



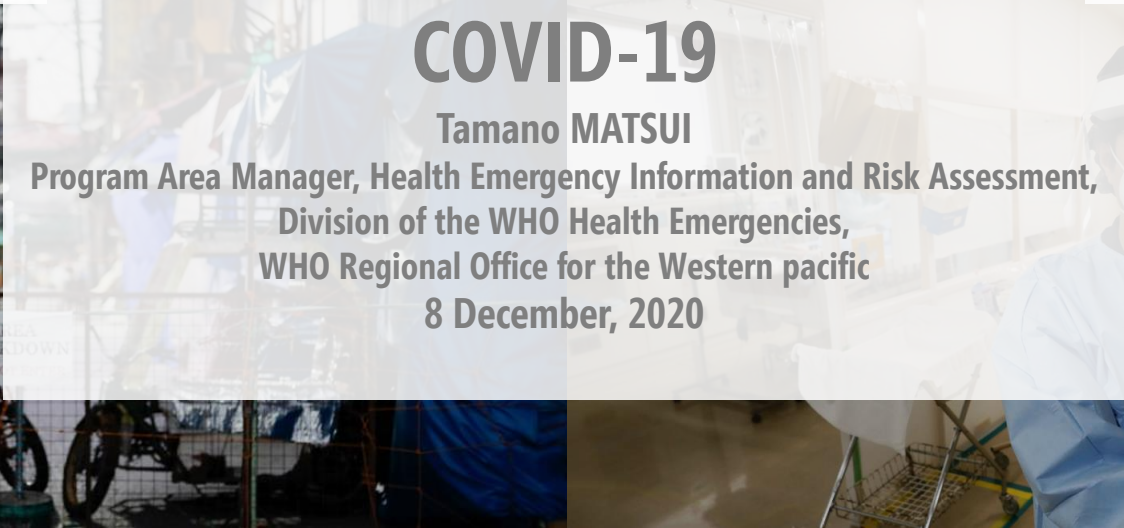
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Global and Western Pacific Regional situation updates on COVID-19

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Global overview

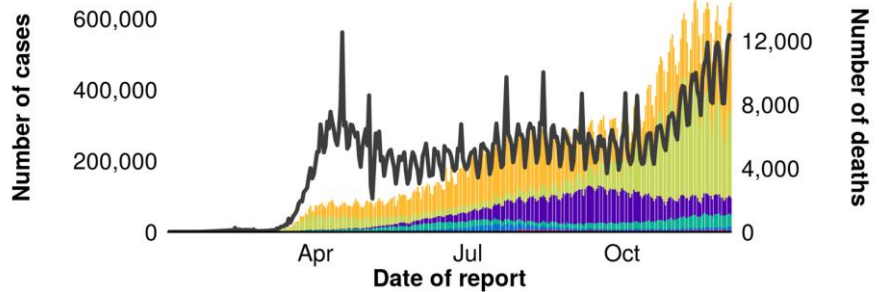
Global Situation Overview, as of 5 December

Previous 24 hours:

- 645,231 new confirmed cases.
- 12,242 new deaths.

Cumulative:

- 65,257,767 confirmed cases.
- 1,513,179 deaths.



As of 5 December 10H CET

Countries with the highest number of new cases in previous 24 hours

Country		New Cases	Total Cases	New Deaths	Total Deaths
United States of America		218,671	13,978,171	2,844	274,077
Brazil		50,434	6,487,084	755	175,270
India		36,652	9,608,211	512	139,700
Russian Federation		28,782	2,431,731	508	42,684
Italy		24,110	1,688,939	814	58,852
Germany		23,318	1,153,555	483	18,517
United Kingdom		16,298	1,690,436	504	60,617
Ukraine		13,825	801,716	226	13,421
Iran (Islamic Republic of)		13,341	1,016,835	347	49,695
Poland		13,236	1,041,846	531	19,359

Newly reported cases in last 7 days, 6 December 2020



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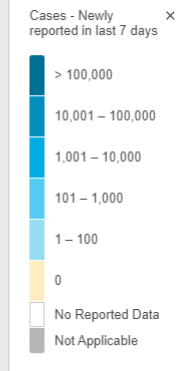
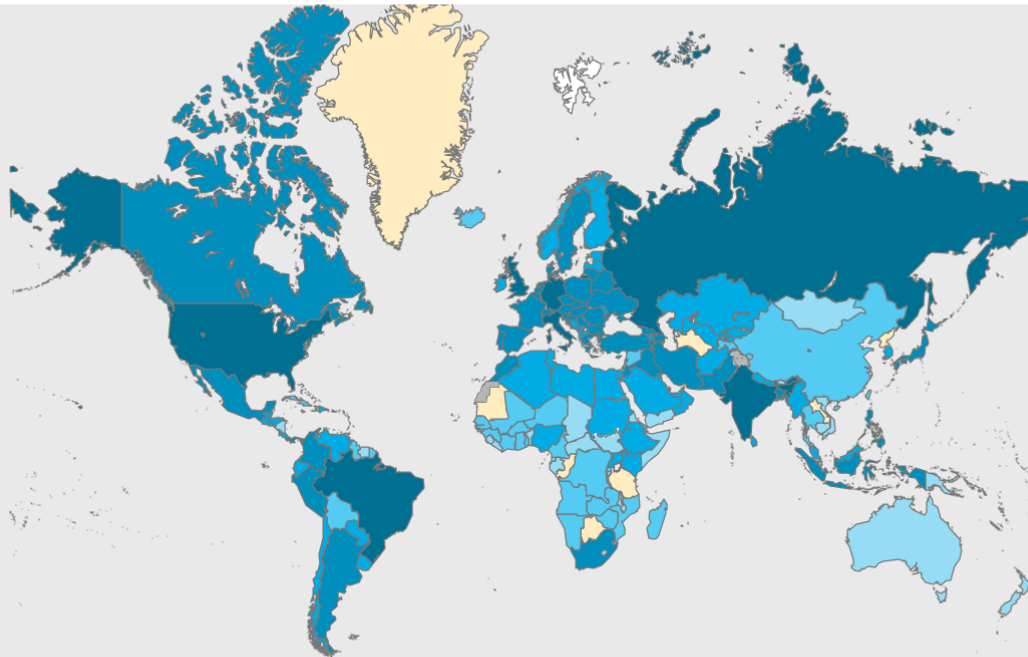
WHO Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Dashboard

Data last updated: 2020/12/6, 2:48pm CET

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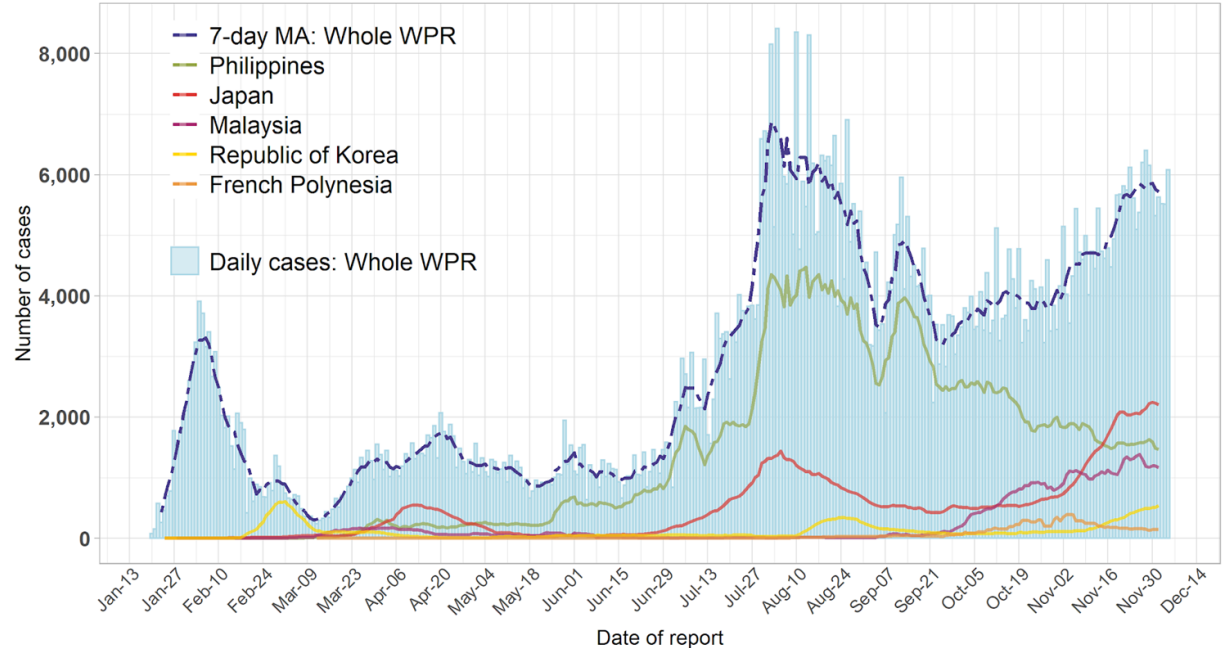
Globally, as of 2:48pm CET, 6 December 2020, there have been 65,870,030 confirmed cases of COVID-19, including 1,523,583 deaths,

Situation in the Western Pacific Region

Number of reported cases in WPR as of 6 December 2020

Epidemic curve and 7-day moving average of COVID-19 cases in WPR

With top 5 countries/areas with the largest number of cases within past 60 days
(clinically-diagnosed cases in China excluded)



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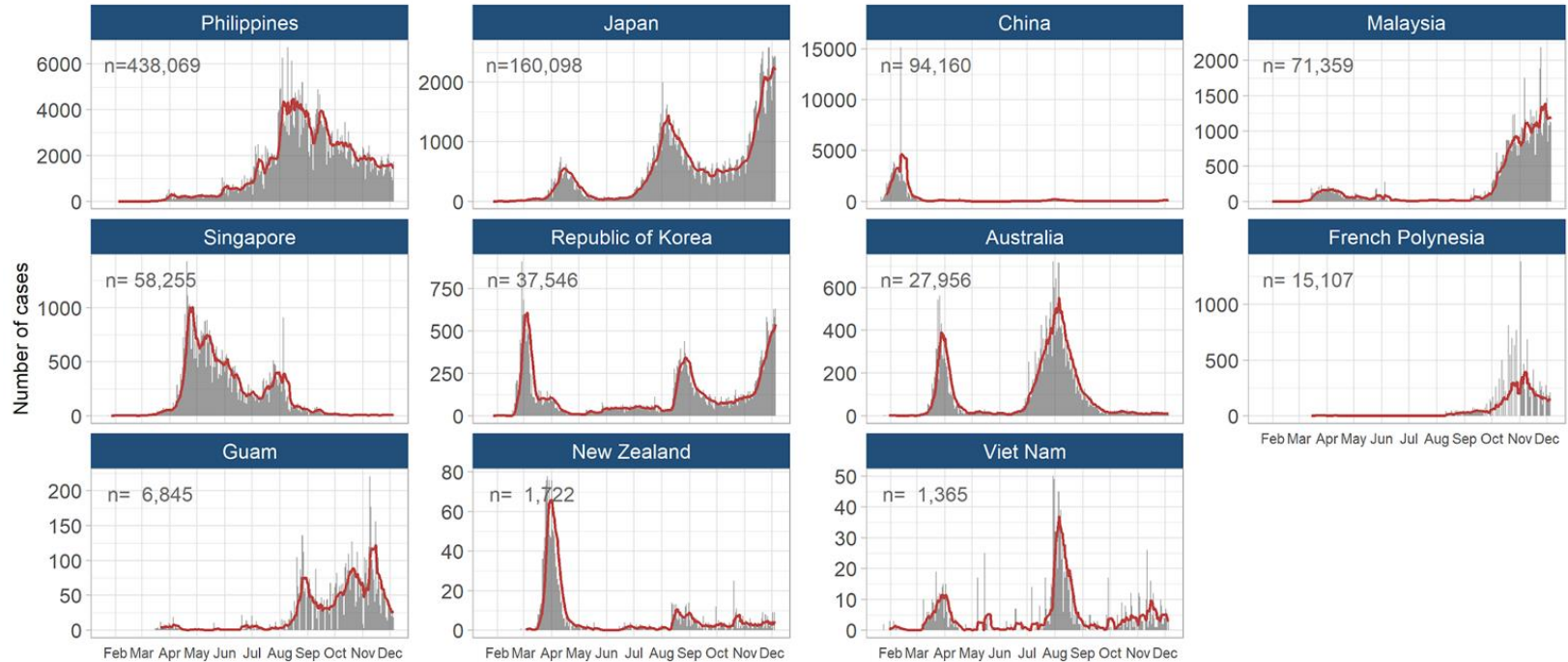
- 6,081 new confirmed cases.
- 58 new deaths.

Cumulative:

- 915,485 confirmed cases.
- 17,735 deaths.

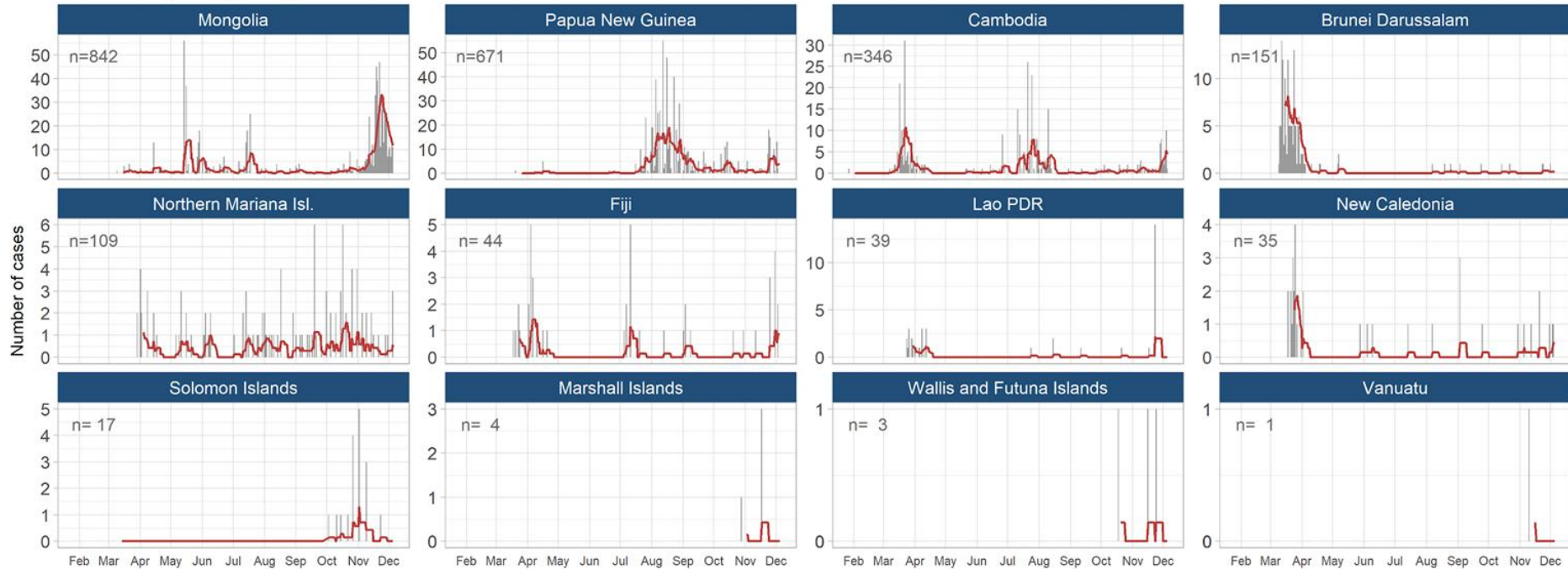
Number of reported cases in WPR countries/areas by date of report as of 6 December 2020 (>1000 cases)

Red line: 7-day moving average



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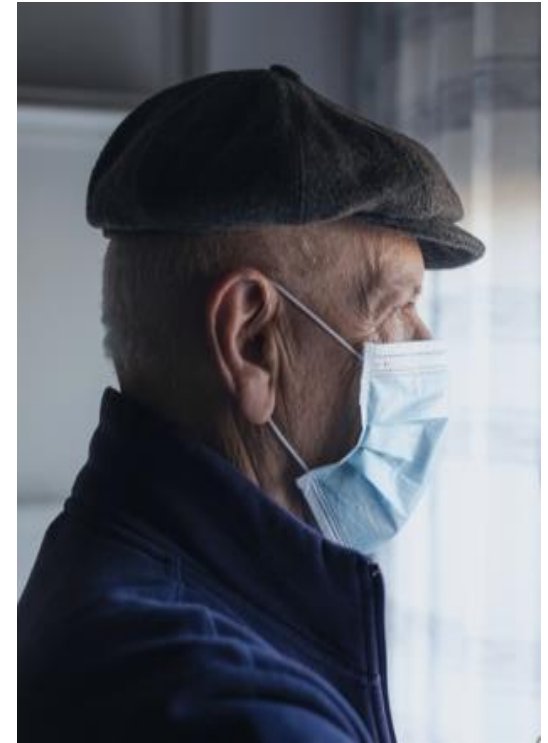


Summary, situation in the WPR

- Overall the region has experienced comparatively low case numbers and the proportion of fatal cases remains low.
- Member States that responded rapidly and effectively to the first cases were alert and aware and had prepared their health system response capacity through 15 years of the Asia-Pacific Strategy for Emerging Diseases and Public Health Emergencies (APSED)
- A number of Member States brought major outbreaks under control through strong leadership and populations taking responsibility for adhering to public health measures
- Some Member States who overcame the first peak of the outbreak are facing new localized community transmission, often following relaxation of public health measures.

WHO global strategy for COVID-19: Suppress transmission, save lives and livelihoods

- **Mobilize** all sectors and communities to ensure that every sector of government and society takes ownership of and participates in the response and in preventing cases.
- **Control** sporadic cases and clusters and prevent community transmission by rapidly finding and isolating all cases, providing them with appropriate care, and tracing, quarantining, and supporting all contacts.
- **Suppress** community transmission through context-appropriate infection prevention and control measures, population level physical distancing measures, and appropriate and proportionate restrictions on non-essential domestic and international travel.
- **Reduce** mortality by providing appropriate clinical care for those affected by COVID-19, ensuring the continuity of essential health and social services, and protecting frontline workers and vulnerable populations.
- **Develop** safe and effective vaccines and therapeutics that can be delivered at scale and that are accessible based on need.



Current challenges

- **Prepare for holiday season**
 - Early detection of undetected cases through the traditional systems
 - inform early response and break chains of transmission before they reach vulnerable populations
- **Balancing the economic need to open-up countries to travel and trade with the risk of COVID-19 transmission into areas that have successfully suppressed outbreaks or avoided introductions in the past**
- **COVID-19 vaccines**
 - Not a 'silver bullet'
 - Multiple candidate vaccines likely to be available, including novel systems: challenging for regulators and for program planning
 - Priority groups - protecting the most vulnerable important but also want to interrupt community transmission
 - Communication - managing community expectations and disinformation
 - Managing logistics of vaccine roll-out

New normal to New future



Health security,
including antimicrobial
resistance



NCDs and ageing



Climate change, the
environment and
health



Reaching the unreached – people
and communities still afflicted by
infectious disease, and high rates
of maternal and infant mortality

**The “new normal” is driving
systems development for the
future.**

THANK YOU

APSED—15 years of building systems to keep the region safe and healthy.

