



NAMIBIA COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT NO. 349

Outbreak Name	COVID-19 outbreak	Country affected	Namibia
Date & Time	02.03.2021 17h00	Investigation start Date	13 March 2020
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HIGHLIGHTS/SITUATION UPDATE (02/03/2021)

TOTAL

Tested 303412

Confirmed 39297

Active 1875

Recovered 36980

Death 434

TODAY

Tested 1109

Confirmed 115

Active 1875

Recovered 482

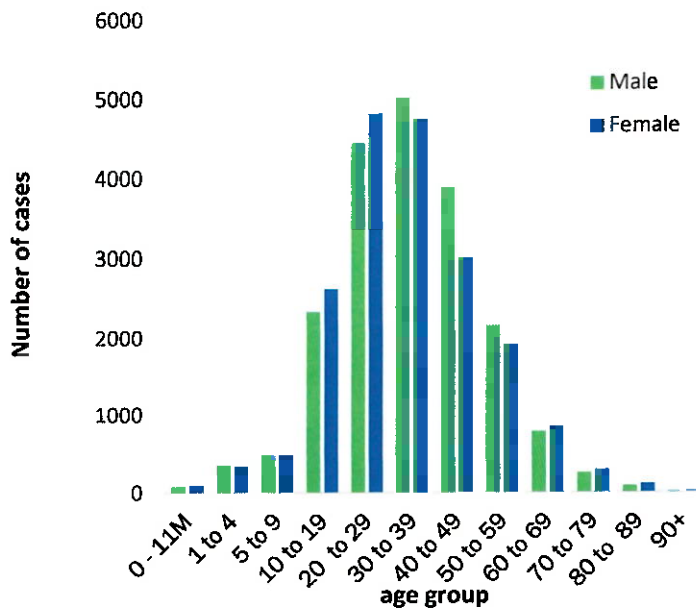
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- A total of **39297** cases have been recorded to-date, representing **2%** of the population.
- More male cases **19948 (51%)** were recorded compared to female cases **19349 (49%)**.
- Of the total confirmed cases, **1764 (4%)** are Health Workers (HWs).
 - 1368 (78%) State; 392 (22%) Private, 4 (0.2%) Non-Governmental Organizations.
 - 1686 (96%) recoveries and 6 (0.3%) deaths.
- The recovery rate now stands at **94%**.
- All fourteen (14) regions have reported confirmed cases; **Khomas and Erongo** regions reported the highest with **15351 (39%)** and **7475 (19%)** respectively.
- Of the total fatalities, **344 (79%)** are COVID-19 deaths while **90 (21%)** are COVID-19 related deaths.

Table 1: Distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases by region, 02 March 2021

Region	Total No. of cases	Active cases	Recoveries	Cumulative Deaths	Cumulative deaths with co-morbidities	Non-COVID deaths	Health Workers
Erongo	7475	178	7203	90	86	4	197
Hardap	1599	53	1528	18	14	0	35
//Kharas	2485	120	2336	29	25	0	105
Kavango East	1379	391	973	15	11	0	92
Kavango West	164	21	141	2	2	0	6
Khomas	15351	169	15017	165	151	0	762
Kunene	936	78	849	9	9	0	47
Ohangwena	851	101	735	13	10	2	47
Omaheke	833	88	734	11	8	0	37
Omusati	1010	86	919	5	3	0	30
Oshana	2531	199	2306	26	21	0	183
Oshikoto	2144	67	2066	9	9	2	97
Otjozondjupa	1960	73	1853	34	26	0	92
Zambezi	579	251	320	8	6	0	34
Total	39297	1875	36980	434	381	8	1764

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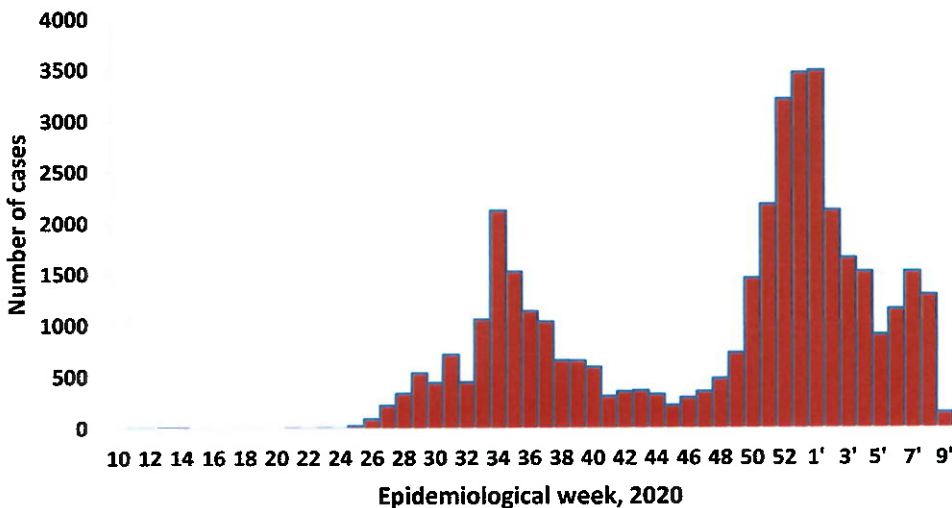
- Of the total confirmed cases, **25942 (66%)** are in the 20-49 years age-brackets which constitutes the majority of the recorded cases.
- A total of **5933 (15%)** of the confirmed cases are among the 5-19 years category.
- The under 5 years age group make up **892 (2%)** of the total cases whereas, **2457 (6%)** are above 60 years of age.

Figure 1: Age and Sex distribution of COVID-19 confirmed cases, 02 March 2021

- To date, **303412** tests (including **11652** re-tests) have been conducted by NIP, Path-Care, NAMDEB, UNAM, Namib Poultry, Diagno and Central Veterinary laboratories.
- Since the beginning of the outbreak, **70624** contacts of confirmed cases have been identified, **258** new contacts were identified within the last 24 hours from 10 regions.
- Cumulatively, **66429** contacts have completed their monitoring period, while a total of **9595 (24%)** contacts of confirmed cases have tested positive.
- Today, **2444 (65%)** out of **3764** active contacts monitored.

Table 2: COVID-19 specimen recorded at the Laboratories As of 02 March 2021

VARIABLES	TOTAL
Total samples received by the Laboratory	303529
Total samples tested	291850
Total samples re-tested	11562
Total positive results	39297
Total negative results	252500
Total samples discarded	117
Invalid results	0
Total pending results	46
Indeterminant/Inconclusive	7
Suspected cases in 24 hours (excludes re-tests)	1095



- A highest peak of **3485 (9%)** cases was recorded during week 1 in 2021 (Figure 2).

The National Call Center continues operations for 24 hours daily.

Today (02/03/2021), **579** calls were answered including **81** alerts.

Figure 2: Epi-curve for confirmed COVID-19 cases, 02 March 2021

PUBLIC HEALTH ACTION(S)

- Commencement of sample testing by Diagno Laboratory.
- Mechanisms are underway on how to roll out the vaccine nationwide once it is made available.
- The government and developmental partners continue to prioritise the continuation of essential health services.


CHALLENGES

- Non-adherence to COVID-19 prevention measures by the general public.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 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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