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# Updates on COVID-19 in Republic of Korea

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- As of 0:00, 05 May 2020, the total number of confirmed cases is 10,804 (including 1,102 imported cases), of which 9,283 cases have been discharged from isolation. Newly confirmed cases are 3 in total.

[Table 1. Total confirmed and suspected cases]

Period (since 3 Jan)	Total	Tested positive (PCR)				Being tested	Tested negative
		Confirmed	Discharged from isolation	Under isolation	Deceased		
As of 0:00 04 May (Mon)	633,921	10,801	9,217	1,332	252	8,176	614,944
<b>As of 0:00 05 May (Tues)</b>	640,237	10,804	9,283	1,267	254	8,858	620,575
Difference	(+)6,316	(+)3	(+)66	(-)65	(+)2	(+)682	(+)5,631

[Table 2. Imported cases in Korea (as of 0:00, 05 May 2020)]

	Total	Region/Country						Where confirmed		Nationality	
		China	Asia ex-China	Europe	Americas	Africa	Australia	Point of Entry	Community	Korean	Other
New	3	0	1	1	1	0	0	2	1	2	1
Total	1,102	19 (1.7%)	140 (12.7%)	462 (41.9%)	477 (43.3%)	3 (0.3%)	1 (0.1%)	464 (42.1%)	638 (57.9%)	997 (90.5%)	105 (9.5%)

\* Figures may change based on findings from ongoing local epidemiological investigation efforts.

- All the confirmed cases are imported cases, and there is no community transmitted cases reported today. Imported cases were from Europe(1), Americas(1), and other(Kuwait, 1).
- In the recent 'COVID-19 national threat awareness survey' conducted targeting 1,000 adults nationwide, results have shown that the people trust and take considerable interest regarding the government's daily press briefing twice a day.
  - \* source: 4th survey on national threat awareness on COVID-19 (Seoul National University Public Health Graduate School Prof. Myungsoon Yoo)
  - 79.3% answered that they are 'attentive' to the government's press briefing conducted by KCDC and Central Disaster and Safety Countermeasure Headquarters, 77.4% answered that it was 'useful,' and 75.3% answered that they 'trust' the press briefings.
- KCDC stated that it will continue its efforts in providing rapid, transparent and scientific evidenced-based information in order to assist nation's accurate risk assessment as well as minimizing the damage by COVID-19 outbreak.
  - KCDC also shared its deepest gratitudes to journalists and media who are recording Korea's COVID-19 response measures and helping the nation to overcome crisis through everyday articles and news reports.



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- May 5th in Korea is 'Children's day' but in the health sector, it is also 'Hand Hygiene Day,' designated by WHO.
  - Washing hands is an effective and scientifically proven way to prevent the spread of the infectious diseases by blocking the virus from entering the body through the hands. The importance of hand washing has been emphasized several times during this COVID-19 response measures, which is spread by saliva(droplets).
- As "Washing hands for 30 seconds, cough/sneeze into your sleeve," is included as the 3rd rule of Everyday Infection Prevention Rules for Everyone, KCDC asked people to cooperate in creating a hand hygiene environment by practicing hand washing in daily life as before, and by providing soap and hand sanitizer which can be used to keep hands clean in private and public places.

### < Hand washing guidelines in Infection Prevention Rules for Everyone >

- Wash your hands with running water and soap for more than 30 seconds or use hand sanitizer to clean your hands after using the bathroom, after coming back home, blowing your nose, coughing or sneezing.
- Do not touch the eyes, nose or mouth with unwashed hands.
- Personal and public places should be equipped with soap or hand sanitizers which can be easily accessible to.

- KCDC emphasized that the 'Distancing in daily life' which will take effect tomorrow does not mean we will return to the same routine as before, but to the "new normal life" which people will practice infectious disease prevention rules on a regular basis.
  - It means that in order to prevent the spread of infectious diseases in the local community, the nation will carry out social and economic activities while simultaneously practicing infectious disease prevention measures.
  - KCDC also encouraged that individuals and society should work together to keep the distance in their daily lives, keeping in mind that we can return to 'enhanced social distancing' at any time if the situation worsens.



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[Table 3: Regional distribution and epidemiological links of confirmed cases]

Region	Confirmed cases									Other major clusters
	Total	Imported cases	Clusters					Other*	New cases	
			Sub-total	Shincheonji	Other clusters	Contacts of confirmed cases	Imported cases			
Seoul	637	257	357	8	264	16	69	23	0	Guro-gu call center (98), Dong-an Church-PC Cafe (20), Manmin Central Church (41), etc.
Busan	138	25	84	12	53	18	1	29	0	Onchun Church (39), Suyeong-gu Kindergarten (5), etc.
Daegu	6,856	21	6,116	4,510	677	925	4	719	0	Second Mi-Ju Hospital (196), Hansarang Convalescent Hospital (128), Daesil Convalescent Hospital (100), Fatima Hospital (37), etc.
Incheon	97	45	48	2	34	5	7	4	1	Guro-gu call center (20), etc.
Gwangju	30	14	16	9	0	1	6	0	0	
Daejeon	40	10	21	2	11	8	0	9	0	Korea Forest Engineer Institute (3), etc.
Ulsan	44	13	24	16	2	3	3	7	0	
Sejong	46	3	42	1	38	3	0	1	0	Ministry of Oceans and Fisheries (30), gym facilities (8)
Gyeonggi	681	168	470	29	327	52	62	43	0	Grace River Church in Seongnam (72), Guro-gu call center-Bucheon SaengMyeongSu Church (48), Uijeongbu St. Mary's Hospital (50), etc.
Gangwon	53	14	32	17	15	0	0	7	0	Apartments in Wonju City (3), Uijeongbu St. Mary's Hospital (10), etc.
Chungbuk	45	5	32	6	18	6	2	8	0	Goesan-gun Jangyeon-myeon (11)
Chungnam	143	13	120	0	118	1	1	10	0	Gym facilities in Cheonan (103), research center in Seosan (9), etc.
Jeonbuk	18	9	4	1	3	0	0	5	0	
Jeonnam	16	8	5	1	1	2	1	3	0	
Gyeongbuk	1,366	11	1,224	566	466	192	0	131	0	Cheongdo Daenam Hospital (120), Bonghwa Pureun Nursing Home (68), pilgrimage to Israel (49), Gyeongsan Seo Convalescent Hospital (66), Yecheon-gun (41), etc.
Gyeongnam	117	14	85	32	46	6	1	18	0	Geochang Church (10), Geochang Woongyang-myeon (8), Wings Tower (10), etc.
Jeju	13	8	1	0	0	0	1	4	0	
Airport	464	464	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	
Total	10,804 ( % )	1,102 (10.2)	8,681 (80.3)	5,212 (48.2)	2,073 (19.2)	1,238 (11.5)	158 (1.5)	1,021 (9.5)	3	

\* 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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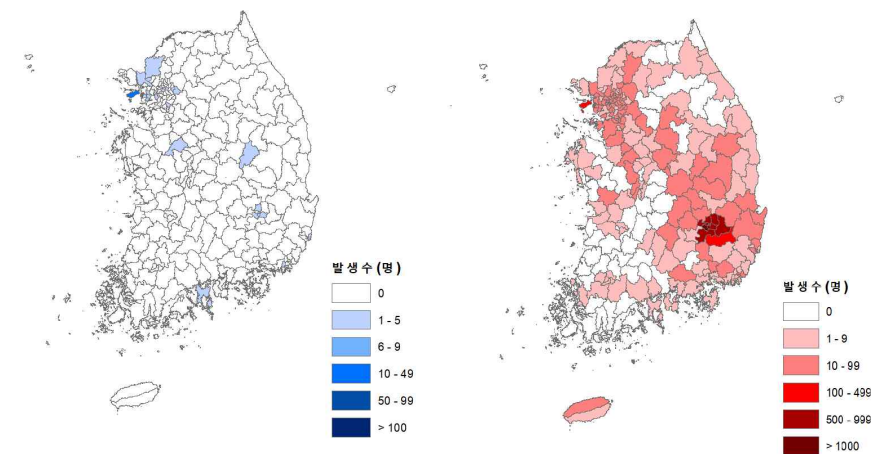
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[Figure 1: Distribution of confirmed cases based on location reported]

Number of confirmed cases reported last week (29 – 5 May 2020)

Number of total (cumulative) confirmed cases (1 January – 5 May 2020)



[Table 4: Age distribution of severe cases]

Age group	Total	Severe ( % )	Very severe ( % )
Total	27	6 ( 100.0 )	21 ( 100.0 )
80 or above	8	2 ( 33.3 )	6 ( 28.6 )
70-79	11	3 ( 50.0 )	8 ( 38.1 )
60-69	4	0 ( 0.0 )	4 ( 19.0 )
50-59	2	1 ( 16.7 )	1 ( 4.8 )
40-49	2	0 ( 0.0 )	2 ( 9.5 )
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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[Table 5: Distribution of cases that retested positive]

Age group	Total	( % )
Total	353	( 100.0 )
80 and above	28	( 7.9 )
70-79	22	( 6.2 )
60-69	38	( 10.8 )
50-59	58	( 16.4 )
40-49	48	( 13.6 )
30-39	48	( 13.6 )
20-29	86	( 24.4 )
10-19	18	( 5.1 )
0-9	7	( 2.0 )

[Figure 2: New cases (for last 2 weeks) by chain of transmission]

