



NAMIBIA COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT NO. 498			
Outbreak Name	COVID-19 outbreak	Country affected	Namibia
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## **HIGHLIGHTS/SITUATION UPDATE (29/07/2021)**

**CUMULATIVE** 

Tested 612 377

**Confirmed 118 922** 

Active 20 617

Recoveries 95 250

Vaccinated 1<sup>st</sup> doses 162 596 2<sup>nd</sup> doses 48 814

Deaths 3 044

**TOTAL TODAY** 

Tested 2 343

Confirmed 493

Active 20 617

Recoveries 694

Vaccinated

1st doses 2 715

2<sup>nd</sup> doses 745

Deaths 45

- A total of 118 922 cases have been recorded to-date, representing 5% of the total population (2 550 226).
- More female cases 62 892 (53%) have been recorded compared to male cases 56 030 (47%).
- Of the total confirmed cases, 4 018 (3%) are Health Workers.
  - 3 357 (84%) State; 653 (16%) Private, 8 (0.2%) Non-Governmental Organizations.
  - 3 769 (94%) recoveries and 13 (0.3%) deaths.
- The recovery rate now stands at 80%.
- All fourteen (14) regions have reported confirmed cases; Khomas and Erongo regions reported the highest with 40 736 (34%) and 17 472 (15%) respectively.
- Of the total fatalities, 2 779 (91%) are COVID-19 deaths while 265 (9%) are COVID-19 related deaths. The case fatality rate now stands at 2.5%.

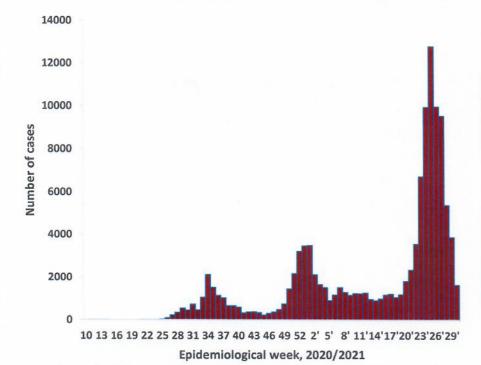
Table 1: Distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases by region, 29 July 2021

Region	Total No. of cases	Active cases	Recoveries	Cumulative Deaths	Cumulative deaths with co-morbidities	Non- COVID deaths	Health Workers
Erongo	17 472	1 200	15 884	383	321	5	393
Hardap	7 254	113	6 894	247	152	0	122
Kharas	7 215	399	6 681	135	121	0	221
Kavango East	5 330	107	5 058	165	109	0	241
Kavango West	550	55	484	11	9	0	38
Khomas	40 736	14 930	25 002	803	630	1	1 461
Kunene	3 235	131	3 039	65	56	0	85
Ohangwena	3 419	561	2 752	104	69	2	129
Omaheke	3 569	4	3 330	235	167	0	69
Omusati	4 482	412	3 926	144	98	0	157
Oshana	8 118	650	7 193	274	163	1	499
Oshikoto	6 053	146	5 765	140	118	2	284
Otjozondjupa	8 836	1 211	7 368	257	175	0	219
Zambezi	2 653	698	1 874	81	54	0	100
Total	118 922	20 617	95 250	3 044	2 242	11	4 018

<sup>\*</sup> Kindly note, extra 850 negative tests were added

Table 2: The current distribution for hospitalization of confirmed cases by region, 29 July 2021

Region	Hospitalized confirmed cases	Intensive Care Unit
Erongo	37	14
Hardap	5	0
Kharas	29	2
Kavango East	20	1
Kavango West	0	0
Khomas	145	44
Kunene	43	0
Ohangwena	23	0
Omaheke	4	0
Omusati	21	0
Oshana	67	14
Oshikoto	21	10
Otjozondjupa	17	0
Zambezi	8	0
Total	440	85



The highest peak of 12 787 (11%) cases was recorded during week 25 of 2021 (Figure 1).

- The National Call Center continues operations for 24 hours daily.
- Today (29/07/2021), **595** calls were answered including **8** alerts.

Figure 1: Epi-curve for confirmed COVID-19 cases, 29 July 2021

Table 3: Summary of COVID-19 vaccine doses administered, as of 29 July 2021

Region	Cumulative no. of persons of Sinopharm and		Cumulative no. of Healthcare Workers vaccinated with doses of Sinopharm and AstraZeneca	
	1 <sup>st</sup> doses	2 <sup>nd</sup> doses	1st doses	2 <sup>nd</sup> doses
Erongo	16 610	3 813	838	423
Hardap	8 368	1 929	365	158
Kharas	7 078	2 543	552	187
Kavango East	8 595	2 749	774	336
Kavango West	3 523	817	263	61
Khomas	48 725	14 421	2 909	1 261
Kunene	7 754	1876	493	324
Ohangwena	9 411	2 583	587	270
Omaheke	7 183	1 673	307	170
Omusati	10 701	3 082	731	380
Oshana	10 247	4 037	1 092	600
Oshikoto	7 787	2 672	583	343
Otjozondjupa	13 606	5 326	633	305
Zambezi	3 008	1 293	392	266
Total	162 596	48 814	10 519	5 084

Region	Newly quarantined 24 hours	Cumulative number	Number discharged	Number in quarantine now
Erongo	0	6 931	5 899	1 032
Hardap	6	2 779	2 774	5
Kavango (East and West)	0	1 592	1 582	10
Khomas	1	3 652	3 640	12
Kharas	0	9 157	8 280	877
Kunene	0	6 079	5 823	256
Ohangwena	0	695	695	0
Omaheke	50	12 168	12 121	47
Omusati	0	2 231	1 951	280
Oshana	0	400	400	0
Oshikoto	79	19 743	19 103	640
Otjozondjupa	0	1 540	1 540	0
Zambezi	0	1 991	1824	167
Total	136	68 958	65 632	3 326

- Since March 2020, 68 958 people have been placed into quarantine around the country.
- A total of 3 326 people are currently in quarantine, with 136 new admissions.

- Of the total confirmed cases, 71 791 (60%) are in the 20-49 years age-brackets which constitutes the majority of the recorded cases.
- A total of 18 823 (16%) of the confirmed cases are among the 5-19 years category.
- The under 5 years age group make up 2 559 (2%) of the total cases whereas, 11 550 (10%) are above 60 years of age.

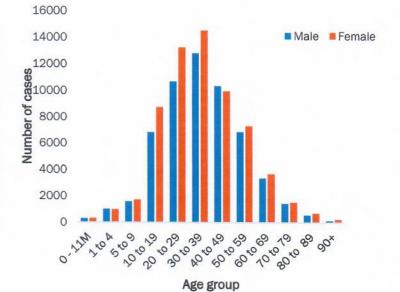


Figure 2: Age and Sex distribution of COVID-19 confirmed cases 29 July 2021

Table 5: COVID-19 specimen recorded at the Laboratories 29 July 2021

VARIABLES	TOTAL
Total samples received by the Laboratory	612 494
Total samples tested	598 583
Total samples re-tested	13 794
Total positive results	118 922
Total negative results	479 605
Total samples discarded	117
Invalid results	0
Total pending results	46
Indeterminant/Inconclusive	10
Suspected cases in 24 hours (excluding re-tests)	2 331

- The laboratory testing capacity has been enhanced; with a total of fourteen (14) laboratories carrying out the testing of samples: NIP (including Oshakati), Path-Care, UNAM Molecular, Central Veterinary Laboratory, Namib Poultry, NAMDEB, NamPath, Namibia Central Pathology, DiagnoLab, High Care, Alpha Medical Laboratory, Des-Jo Medical Test Centre, ProQuest Diagnostic Laboratory and Medlink Laboratory Services.
- To date, **612 377** tests (including **13 794** re-tests) have been conducted by authorized laboratories.
- Since the beginning of the outbreak, 130 138 contacts of confirmed cases have been identified, 669 new contacts were identified within the last 24 hours from 12 regions.
- Cumulatively, 125 837 contacts have completed their monitoring period, while 140 contacts are lost to followup and a total of 22 285 (19%) contacts of confirmed cases have tested positive.
- Today, 1934 (65%) out of 2983 active contacts were monitored.

## PUBLIC HEALTH ACTION (S)

- ➤ The COVID-19 vaccination programme is ongoing throughout the country
- The government and development partners continue to prioritize the continuation of essential health services.

## CHALLENGES

Poor adherence to COVID-19 Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) measures by the general public.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

Continue to give awareness on the importance of adhering to COVID-19 IPC measures; with the involvement of the Security Cluster.

**APPROVED** 

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