

Updates on COVID-19 in Republic of Korea

7 May 2020

O As of 0:00, 7 May 2020, a total of 10,810 cases (including 1,107 imported cases) have been confirmed, of which 9,419 cases (87.1%) have been discharged from isolation. Newly confirmed cases are 4 in total.

[Table 1. Total reported/tested cases]

			Tested posi	itive (PCR)				
Period (since 3 Jan)	Total	Confirmed	Discharged from isolation	Under isolation	Deceased	Awaiting test result	Tested negative (PCR)	
As of 0:00 6 May (Wed)	643,095	10,806	9,333	1,218	255	8,009	624,280	
As of 0:00 7 May (Thurs)	649,388	10,810	9,419	1,135	256	8,429	630,149	
Difference	(+)6,293	(+)4	(+)86	(-)83	(+)1	(+)420	(+)5,869	

[Table 2. Imported cases in Korea (as of 0:00, 7 May 2020)]

	Region/Country								onfirmed	Nationality		
	Total	China	Asia ex-China	Europe	Americas	Africa	Australia	Point of Entry	Community	Korean	Other	
New	3	0	1	0	2	0	0	1	2	2	1	
Total	1.107	19	143	462	479	3	1	467	640	1,001	106	
- Juli	1,107	(1.7%)	(12.9%)	(41.7%)	(43.3%)	(0.3%)	(0.1%)	(42.2%)	(57.8%)	(90.4%)	(9.6%)	

^{*} Figures may change based on findings from ongoing local epidemiological investigation efforts.

O In Gyeonggi Province, 1 case was confirmed yesterday. Today, 1 contact of this case was also confirmed. Infectious disease prevention and control measures are taking place at the places visited by the confirmed cases. Contact investigation and testing are underway.

(The figures on Tables 1 and 3 are based on cases reported to KCDC before 0:00 of 7 May and may differ from above.)

- O KCDC asked everyone to actively participate in the "Distancing in Daily Life" campaign, intended to help people pursue their everyday life and infectious disease prevention at the same time, by carefully following the "5 Basic Infection Prevention Rules for Everyone":
- (1) Stay home for 3-4 days if you get sick.
- (2) Keep a distance of two arms' length between you and other people.
- (3) Wash your hands for 30 seconds. Cough/sneeze into your sleeve.
- (4) Ventilate your space at least twice a day and disinfect regularly.
- (5) Keep in touch with family and friends even while maintaining physical distancing.



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- The elderly (65 y/o or older) and other high-risk groups should also:
- (1) Remember to take medications for existing chronic illnesses.
- (2) Stay home.
- (3) Call public health center and visit screening clinic when sick.
- (4) Stay away from any enclosed/crowded space that makes it difficult to keep 2 meters of distance from other people.
- (5) Stay in touch with loved ones on a regular basis.
- O For the upcoming Parents' Day (8 May), KCDC advised people to refrain from visiting older parents in nursing homes or convalescent hospitals since they can be highly vulnerable to infection.
- O For effective infectious disease prevention at community level, each community (e.g. school, church, care home) should ensure the following:
- (1) All members should work on infection prevention/control together as a community.
- (2) Designate an infectious disease prevention/control manager within the community.
- (3) Create and follow community guidelines for infectious disease prevention and control.
- (4) The infectious disease prevention/control manager should be proactive in carrying out the role.
- (5) Community members should actively cooperate with the infectious disease prevention/control manager.
- O KCDC again stressed that the transition to "Distancing in Daily Life" does not indicate easing of infectious disease control/prevention measures nor an end of social distancing.
- Noting the possibility that a return to Enhanced Social Distancing may be required if situation becomes worse in the future, KCDC urged everyone to work together to keep COVID-19 away by practicing distancing measures in their everyday life.
- O In light of the recent long holiday weekend during which a lot of traveling and social gathering took place, KCDC reminded the public to stay home and not go to work if having fever or respiratory symptoms and to call the KCDC call center (1339 or area code + 120) or contact a local public health center if having prolonging fever over 38 degrees or aggravating respiratory symptoms.
- KCDC urged people to visit a screening center to get tested especially if two or more persons within a household unit or travel group unit develop COVID-19 suspected symptoms.



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

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			Clusters Contacts									
Region	Total	Importe d cases	Sub- total	Shin- cheonji	Other clusters	of confirmed cases	Imported cases	Other*	New cases	Other major clusters		
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	6,115	4,510	678	923	4	720	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	0	Guro-gu call center (20), etc.		
Gwangju	30	14	16	9	0	1	6	0	0			
Daejeon	41	11	21	2	11	8	0	9	1	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	682	168	470	29	327	52	62	44	1	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.		
Chung- buk	46	6	32	6	18	6	2	8	1	Goesan-gun Jangyeon-myeon (11)		
Chung- nam	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			
Gyeong- buk	1,366	11	1,224	566	468	190	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.		
Gyeong- nam	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	467	467	0	0	0	0	0	0	1			
Total	10,810	1,107 (%)	8,680 (10.2)	5,212 (80.3)	2,076 (48.2)	1,234 (19.2)	158 (11.4)	1,023 (1.5)	4			

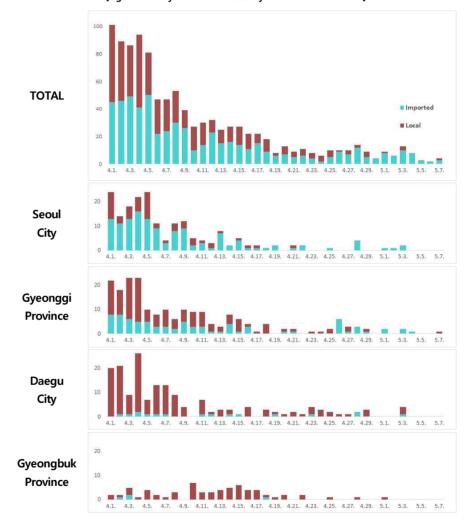
^{*} Not classified into a cluster or under investigation



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[Figure 1: Daily confirmed cases by chain of transmission]



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



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[Table 4: Age distribution of severe cases]

Age group	Total	Severe	(%)	Very severe	(%)
Total	25	6	(100.0)	19	(100.0)
80 or above	8	2	(33.3)	6	(31.6)
70-79	11	3	(50.0)	8	(42.1)
60-69	3	1	(16.7)	2	(10.5)
50-59	1	0	(0.0)	1	(5.3)
40-49	2	0	(0.0)	2	(10.5)
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)

[Table 5: Cases tested positive after discharge]

	Total	(%)
Total	365	(100.0)
80 or above	29	(7.9)
70-79	23	(6.3)
60-69	38	(10.4)
50-59	62	(17.0)
40-49	50	(13.7)
30-39	49	(13.4)
20-29	89	(24.4)
10-19	18	(4.9)
0-9	7	(1.9)

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

