



## NAMIBIA COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT NO. 719

Outbreak Name	COVID-19 outbreak	Country affected	Namibia
Date & Time	08.03 2022 17h00	Investigation start Date	13 March 2020
Prepared by	Surveillance Team		

### HIGHLIGHTS/SITUATION UPDATE (08/03/2022)

#### CUMULATIVE

Tested 964 061

Confirmed 157 366

Active 194

Recovered 155 227

Vaccinated

1<sup>st</sup> doses 446 049 2<sup>nd</sup> doses 253 026 3<sup>rd</sup> doses 31 480

Deaths 4 014

#### TOTAL TODAY

Tested 677

Confirmed 8

Active 194

Recovered 41

Vaccinated

1<sup>st</sup> doses 583 2<sup>nd</sup> doses 164 3<sup>rd</sup> doses 2 820

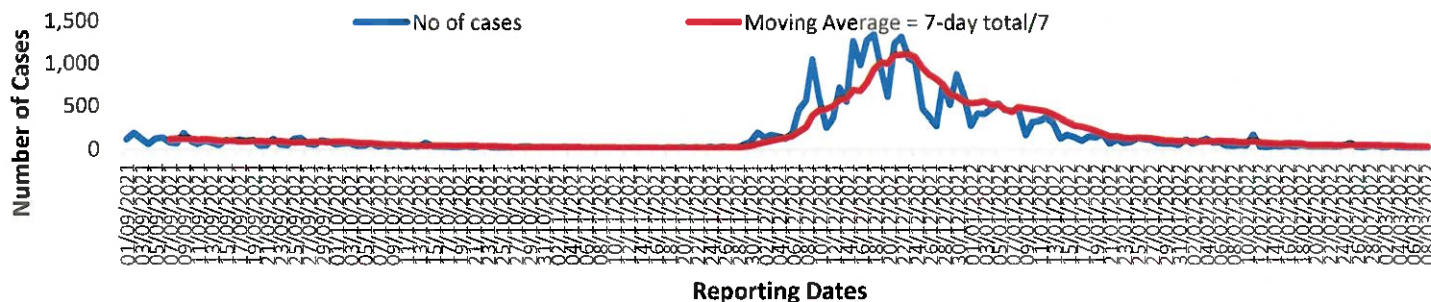
Deaths 0

- A total of **157 366** cases have been recorded to-date, representing **6%** of the total population (**2 550 226**).
- More female cases **83 479 (53%)** have been recorded.
- Of the total confirmed cases, **5 321 (3%)** are Health Workers, with no new confirmation today.
  - **4 506 (85%)** State; **807 (15%)** Private, **8 (0.2%)** Non-Governmental Organizations.
  - **5 316 (100%)** recoveries and **25 (0.5%)** deaths.
- The recovery rate now stands at **99%**.
- Khomas and Erongo regions reported the highest number of cases with **51 031 (32%)** and **22 659 (14%)** respectively.
- Of the total fatalities, **3 685 (92%)** are COVID-19 deaths while **329 (8%)** are COVID-19 related deaths.
- The case fatality rate now stands at **2.6%**.

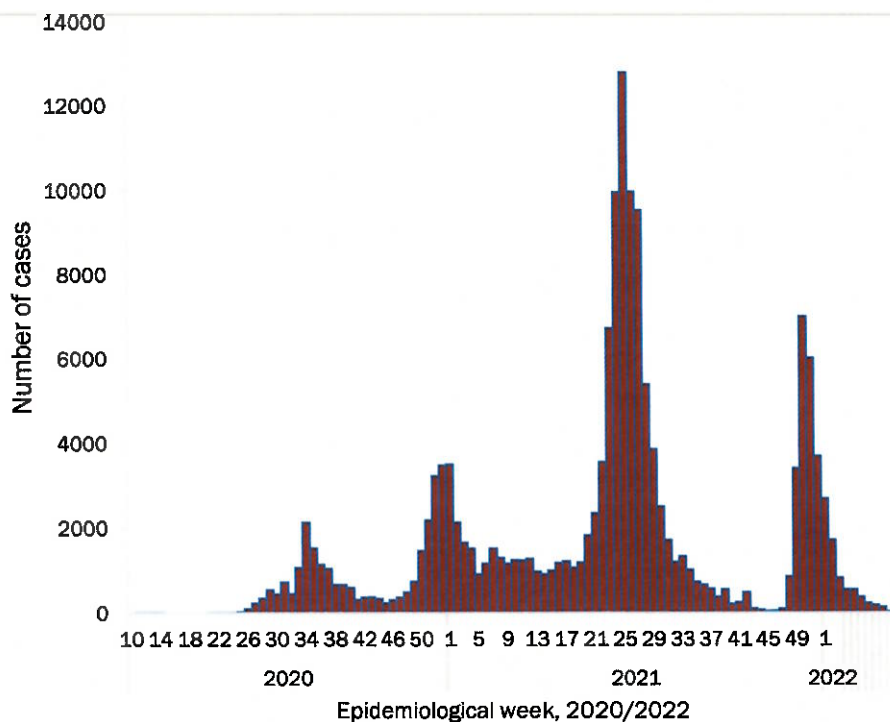
**Table 1: Distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases by region, 08 March 2022**

Region	New cases	New re-infections	Cummulative re-infections	Cummulative New cases	Active cases	Recoveries	Cumulativ e Deaths	Cumulative deaths with co-morbidities	Non-COVID deaths	Health Workers
Erongo	2	0	359	22 659	29	22 558	426	353	5	493
Hardap	0	0	67	8 384	0	8 186	265	168	0	160
Karas	0	0	187	9 938	4	9 961	160	137	0	295
Kavango East	0	0	50	6 354	4	6 170	228	132	2	285
Kavango West	0	0	4	842	1	822	23	21	0	48
Khomas	4	1	889	51 031	83	50 935	901	705	1	1 816
Kunene	0	0	53	49 96	4	4 892	153	108	0	151
Ohangwena	1	0	42	60 48	20	5 864	204	124	2	221
Omaheke	0	0	60	51 85	3	4 951	290	204	1	143
Omusati	0	0	42	7 586	3	7 282	343	211	0	265
Oshana	0	0	92	10 620	12	10 305	394	243	1	607
Oshikoto	1	0	57	7 951	7	7 791	208	159	2	366
Otjozondjupa	0	0	159	12 205	16	12 063	284	194	1	343
Zambezi	0	0	23	3 567	8	3 447	135	77	0	128
<b>Total</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2 084</b>	<b>157 366</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>155 227</b>	<b>4 014</b>	<b>2 836</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>5 321</b>

## EPIDEMIOLOGICAL SITUATION IN NAMIBIA



**Figure 2: The 7 days moving average line chart for confirmed COVID-19 cases, 08 March 2022**



- The highest peak of **12 787 (8%)** cases was recorded during week 25 of 2021 (Figure 3).
- The country has started seeing a gradual reduction in the average number of confirmed cases from 1424 to 29 from epi-week 26 to 40 of 2021.
- Another peak of **7005** cases was recorded in week 50 of 2021.
- The number of cases have decreased in the last seven weeks as seen in the graph.

- The National Call Center continues operations for 24 hours daily.
- Today (08/03/2022), **198** calls were answered.

**Figure 3: Epi-curve for confirmed COVID-19 cases, 08 March 2022**

**Table 4: Number of people in quarantine 08 March 2022**

Region	Newly quarantined 24 hours	Cumulative number	Number discharged	Number in quarantine now
Erongo	110	7 195	6 969	226
Hardap	0	3 263	3 263	0
Kavango (East and West)	0	1 686	1 673	13
Khomas	0	3 766	3 764	2
Kharas	0	10 000	10 000	0
Kunene	0	6 493	6 493	0
Ohangwena	0	924	924	0
Omaheke	20	19 785	19 756	29
Omusati	0	3 990	3 990	0
Oshana	0	400	400	0
Oshikoto	78	27 660	27 587	73
Otjozondjupa	0	1 932	1 932	0
Zambezi	0	2 184	2 148	36
<b>Total</b>	<b>208</b>	<b>89 278</b>	<b>88 899</b>	<b>379</b>

- Since March 2020, **89 278** people have been placed into quarantine around the country.
- A total of **379** people are currently in quarantine, with no new admissions.

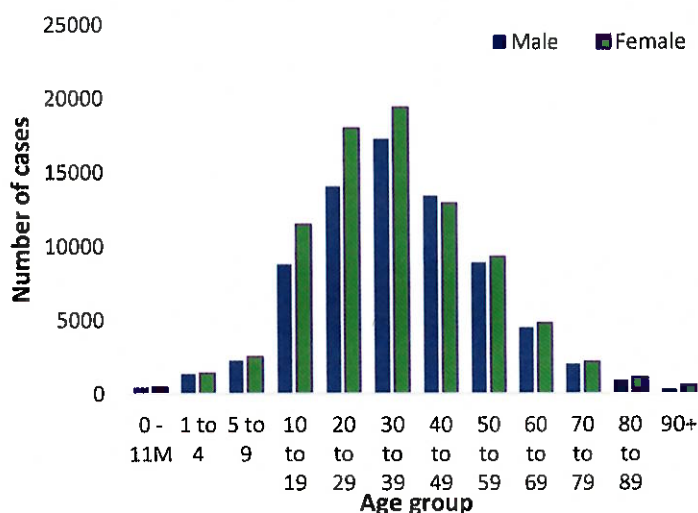


**Table 3: COVID-19 specimen recorded at the Laboratories 08 March 2022**

VARIABLES	TOTAL
Total samples received by the Laboratory	964 056
Total samples tested	945 737
Total samples re-tested	18 202
Total positive results	157 366
Total negative results	788 302
Total samples discarded	117
Invalid results	0
Total pending results	0
Indeterminant/Inconclusive	69
Suspected cases in 24 hours (excluding re-tests)	676

- The laboratory testing capacity has been enhanced; with a total of twenty-three (23) 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, Hosea Kutako International Airport & Oshana Med Laboratory .
- To date, **964 061** tests (including **18 202** re-tests) have been conducted by authorized laboratories.
- Since the beginning of the outbreak, **168 432** contacts of confirmed cases have been identified, **5** new contacts were identified within the last 24 hours from **11** regions.
- Cumulatively, **166 506** contacts have completed their monitoring period, while **299** contacts are lost to follow-up and a total of **28 555 (18%)** contacts of confirmed cases have tested positive.
- Today, **337 (95%)** out of **356** active contacts were monitored.

- Of the total confirmed cases, **94 756 (60%)** are in the 20-49 years age-brackets which constitutes the majority of the recorded cases.
- A total of **24 895 (16%)** of the confirmed cases are among the 5-19 years category.
- A total of **18 142 (12%)** of the confirmed cases are among the 50 - 59 years group.
- The under 5 years age group make up **3 483 (2%)** of the total cases whereas, **16 090 (10%)** are above 60 years of age.



**Figure 1: Age and Sex distribution of COVID-19 confirmed cases, 08 March 2022**

**Table 2: The current distribution for hospitalization of confirmed cases by region, 08 March 2022**

Region	Hospitalized confirmed cases		Vaccinated		Intensive Care Unit		Vaccinated	
	Current	Previous	1 <sup>st</sup> dose	2 <sup>nd</sup> dose	Current	Previous	1 <sup>st</sup> dose	2 <sup>nd</sup> dose
Erongo	2	2	0	1	0	0	0	0
Hardap	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kharas	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kavango East	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kavango West	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Khomas	4	5	0	1	1	1	0	0
Kunene	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ohangwena	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Omaheke	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Omusati	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oshana	4	2	0	1	0	0	0	0
Oshikoto	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
Otjozondjupa	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Zambezi	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>



**Table 6: Summary of COVID-19 vaccine 3<sup>rd</sup> doses administered, 08 March 2022**

Region	Cumulative no. of persons vaccinated			
	Sinopharm	AstraZeneca	Pfizer	Booster Doses J&J
Erongo	1 553	601	2636	318
Hardap	1780	370	829	8
Karas	707	161	275	0
Kavango East	472	193	223	401
Kavango West	410	247	201	147
Khomas	2 343	868	4 773	413
Kunene	1 482	376	579	454
Ohangwena	251	70	14	47
Omaheke	317	150	86	9
Omusati	764	308	347	58
Oshana	989	196	497	119
Oshikoto	726	159	178	0
Otjozondjupa	1 548	444	771	6
Zambezi	364	38	105	99
<b>Total</b>	<b>13 706</b>	<b>4 181</b>	<b>11 514</b>	<b>2 079</b>

**Table 5: Summary of COVID-19 vaccine doses administered, 08 March 2022**

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 <sup>st</sup> doses	Fully vaccinated			1 <sup>st</sup> doses	Fully vaccinated
	Erongo	41 670			37 033	161 966
Hardap	27 223	23 598	69 121	34%	540	446
Karas	22 596	19 073	69 786	27%	803	474
Kavango East	37 429	27 048	105 223	26%	1 255	1 002
Kavango West	27 401	20 389	57 210	36%	432	386
Khomas	10 0135	87 750	362 620	24%	4 059	3 041
Kunene	26 825	22 089	72 991	30%	678	526
Ohangwena	28 251	24 305	174 546	14%	855	684
Omaheke	19 669	15 284	53 002	29%	374	270
Omusati	27 545	24 317	179 370	14%	1 000	790
Oshana	23 086	20 636	143 395	14%	1 606	1 324
Oshikoto	22 672	20 468	144 912	14%	863	740
Otjozondjupa	33 392	29 741	112 119	27%	896	651
Zambezi	8 155	7 476	73 010	10%	657	609
<b>Total</b>	<b>446 049</b>	<b>379 207</b>	<b>1 779 271</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>15 449</b>	<b>12 038</b>

**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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