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29 August 2020

- As of 0:00, 29 August 2020, the total number of confirmed cases is 19,400 (including 2,797 imported cases), of which 14,765 cases have been discharged from isolation. There are 308 new local cases, 15 new imported cases, and 5 new death.

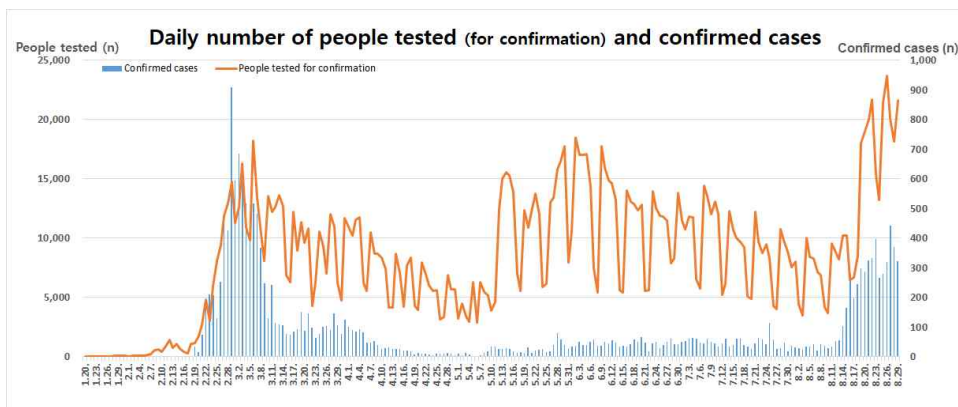
[Overall case and test status, as of 0:00, 29 August (cumulative since 3 January 2020)]

Period (since 3 Jan)	Total	Tested positive (PCR)				Testing in progress	Tested negative (PCR)
		Confirmed	Discharged from isolation	Under isolation	Deceased		
As of 0:00 28 August (Fri)	1,887,717	19,077	14,551	4,210	316	50,711	1,817,929
As of 0:00 29 August (Sat)	1,909,329	19,400	14,765	4,314	321	54,046	1,835,883
Difference	+21,612	+323	+214	+104	+5	+3,335	+17,954

* Based on case data reported to the KCDC

** Testing in progress includes number of completed tests with negative results that are being recorded with delays

※ Figures subject to correction based on findings from epidemiological investigations



- Major local clusters as of 12:00 today (29 August):

* The specific figures below may differ from the daily reported statistics or figures disclosed by local municipalities due to factors such as report timing and differences in the time period considered

- Related to Sarang Jeil Church in Seongbuk-gu, Seoul City, 40 additional cases were confirmed from contact investigation. In total, 1,018 cases have been confirmed.
 - 951 cases total in capital area (Seoul, Incheon, and Gyeonggi)
 - 67 cases total in other areas (Busan, Daegu, Daejeon, Gangwon, Chungbuk, Chungnam, Jeonbuk, Gyeongbuk, Gyeongnam)
 - To date, 154 confirmed cases of further transmissions from Sarang Jeil Church have been found related to 25 venues. Investigation is underway.



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- Related to August 15 Seoul rallies, 13 additional cases were confirmed from investigation. In total, 307 cases have been confirmed.
 - Rally related (135), further transmissions (101), police (7), under investigation (64)
 - Including only cases with no known relation to Sarang Jeil Church according to basic investigation; may change with new findings in further investigation
 - 186 cases total in capital area (Seoul, Incheon, and Gyeonggi)
 - 121 cases total in other areas (Busan, Daegu, Gwangju, Daejeon, Ulsan, Gangwon, Chungbuk, Chungnam, Gyeongbuk, Gyeongnam)
 - To date, 62 confirmed cases of further transmissions from August 15 rallies have been found related to 6 venues. Investigation is underway.
- Related to Muhan 9group in Gwanak-gu, Seoul City, 6 additional cases were confirmed from contact investigation including 3 in Suncheon-si, Jeonnam Province. In total, 72 cases have been confirmed.
- Related to an apartment complex in Guro-gu and a livestock company in Geumcheon-gu, Seoul City, 1 additional case was confirmed from contact investigation. In total, 34 cases have been confirmed. Further investigation is underway.
 - Index case (1), index case's family (2), workplace contacts (23), index case's apartment complex (8)
- Related to In The Light Church in Nowon-gu, Seoul City, 3 additional cases were confirmed from contact investigation. In total, 20 cases have been confirmed.
 - Church members (8), further transmissions (family, friends, etc) (12)
- Related to True Love Nursing Home, first case was confirmed on 27 August and 17 additional cases were confirmed from contact investigation. In total, 18 cases have been confirmed. Further investigation on route of transmission and contact investigation is underway.
 - Staff (5), users (13)
- Severe/critical cases and deaths:
 - Total 321 deaths (cumulative), among which 312 (97.2%) had underlying medical conditions such as hypertension and diabetes.
 - 16 deaths in the last weeks (15 – 28 August), of which 3 were aged 90 or above, 7 were aged 80-89, 5 were aged 70-79, 1 was aged 60-69. 14 of them had underlying medical conditions.
 - Case fatality rate:
 - 21.12% for those aged 80+
 - 6.70% for ages 70-79
 - 1.48% for ages 60-69



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- 64 severe/critical cases as of today
 - 54 (84.4%) are aged 60 or above
 - 7 (11%) are aged 50-59
 - 3 (4.7%) are aged 40-49
 - 39 with underlying medical conditions as of today.
- KCDC has supplied remdesivir, specially imported for COVID-19 treatment, to 155 patients thus far.
- Since elderly people aged 60 or above are more likely to develop severe symptoms if infected with COVID-19, KCDC advises the elderly to stay home as much as possible and wear a facemask at all times when leaving home and get tested as soon as possible if they notice any symptoms related to COVID-19 such as fever, cough, sore throat, and muscle pain.
- Imported cases as of 0:00, 29 August:
 - 15 new imported cases
 - 5 were confirmed at the point of entry and 10 were confirmed in the community while in mandatory self-quarantine after arrival
 - 7 Korean nationals and 8 foreign nationals
 - Infection acquisition location (presumed):
 - Asia excluding China: India 3, Bangladesh 2, Philippines 2, Indonesia 1, United Arab Emirates 1
 - Americas: US 5
 - Africa: Egypt 1
- KCDC thanked 1,420 volunteers who recovered from COVID-19 for donating their plasma.
- As the transmission of COVID-19 is ongoing around Seoul, Incheon and Gyeonggi province, KCDC announced to apply enhanced social distancing measures for high-risk facilities from 30 August to 6 September along with Social Distancing Level 2 which has been already extended to the whole nation effective 24 August.
- To stop the transmission, following measure will be applied to restaurants, cafes, and indoor fitness centers.
 - Restaurants, pubs, bars, snack bars, bakeries: only takeaway and deliveries are allowed from 21:00pm to 5:00am next day. No dine-in is allowed.
 - Cafes: for franchised coffee shops, only takeaway and deliveries are allowed regardless of business hours. No dine-in is allowed. For non-franchised cafes, only takeaway and deliveries are allowed from 21:00pm to 5:00am next day. During normal business hours, dine-in is allowed. This also applies for bakeries that also sells drinks.
 - Indoor fitness centers: gathering ban is applied to indoor gym, billiard hall, screen golf facility, and badminton court.



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- To prevent COVID-19 transmission to students and children, following measure will be applied to academies, after-school facilities, private study rooms and study cafes.
 - Only online class is allowed for academies in Seoul, Incheon and Gyeonggi area. A gathering ban is applied to private study rooms and study cafes.
 - For after-school facilities which registered to teach less than 9 students, limited number of gathering is allowed, but compliance to core prevention guidelines are mandatory.
 - These measures are applied from 0:00 31 August to 24:00 6 September.
 - To minimize lack of child care as a result of above measures, 1/3 of workers from the government and public institutions are recommended to work from home. Same recommendation is made to the private sector.
- To prevent COVID-19 transmission to elderly citizens,
 - No visits are allowed in convalescent hospitals and nursing homes in Seoul, Incheon and Gyeonggi area. Facilities frequently used by elderly citizens such as day/night elderly care center and cooling centers.
 - If operation of such facilities are unavoidable, activities such as singing are not allowed as it produces much droplets.
 - Illegal gatherings run by door-to-door sales will be managed and controlled strongly via report center operated by Fair Trade Commission.
- KCDC reminds the public that compliance with infection prevention measures and participation in social distancing efforts is the most important to stopping the spread of COVID-19, and asked for thorough compliance this weekend.

Public Guidance for Level 2 Social Distancing

- ① Do not go to work if feeling sick
 - Call KCDC call center by dialing 1339 or contact local public health center or screening clinic
- ② Postpone or cancel non-essential outings, social gatherings, events, or travel
 - Essential travel includes getting medical care, buying necessities, or to going to work
 - At restaurants or cafes, order takeout rather than dining in
 - Home training or outdoor exercising is recommended in place of going to gyms
 - For social activities, utilize PC or smartphones to have online meetings
 - Use online shopping over physical stores
- ③ If going out, wear mask and follow infection prevention guidelines
 - Do not visit crowded, confined, or close-contact places with poor ventilation
 - Wear mask indoors as well as outdoors whenever 2m distancing can't be maintained
 - Ensure mask covers mouth and nose completely and do not touch mask
 - Keep mask on except to drink or eat
 - Maintain physical distance from other people (2m recommended, 1m minimum)
 - No droplet-producing activities such as shouting, singing out loud, or chanting
 - No physical contact with others such as handshakes or hugs



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REGIONAL DISTRIBUTION AND EPIDEMIOLOGICAL LINKS OF CONFIRMED CASES

Region	Confirmed cases									Other major clusters
	Total	Imported cases	Clusters				Other*	Under investigation	New cases	
			Sub-total	Shin-cheonji cluster	Other local clusters	Related to imported cases				
Seoul	3,657	382	2,130	8	2,051	71	530	615	125	Large clusters: • Nightclubs (277) • Richway (208) • Guro-gu call center (170) • Coupang fulfillment center (152) • Gwangju door-to-door sales (150) • Fitness/sport facility in Cheonan (123) • Newly planted churches group (119) Recent clusters: • Sarang Jeil Church • August 15 Seoul rallies • Woori Jeil Church • Lord's Church • Sunchoen hospital in Cheonan • Nursing home at Namyangju • Yoido Full Gospel Church • Gym facility in Wonju • Galilee Church • Muhan 9roup • Athletic college prep class • Guro-gu family / livestock company • Real estate auction firm • Jukjeon/Daeji High Schools • Lord spring church • Michuholgu Elderly care center • Fubon Hyundai Life Call Center
Busan	291	45	180	12	115	53	35	31	6	
Daegu	7,013	69	5,263	4,512	747	4	932	749	6	
Incheon	691	85	473	2	463	8	69	64	20	
Gwangju	363	44	268	9	253	6	30	21	16	
Daejeon	243	23	116	2	114	0	66	38	4	
Ulsan	81	31	31	16	11	4	15	4	0	
Sejong	65	9	45	1	43	1	8	3	0	
Gyeonggi	3,101	502	1,811	29	1,716	66	425	363	104	
Gangwon	184	25	116	17	98	1	25	18	0	
Chungbuk	122	24	60	6	47	7	18	20	6	
Chungnam	315	42	206	0	205	1	30	37	8	
Jeonbuk	86	27	25	1	24	0	26	8	0	
Jeonnam	129	26	55	1	52	2	35	13	9	
Gyeongbuk	1,450	41	1,081	566	515	0	195	133	1	
Gyeongnam	228	63	117	32	83	2	28	20	12	
Jeju	37	15	7	0	6	1	11	4	1	
Ports of Entry	1,344	1,344	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	
Total	19,400	2,797	11,984	5,214	6,543	227	2,478	2,141	323	
	(%)	(14.4)	(61.8)	(26.9)	(33.7)	(1.2)	(12.8)	(11.0)		

* Includes contacts of confirmed cases

※ The interim classification is based on the reporting location, which may change depending on further epidemiological investigation.



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AGE DISTRIBUTION OF SEVERE CASES

	8.16	8.17	8.18	8.19	8.20	8.21	8.22	8.23	8.24	8.25	8.26	8.27	8.28	8.29
Total	13	13	9	12	12	18	24	29	31	37	42	46	58	64
Severe	6	6	4	7	7	14	20	23	24	24	24	24	32	34
Very severe	7	7	5	5	5	4	4	6	7	13	18	22	26	30
Total	64		34 (100)		30 (100)									
80 and above	13		11 (32.4)		2 (6.7)									
70-79	24		9 (26.5)		15 (50.0)									
60-69	17		10 (29.4)		7 (23.3)									
50-59	7		4 (11.8)		3 (10.0)									
40-49	3		0 (0.0)		3 (10.0)									
30-39	0		0 (0.0)		0 (0.0)									
20-29	0		0 (0.0)		0 (0.0)									
10-19	0		0 (0.0)		0 (0.0)									
0-9	0		0 (0.0)		0 (0.0)									



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Confirmed cases by gender and age group

		New cases (%)	Total cases (%)	Incidence rate* (per 100,000)
Total		323 (100.0)	19,400 (100.0)	37.42
Sex	Male	141 (43.65)	8,757 (45.14)	33.86
	Female	182 (56.35)	10,643 (54.86)	40.96
Age	80 or above	18 (5.57)	767 (3.95)	40.38
	70-79	36 (11.15)	1,417 (7.30)	39.28
	60-69	67 (20.74)	2,840 (14.64)	44.76
	50-59	54 (16.72)	3,535 (18.22)	40.79
	40-49	47 (14.55)	2,627 (13.54)	31.31
	30-39	36 (11.15)	2,437 (12.56)	34.59
	20-29	31 (9.60)	4,233 (21.82)	62.19
	10-19	18 (5.57)	1,122 (5.78)	22.71
0-9	16 (4.95)	422 (2.18)	10.17	

* Total (cumulative) number of cases reported since January 2020 by sex and age / Population by sex and age (based on resident registration data of the Ministry of the Interior as of January 2020)

Deaths by gender and age group

		New deaths (%)	Total deaths (%)	Case fatality rate (%)
Total		5 (100.0)	321 (100.0)	1.65
Sex	Male	3 (60.00)	170 (52.96)	1.94
	Female	2 (40.00)	151 (47.04)	1.42
Age	80 or above	3 (60.00)	162 (50.47)	21.12
	70-79	1 (20.00)	95 (29.60)	6.70
	60-69	1 (20.00)	42 (13.08)	1.48
	50-59	0 -	16 (4.98)	0.45
	40-49	0 -	4 (1.25)	0.15
	30-39	0 -	2 (0.62)	0.08
	20-29	0 -	0 (0.00)	0.00
	10-19	0 -	0 (0.00)	0.00
0-9	0 -	0 (0.00)	0.00	

* Case fatality rate (CFR) = Number of deaths / Number of confirmed cases x 100



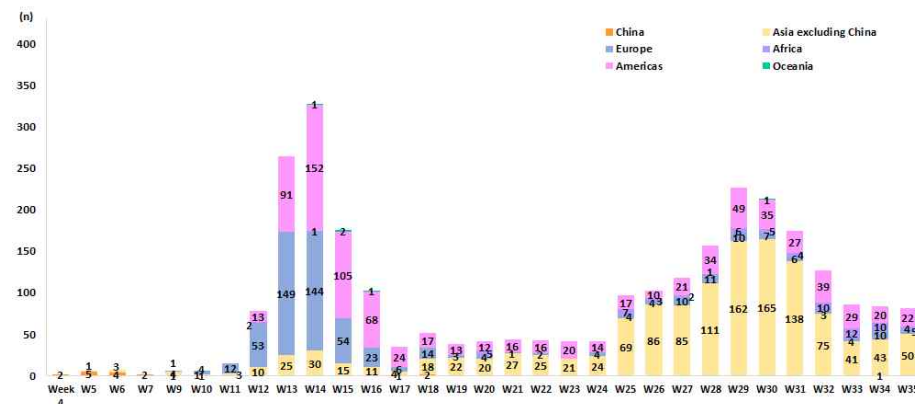
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IMPORTED CONFIRMED CASES



NEW CASES (LAST 2 WEEKS) BY CHAIN OF TRANSMISSION

