covid-19 test.
- Travelers who have not been fully vaccinated are required to quarantine in an approved hotel for 10 days.

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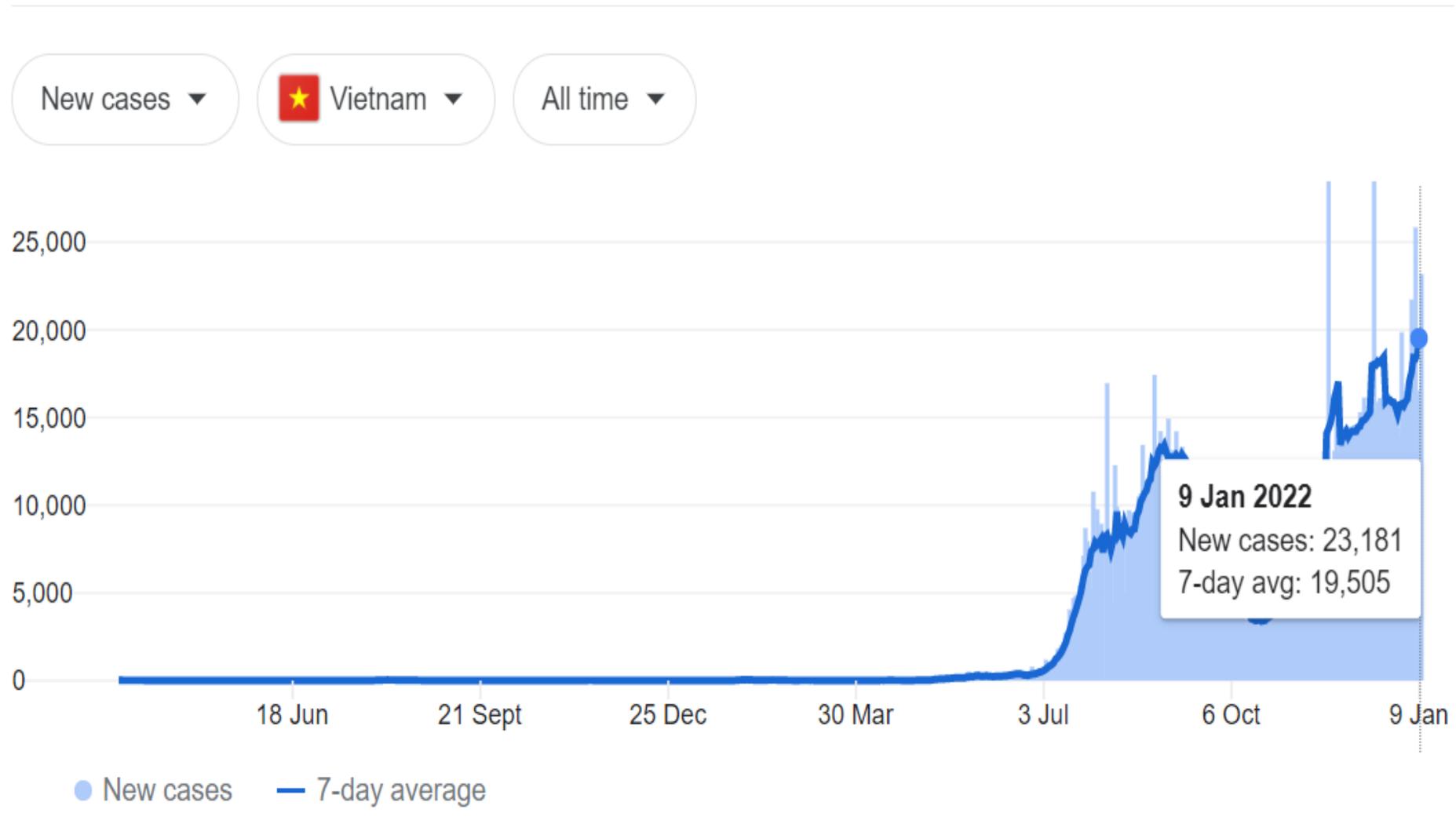
Confirmed cases 1.9M
Death 34,319

56.4M (57.9%) of population have been fully vaccinated to date.

- Vietnam has temporarily suspended entry of all foreigners and overseas Vietnamese via commercial flights into Vietnam. Vietnam may grant entry visas to foreigners with diplomatic and official passports; and certain investors, business managers, experts and high-skilled workers, on a case-by-case basis.
- While Vietnam approved the resumption of international flights with nine destinations from January 1, 2022, only five international routes have been confirmed such as to the US, Japan, Taiwan, Cambodia, and Singapore.

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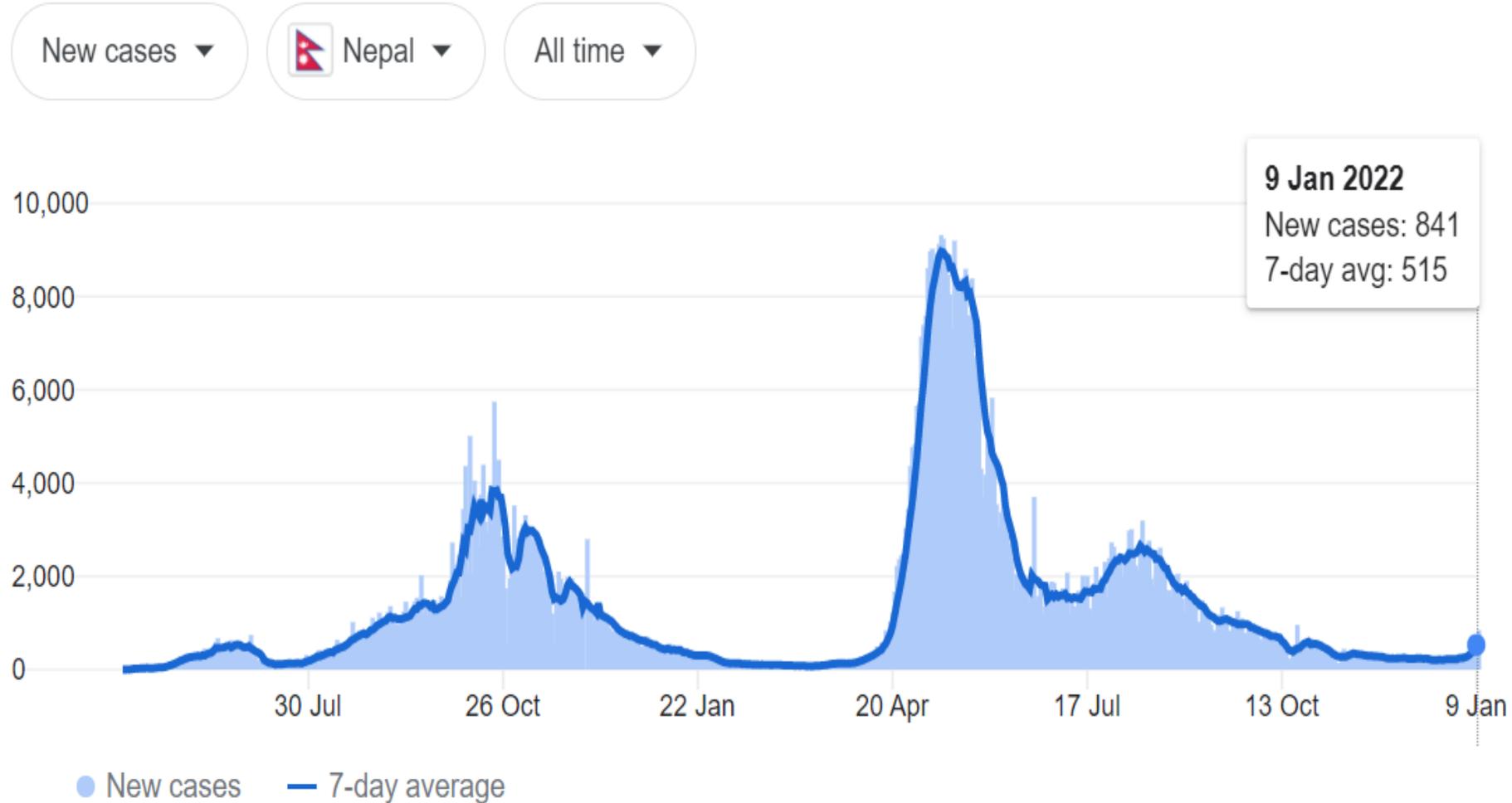
Confirmed cases 833K
Deaths 11,604

10.7M (36.8%) of the population
have been fully vaccinated to date.

- In view of the ongoing COVID-19 situation, all travellers entering Nepal are required to show proof of full COVID-19 vaccination or produce a negative COVID-19 RT-PCR test completed no more than 72 hours prior to departure.
- Non-vaccinated or partially vaccinated passengers are also required to show a pre-approved visa and proof of a hotel booking that allows at least ten days of quarantine in Nepal.
- Travellers are required to purchase travel insurance that covers health, immediate crisis, or rescue for the duration of travel, and complete an online International Travel Arrival form.

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Myanmar Covid situation update as of 9 Jan 2022

Confirmed cases 532K

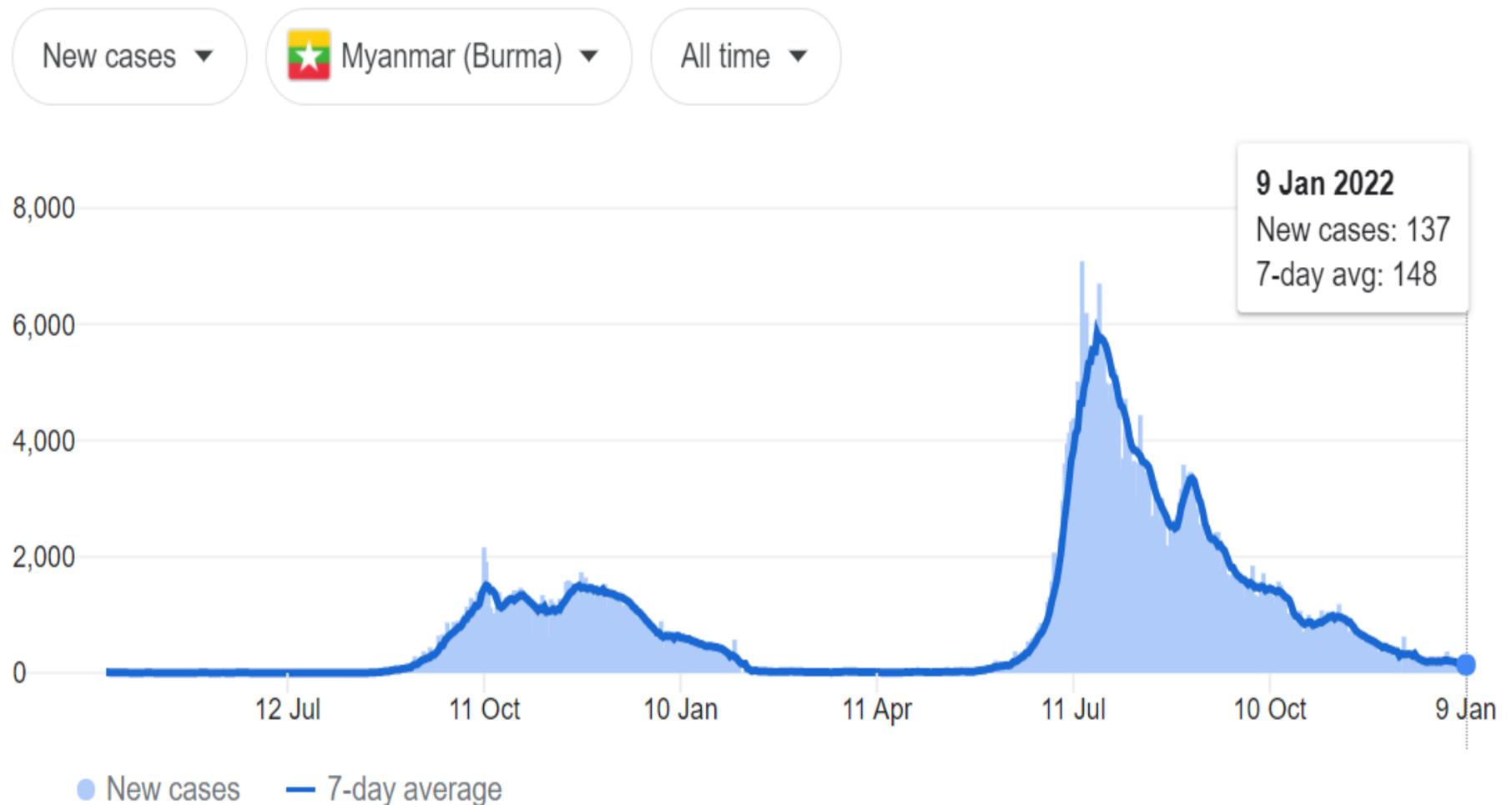
Deaths 19,291

15.6M (**28.6%**) of population have been fully vaccinated to date.

- **Flight suspensions** have been extended until 31 January 2022. [Myanmar eVisas](#), visas on arrival, and visa exemptions are not being issued currently.
- Myanmar is not open to tourists. Myanmar's entry restrictions mean that **foreign travelers cannot enter** at this time.
- International commercial flights to all Burmese airports **will remain canceled until 31 January, 2022**. Landing permissions are suspended except for relief flights, cargo flights, medical evacuation flights, and special flights approved by the Department of Civil Aviation.

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Cambodia Covid situation update as of 9 Jan 2022

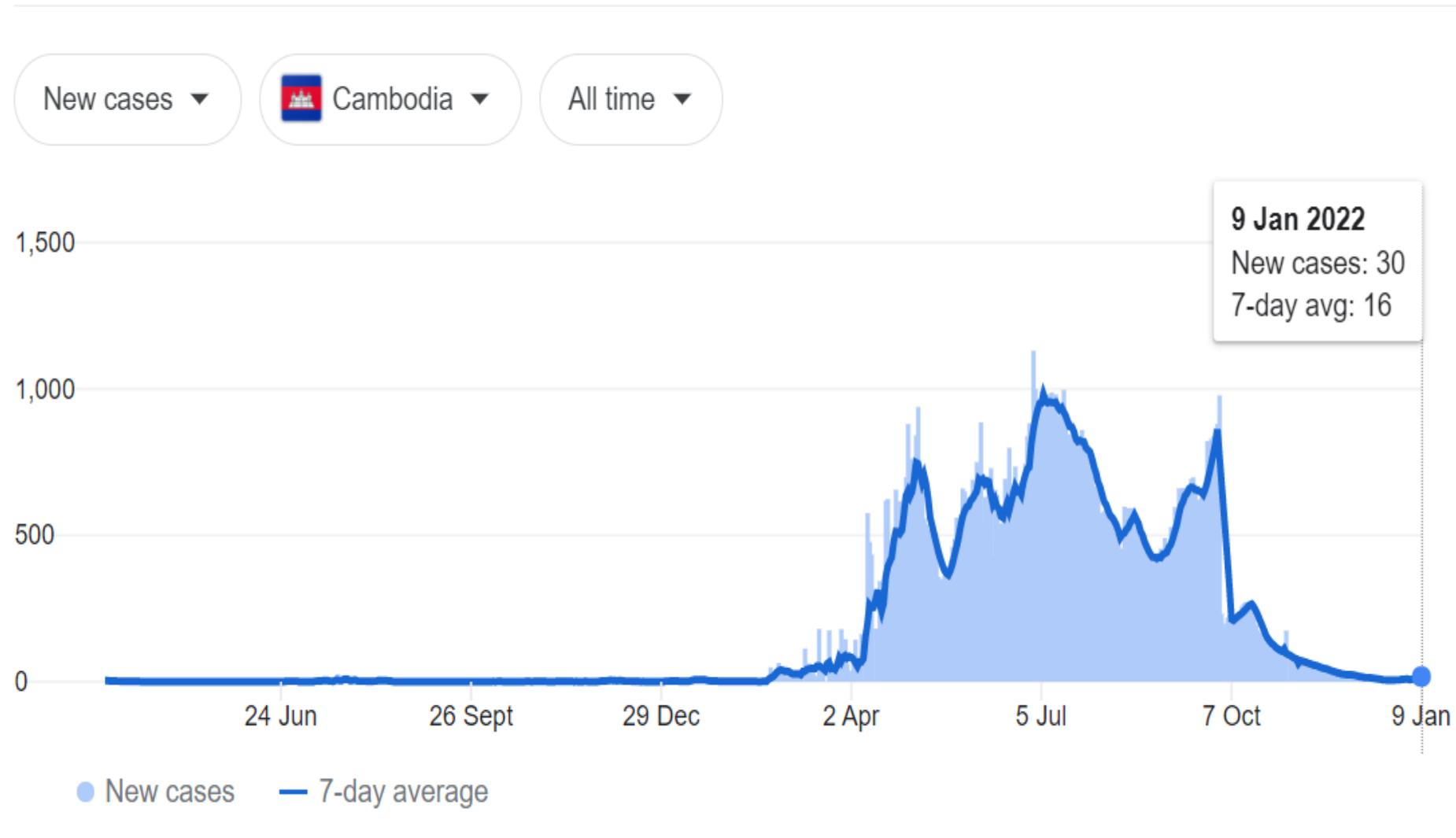
Confirmed cases 121K
Deaths 3,015

13.7M (**81.9%**) of population have been fully vaccinated to date.

- Cambodia has resumed visa exemptions for Singaporeans for up to 30 days. Those who intend to stay in Cambodia for longer periods are required to apply for a visa online.
- Fully vaccinated travellers should present proof of vaccination, including dates and types of vaccinations taken
- Purchase of COVID-19 medical insurance is strongly encouraged, although not mandatory.
- Fully vaccinated travellers will take a COVID-19 antigen test upon arrival in Cambodia, and will have to wait about 15 to 20 minutes for the test results.
- Once a negative test result is obtained no quarantine is needed.

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India Covid situation update as of 9 Jan 2022

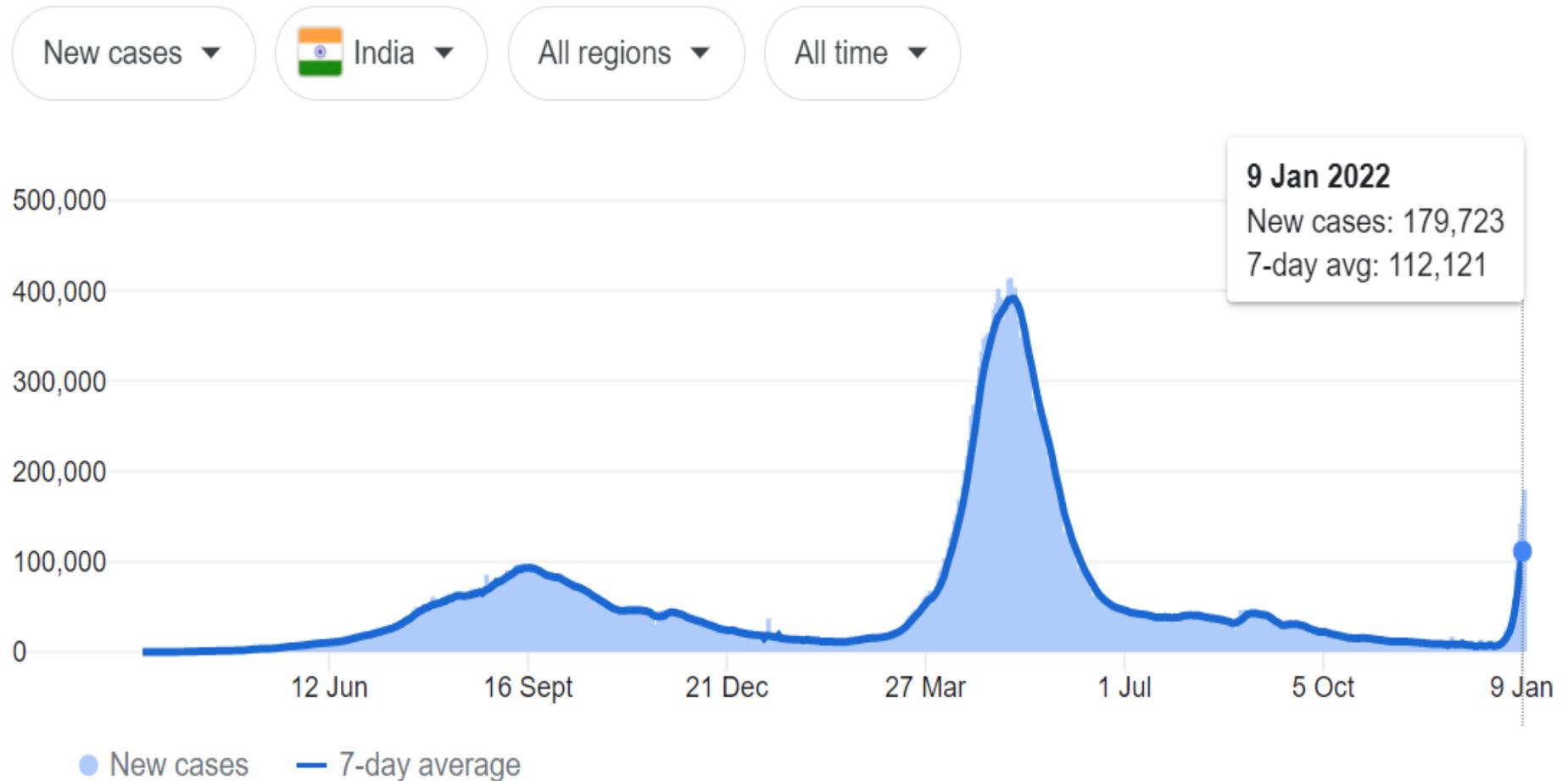
Confirmed cases 35.7M
Deaths 484K

632M (45.8%) of population fully vaccinated to date.

- The Indian government issued the latest advisory guidance for international travel to India that mandates all travellers to undergo home quarantine for seven days and undertake an RT-PCR test on the 8th day of arrival in India.
- Since 1 December 2021, India has also required arrivals from Singapore to undergo a self-paid COVID RT-PCR test at the airport and be tested negative before they can leave the airport. Those who test positive will be taken to an appropriate medical facility for isolation and treatment.
- Given that travel guidelines can change regularly, and there may be additional state-level requirements imposed, travellers to India are advised to check the entry requirements imposed by the Indian authorities at the official website of the Indian Ministry of Health and Family Welfare at <https://www.mohfw.gov.in>.

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Sri Lanka Covid situation update as of 9 Jan 2022

Confirmed cases 592K
Deaths 15,119

13.9M (63.2%) of population fully vaccinated to date.

- The Singapore-Sri Lanka VTL was launched on 16 December 2021. Under the VTL, fully vaccinated travellers from Sri Lanka travelling on VTL flights may enter Singapore without quarantine and would just need to undergo COVID-19 testing.
- Travelers must have a negative COVID-19 PCR test result. The test must be taken a maximum of 72 hours before departure.
- Fully vaccinated travelers are not required to quarantine on arrival.
- Non-vaccinated travellers are required to pre-pay for mandatory on-arrival PCR tests at visitsrilanka.gov.lk and are permitted to stay at approved hotels and are permitted to visit approved tourist sites.

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Mongolia Covid situation update as of 9 Jan 2022

Confirmed cases 395K

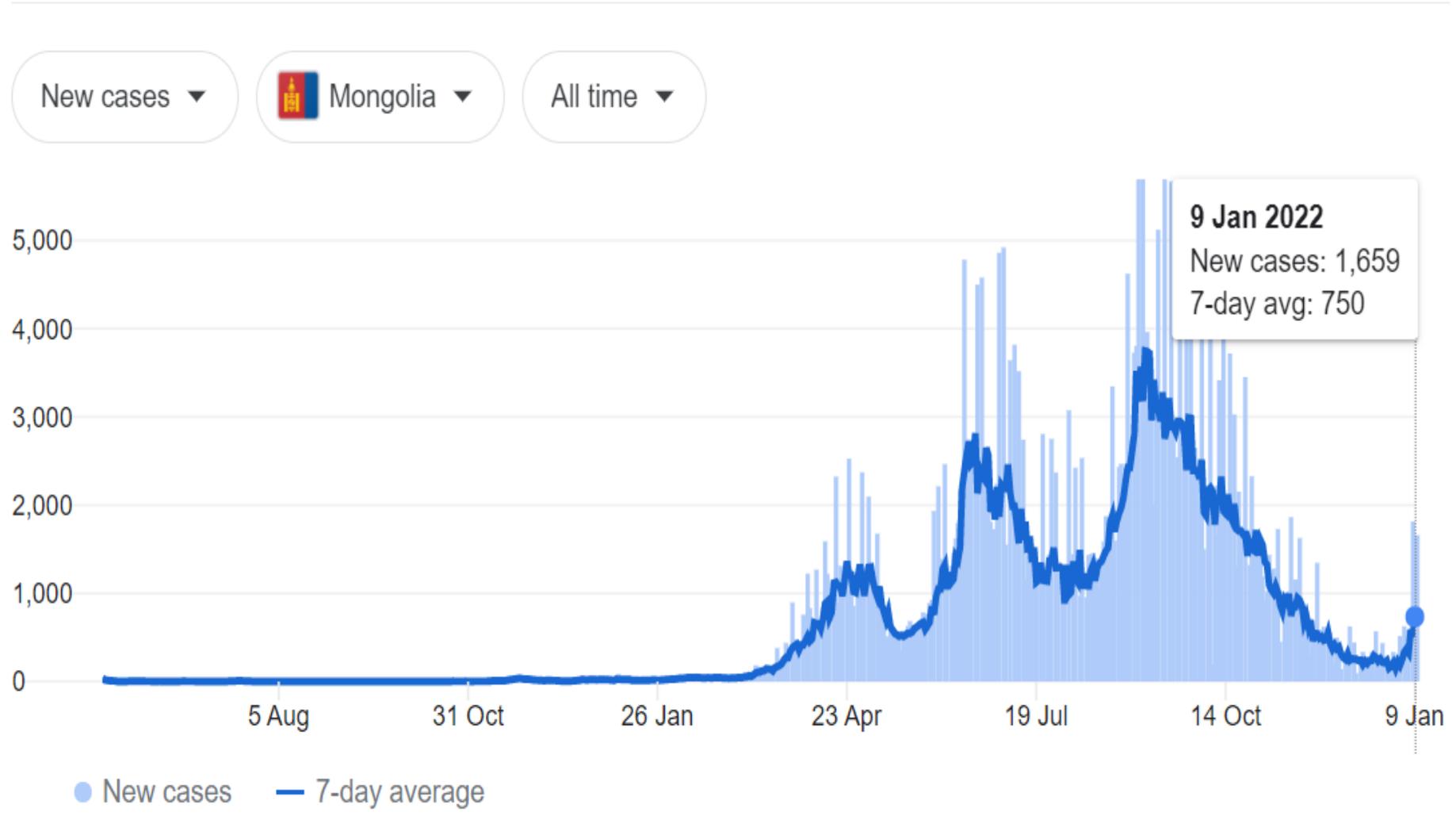
Deaths 2,074

2.17M (66.1%) of population fully vaccinated to date.

- Travelers are allowed to enter Mongolia.
- On arrival in Mongolia, one must present a negative COVID-19 (PCR) test result taken within 72 hours and then quarantine in a hotel for 7 days at your own expense, followed by a further seven days of self-isolation at home. Fully vaccinated persons are subject to a COVID-19 test upon arrival and self-isolation for 14 days.
- Movement restrictions between Ulaanbaatar and the provinces are in place. Current restrictions are in place until 31 December.

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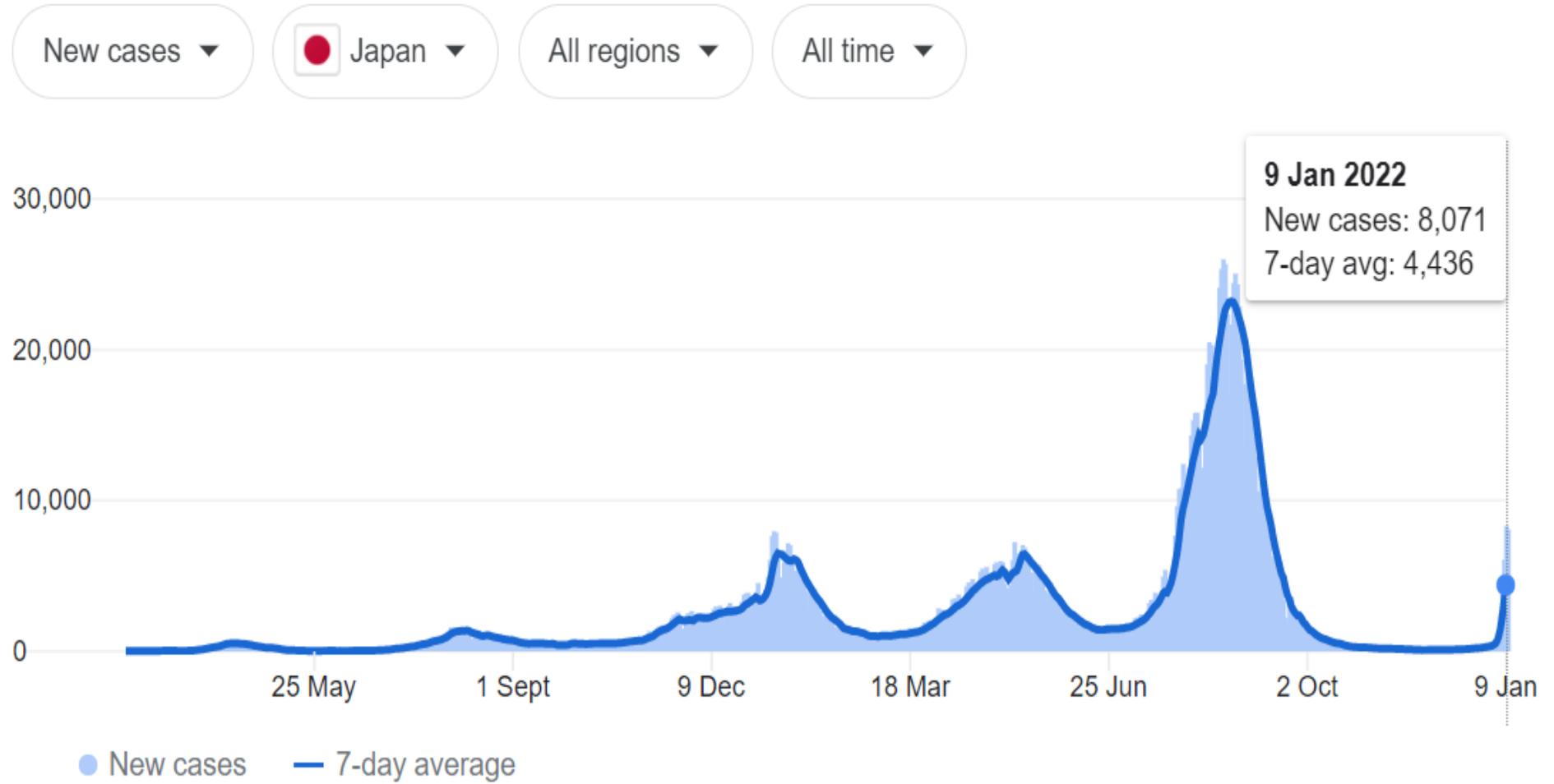
Confirmed cases 1.76M
Deaths 18,399

99.4M (79%) of population fully vaccinated to date.

- As emergency precautionary measure from a preventive perspective against coronavirus variant Omicron (B.1.1.529), new entry of foreign nationals is suspended for the time being.
- It is undecided when regular tourists will again be able to enter the country.

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Mainland China Covid situation update as of 6 Jan 2022

Confirmed cases 103K
Deaths 4,636 (as at 1 Feb)

1.21B of the population have been fully vaccinated to date.

- Singaporeans and residents of Singapore may travel to Mainland China, although travellers are still advised to check the entry requirements imposed by China and take the necessary precautionary measures.
- As China moves into its third year of the pandemic, it is [firmly sticking to its zero-Covid-19 policy](#), ordering lockdowns and mass testing in a bid to completely eliminate the virus.
- Travellers from Singapore to China are required to apply for a green health declaration code with the "HDC" mark from the PRC Embassy. They are also required to upload the vaccination records generated from Health Hub as well as their nucleic acid and N protein antibody test or IgM antibody test results

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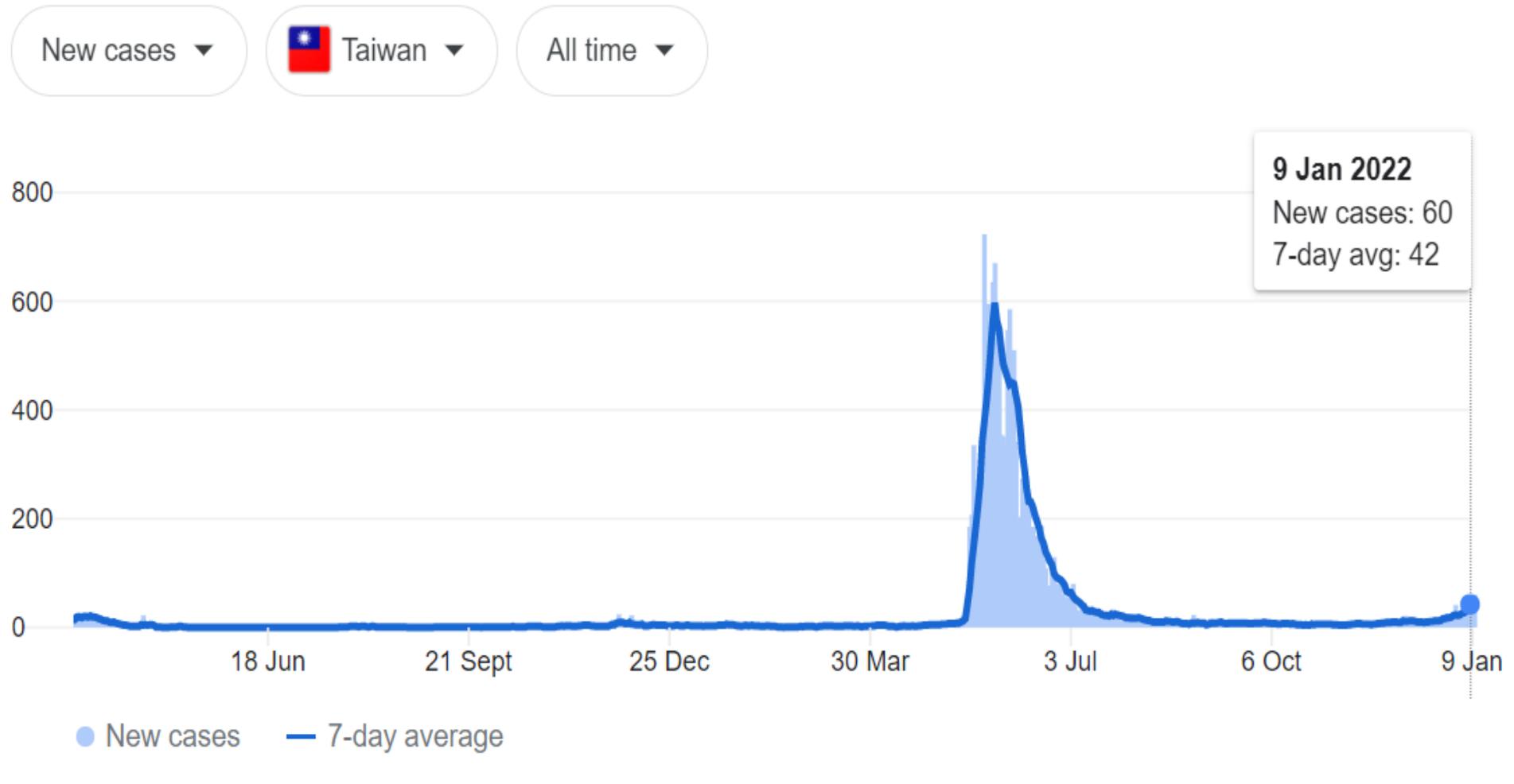
Confirmed cases 17,362
Deaths 850

16.5M (70.2%) of population have been fully vaccinated to date.

- Taiwan's Centres for Disease Control announced a temporary ban on all foreign nationals entering, or transiting in Taiwan with the exception of residents.
- In response to rapid spread of Omicron variant, COVID-19 RT-PCR test reports required for inbound passengers must be issued within two days which is based on specimen collection date
- There will be an additional 7 days of self-health management after the 14-day quarantine.

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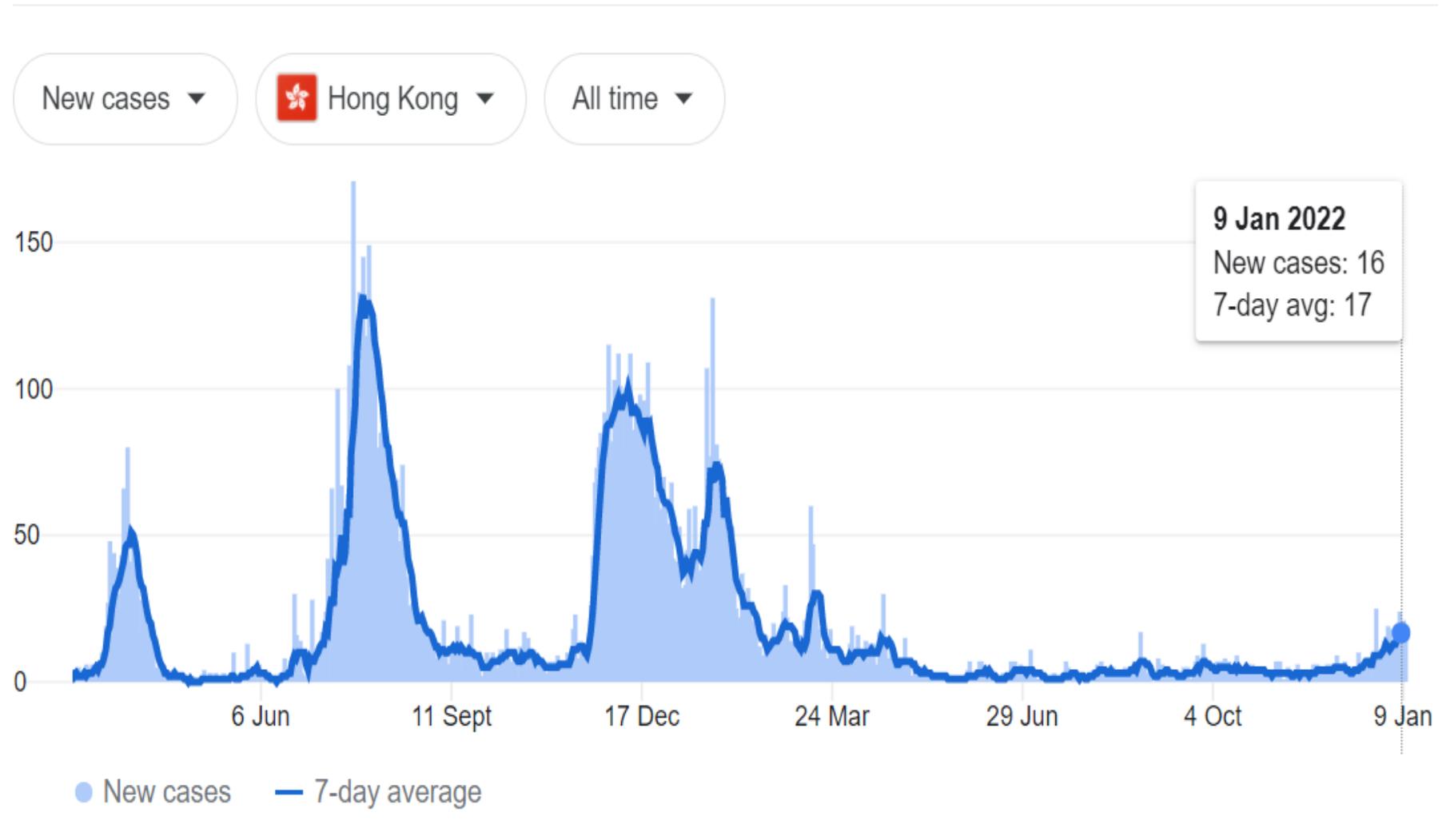
Confirmed cases 12,786
Deaths 213

4.7M (**62.8%**) of total population have been fully vaccinated to date.

- Hong Kong tightened coronavirus travel restrictions to bring it more into line with the Chinese mainland,
- Hong Kong residents and non-Hong Kong Residents who have been fully vaccinated will undergo compulsory quarantine for 14 days in a designated quarantine hotel. They will have to undergo four tests during compulsory quarantine and self-monitor for the subsequent seven days.
- Non-Hong Kong residents travelling from Singapore, and who have not been fully vaccinated, are not allowed to board flights for Hong Kong.

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Summary as of 9 January 2022

Based on the current spread of Covid 19 and the rise of the Omicron virus in the various regions, the following observations have been made:

- In living with Covid-19, Singapore has taken concerted steps to open travel lanes with more places where people can travel to and from without quarantine. However, the government has now had to freeze VTL travel until 20 January 2022 as it tries to stem the importation of the Omicron variant which is spreading worldwide.
- Overland bus services to Malaysia has also been reduced with the current freeze in VTL travel. Covid cases have dipped in Malaysia, Indonesia and Timor Leste, but have drastically spiked in the Philippines in the last week. Singapore's cases too have not returned to pre-September numbers and are hovering around a weekly average of about 750. Although Singapore and Malaysia remain high in vaccination rates, the rate in the other SEA countries remains below 50 per cent.
- In Indochina, the spread is mainly on a downward trend. However, it is escalating in Thailand and has shot up to over 23 thousand in Vietnam this past week. Cases have fallen in Nepal, Myanmar and Cambodia. Except for Cambodia which has a vaccination rate of over 80% of the population, and Thailand and Vietnam with 65% and 58% of the population fully vaccinated respectively, the other countries in Indochina have low vaccination rates for their populations.
- In South Asia, the spread in India has risen drastically to a daily average of over 100 thousand cases, hitting 179 thousand on 9 January. However, in Sri Lanka cases have dropped to a daily average of around 500, this past week. Vaccination rate in India are around 45 per cent for this large population. However, Sri Lanka has picked up the vaccination rate and has vaccinated more than 63 per cent of the population.
- In East Asia, the spread in Mongolia is rising, averaging daily at around 750 cases and Japan has seen a spike to over 4,000 cases daily, this past week. In Taiwan and Hong Kong cases have risen to double digit numbers while in China, cases are averaging below 120 cases daily this past week although several cities have seen lockdowns due to rising Omicron numbers. All countries in the region are doing well in their vaccination exercises.

For detailed information click [here](#).