



NAMIBIA COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT NO. 526

Outbreak Name	COVID-19 outbreak	Country affected	Namibia
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HIGHLIGHTS/SITUATION UPDATE (26/08/2021)

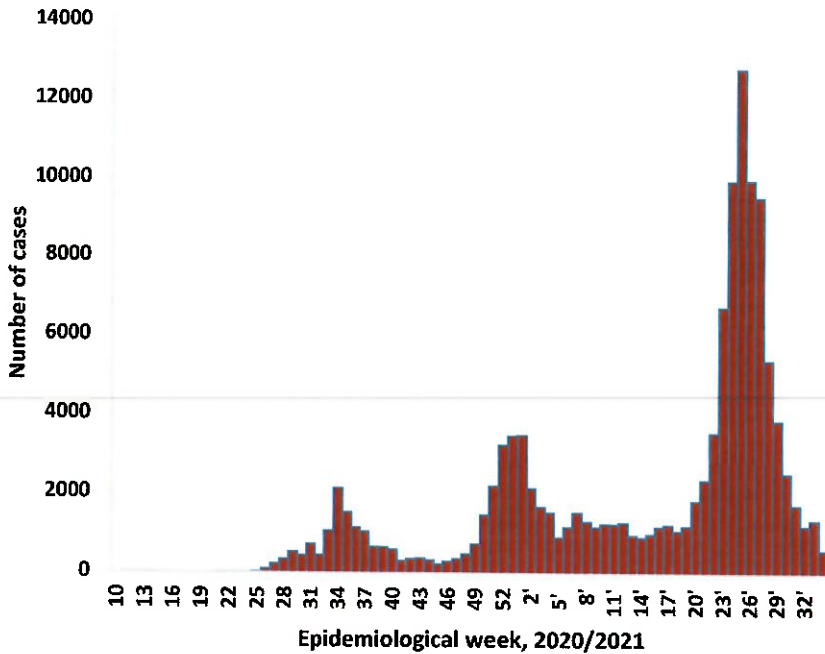
CUMULATIVE		CUMULATIVE	
Tested 656 106		Tested 1 637	
Confirmed 124 618		Confirmed 215	
Active 2 474		Active 2 474	
Recoveries 118 763		Recoveries 148	
Vaccinated		Vaccinated	
1 st doses 209 622	2 nd doses 108 914	1 st doses 1 749	2 nd doses 2 446
Deaths 3 370		Deaths 1	

- A total of **124 618** cases have been recorded to-date, representing **5%** of the total population (**2 550 226**).
- More female cases **66 106 (53%)** have been recorded.
- Of the total confirmed cases, **4 257 (3%)** are Health Workers.
 - 3 540 (83%) State; 709 (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 **41 319 (33%)** and **18 100 (15%)** respectively.
- Of the total fatalities, **3 092 (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, 26 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	17	18 100	864	16 828	403	336	5	413
Hardap	0	7 380	33	7 091	256	160	0	123
Kharas	8	7 650	191	7 318	141	124	0	233
Kavango East	4	5 419	16	5 226	177	114	0	244
Kavango West	3	593	21	554	18	15	0	38
Khomas	12	41 319	292	40 183	843	658	1	1 483
Kunene	1	3 444	46	3 307	91	73	0	92
Ohangwena	21	4 255	408	3 714	131	84	2	145
Omaheke	76	3 825	113	3 463	249	172	0	120
Omusati	27	5 213	282	4 724	207	125	0	171
Oshana	25	8 807	104	8 383	319	190	1	519
Oshikoto	5	6 525	23	6 338	162	129	2	314
Otjozondjupa	7	9 196	55	8 871	270	185	0	257
Zambezi	9	2 892	26	2 763	103	59	0	105
Total	215	124 618	2 474	118 763	3 370	2 424	11	4 257

EPIDEMIOLOGICAL SITUATION IN NAMIBIA



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

➤ The National Call Center continues operations for 24 hours daily.
 ➤ Today (26/08/2021), **490** calls were answered including **8** alerts.

Figure 1: Epi-curve for confirmed COVID-19 cases, 26 August 2021

Table 2: The current distribution for hospitalization of confirmed cases by region, 26 August 2021

Region	Hospitalized confirmed cases	Intensive Care Unit
Erongo	23	9
Hardap	5	0
Karas	8	0
Kavango East	7	0
Kavango West	0	0
Khomas	50	13
Kunene	23	0
Ohangwena	16	0
Omaheke	5	0
Omusati	22	0
Oshana	19	2
Oshikoto	11	7
Otjozondjupa	7	0
Zambezi	0	0
Total	196	31

- Of the total confirmed cases, **74 457 (60%)** are in the 20-49 years age-brackets which constitutes the majority of the recorded cases.
- A total of **20 152 (16%)** of the confirmed cases are among the 5-19 years category.
- A total of **14 857 (12%)** of the confirmed cases are among the 50 - 59 years group.
- The under 5 years age group make up **2 781 (2%)** of the total cases whereas, **12 371 (10%)** are above 60 years of age.

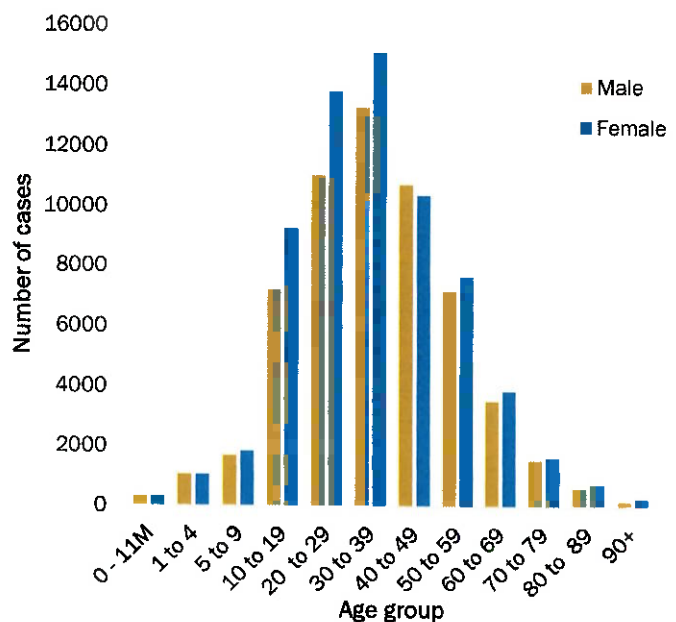


Figure 2: Age and Sex distribution of COVID-19 confirmed cases 26 August 2021

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

VARIABLES	TOTAL
Total samples received by the Laboratory	656 223
Total samples tested	641 990
Total samples re-tested	14 116
Total positive results	124 618
Total negative results	517 360
Total samples discarded	117
Invalid results	0
Total pending results	7
Indeterminant/Inconclusive	5
Suspected cases in 24 hours (excluding re-tests)	1 632

- 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, **656 106** tests (including **14 116** re-tests) have been conducted by authorized laboratories.
- Since the beginning of the outbreak, **138 273** contacts of confirmed cases have been identified, **609** new contacts were identified within the last 24 hours from 12 regions.
- Cumulatively, **134 731** contacts have completed their monitoring period, while **180** contacts are lost to follow-up and a total of **24 466 (20%)** contacts of confirmed cases have tested positive.
- Today, **1 160 (55%)** out of **2 109** active contacts were monitored.

Table 4: Number of people in quarantine, 26 August 2021

Region	Newly quarantined 24 hours	Cumulative number	Number discharged	Number in quarantine now
Erongo	0	6931	6531	400
Hardap	21	2845	2825	20
Kavango (East and West)	0	1668	1665	3
Khomas	0	3692	3690	2
Kharas	464	9909	9689	220
Kunene	276	6355	6133	222
Ohangwena	0	695	695	0
Omaheke	988	14102	13525	577
Omusati	0	2670	2500	170
Oshana	0	400	400	0
Oshikoto	0	21526	21202	324
Otjozondjupa	25	1565	1540	25
Zambezi	0	1991	1991	0
Total	1 774	74 349	72 386	1 963

- Since March 2020, **74 349** people have been placed into quarantine around the country.
- A total of **1 963** people are currently in quarantine, with **1 774** admissions.

*Kindly note: Not all admissions and discharges were done in 24 hours. There was a delay in reporting from the regions.

Table 5: Summary of COVID-19 vaccine doses administered, 26 August 2021

Region	Cumulative no. of persons vaccinated with doses of Sinopharm and AstraZeneca		Targeted Population	Vaccination Coverage (%)	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	22 495	11 672	121 682	9%	951	606
Hardap	13 390	5 416	56 741	10%	423	290
Kharas	9 143	5 256	55 489	9%	567	265
Kavango East	11 104	4 794	117 665	4%	831	432
Kavango West	4 870	2 611	29 228	9%	329	205
Khomas	57 727	34 066	286 641	12%	3 251	1 952
Kunene	10 651	4 242	66 499	6%	508	332
Ohangwena	13 141	5 724	164 102	3%	634	341
Omaheke	9 245	3 782	51 765	7%	333	200
Omusati	14 024	6 961	139 451	5%	775	438
Oshana	12 924	7 277	126 374	6%	1 117	712
Oshikoto	10 926	5 421	124 395	4%	675	470
Otjozondjupa	16 445	9 355	97 903	10%	694	443
Zambezi	3 537	2 337	63 106	4%	425	330
Total	209 622	108 914	1 501 041	7%	11 513	7 016

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.

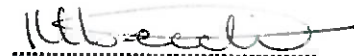
RECOMMENDATIONS

- 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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