



NAMIBIA COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT NO. 528					
Outbreak Name	COVID-19 outbreak	Country affected	Namibia		
Date & Time	28 August 2021 20h00	Investigation start Date	13 March 2020		
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# **HIGHLIGHTS/SITUATION UPDATE (28/08/2021)**

CUMUL	ATIVE
Tested 6	558 390
Confirmed	124 900
Active	2 678
Recoveries	118 839
Vaccir	nated
1st doses 211 118	2 <sup>nd</sup> doses 111 523
Deaths	3 372

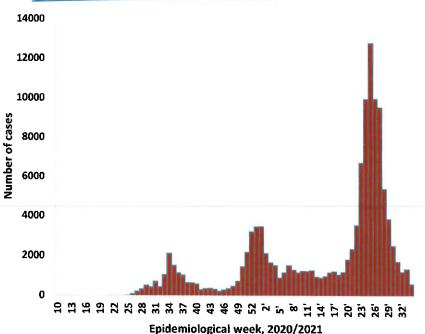
CUMULATIVE	
Tested 1 345	
Confirmed 184	
Active 2 678	
Recoveries 26	
Vaccinated 1 <sup>st</sup> doses 279 2 <sup>nd</sup> doses	493
Deaths 0	

- A total of 124 900 cases have been recorded to-date, representing 5% of the total population (2 550 226).
- More female cases 66 264 (53%) have been recorded.
- Of the total confirmed cases, 4 261 (3%) are Health Workers.
  - 3 544 (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 41 340 (33%) and 18 114 (15%) respectively.
- Of the total fatalities, 3 094 (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, 28 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	14	18 114	878	16 828	403	336	5	415
Hardap	2	7 390	40	7 094	256	160	0	123
Kharas	5	7 659	200	7 318	141	124	0	233
Kavango East	0	5 423	20	5 226	177	114	0	244
Kavango West	2	595	23	554	18	15	0	38
Khomas	13	41 340	307	40 188	844	659	1	1 483
Kunene	7	3 461	36	3 334	91	73	0	92
Ohangwena	37	4 306	459	3 714	131	84	2	146
Omaheke	62	3 918	206	3 463	249	172	0	120
Omusati	10	5 227	294	4 726	207	125	0	172
Oshana	6	8 818	114	8 383	320	191	1	519
Oshikoto	3	6 537	26	6 347	162	129	2	314
Otjozondjupa	23	9 220	53	8 897	270	185	0	257
Zambezi	0	2 892	22	2 767	103	59	0	105
Total	184	124 900	2 678	118 839	3 372	2 426	11	4 261

#### **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 (28/08/2021), 504 calls were answered including 5 alerts.

Epidemiological week, 2020/2021
Figure 1: Epi-curve for confirmed COVID-19 cases, 28 August 2021

Table 2: The current distribution for hospitalization of confirmed cases by region, 28 August 2021

Region	Hospitalized confirmed cases	Intensive Care Unit
Erongo	23	9
Hardap	2	0 44
Kharas	8	0
Kavango East	4	1
Kavango West	0	0
Khomas	46	12
Kunene	13	0
Ohangwena	16	0
Omaheke	5	0
Omusati	22	0
Oshana	19	2
Oshikoto	12	3
Otjozondjupa	7	0
Zambezi	0	0
Total	177	27

- Of the total confirmed cases, 74 555 (60%) are in the 20-49 years age-brackets which constitutes the majority of the recorded cases.
- A total of 20 278 (16%) of the confirmed cases are among the 5-19 years category.
- A total of 14 878 (12%) of the confirmed cases are among the 50 - 59 years group.
- The under 5 years age group make up 2 786 (2%) of the total cases whereas, 12 403 (10%) are above 60 years of age.

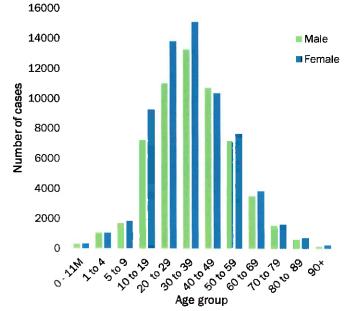


Figure 2: Age and Sex distribution of COVID-19 confirmed cases 28 August 2021

Table 3: COVID-19 specimen recorded at the Laboratories 28 August 2021

VARIABLES	TOTAL			
Total samples received by the Laboratory	658 507			
Total samples tested	644 264			
Total samples re-tested	14 126			
Total positive results	124 900			
Total negative results	519 352			
Total samples discarded	117			
Invalid results	0			
Total pending results	7			
Indeterminant/Inconclusive	5			
Suspected cases in 24 hours (excluding re-tests)	1 338			

- 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, 658 390 tests (including 14 126 re-tests) have been conducted by authorized laboratories.
- Since the beginning of the outbreak, 138 595 contacts of confirmed cases have been identified, 94 new contacts were identified within the last 24 hours from 9 regions.
- Cumulatively, 135 152 contacts have completed their monitoring period, while 180 contacts are lost to followup and a total of 24 512 (20%) contacts of confirmed cases have tested positive.
- Today, 1 093 (54%) out of 2 020 active contacts were monitored.

Table 4: Number of people in quarantine, 28 August 2021

- Since March 2020, 74 454 people have been placed into quarantine around the country.
- A total of 1 944 people are currently in quarantine, with 55 admissions.

Region	Newly quarantined 24 hours	Cumulative number	Number discharged	Number in quarantine now
Erongo	0	6931	6531	400
Hardap	1	2846	2839	7
Kavango (East and West)	0	1668	1665	3
Khomas	0	3692	3690	2
Kharas	0	9909	9689	220
Kunene	0	6355	6133	222
Ohangwena	0	695	695	0
Omaheke	0	14102	13525	577
Omusati	0	2670	2502	168
Oshana	0	400	400	0
Oshikoto	0	21576	21310	266
Otjozondjupa	54	1619	1540	79
Zambezi	0	1991	1991	0
Total	55	74454	72510	1944

Table 5: Summary of COVID-19 vaccine doses administered, 28 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	
	1st doses	2 <sup>nd</sup> doses			1st doses	2 <sup>nd</sup> doses
Erongo	22 731	12 005	121.682	10%	957	606
Hardap	13 610	5 657	56 741	10%	425	292
Kharas	9 196	5 386	55 489	10%	584	278
Kavango East	11 104	4 794	117 665	4%	831	432
Kavango West	4 870	2 611	29 228	9%	329	205
Khomas	58 069	34 797	286 641	12%	3 258	1973
Kunene	10 651	4 242	66 499	6%	508	332
Ohangwena	13 141	5 724	164 102	3%	634	341
Omaheke	9 361	4 062	51 765	8%	335	200
Omusati	14 024	6 961	139 451	5%	775	438
Oshana	13 145	7 716	126 374	6%	1193	793
Oshikoto	11 089	5 591	124 395	4%	677	475
Otjozondjupa	16 542	9 591	97 903	10%	698	444
Zambezi	3 585	2 386	63 106	4%	447	362
Total	211 118	111 523	1 501 041	7%	11 651	7 171

## **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.

**APPROVED** 

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