

# COVID SITUATIONAL UPDATE BY COUNTRY

AS OF 17 MAY 2022



# SINGAPORE BORDER CONTROL MEASURES

## Information for Incoming and Outgoing Travellers

•Under the Vaccinated Travel Framework (VTF), all countries/regions will be classified under the General Travel or Restricted Category and accord border measures by individual traveller's vaccination status. Currently, all countries/regions come under the General Travel Category. There are no countries/regions in the Restricted Category at the present time.

•Updates on Singapore's border control measures in response to COVID-19 can be found on the [ICA website](#). Information on the SG Arrival Card with Electronic Health Declaration can be found [here](#).

•Transit through Changi Airport is allowed for specific travel routes. Travellers who wish to transit through Singapore should check directly with the airlines if their transit route is approved. More information can be found on the [ICA SafeTravel website](#) and the [Changi Airport website](#).

## Travel Advisories and Entry Restrictions Imposed by Foreign Countries

Several countries continue to impose 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.

You may also refer to the [MFA Travel Information pages](#) for more travel information related to the destinations.

## Singapore Covid situation update as of 17 May 2022

Confirmed cases  
1.24M

Deaths 1,367

4.99M (**87.7%**) of population has been fully vaccinated to date.

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# Malaysia Covid situation update as of 17 May 2022

Confirmed cases 4.48M  
Deaths 35,623

27M (83.3%) of population fully vaccinated to date.

Singaporeans are currently allowed to enter Malaysia on social visit passes.

Eligible travellers may refer here (<https://mysafetravel.gov.my>) for more details.

Please refer here (<https://pelanpemulihannegara.gov.my/>) for the latest Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) under the National Recovery Plan (NRP). We urge all Singaporeans to abide by local laws and restrictions; and to adhere strictly to the SOPs.

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## Indonesia Covid situation update as of 17 May 2022

Confirmed cases 6.05 M  
Deaths 156K

166M (**60.8%**) of population fully vaccinated to date.

- From 18 May 2022, all international travellers are no longer required to present a negative result of a PCR or antigen test prior to entering Indonesia.
- Travellers who are (i) not vaccinated, (ii) only partially vaccinated, or (iii) exhibiting COVID-19 symptoms and/or have a body temperature above 37.5 degrees celsius are required to undergo an on-arrival PCR test.
- No quarantine is required for travellers who have completed their COVID-19 vaccination at least 14 days prior their departure to Indonesia.
- As of 6 April 2022, Singapore passport holders can enjoy "Visa Exemption for Leisure Purpose" (valid for 30 days without option to extend) and "Visa on Arrival for Leisure Purpose" (valid for 30 days with option to extend for an additional maximum period of 30 days) at the permitted immigration checkpoints.

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## Philippines Covid situation update as of 17 May 2022

Confirmed cases 3.69M  
Deaths 60,452

68.8M (62.8%) people have been fully vaccinated to date.

- Travellers who wish to enter the Philippines are required to fulfil **all** travel related criteria prior to their departure.
- They must be fully vaccinated and can present acceptable proof of vaccination; [Note: Singapore's HealthCerts vaccination certificate is recognised by the Philippine government.]
- They must present either a negative RT-PCR test result taken within 48 hours of departure, or a negative laboratory-based Antigen Test result taken within 24 hours of departure
- They must fill out the [OneHealthPass \(OHP\) Health Declaration Form](#) prior to checking in at the airport.
- Singaporeans are not required to undergo facility quarantine upon arrival in the Philippines, but will be required to self-monitor for any COVID-19 symptoms.

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# Timor Leste Covid situation update as of 17 May 2022

Confirmed cases 22,890

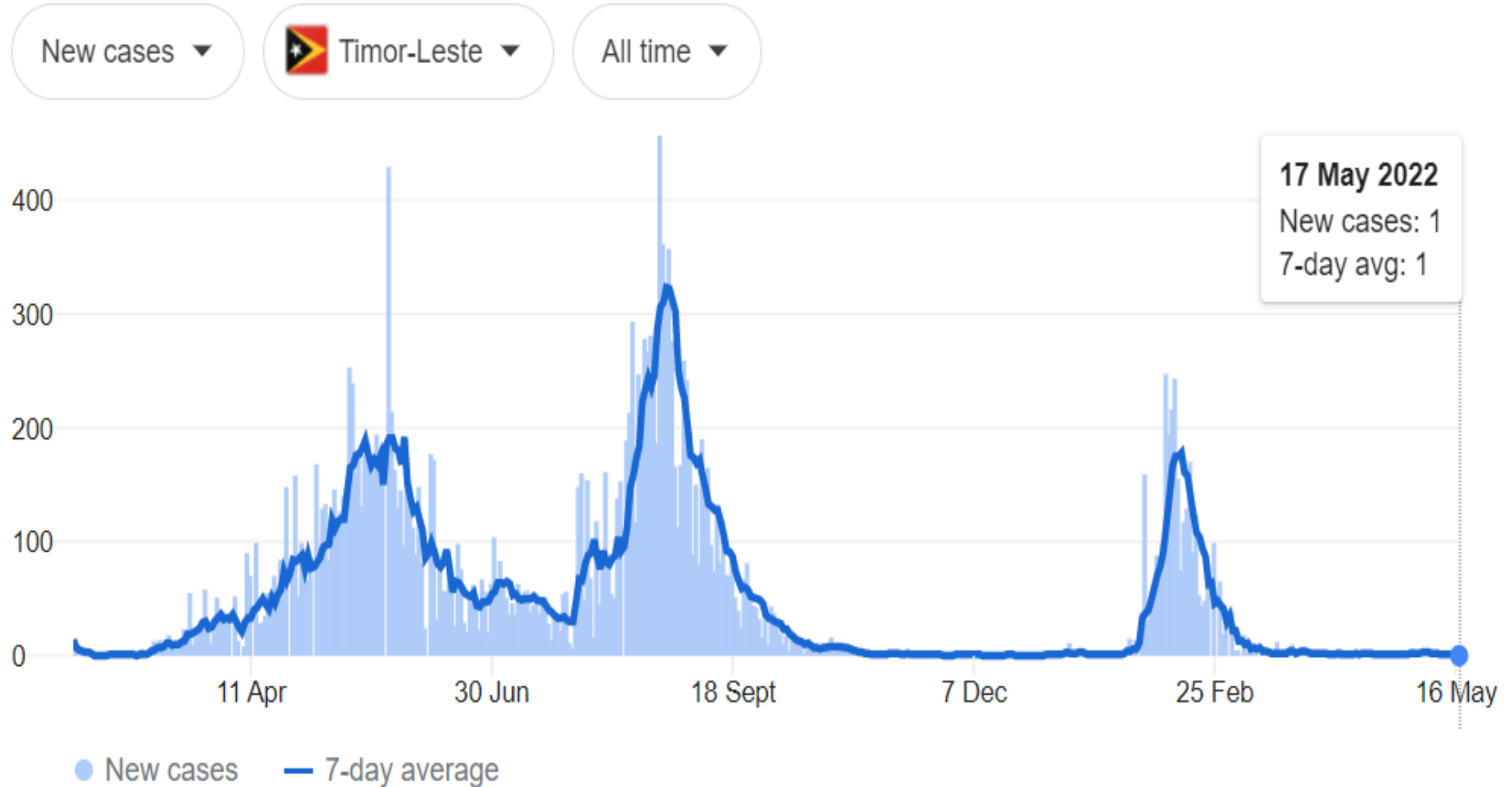
Deaths 131

638K (48.4%) of  
population have been  
fully vaccinated to date.

- Travellers to Timor-Leste no longer require a letter of authorisation to enter Timor-Leste
- All travellers are required to present an international certificate of COVID-19 vaccination upon arrival.
- Travellers who are not fully vaccinated shall undertake 10 days of mandatory quarantine designated by the Ministry of Health.
- Singaporeans may obtain a visa-on-arrival in Timor-Leste (at Dili's Presidente Nicolau Lobato International Airport or Dili Sea Port) for a stay of up to 30 days.

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## Thailand Covid situation update as of 17 May 2022

Confirmed cases 4.39M  
Deaths 29,595

51.9M (74.4%) of population have been fully vaccinated to date.

- Travellers may apply for entry to Thailand via the online “Thailand Pass” system (<http://tp.consular.go.th>) under the following schemes:

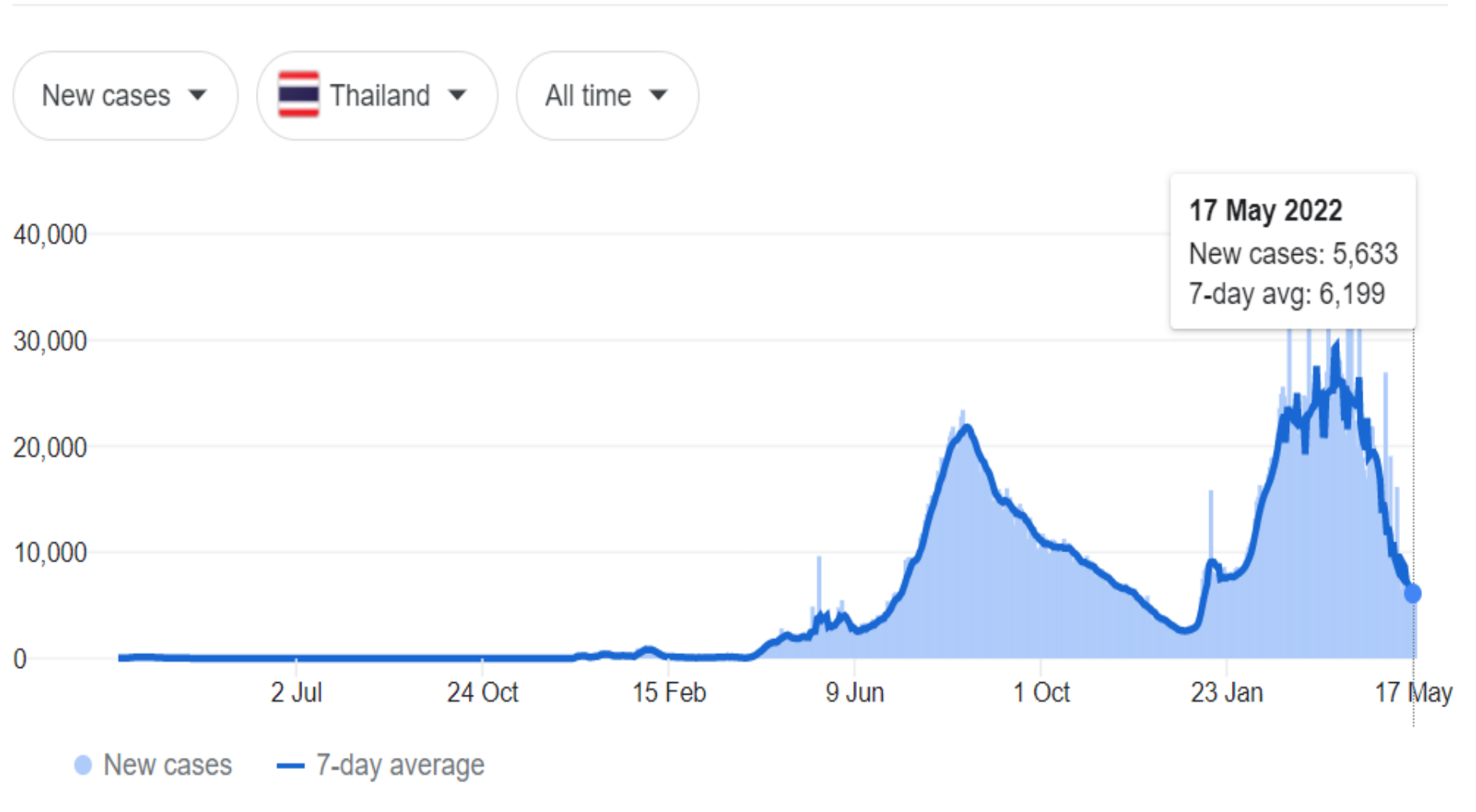
a. Exemption from Quarantine (Test and Go) scheme for vaccinated travellers from any country. Travellers are free to travel to any part of Thailand after testing negative from their on-arrival PCR test.

b. Sandbox Programmes for vaccinated travellers from any country. Travellers intending to travel to other parts of Thailand after testing negative from their on-arrival PCR test must stay at least the first 7 days (nights) within the Sandbox destination/s.

- COVID-19 insurance is essential for the protection of passengers in the event of an emergency situation relating to Covid-19 occurring within Thailand. If a traveler is infected with the virus It will cover all of a traveler’s medical expenses, including medicines, treatments, and professional care, as well as transportation.

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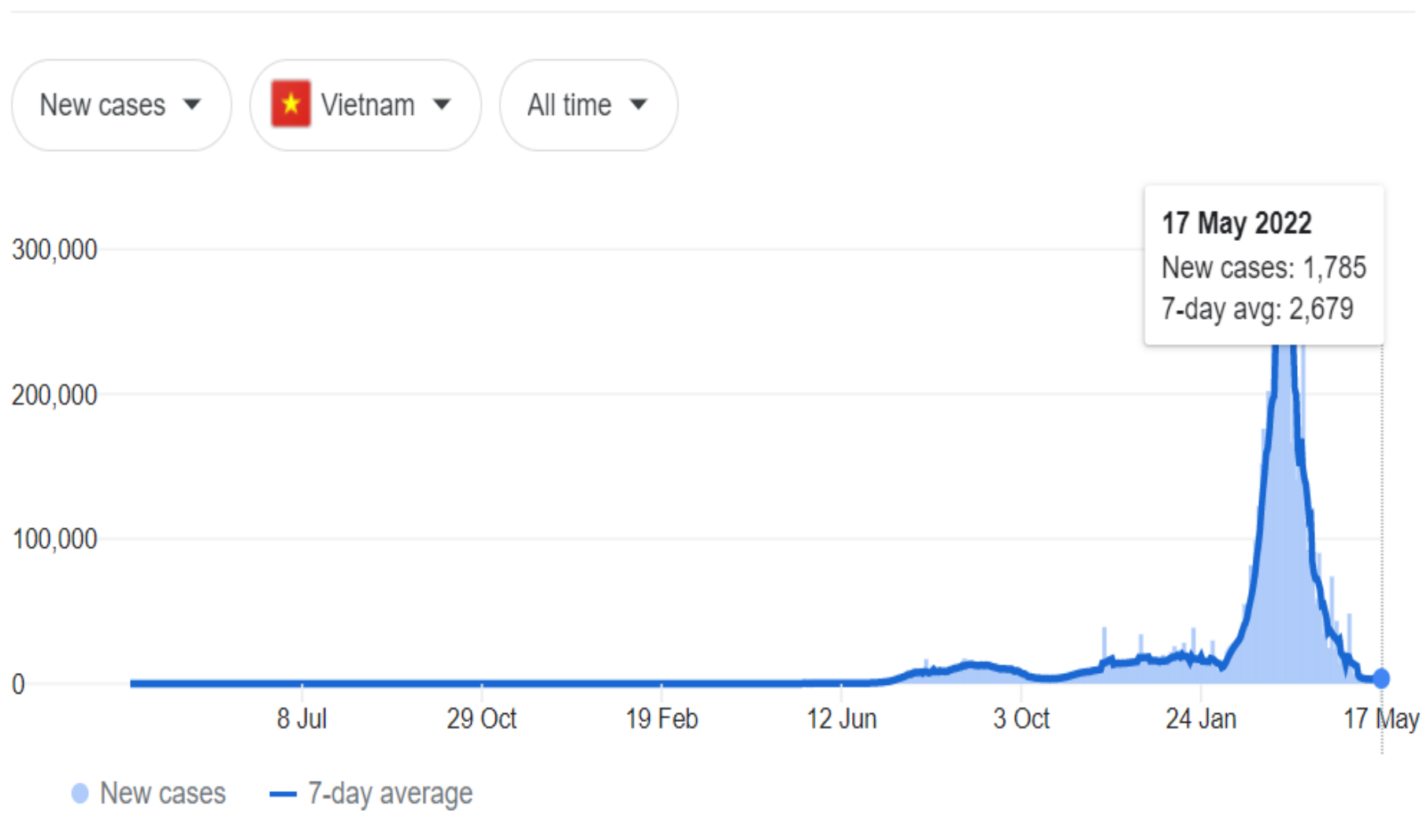
Confirmed cases 10.7M  
Death 43,071

78.7M (**80.8%**) of population have been fully vaccinated to date.

- The Vietnam government has reinstated its pre-COVID-19 visa policies. Under these visa policies, Singaporeans can enter Vietnam without visa for up to 30 days.
- Travellers to Vietnam must comply with all local health and immigration regulations, which include: (i) download and use Vietnam's COVID-19 mobile application (PC-COVID) while in Vietnam; and (ii) monitor health for 10 days after entry and report to local health authorities if COVID-19 symptoms arise. There is no requirement for COVID-19 tests or health declaration for travellers entering Vietnam

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## Nepal Covid situation update as of 17 May 2022

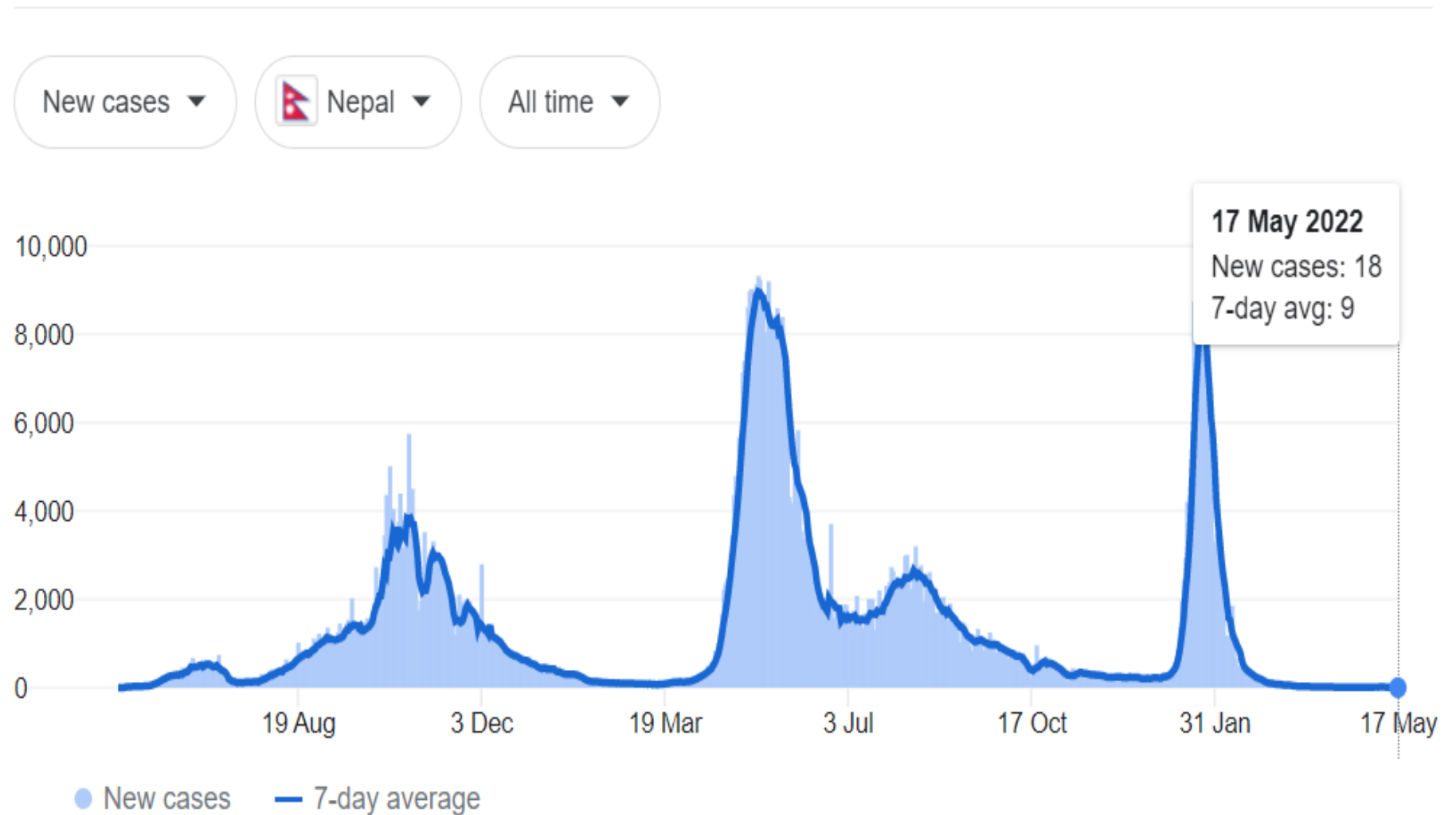
Confirmed cases 979K  
Deaths 11,952

19.7M (**67.8%**) 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 17 May 2022

Confirmed cases 613K

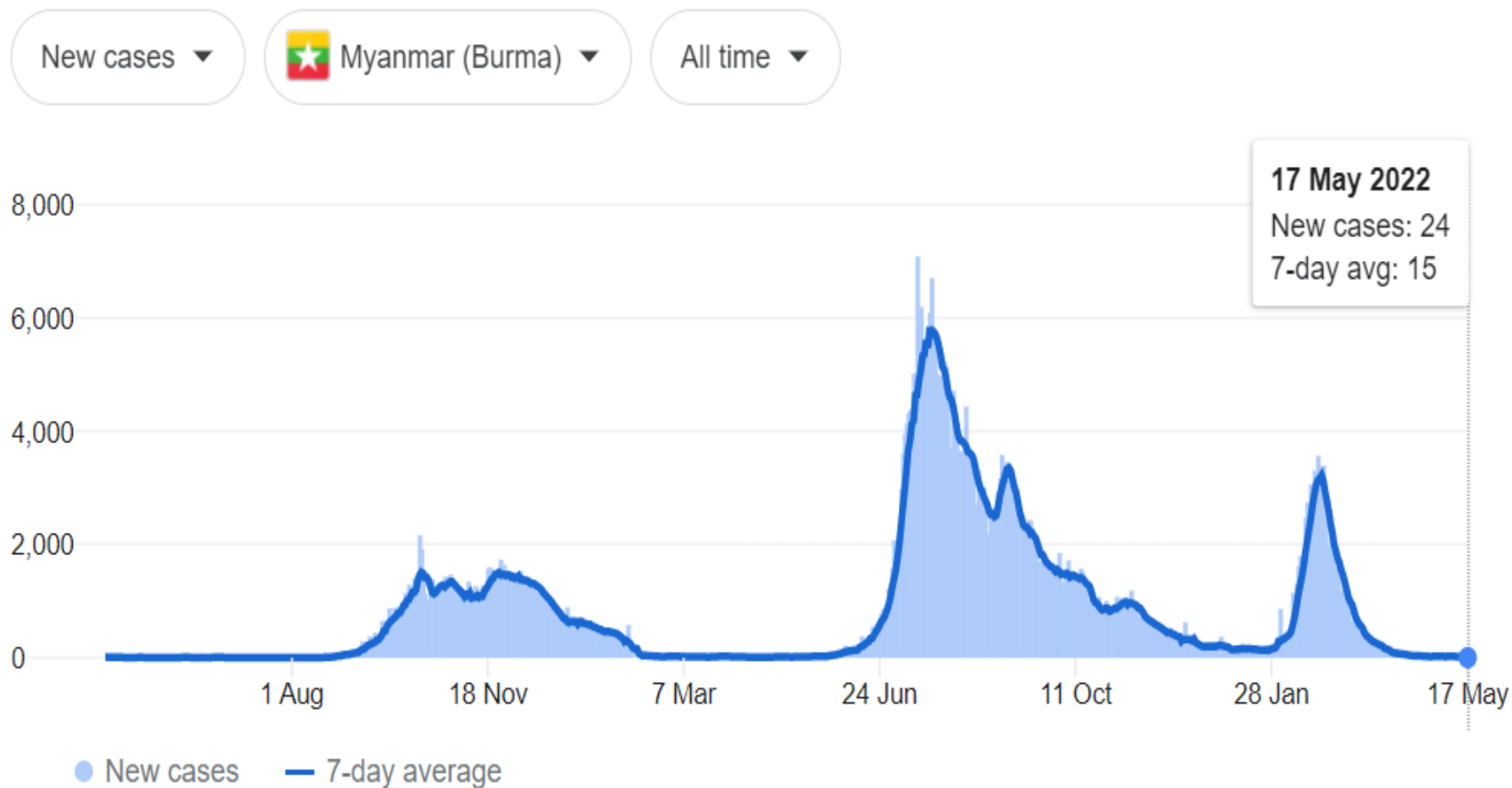
Deaths 19,434

24.3M (**44.7%**) of population have been fully vaccinated to date.

- In view of the COVID-19 pandemic, Myanmar has suspended all visa-free privileges and issuance of visas.
- International commercial passenger flights to and from Myanmar remain banned. Only relief flights, all-cargo flights, medical evacuation flights and special flights approved by the Myanmar Department of Civil Aviation are exempted.
- Myanmar has also closed all land borders to foreign tourists.

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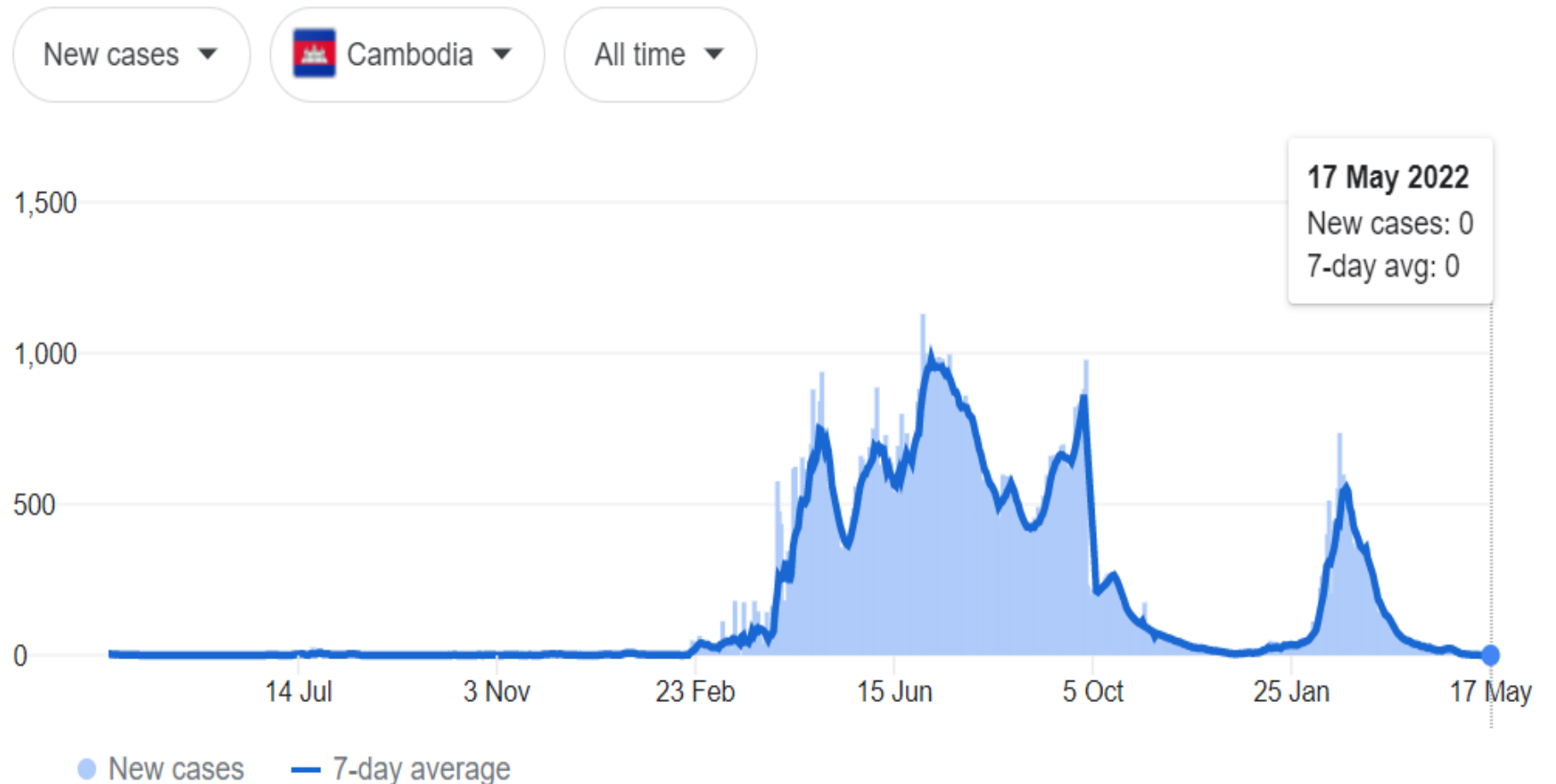
Confirmed cases 136K  
Deaths 3,056

14.2M (**84.9%**) 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 are no longer required to undertake pre-departure or on-arrival COVID-19 tests to enter Cambodia. Hardcopy proof of vaccination, including dates and types of vaccinations taken, preferably with a QR code, must be presented to the authorities upon arrival in Cambodia.
- Purchase of COVID-19 medical insurance is strongly encouraged, although not mandatory.

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## India Covid situation update as of 17 May 2022

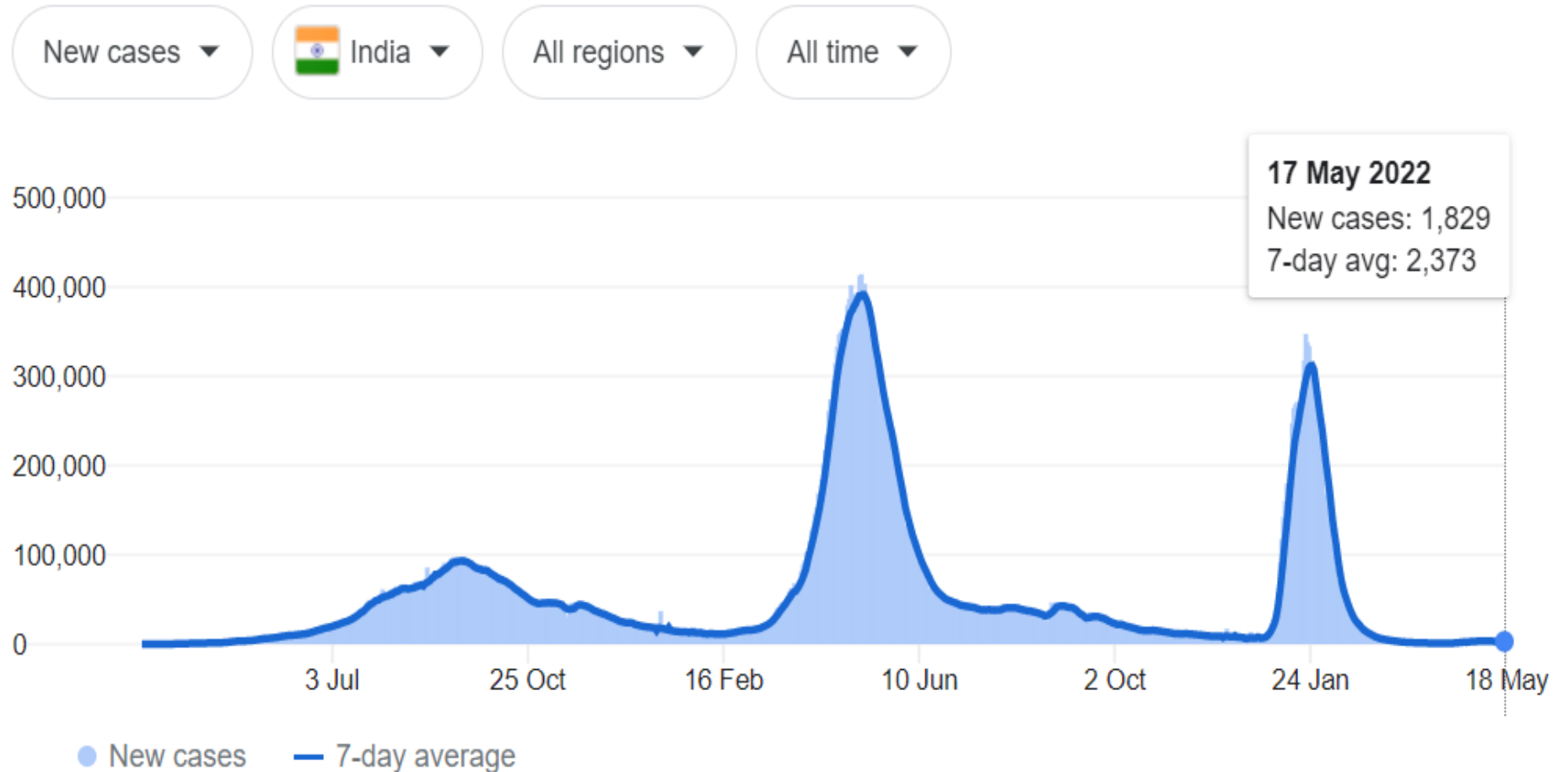
Confirmed cases 43.1M  
Deaths 525K

877M (63.6%) of population fully vaccinated to date.

- Travellers from Singapore will be able to fly into India without having to serve quarantine, thus reinstating quarantine-free travel for vaccinated travellers between the two countries.
- Fully vaccinated travelers from a country with approved vaccination certificates must provide a vaccination certificate issued in one of these countries to be exempt from presenting proof of a negative pre-departure COVID-19 test result.
- Fully vaccinated travelers are required to complete an Air Suvidha self-declaration form online a maximum of 72 hours before departure to India. Travelers must upload their COVID-19 vaccination certificate during the process.
- 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 17 May 2022

Confirmed cases 664K  
Deaths 16,511

14.5M (66%) of population fully vaccinated to date.

- All visitors to Sri Lanka are to apply for a visa online through [eta.gov.lk](http://eta.gov.lk) prior to departure.
- Fully vaccinated travellers are not subject to on-arrival PCR tests or quarantine.
- Non-vaccinated travellers are required to pre-pay for mandatory on-arrival PCR tests at [visitsrilanka.gov.lk](http://visitsrilanka.gov.lk) and are permitted to stay at approved hotels and are permitted to visit approved tourist sites.
- Non-vaccinated travellers are limited to a stay not exceeding 13 nights, or 14 days.

In view of the current situation in Sri Lanka, Singaporeans are advised to defer all non-essential travel to Sri Lanka.

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## Mongolia Covid situation update as of 17 May 2022

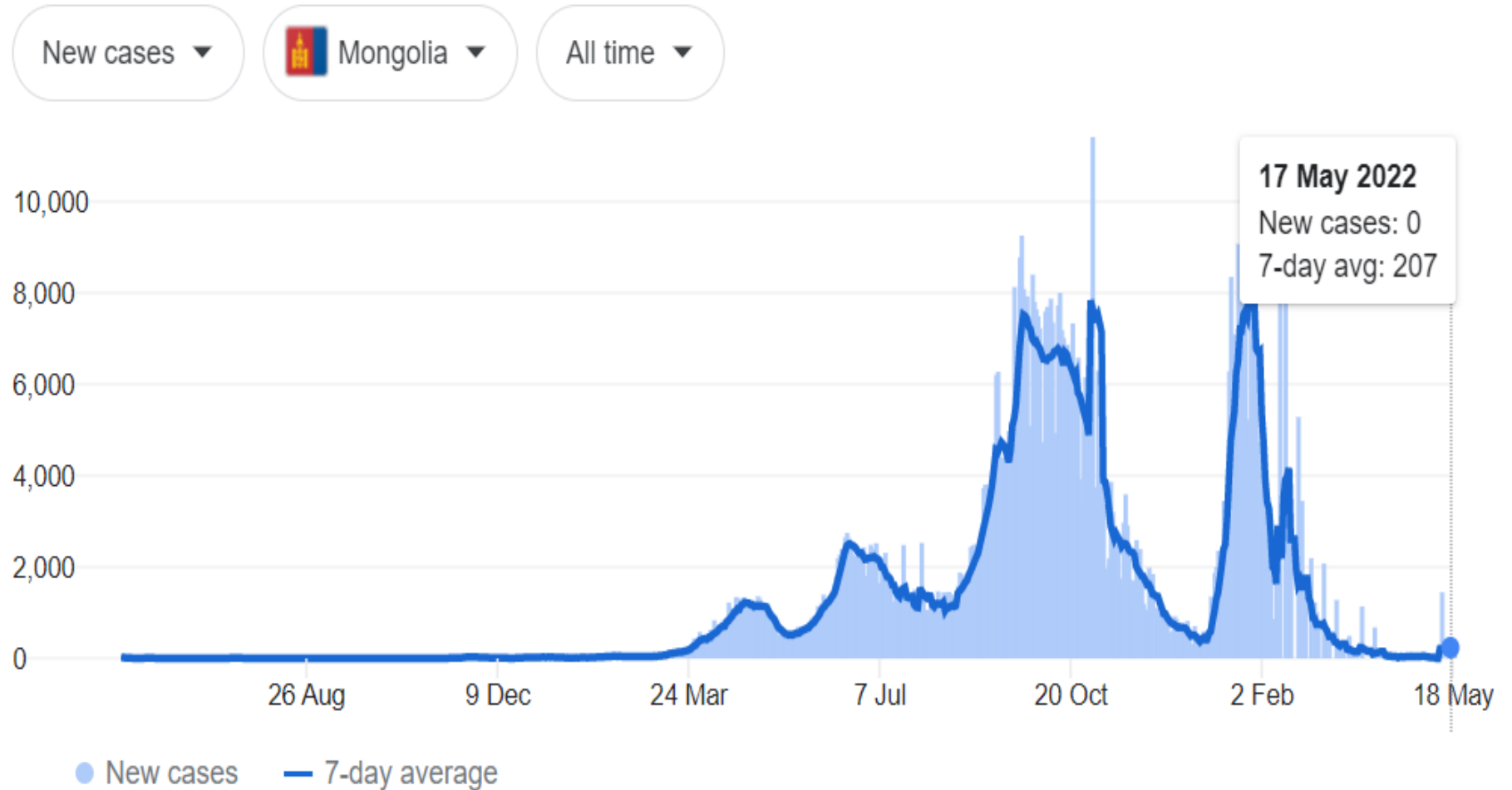
Confirmed cases 923K  
Deaths 2,179

2.18M (66.4%) of population fully vaccinated to date.

- Mongolia has reopened its borders to fully vaccinated international travellers.
- Travelers must have a negative COVID-19 PCR test result. The test must be taken a maximum of 72 hours before arrival in Mongolia.
- Vaccinated travelers must have a vaccination certificate showing they have been fully vaccinated at least 14 days before their arrival.
- Travelers must undergo a COVID-19 PCR test on arrival at Chinggis Khan and Ulaanbaatar International Airports.
- Travelers who test negative are not required to quarantine on arrival. Travelers who test positive may be required to quarantine at a local hospital until medical authorities deem them non-contagious.

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## Japan Covid situation update as of 17 May 2022

Confirmed cases 8.47M  
Deaths 30,176

102M (81%) of population fully vaccinated to date.

- On March 1, 2022, Japan reopened its borders to all new foreign arrivals except tourists.
- The government is planning to further ease the entry process into Japan from June and is considering to reopen the borders to some foreign tourists..
- The approach involves a three-tier quarantine system for arrivals of either zero, three or seven days, depending on the departure country, vaccination status, and a negative Covid-19 test result.

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## Mainland China Covid situation update as of 17 May 2022

Confirmed cases 1.17M  
Deaths 5,218

1.25B (88.7%) 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.
- 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
- Travellers departing Singapore for China must take an additional antigen rapid test (ART) at the Changi Testing Facility two to six hours before departure.

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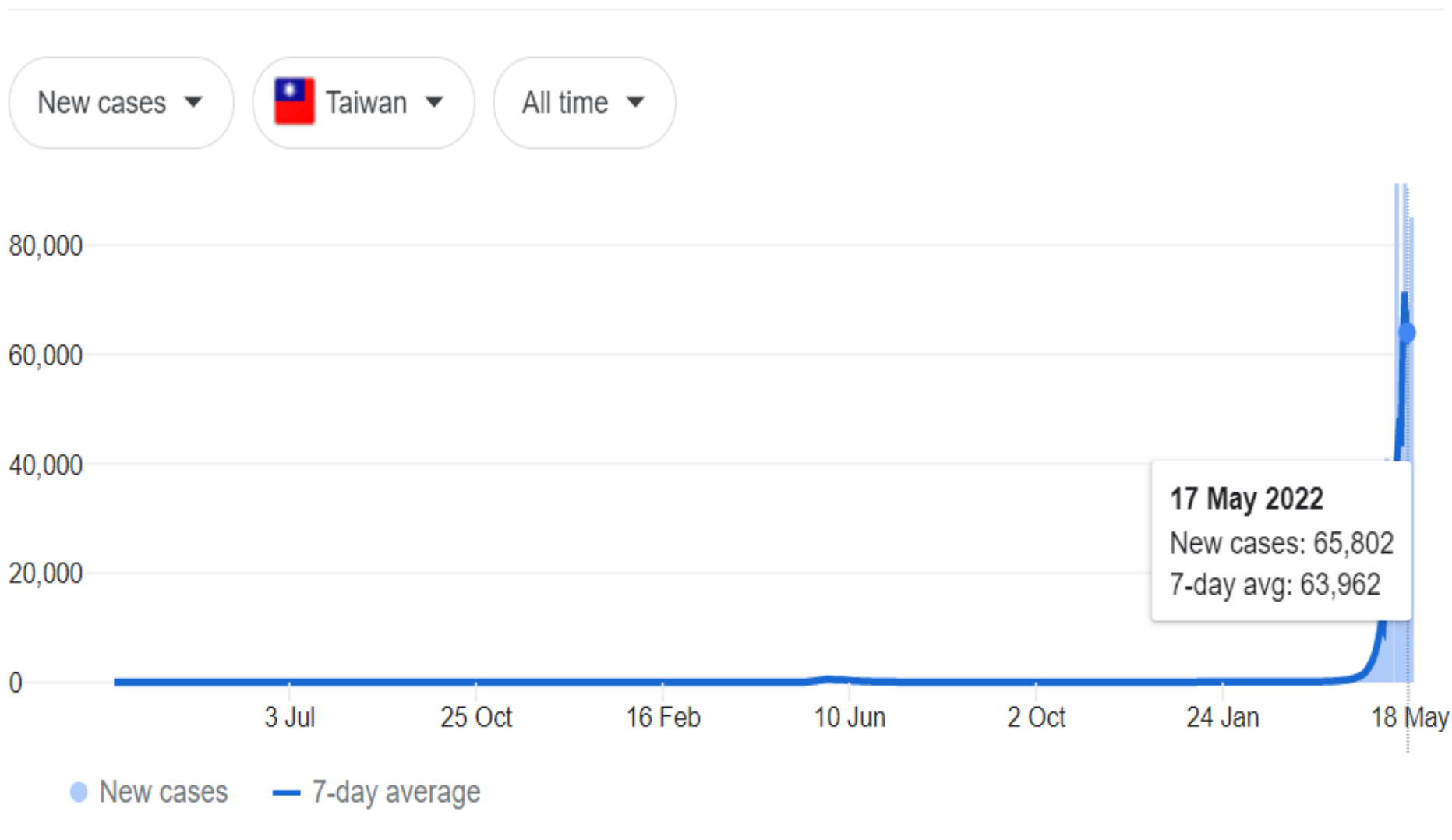
Confirmed cases 981K  
Deaths 1,176

18.8M (79.9%) 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.
- Short-term travellers who are allowed to enter Taiwan are required to serve a 14-day quarantine in a hotel. All passengers travelling to Taiwan are required to present a certificate of negative COVID-19 RT-PCR test prior to boarding.
- All travellers are required to undergo a COVID-19 PCR test upon arrival at the airport in Taiwan and a second test at the end of the quarantine.
- There will be an additional 7 days of self-health management after the 14-day quarantine.

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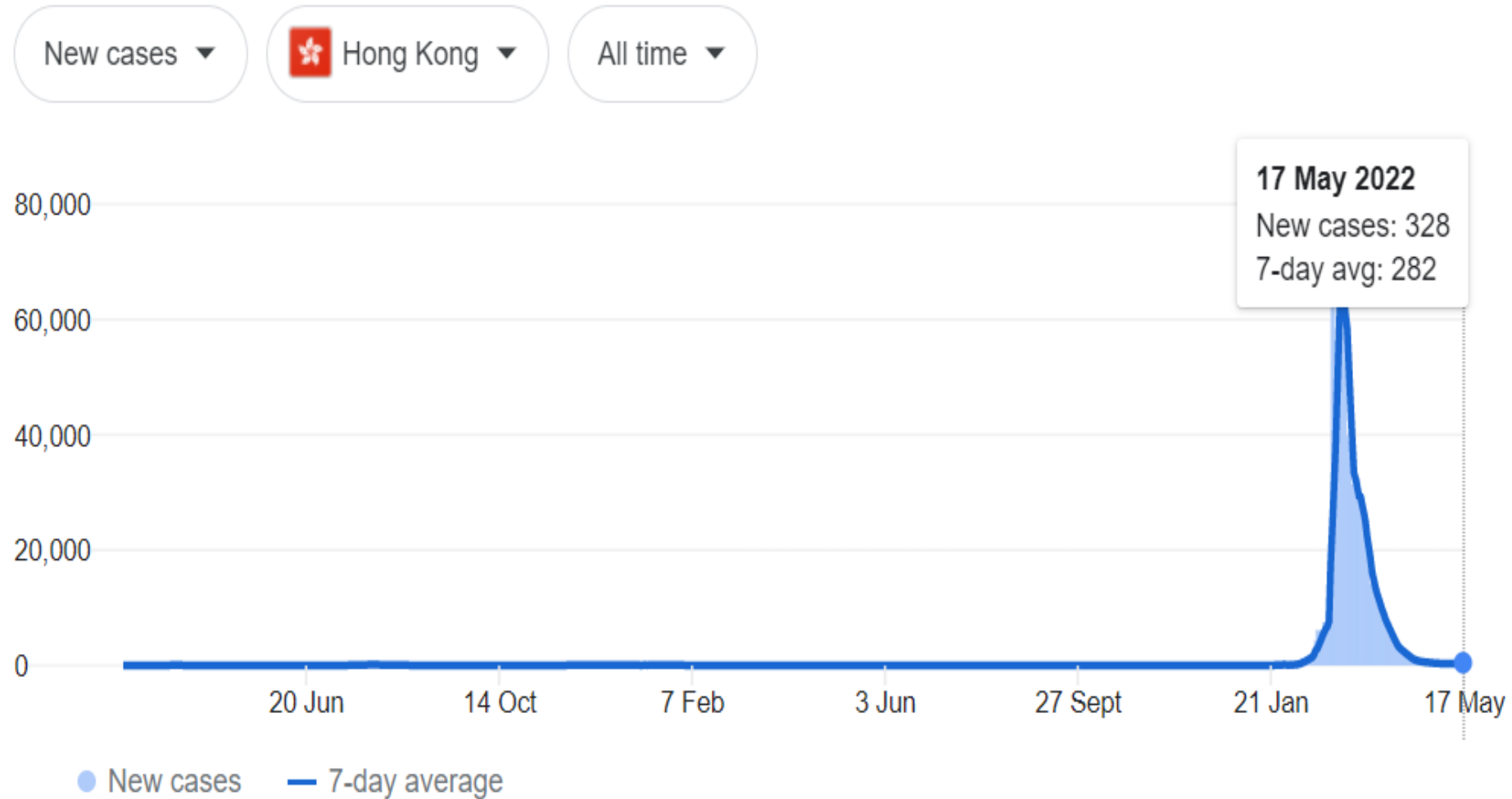
Confirmed cases 1.21M  
Deaths 9,365

6.25M (83.6%) of total population have been fully vaccinated to date.

- Fully vaccinated travellers can enter Hong Kong. Travellers must present their COVID-19 vaccination record and must also have evidence of a valid negative COVID-19 (nucleic acid) test issued within 48 hours of boarding your flight.
- They will need to take a COVID-19 (RAT) as well as (PCR) test on arrival. Travellers will also need to take multiple COVID-19 tests during quarantine and at a community testing clinic on day 12.


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# Summary as of 17 May 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:

- All fully vaccinated travellers<sup>1</sup> and non-fully vaccinated children<sup>2</sup> aged 12 and below are permitted to enter Singapore. They will not need to apply for entry approvals or take any COVID-19 tests. Singapore has re-opened for business and activities have resumed. Some Safe Management Measures (SMMs) remain in place.
- Malaysia, Indonesia, Philippines and Timor Leste have all seen a decline in Covid 19 cases, resulting in greater travel between these countries.
- In Indochina, while Thailand has seen a daily average of about 6 thousand cases this past week, and Vietnam having a daily average of about 2,500 cases, cases in Nepal, Myanmar and Cambodia have fallen significantly. Vaccination rate for all countries in the region have risen except for Myanmar which has recorded only 44 per cent the population being fully vaccinated.
- In South Asia, the spread in India has dipped to a daily average of about 2,300 cases in the past week. In Sri Lanka too, cases have decreased, averaging a daily low double digit this past week. Vaccination rate in India are around 63 per cent for this large population whereas in Sri Lanka the vaccination rate is now 66 per cent of the population.
- In East Asia, while Taiwan has seen a drastic spike to about 65 thousand cases daily, Japan had a daily average of about 35 thousand cases this past week. The spread in Mongolia has fallen to a daily average of about 300 cases, while Hong Kong saw a daily average of about 300 cases this past week. In China, cases are averaging about 6,500 daily this week, a slow but steady decline from a month ago. All countries in the region and is doing well in their vaccination exercises.

For detailed information click [here](#).