



NAMIBIA COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT NO. 652						
Outbreak Name	COVID-19 outbreak	Country affected	Namibia			
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# HIGHLIGHTS/SITUATION UPDATE (30/12/2021)

# CUMULATIVE Tested 872 058 Confirmed 148 839 Active 13 254 Recovered 131 927 Vaccinated 1st doses 405 095 2nd doses 238 515 3nd doses 5 902 Deaths 3 645

TOTAL TODAY

Tested 2 795

Confirmed 865

Active 13 254

Recovered 887

Vaccinated

1st doses 419 2nd doses 286 3nd doses 394

Death(s) 12

- A daily increase of confirmed cases continue to be observed with concern and among them, majority are still not vaccinated. In the same vein we continue to observe increased hospitalized cases including those in ICU.
- A total of 148 839 cases have been recorded to-date, representing 6% of the total population (2 550 226).
- More female cases 79 058 (53%) have been recorded.
- Of the total confirmed cases, 5 091 (3%) are Health Workers, with 32 new confirmations today.
  - 4 284 (84%) State; 799 (16%) Private, 8 (0.2%) Non-Governmental Organizations.
  - 4 682 (92%) recoveries and 25 (0.5%) deaths.
- The recovery rate now stands at 89%.
- Khomas and Erongo regions reported the highest number of cases with 49 541 (33%) and 21 681 (15%) respectively.
- Of the total fatalities, 3 330 (91%) are COVID-19 deaths while 315 (9%) are COVID-19 related deaths.
- The case fatality rate now stands at 2.4%.

Table 1: Distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases by region, 30 December 2021

Region	Total cases daily	New reported re- infections	Total No. of cases	Active cases	Recoveries	Cumulative Deaths	Cumulative deaths with co-morbidities	Non- COVID deaths	Health Workers
Erongo	168	12	21 681	3 023	18 237	416	345	5	486
Hardap	16	4	8 123	300	7 562	261	163	0	151
Kharas	94	8	9 296	1 083	8 059	154	132	0	283
Kavango East	6	0	5 840	273	5 355	210	122	2	262
Kavango West	13	2	695	47	628	20	17	0	43
Khomas	138	8	49 541	5 148	43 511	881	687	1	1767
Kunene	66	2	4 658	337	4 193	128	92	0	148
Ohangwena	38	1	5 624	310	5 148	164	100	2	200
Omaheke	33	1	4 607	411	3 937	259	179	0	139
Omusati	17	0	6 539	424	5 874	241	147	0	233
Oshana	63	4	10 041	565	9 143	332	200	1	581
Oshikoto	38	4	7 395	363	6 846	184	143	2	354
Otjozondjupa	119	6	11 501	764	10 461	276	187	0	326
Zambezi	56	4	3 298	206	2 973	119	67	0	118
Total	865	56	148 839	13 254	131 927	3 645	2 581	13	5 091

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Table 2: The current distribution for hospitalization of confirmed cases by region, 30 December 2021

Region		Hospitalized confirmed cases		Vaccinated		Intensive Care Unit		Vaccinated	
	Current	Previous	1 <sup>st</sup> dose	2 <sup>nd</sup> dose	Current	Previous	1st dose	2 <sup>nd</sup> dose	
Erongo	22	29	0	3	1	0	0	0	
Hardap	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Kharas	5	5	0	1	0	0	0	0	
Kavango East	13	10	0	2	0	0	0	0	
Kavango West	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Khomas	91	90	3	14	24	22	0	2	
Kunene	30	32	0	10	0	0	0	0	
Ohangwena	11	11	3	3	0	0	0	0	
Omaheke	10	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Omusati	38	28	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Oshana	58	52	1	0	3	3	1	1	
Oshikoto	10	9	1	1	7	0	0	0	
Otjozondjupa	18	12	0	1	0	0	0	0	
Zambezi	10	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Total	323	312	8	35	35	25	1	3	

- Of the total confirmed cases, 90 540 (61%) are in the 20-49 years age-brackets which constitutes the majority of the recorded cases.
- A total of 23 395 (16%) of the confirmed cases are among the 5-19 years category.
- ➤ A total of 17 204 (12%) of the confirmed cases are among the 50 59 years group.
- The under 5 years age group make up 3 216 (2%) of the total cases whereas, 14 484 (10%) are above 60 years of age.
- The laboratory testing capacity has been enhanced; with a total of twenty (20) 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, Medlink Laboratory Services, Biotech Medical, Covisure, Star Care, Soweto Medical Center & Oshana Med Laboratory.
- To date, 872 058 tests (including 17 123 re-tests) have been conducted by authorized laboratories.
- Since the beginning of the outbreak, 158 465 contacts of confirmed cases have been identified, 453 new contacts were identified within the last 24 hours from 12 regions.
- Cumulatively, 153 951 contacts have completed their monitoring period, while 290 contacts are lost to followup and a total of 27 166 (18%) contacts of confirmed cases have tested positive.
- Today, 1 496 (52%) out of 2 869 active contacts were monitored.

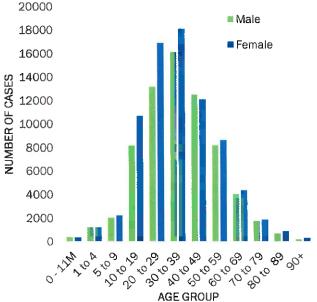


Figure 1: Age and Sex distribution of COVID-19 confirmed cases, 30 December 2021

Table 3: COVID-19 specimen recorded at the Laboratories 30 December 2021

VARIABLES	TOTAL
Total samples received by the Laboratory	872 177
Total samples tested	854 937
Total samples re-tested	17 123
Total positive results	148 839
Total negative results	706 068
Total samples discarded	117
Invalid results	0
Total pending results	0
Indeterminant/Inconclusive	30
Suspected cases in 24 hours (excluding re-tests)	2 672

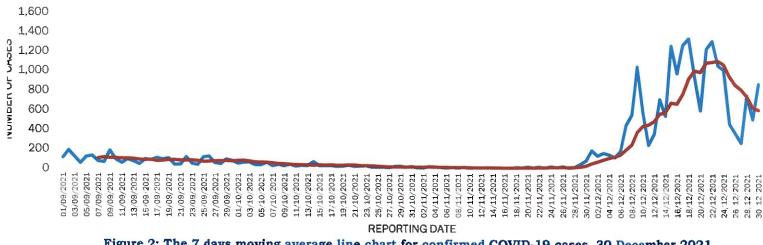


Figure 2: The 7 days moving average line chart for confirmed COVID-19 cases, 30 December 2021

- The highest peak of 12 787 (9%) cases was recorded during week 25 of 2021 (Figure 3).
- The country has started seeing an increase in the daily number of confirmed cases from 13 in epiweek 47 to 939 in epi-week 50.
- The National Call Center continues operations for 24 hours daily.
- Today (30/12/2021), 497 calls were answered.

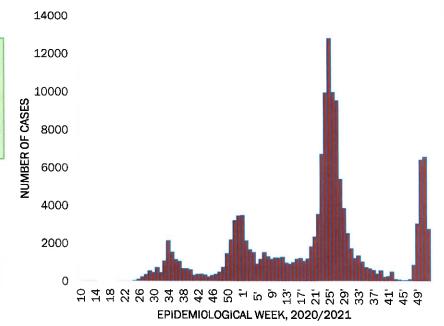


Figure 3: Epi-curve for confirmed COVID-19 cases, 30 December 202:

Table 4: Number of people in quarantine 30 December 2021

Region	Newly quarantined 24 hours	Cumulative number	Number discharged	Number in quarantine now
Erongo	0	6 949	6 943	6
Hardap	0	3 263	3 256	7
Kavango (East and West)	0	1673	1 673	0
Khomas	0	3 733	3 717	16
Kharas	0	10 000	9 990	10
Kunene	0	6 493	6 493	0
Ohangwena	0	924	886	38
Omaheke	0	1.8 148	17 915	233
Omusati	12	3 773	3 486	287
Oshana	0	400	400	0
Oshikoto	82	25 638	25 467	171
Otjozondjupa	0	1 932	1 892	40
Zambezi	0	2 077	2 057	20
Total	94	85 003	84 175	828

- Since March 2020, 85 003 people have been placed into quarantine around the country.
- A total of 828 people are currently in quarantine, with 94 new admissions.

Table 5: Summary of COVID-19 vaccine doses administered, 30 December 2021

Region	with doses AstraZeneca, S	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	
	1st doses	Fully vaccinated			1st doses	Fully vaccinated
Erongo	38 969	34 334	121 682	28%	1 408	1 071
Hardap	24 752	21 211	56 741	37%	524	431
Kharas	20 515	16 998	55 489	31%	803	474
Kavango East	29 094	21 637	117 665	18%	1 212	961
Kavango West	20 221	16 785	29 228	57%	417	377
Khomas	94 404	81 425	286 641	28%	3 990	2 972
Kunene	24 487	20 013	66 499	30%	658	514
Ohangwena	27 020	22 971	164 102	14%	819	642
Omaheke	18 696	14 270	51 765	28%	374	270
Omusati	26 121	22 752	139 451	16%	977	770
Oshana	21 692	19 163	126 374	15%	1 565	1 284
Oshikoto	21 426	19 058	124 395	15%	863	740
Otjozondjupa	30 217	26 490	97 903	27%	870	630
Zambezi	7 481	6 753	63 106	11%	633	590
Total	405 095	343 860	1 501 041	23%	15 113	11 726

Table 6: Summary of COVID-19 vaccine 3rd doses administered, 30 December 2021

Region	Cumulative no. of persons vaccinated							
	Sinopharm	AstraZeneca	Pfizer					
Erongo	401	80	735					
Hardap	181	0	257					
Kharas	148	24	40					
Kavango East	114	2	48					
Kavango West	52	0	15					
Khomas	704	355	1 177					
Kunene	66	17	0					
Ohangwena	48	2	1					
Omaheke	22	3	5					
Omusati	141	20	61					
Oshana	312	57	117					
Oshikoto	184	29	13					
Otjozondjupa	222	58	139					
Zambezi	32	3	17					
Total	2 627	650	2 625					

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

- 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 counteract anti-vaccination information in circulation.

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