



NAMIBIA COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT NO. 311					
Outbreak Name	COVID-19 outbreak	Country affected	Namibia		
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HIGHLIGHTS/SITUATION UPDATE (23/01/2021)

- ➤ A total of 32425 cases have been recorded to-date, representing 1% of the population.
- More male cases 16351 (50%) were recorded compared to female cases 16074 (50%).
- Of the total confirmed cases, 1539 (5%) Health Workers (HWs) have tested positive for COVID-19 todate.
 - 1171 (76%) State; 364 (24%) Private, 4
 (0.3%) Non-Governmental Organizations.
 - 1238 (80%) recoveries and 6 (0.4%) deaths.
- The recovery rate now stands at 93%.
- All fourteen (14) regions have reported confirmed cases; Khomas and Erongo regions reported the highest with 13988 (43%) and 6728 (21%) respectively.
- Of the total fatalities, 262 (82%) are COVID-19 deaths while 57 (18%) are COVID-19 related deaths.





Table 1: Distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases by region, 23 January 2021

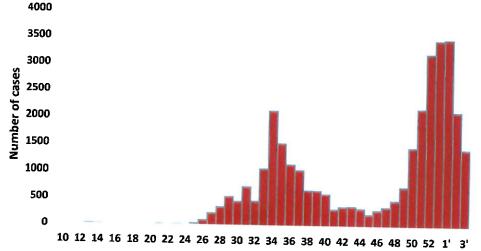
Region	Total No. of cases	Active cases	Recoveries	Cumulative Deaths	Deaths in 24 hours	Cumulative deaths with co-morbidities	Non-COVID deaths	Health Workers
Erongo	6728	453	6197	74	0	71	4	175
Hardap	1333	19	1306	8	0	6	0	34
//Kharas	2157	125	2015	17	0	14	0	95
Kavango East	556	75	472	9	0	6	0	63
Kavango West	24	14	9	1	0	1	0	1
Khomas	13988	127	13725	136	1	127	0	704
Kunene	801	62	734	5	0	5	0	43
Ohangwena	564	139	420	4	0	1	1	31
Omaheke	556	86	461	8	0	5	0	29
Omusati	511	93	414	4	0	2	0	26
Oshana	2148	298	1828	22	0	17	0	162
Oshikoto	1220	389	829	1	0	1	1	81
Otjozondjupa	1486	99	1364	24	0	17	0	71
Zambezi	353	101	246	6	1	5	0	24
Total	32425	2080	30020	319	2	278	6	1539

EPIDEMIOLOGICAL SITUATION IN NAMIBIA

Table 2: Number of people in mandatory quarantine facilities 23 January 2021

- Since March 2020, 30048 people have been placed into mandatory quarantine facilities around the country.
- A total of 1758 people are currently in quarantine, with 66 new admissions.

Region	Newly quarantined 24 Hrs.	Cumulative number	Number discharged	Number in quarantine now
Erongo	0	4787	4716	71
Hardap	1	1257	1217	40
Kavango	0	1024	973	51
Khomas	0	3145	3122	23
//Kharas	0	4636	4344	292
Kunene	0	2582	2094	488
Ohangwena	0	608	605	3
Omaheke	0	2834	2585	249
Omusati	1	534	529	5
Oshana	0	393	392	1
Oshikoto	64	5812	5330	482
Otjozondjupa	0	1130	1095	35
Zambezi	0	1306	1288	18
Total	66	30048	28290	1758



A highest peak of 3485 (11%) cases was recorded during week 54 (Figure 1).

Epidemiological week, 2020

Figure 1: Epi-curve for confirmed COVID-19 cases
As of 23 January 2021

- To date, **251591** tests (including **11099** retests) have been conducted by NIP, Path-Care, NAMDEB, UNAM, Namib Poultry and Central Veterinary laboratories.
- Since the beginning of the outbreak, 58393 contacts of confirmed cases have been identified, 218 new contacts were identified within the last 24 hours from 13 regions.
- Cumulatively, 52519 contacts have completed their monitoring period, while a total of 7105 (22%) contacts of confirmed cases have tested positive.
- Today, 3225 (56%) out of 5730 active contacts monitored.

Table 3: COVID-19 specimen recorded at the Laboratories
As of 23 January 2021

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VARIABLES	TOTAL
Total samples received by the Laboratory	251709
Total samples tested	240492
Total samples re-tested	11099
Total positive results	32376
Total negative results	208052
Total samples discarded	117
Invalid results	1
Total pending results	0
Indeterminant/Inconclusive	64
Suspected cases in 24 hours (excludes re-tests)	1933

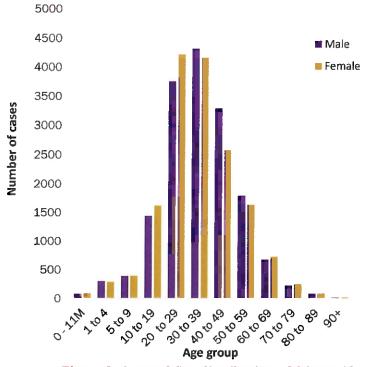


Figure 2: Age and Sex distribution of COVID-19 confirmed cases, as of 23 January 2021

- Of the total confirmed cases, 22318 (69%) are in the 20-49 years age-brackets which constitutes the majority of the recorded cases.
- A total of 3844 (12%) of the confirmed cases are among the 5-19 years category.
- The under 5 years age group make 754 (2%) of the total cases whereas, 2073 (6%) are above 60 years of age.

PUBLIC HEALTH ACTION(S)

- Public awareness on COVID-19 prevention measures is ongoing.
- The government and developmental partners continue to prioritise continuation of essential health services.

CHALLENGES

- Lack of isolation units and facilities in the regions.
- Non-adherence to COVID-19 prevention measures by the general public.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Establish fully equipped isolation units and facilities throughout the country.
- Continue to give awareness on the importance of adhering to COVID -19 prevention measures; with the involvement of the Security Cluster.

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