



NAMIBIA COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT NO. 323

Outbreak Name	COVID-19 outbreak	Country affected	Namibia
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HIGHLIGHTS/SITUATION UPDATE (04/02/2021)



- A total of **34615** cases have been recorded to-date, representing **1%** of the population.
- More male cases **17513 (51%)** were recorded compared to female cases **17102 (49%)**.
- Of the total confirmed cases, **1645 (5%)** Health Workers (HWs) have tested positive for COVID-19 to-date.
 - 1264 (77%) State; 373 (23%) Private, 4 (0.2%) Non-Governmental Organizations.
 - 1598 (97%) recoveries and 6 (0.4%) deaths.
- The recovery rate now stands at **96%**.
- All fourteen (14) regions have reported confirmed cases; Khomas and Erongo regions reported the highest with **14495 (42%)** and **7019 (20%)** respectively.
- Of the total fatalities, **300 (81%)** are COVID-19 deaths while **70 (19%)** are COVID-19 related deaths.

Table 1: Distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases by region, 04 February 2021

Region	Total No. of cases	Active cases	Recoveries	Cumulative Deaths	Cumulative deaths with co-morbidities	Non-COVID deaths	Health Workers
Erongo	7019	179	6756	80	77	4	184
Hardap	1417	15	1390	12	12	0	35
//Kharas	2266	28	2215	22	18	0	101
Kavango East	860	220	630	10	7	0	83
Kavango West	51	20	29	2	2	0	1
Khomas	14495	110	14236	150	140	0	730
Kunene	874	32	837	5	5	0	45
Ohangwena	632	40	578	12	9	2	38
Omaheke	670	44	617	9	6	0	33
Omusati	608	32	572	4	2	0	29
Oshana	2298	17	2258	23	18	0	167
Oshikoto	1306	94	1206	5	5	1	89
Otjozondjupa	1670	65	1576	29	22	0	80
Zambezi	449	122	320	7	5	0	30
Total	34615	1018	33220	370	328	7	1645

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**Table 2: COVID-19 specimen recorded at the Laboratories
As of 04 February 2021**

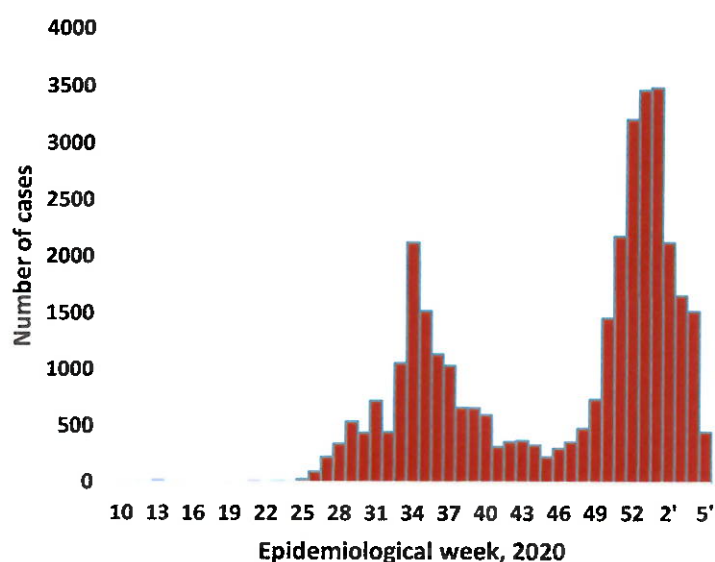
VARIABLES	TOTAL
Total samples received by the Laboratory	269268
Total samples tested	257837
Total samples re-tested	11314
Total positive results	34615
Total negative results	223169
Total samples discarded	117
Invalid results	0
Total pending results	46
Indeterminant/Inconclusive	7
Suspected cases in 24 hours (excludes re-tests)	1542

- To date, **269151** tests (including **11314** re-tests) have been conducted by NIP, Path-Care, NAMDEB, UNAM, Namib Poultry and Central Veterinary laboratories.
- Since the beginning of the outbreak, **63011** contacts of confirmed cases have been identified, **313** new contacts were identified within the last 24 hours from 12 regions.
- Cumulatively, **58815** contacts have completed their monitoring period, while a total of **7998 (23%)** contacts of confirmed cases have tested positive.
- Today, **2327 (63%)** out of **3677** active contacts monitored.

**Table 3: Number of people in mandatory quarantine facilities
04 February 2021**

Region	Newly quarantined 24 Hrs.	Cumulative number	Number discharged	Number in quarantine now
Erongo	181	5158	4933	225
Hardap	6	1311	1299	12
Kavango	5	1061	1029	32
Khomas	0	3157	3147	10
//Kharas	0	4760	4637	123
Kunene	0	2706	2619	87
Ohangwena	0	616	610	6
Omaheke	23	3259	2946	313
Omusati	1	541	540	1
Oshana	0	393	393	0
Oshikoto	76	6313	5930	383
Otjozondjupa	0	1334	1321	13
Zambezi	0	1333	1320	13
Total	292	31942	30724	1218

- Since March 2020, **31942** people have been placed into mandatory quarantine facilities around the country.
- A total of **1218** people are currently in quarantine, with **292** new admissions.



**Figure 1: Epi-curve for confirmed COVID-19 cases
As of 04 February 2021**

- A highest peak of **3485 (10%)** cases was recorded during week 53 (Figure 1).

The National Call Center continues operations for 24 hours daily.

Today (04/02/2021), **650** calls were answered including **84** alerts.

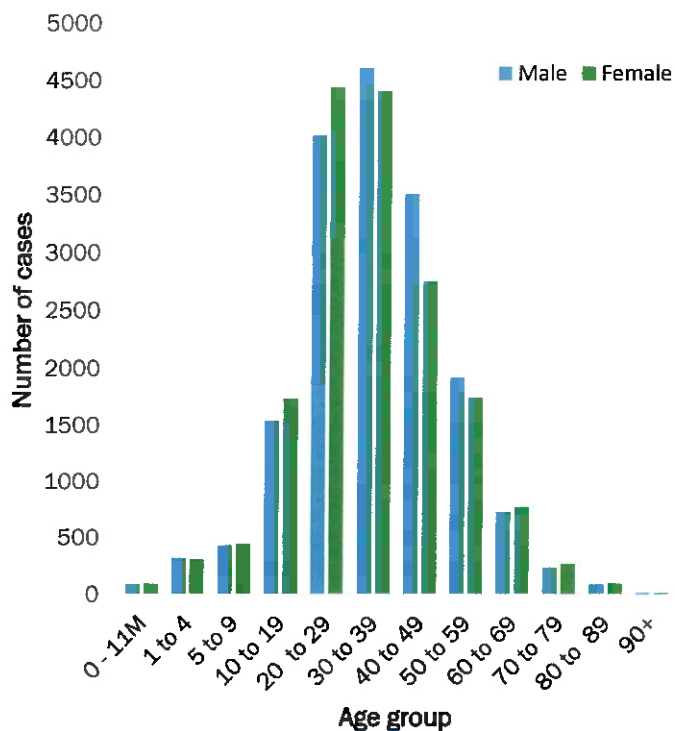


Figure 2: Age and Sex distribution of COVID-19 confirmed cases, as of 04 February 2021

- Of the total confirmed cases, **23750 (69%)** are in the 20-49 years age-brackets which constitutes the majority of the recorded cases.
- A total of **4149 (12%)** of the confirmed cases are among the 5-19 years category.
- The under 5 years age group make **803 (2%)** of the total cases whereas, **2242 (6%)** are above 60 years of age.

PUBLIC HEALTH ACTION(S)

- Mechanisms are underway on how to roll out the vaccine nationwide once it is made available.
- 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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