



NAMIBIA COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT NO. 519

Outbreak Name	COVID-19 outbreak	Country affected	Namibia
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HIGHLIGHTS/SITUATION UPDATE (19/08/2021)

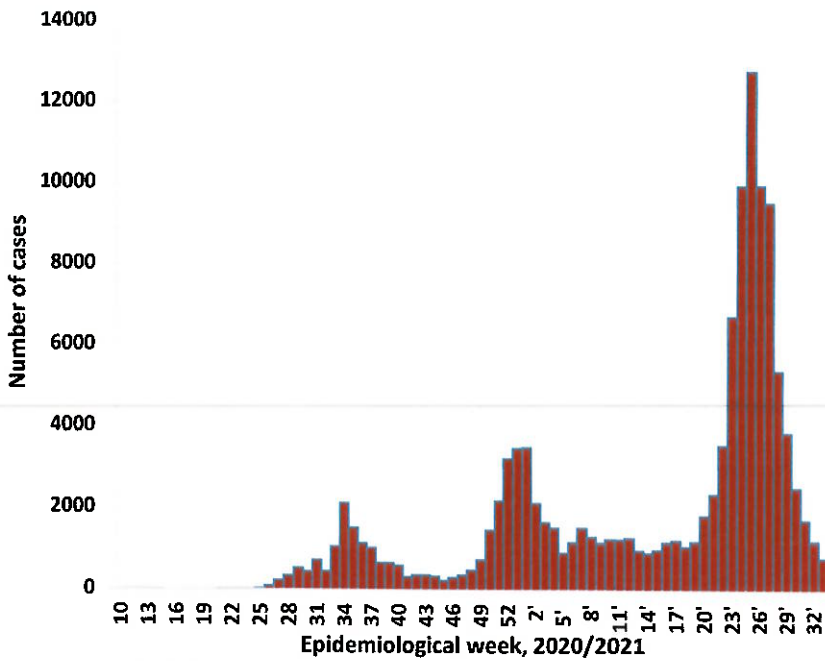
CUMULATIVE	TOTAL TODAY
Tested 645 023	Tested 1 378
Confirmed 123 483	Confirmed 241
Active 2 797	Active 2 797
Recoveries 117 342	Recoveries 143
Vaccinated 1 st doses 197 843 2 nd doses 93 173	Vaccinated 1 st doses 1 805 2 nd doses 2 647
Deaths 3 333	Deaths 8

- A total of **123 483** cases have been recorded to-date, representing **5%** of the total population (**2 550 226**).
- More female cases **65 458 (53%)** have been recorded.
- Of the total confirmed cases, **4 233 (3%)** are Health Workers.
 - 3 518 (83%) State; 707 (17%) Private, 8 (0.2%) Non-Governmental Organizations.
 - 4 157 (98%) recoveries and 25 (0.6%) deaths.
- The recovery rate now stands at **95%**.
- Khomas and Erongo regions reported the highest number of cases with **41 217 (33%)** and **18 025 (15%)** respectively.
- Of the total fatalities, **3 055 (92%)** are COVID-19 deaths while **278 (8%)** are COVID-19 related deaths. The case fatality rate now stands at **2.7%**.

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

Region	Total cases daily	Total No. of cases	Active cases	Recoveries	Cumulative Deaths	Cumulative deaths with co-morbidities	Non-COVID deaths	Health Workers
Erongo	47	18 025	792	16 827	401	334	5	410
Hardap	4	7 359	71	7 032	256	160	0	122
Kharas	18	7 552	111	7 300	141	124	0	230
Kavango East	2	5 401	28	5 196	177	114	0	244
Kavango West	3	586	17	554	15	12	0	38
Khomas	23	41 217	262	40 114	840	657	1	1 480
Kunene	6	3 410	60	3 267	83	68	0	91
Ohangwena	11	4 041	276	3 638	125	80	2	143
Omaheke	5	3 664	7	3 410	247	171	0	119
Omusati	64	5 019	262	4 558	199	121	0	171
Oshana	19	8 731	151	8 263	316	187	1	513
Oshikoto	19	6 475	27	6 286	160	127	2	312
Otjozondjupa	20	9 144	66	8 808	270	185	0	256
Zambezi	0	2 859	667	2 089	103	59	0	104
Total	241	123 483	2 797	117 342	3 333	2 399	11	4 232

EPIDEMIOLOGICAL SITUATION IN NAMIBIA



➤ The highest peak of **12 787 (10%)** cases was recorded during week 25 of 2021 (Figure 1).

➤ After a peak in epi-week 25, the country has seen a gradual reduction in the average number of confirmed cases to 170 in epi-week 32.

➤ The National Call Center continues operations for 24 hours daily.

➤ Today (19/08/2021), **598** calls were answered including **7** alerts.

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

Table 2: The current distribution for hospitalization of confirmed cases by region, 19 August 2021

Region	Hospitalized confirmed cases	Intensive Care Unit
Erongo	24	11
Hardap	0	0
Karas	15	0
Kavango East	15	1
Kavango West	3	0
Khomas	81	22
Kunene	20	0
Ohangwena	19	0
Omaheke	1	0
Omusati	17	0
Oshana	39	9
Oshikoto	11	5
Otjozondjupa	12	0
Zambezi	5	0
Total	262	48

➤ Of the total confirmed cases, **74 059 (60%)** are in the 20-49 years age-brackets which constitutes the majority of the recorded cases.

➤ A total of **19 664 (16%)** of the confirmed cases are among the 5-19 years category.

➤ A total of **14 771 (12%)** of the confirmed cases are among the 50 - 59 years group.

➤ The under 5 years age group make up **2 739 (2%)** of the total cases whereas, **12 250 (10%)** are above 60 years of age.

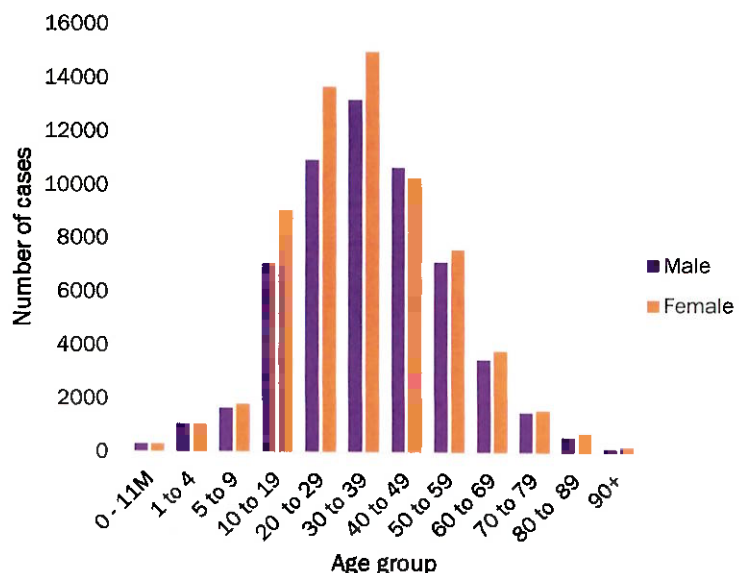


Figure 2: Age and Sex distribution of COVID-19 confirmed cases, 19 August 2021

**Table 3: COVID-19 specimen recorded at the Laboratories
19 August 2021**

VARIABLES	TOTAL
Total samples received by the Laboratory	645 140
Total samples tested	630 965
Total samples re-tested	14 058
Total positive results	123 483
Total negative results	507 477
Total samples discarded	117
Invalid results	0
Total pending results	0
Indeterminant/Inconclusive	5
Suspected cases in 24 hours (excluding re-tests)	1 359

- The laboratory testing capacity has been enhanced; with a total of fifteen (15) laboratories carrying out the testing of samples: NIP, 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, MAXI and Medlink Laboratory Services.
- To date, **645 023** tests (including **14 058** re-tests) have been conducted by authorized laboratories.
- Since the beginning of the outbreak, **135 970** contacts of confirmed cases have been identified, **207** new contacts were identified within the last 24 hours from 12 regions.
- Cumulatively, **132 530** contacts have completed their monitoring period, while **147** contacts are lost to follow-up and a total of **24 066 (19%)** contacts of confirmed cases have tested positive.
- Today, **802 (42%)** out of **1 925** active contacts were monitored.

Table 4: Number of people in quarantine, 19 August 2021

Region	Newly quarantined 24 hours	Cumulative number	Number discharged	Number in quarantine now
Erongo	0	6 931	6 517	414
Hardap	0	2 824	2 814	10
Kavango (East and West)	0	1 665	1 665	0
Khomas	0	3 689	3 689	0
Kharas	0	9 445	9 303	142
Kunene	0	6 079	5 823	256
Ohangwena	0	695	695	0
Omaheke	233	13 114	12 835	279
Omusati	0	2 541	2 335	206
Oshana	0	400	400	0
Oshikoto	50	21 188	20 873	315
Otjozondjupa	0	1 540	1 540	0
Zambezi	0	1 991	1 824	167
Total	283	72 102	70 313	1 789

- Since March 2020, **72 102** people have been placed into quarantine around the country.
- A total of **1 789** people are currently in quarantine, with **283** new admissions.

Table 5: Summary of COVID-19 vaccine doses administered, 19 August 2021

Region	Cumulative no. of persons vaccinated with doses of Sinopharm and AstraZeneca		Cumulative no. of Healthcare Workers vaccinated with doses of Sinopharm and AstraZeneca	
	1 st doses	2 nd doses	1 st doses	2 nd doses
Erongo	20 572	9 989	916	601
Hardap	12 073	4 189	402	264
Kharas	8 593	4 690	573	267
Kavango East	10 652	4 264	835	409
Kavango West	4 515	2 283	330	210
Khomas	55 138	29 580	3 183	1 839
Kunene	9 860	3 415	509	332
Ohangwena	12 433	4 698	636	343
Omaheke	8 689	2 790	332	185
Omusati	13 316	5 676	782	438
Oshana	12 480	6 525	1 117	719
Oshikoto	10 259	4 588	656	447
Otjozondjupa	15 822	8 350	641	315
Zambezi	3 441	2 136	428	332
Total	197 843	93 173	11 340	6 701

PUBLIC HEALTH ACTION (S)

- Public Health measures continues to be enforced as the situation is closely monitored.
- The COVID-19 vaccination programme is ongoing throughout the country
- The government and development partners continue to prioritize the continuation of essential health services.

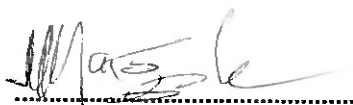
CHALLENGES

- 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.

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