



NAMIBIA COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT NO. 615

Outbreak Name	COVID-19 outbreak	Country affected	Namibia
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HIGHLIGHTS/SITUATION UPDATE (23/11/2021)



- A total of **129 133** cases have been recorded to-date, representing **5%** of the total population (**2 550 226**).
- More female cases **68 698 (53%)** have been recorded.
- Of the total confirmed cases, **4 360 (3%)** are Health Workers, with no new confirmation today.
 - 3 640 (84%) State; 712 (16%) Private, 8 (0.2%) Non-Governmental Organizations.
 - 4 353 (99%) recoveries and 25 (0.6%) deaths.
- The recovery rate now stands at **97%**.
- Khomas and Erongo regions reported the highest number of cases with **41 852 (32%)** and **18 478 (14%)** respectively.
- Of the total fatalities, **3 276 (92%)** are COVID-19 deaths while **296 (8%)** are COVID-19 related deaths. The case fatality rate now stands at **2.8%**.

Table 1: Distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases by region, 23 November 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	0	18 478	9	18 053	411	341	5	418
Hardap	2	7 616	4	7 354	258	161	0	133
Karas	1	7 888	5	7 731	152	130	0	242
Kavango East	0	5 523	1	5 314	207	122	1	246
Kavango West	0	645	0	626	19	16	0	38
Khomas	4	41 852	39	40 947	865	676	1	1 501
Kunene	0	3 745	5	3 616	124	89	0	97
Ohangwena	0	5 122	3	4 961	156	97	2	163
Omaheke	0	4 006	1	3 752	253	174	0	122
Omusati	0	5 805	4	5 570	231	139	0	181
Oshana	0	9 161	6	8 823	331	196	1	529
Oshikoto	0	6 766	0	6 589	175	140	2	319
Otjozondjupa	0	9 518	9	9 236	273	185	0	265
Zambezi	0	3 008	1	2 890	117	67	0	106
Total	7	129 133	87	125 462	3 572	2 533	12	4 360

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Table 2: The current distribution for hospitalization of confirmed cases by region, 23 November 2021

Region	Hospitalized confirmed cases	Intensive Care Unit
Erongo	2	0
Hardap	0	0
Karas	0	0
Kavango East	1	0
Kavango West	0	0
Khomas	6	1
Kunene	0	0
Ohangwena	0	0
Omaheke	0	0
Omusati	0	0
Oshana	1	0
Oshikoto	0	0
Otjozondjupa	0	0
Zambezi	0	0
Total	10	1

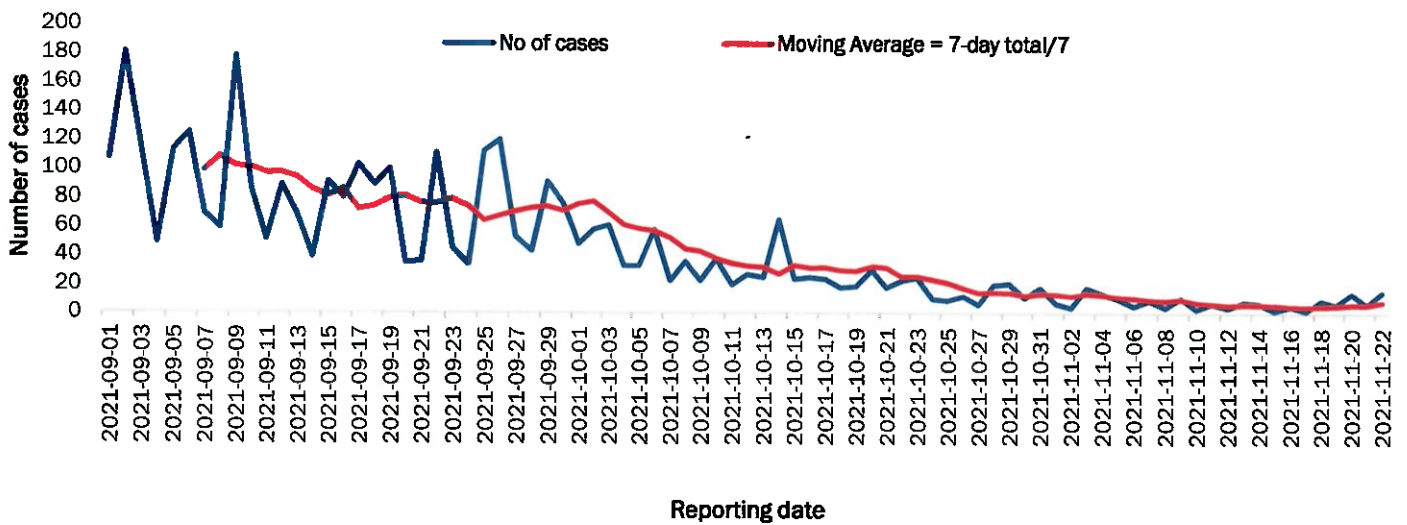


Figure 1: The 7 days moving average line chart for confirmed COVID-19 cases, 23 November 2021

- 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 from 1 827 to 6 in epi-week 46.
- The number of cases have plateaued in the last eleven (12) weeks as seen in the graph.

- The National Call Center continues operations for 24 hours daily.
- Today (23/11/2021), **280** calls were answered.

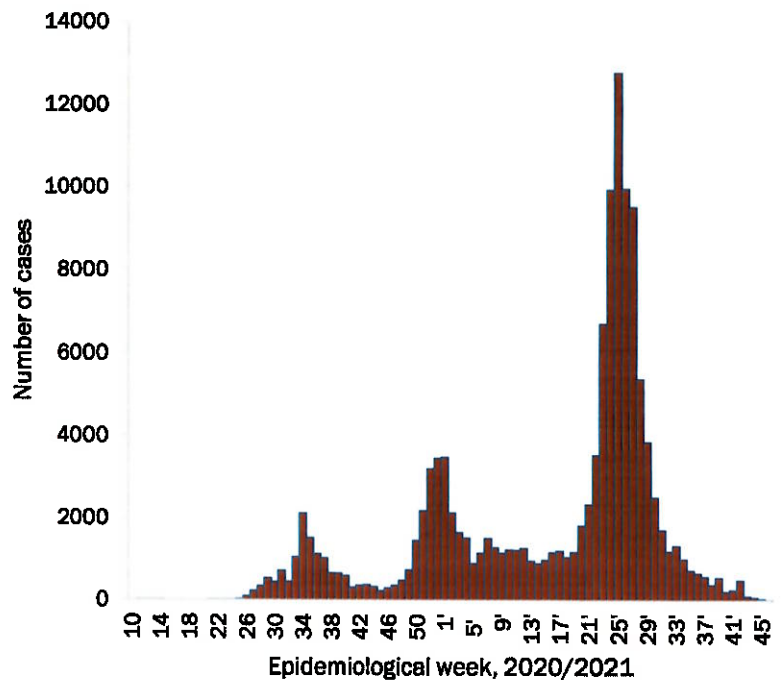


Figure 2: Epi-curve for confirmed COVID-19 cases, 23 November 2021

Table 3: COVID-19 specimen recorded at the Laboratories
23 November 2021

VARIABLES	TOTAL
Total samples received by the Laboratory	782 495
Total samples tested	767 991
Total samples re-tested	14 387
Total positive results	129 133
Total negative results	638 856
Total samples discarded	117
Invalid results	0
Total pending results	0
Indeterminant/Inconclusive	2
Suspected cases in 24 hours (excluding re-tests)	1 286

- 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, **782 378** tests (including **14 387** re-tests) have been conducted by authorized laboratories.
- Since the beginning of the outbreak, **147 146** contacts of confirmed cases have been identified, **10** new contacts were identified within the last 24 hours from 11 regions.
- Cumulatively, **145 376** contacts have completed their monitoring period, while **290** contacts are lost to follow-up and a total of **25 421 (20%)** contacts of confirmed cases have tested positive.
- Today, **30 (45%)** out of **66** active contacts were monitored.

- Of the total confirmed cases, **76 260 (59%)** are in the 20-49 years age-brackets which constitutes the majority of the recorded cases.
- A total of **21 671 (17%)** of the confirmed cases are among the 5-19 years category.
- A total of **15 259 (12%)** of the confirmed cases are among the 50 - 59 years group.
- The under 5 years age group make up **2 936 (2%)** of the total cases whereas, **13 007 (10%)** are above 60 years of age.

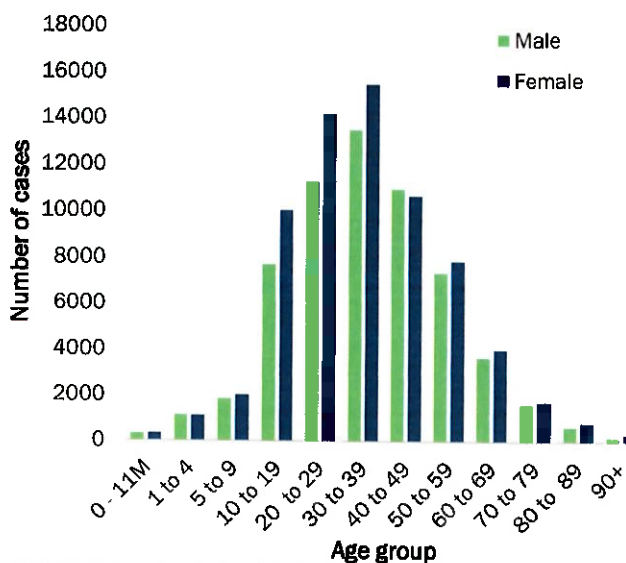


Table 4: Number of people in quarantine
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Region	Newly quarantined 24 hours	Cumulative number	Number discharged	Number in quarantine now
Erongo	0	6 939	6 931	8
Hardap	3	3 240	3 238	2
Kavango (East and West)	0	1 673	1 673	0
Khomas	0	3 703	3 703	0
Kharas	0	9 970	9 909	61
Kunene	0	6 493	6 493	0
Ohangwena	0	880	880	0
Omaheke	25	17 618	17 553	65
Omusati	0	3 418	3 411	7
Oshana	0	400	400	0
Oshikoto	5	24 349	24 323	26
Otjondjupa	0	1 834	1 834	0
Zambezi	0	2 032	2 029	3
Total	33	82 549	82 377	172

Figure 3: Age and Sex distribution of COVID-19 confirmed cases
23 November 2021

- Since March 2020, **82 549** people have been placed into quarantine around the country.
- A total of **172** people are currently in quarantine, with **33** new admissions.

Table 5: Summary of COVID-19 vaccine doses administered, 23 November 2021

Region	Cumulative no. of persons vaccinated with doses of Sinopharm, AstraZeneca, Sputnik V, Pfizer and Jassen & Johnson		Targeted Population	Vaccination Coverage (%)	Cumulative no. of Healthcare Workers vaccinated with doses of Sinopharm, AstraZeneca, Sputnik V, Pfizer and Jassen & Johnson	
	1 st doses	Fully vaccinated			1 st doses	Fully vaccinated
Erongo	34 653	30 197	121 682	24%	1 217	886
Hardap	21 679	18 054	56 741	31%	514	421
Kharas	16 734	14 606	55 489	26%	669	385
Kavango East	23 994	16 877	117 665	14%	1 184	939
Kavango West	14 845	12 101	29 228	39%	416	376
Khomas	87 753	75 020	286 641	26%	3 854	2 826
Kunene	22 506	17 655	66 499	26%	641	486
Ohangwena	24 397	19 984	164 102	12%	800	623
Omaheke	16 637	12 114	51 765	23%	373	268
Omusati	23 503	19 949	139 451	14%	941	739
Oshana	19 841	17 263	126 374	13%	1 470	1 214
Oshikoto	19 700	17 203	124 395	14%	848	728
Otjozondjupa	27 369	23 637	97 903	24%	843	621
Zambezi	6 760	5 973	63 106	9%	603	547
Total	360 371	300 633	1 501 041	20%	14 373	11 059

PUBLIC HEALTH ACTION (S)

- Commencement of the National COVID -19 Intra- Action Review (IAR) in collaboration with WHO.
- The COVID-19 vaccination programme is ongoing throughout the country.
- Public Health measures continue to be enforced as the situation is closely monitored.
- The government and development partners continue to prioritize the continuation of essential health services.

CHALLENGES

- Slow vaccine uptake among members of the public, and circulation of anti-vaccination information.

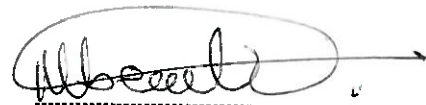
RECOMMENDATIONS

- Encourage the public to get vaccinated and strengthen community health awareness to encounter anti-vaccination information in circulation.

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