

The Updates of COVID-19 in Republic of Korea

15 March, 2020

O As of 0:00, 15 March 2020, a total of 8,162 cases have been confirmed with 834 cases discharged from isolation. The regional distribution of the confirmed cases are as follows:

		City								
	Total	Seoul	Busan	Daegu	Incheon	Gwangju	Daejeon	Ulsan	Sejong	
isolated	7,253	200	53	5,510	26	12	18	22	39	
discharged	834	47	52	468	4	4	4	6	0	
deceased	75	0	1	53	0	0	0	0	0	
Total	8,162	247	106	6,031	30	16	22	28	39	
		Province								
	Gyeonggi	Gangwon	Chung -buk	Chung -nam	Jeon -buk	Jeon -nam	Gyeong-buk	Gyeong-nam	Jeju	
isolated	168	21	25	105	3	2	977	69	3	
discharged	40	7	6	10	4	2	163	16	1	
deceased	3	1	0	0	0	0	17	0	0	
Total	211	29	31	115	7	4	1,157	85	4	

- O Epidemiological links have been found for 80.8% of the total cases; 19.2% are either under investigation or sporadic cases. More details on the epidemiological links within each province or city are shown in the Table 1 on the following page. Distribution of the cases by sex and age groups are as indicated in Table 2.
- O 9 more cases were confirmed at the call center located in Guro-gu, which brings the total number of confirmed cases there to 124. Also, 13 confirmed cases have been reported from Saeng Myeong Su Church located in Bucheon, Gyeonggi province. One of the confirmed cases from the 11th floor of the call center attended the service at the church. Further epidemiological investigation and contact tracing are underway.
- O In the city of Sejong, a total of 29 confirmed cases turned out to be linked with the Ministry of Oceans and Fisheries. Tests were conducted for the entire staffs of the Ministry and 27 were confirmed positive. Two other cases are family members of the confirmed staff. Epidemiological investigation and contact tracing are on-going.
- O As new cases are continuing to emerge in small clusters from businesses, churches, Internet cafes, and medical facilities, KCDC stressed the need for stronger prevention measures especially with public spaces and facilities used by many people.
- O KCDC urged everyone to keep strict adherence to personal hygiene and social distancing measures during the upcoming weekend. Individuals with fever or respiratory symptoms are advised to refrain from going to work or school and generally stay at home and watch their symptoms for the next 3-4 days.



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[Table 1. Regional distribution and epidemiological links of the confirmed cases]

Pagions	Sub- total			Epidemiological links	Others*		Newly confirmed
Regions		n	(%)	Details			
Seoul	247	183	(74.1%)	Guro-gu call center (76), Dongdaemun-gu Dong-an Church/internet cafe(24), Eunpyeong St. Mary's Hospital (14), Seongdong-gu APT (13), Jongno-gu (10), Jung-gu fashion company (7), Shincheonji (5), etc.	64	(25.9%)	9
Busan	106	74	(69.8%)	Onchun Church (34), Shincheonji (8), Suyeong-gu Kindergarten (6), Haeundae-gu Catholic Church (6), Jin-gu private academy (4), Daenam Hospital (1), etc.	32 (30.2%)		3
Daegu	6,031	4,990	(82.7%)	Shincheonji (4,354), contacts of confirmed cases (634), Daenam Hospital (2)	1,041 (17.3%)		41
Incheon	30	25	(83.3%)	Guro-gu call center (17), contacts of confirmed cases (5), Shincheonji (2), existing imported cases (1)	5	(16.7%)	2
Gwangju	16	10	(62.5%)	Shincheonji (9), existing imported cases (1)	6 (37.5%)		1
Daejeon	22	12	(54.5%)	Contacts of confirmed cases (8), Shincheonji (2), Seosan research center (2)	10	(45.5%)	0
Ulsan	28	22	(78.6%)	Shincheonji (16), contacts of confirmed cases (6)	6	(21.4%)	1
Sejong	39	36	(92.3%)	Ministry of Oceans and Fisheries (27), Gym facility (8), Shincheonji (1)	3	(7.7%)	1
Gyeonggi	211	167	(79.1%)	Shincheonji (28), Guro-gu call center (30), Bundang Jesaeng Hospital (19), Suwon Saeng Myeong Saem Church (10), existing imported cases (6), gym facility in Cheonan (2), etc.	44	(20.9%)	11
Gangwon	29	21	(72.4%)	Shincheonji (20), gym facility in Cheonan (1)	8	(27.6%)	0
Chung- buk	31	27	(87.1%)	Shincheonji (10), Goesan-gun Jangyeon-myeon (11), contacts of confirmed cases (6)	4	(12.9%)	3
Chung- nam	115	112	(97.4%)	Gym facility in Cheonan (104), Seosan research center (8)	3	(2.6%)	0
Jeon-buk	7	4	(57.1%)	Contacts of confirmed cases (2), existing imported cases (1), Shincheonji (1)	3	(42.9%)	0
Jeon- nam	4	3	(75.0%)	Shincheonji (1), existing imported cases (1), contacts of confirmed cases (1)	1	(25.0%)	0
Gyeong- buk	1,157	841	(72.7%)	Shincheonji (517), Daenam Hospital (119), Bonghwa Pureun Nursing Home (58), pilgrimage to Israel (49), Milal Shelter (25), Gyeongsan Seorin Nursing Home (21), Gyeongsan Jeil Silver Town (17), Gyeongsan Cham Joeun Community Center (16), etc.	316	(27.3%)	4
Gyeong- nam	85	66	(77.6%)	Shincheonji (32), Geochang Church (10), Geochang Woongyang-myeon (8), Hanmaeum Changwon Hospital (7), Changnyeong coin karaoke (7), Busan Onchun Church (2)	19	(22.4%)	0
Jeju	4	-	-		4	(100.0%)	0
Total	8,162	6,593	(80.8%)	5,006 Shincheonji-related cases (61.3%)	1,569	(19.2%)	76

^{*} Not classified into a cluster or under investigation

^{*} The interim classification is based on the reporting location, which may change depending on further epidemiological investigation.



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[Table 2. Distribution of the cases by sex and age groups]

		Confirm	ned cases	D	eaths	Fatality rate	
		n (%)		n (%)		%	
	Total	8,162	(100.0)	75	(100.0)	0.92	
Sex	Male	3,136	(38.4)	41	(54.7)	1.31	
Sex	Female	5,026	(61.6)	34	(100.0)	0.68	
	80 and above	263	(3.2)	25	(37.3)	9.51	
	70-79	525	(6.4)	28	(37.3)	5.33	
	60-69	1,012	(12.4)	14	(18.7)	1.38	
۸۵۵	50-59	1,568	(19.2)	6	(8.0)	0.38	
Age Groups	40-49	1,141	(14.0)	1	(1.3)	0.09	
Groups	30-39	842	(10.3)	1	(1.3)	0.12	
	20-29	2,301	(28.2)	0	(0.0)	-	
	10-19	427	(5.2)	0	(0.0)	_	
	0-9	83	(1.0)	0	(0.0)	_	