



NAMIBIA COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT NO. 606						
Outbreak Name	COVID-19 outbreak	Country affected	Namibia			
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# HIGHLIGHTS/SITUATION UPDATE (14/11/2021)



- A total of 129 067 cases have been recorded to-date, representing 5% of the total population (2 550 226).
- More female cases 68 668 (53%) have been recorded.
- Of the total confirmed cases, 4 358 (3%) are Health Workers, with no new confirmation today.
  - 3 639 (84%) State; 711 (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 41 825 (32%) and 18 469 (14%) respectively.
- Of the total fatalities, 3 271 (92%) are COVID-19 deaths while 294 (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, 14 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	18 469	8	18 045	411	341	5	418
Hardap	0	7 613	2	7 353	258	161	0	133
Kharas	1	7 885	6	7 727	152	130	0	242
Kavango East	0	5 5 1 9	0	5 314	204	122	1	246
Kavango West	0	645	0	626	19	16	0	38
Khomas	1	41 825	20	40 940	864	676	1	1 500
Kunene	0	3 742	5	3 614	123	89	0	97
Ohangwen <b>a</b>	0	5 122	25	4 939	156	97	2	163
Omaheke	0	4 006	1	3 752	253	174	0	122
Omusati	2	5 801	7	5 564	230	139	0	181
Oshana	1	9 158	10	8 817	330	196	1	528
Oshikoto	0	6 766	27	6 562	175	140	2	319
Otjozondjupa	1	9 509	9	9 227	273	185	0	265
Zambezi	1	3 007	4	2 886	117	67	0	106
Total	7	129 067	124	125 366	3 565	2 533	12	4 358

### **EPIDEMIOLOGICAL SITUATION IN NAMIBIA**

Table 2: The current distribution for hospitalization of confirmed cases by region, 14 November 2021

Region	Hospitalized confirmed cases	Intensive Care Unit		
Erongo	1	0		
Hardap	0	0		
Kharas	0	0		
Kavango East	0	0		
Kavango West	0	0		
Khomas	3	3		
Kunene	1	0		
Ohangwena	2	0		
Omaheke	0	0		
Omusati	0	0		
Oshana	3	0		
Oshikoto	1	0		
Otjozondjupa	0	0		
Zambezi	0	0		
Total	11	3		

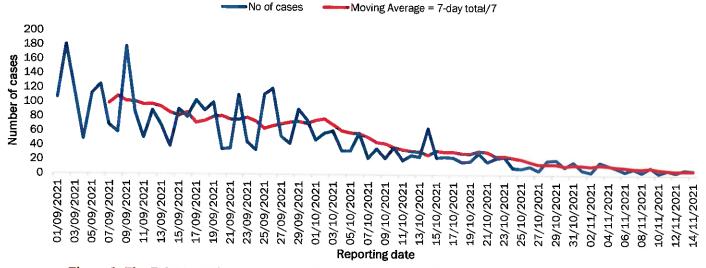


Figure 1: The 7 days moving average line chart for confirmed COVID-19 cases, 14 November 2021

- 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 1 598 to 5 in epi-week 45.
- > The number of cases have plateaued in the last eleven (11) weeks as seen in the graph.
- The National Call Center continues operations for 24 hours daily.
- Today (14/11/2021), 325 calls were answered.

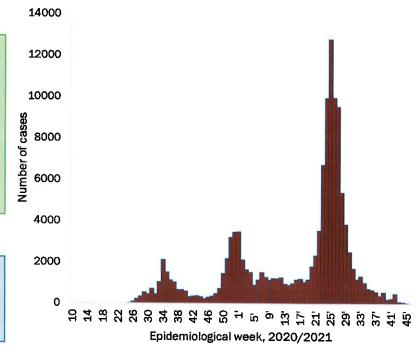


Figure 2: Epi-curve for confirmed COVID-19 cases, 14 November 2021

Table 3: COVID-19 specimen recorded at the Laboratories
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VARIABLES	TOTAL			
Total samples received by the Laboratory	771 065			
Total samples tested	756 578			
Total samples re-tested	14 372			
Total positive results	129 067			
Total negative results	627 509			
Total samples discarded	117			
Invalid results	0			
Total pending results	0			
Indeterminant/Inconclusive	2			
Suspected cases in 24 hours (excluding re-tests)	1 522			

- 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, 770 950 tests (including 14 372 re-tests) have been conducted by authorized laboratories.
- Since the beginning of the outbreak, 147 019
   contacts of confirmed cases have been identified,
   new contacts were identified within the last 24 hours from 9 regions.
- Cumulatively, 144 930 contacts have completed their monitoring period, while 290 contacts are lost to follow-up and a total of 25 413 (20%) contacts of confirmed cases have tested positive.
- Today, 236 (63%) out of 372 active contacts were monitored.
- Of the total confirmed cases, 76 220 (59%) are in the 20-49 years age-brackets which constitutes the majority of the recorded cases.
- ➤ A total of 21 658 (17%) of the confirmed cases are among the 5-19 years category.
- A total of 15 254 (12%) of the confirmed cases are among the 50 - 59 years group.
- The under 5 years age group make up 2 934 (2%) of the total cases whereas, 13 002 (10%) are above 60 years of age.

Table 4: Number of people in quarantine 14 November 2021

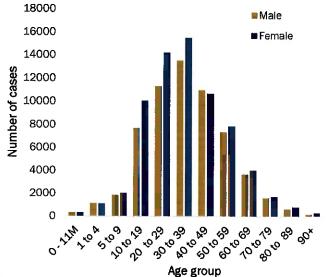


Figure 3: Age and Sex distribution of COVID-19 confirmed cases 14 November 2021

Region	Newly quarantined 24 hours	Cumulative number	Number discharged	Number in quarantine now
Erongo	0	6 931	6 931	0
Hardap	0	3 230	3 225	5
Kavango (East and West)	0	1 673	1673	0
Khomas	0	3 703	3 701	2
Kharas	0	9 909	9 909	0
Kunene	0	6 493	6 490	3
Ohangwena	0	880	880	0
Omaheke	10	17 455	17 365	90
Omusati	0	3 404	3 394	10
Oshana	0	400	400	0
Oshikoto	0	24 201	24 190	11
Otjozondjupa	0	1 834	1 834	0
Zambezi	0	2 029	2 029	0
Total	10	82 142	82 021	121

- Since March 2020, 82 142 people have been placed into quarantine around the country.
- A total of 121 people are currently in quarantine, with 10 new admissions.

Table 5: Summary of COVID-19 vaccine doses administered, 14 November 2021

Dard-			Targeted Vaccination Cumulative no. of Healthcare				
Region	vaccinated Sinopharm, Asi	Cumulative no. of persons vaccinated with doses of Sinopharm, AstraZeneca, Sputnik V, Pfizer and Jassen & Johnson		Vaccination Coverage (%)	Cumulative no. of Healthcare Workers vaccinated with doses of Sinopharm, AstraZeneca, Sputnik V, Pfizer and Jassen & Johnson		
	1 <sup>st</sup> doses	Fully vaccinated			1st doses	Fully vaccinated	
Erongo	33 767	29 017	121 682	24%	1 210	871	
Hardap	20 859	17 042	56 741	29%	497	408	
Kharas	16 074	13 716	55 489	24%	665	380	
Kavango East	21 319	14 732	117 665	12%	1 166	907	
Kavango West	13 730	11 043	29 228	37%	413	371	
Khomas	85 982	72 436	286 641	25%	3 820	2 777	
Kunene	21 352	16 111	66 499	24%	641	486	
Ohangwena	23 381	18 685	164 102	11%	788	609	
Omaheke	16 064	11 335	51 765	22%	369	260	
Omusati	22 816	18 877	139 451	13%	922	718	
Oshana	19 200	16 401	126 374	13%	1 448	1 170	
Oshikoto	19 127	16 375	124 395	13%	839	720	
Otjozondjupa	26 322	22 389	97 903	23%	834	610	
Zambezi	6 461	5 599	63 106	9%	603	547	
Total	346 454	283 758	1 501 041	19%	14 215	10 834	

## **PUBLIC HEALTH ACTION (S)**

- The Honorable Minister has announced an amendment of COVID-19 response measures to be effective from 16 November 2021 until 15 December 2021 (with an automatic extension to 15 January 2022 if epidemiological profile remains static).
- Launching of the Trusted Travel System, which was developed under the auspices of the African Union, Africa CDC and PanaBIOS Consortium.
- The country continues to conduct genomic sequencing to detect the COVID-19 variants circulating in Namibia.
- Commencement of consultations and scoping work for the introduction and utilization of Digital Vaccination Certificates solutions in Namibia.
- 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 antivaccination information in circulation.

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