



**NAMIBIA COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT NO. 289**

<b>Outbreak Name</b>	COVID-19 outbreak	<b>Country affected</b>	Namibia
<b>Date &amp; Time</b>	01.01.2021 17h00	<b>Investigation start Date</b>	13 March 2020
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**HIGHLIGHTS/SITUATION UPDATE (01/01/2021)**

**TOTAL**

**Tested 209510**

**Confirmed 24654**

**Active 3507**

**Recovered 20931**

**Death 213**

**TODAY**

**Tested 490**

**Confirmed 109**

**Active 3507**

**Recovered 204**

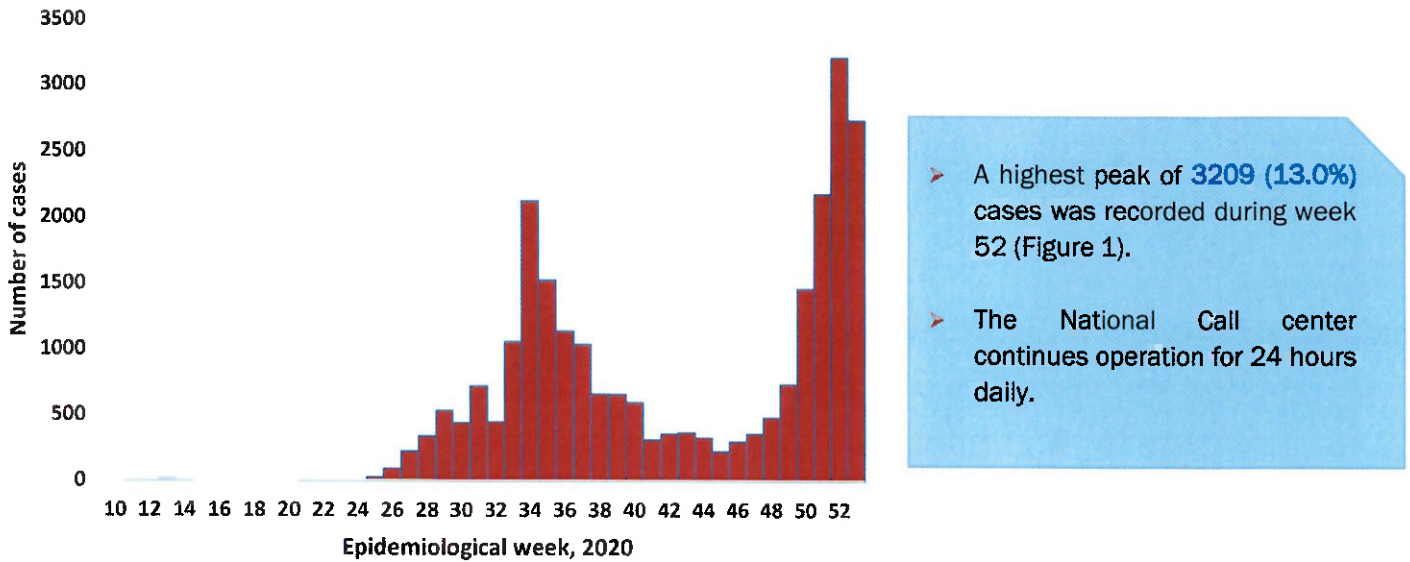
**Death 5**

- A total of **24654** cases have been recorded to-date, representing **1%** of the population.
- More male cases **12690 (51.5%)** were recorded compared to female cases **11964 (48.5%)**.
- Of the total confirmed cases, **1065 (4.3%)** Health Workers (HWs) have tested positive for COVID-19 to-date.
  - 778 (73.1%) State; 283 (26.6%) Private, 4 (0.4%) Non-Governmental Organizations.
  - 747 (70.1%) recoveries and 3 (0.3%) deaths.
- The recovery rate now stands at **84.9%**.
- All fourteen (14) regions have reported confirmed cases; Khomas and Erongo regions reported the highest with **11783 (47.8%)** and **5506 (22.3%)** respectively.
- Of the total fatalities, **168 (78.9%)** are COVID-19 deaths while **45 (22.1%)** are COVID-19 related deaths.

**Table 1: Distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases by region, 01 January 2021**

Region	Total No. of cases	Active cases	Recoveries	Cumulative Deaths	Deaths in 24 hours	Cumulative deaths with co-morbidities	Non-COVID deaths	Health Workers
Erongo	5506	584	4868	53	0	49	1	118
Hardap	1007	127	873	7	0	5	0	28
//Kharas	1435	442	983	10	1	8	0	58
Kavango East	322	80	239	3	0	2	0	27
Kavango West	15	7	7	1	0	1	0	1
Khomas	11783	1112	10571	100	4	94	0	598
Kunene	510	154	352	4	0	4	0	27
Ohangwena	331	71	257	2	0	0	1	12
Omaheke	267	42	220	5	0	4	0	12
Omusati	233	60	170	3	0	2	0	11
Oshana	1371	412	948	11	0	9	0	94
Oshikoto	712	158	552	1	0	1	1	27
Otjozondjupa	1031	213	807	11	0	7	0	37
Zambezi	131	45	84	2	0	2	0	15
<b>Total</b>	<b>24654</b>	<b>3507</b>	<b>20931</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1065</b>

## EPIDEMIOLOGICAL SITUATION IN NAMIBIA

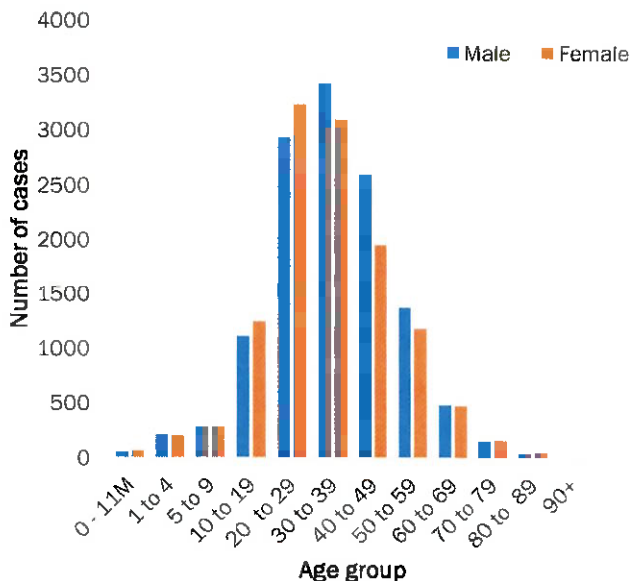


**Figure 1: Epi-curve for confirmed COVID-19 cases, As of 01 January 2021**

**Table 2: COVID-19 specimen recorded at the Laboratories As of 01 January 2021**

VARIABLES	TOTAL
Total samples received by the Laboratory	209628
Total samples tested	200641
Total samples re-tested	8869
Total positive results	24654
Total negative results	175929
Total samples discarded	117
Invalid results	1
Total pending results	0
Indeterminant/Inconclusive	58
Suspected cases in 24 hours (excludes re-tests)	438

- To date, **209510** tests (including **8869** re-tests) have been conducted by NIP, Path-Care, NAMDEB, UNAM, Namib Poultry and Central Veterinary laboratories.
- Since the beginning of the outbreak, **48319** contacts of confirmed cases have been identified, **407** new contacts were identified within the last 24 hours from 9 regions.
- Cumulatively, **41561** contacts have completed their monitoring period, while a total of **5552 (22.5%)** contacts of confirmed cases have tested positive.
- Today, **3475 (54.9%)** out of **6327** active contacts monitored.



- Of the total confirmed cases, **17246 (70.0%)** are in the 20-49 years age-brackets which constitutes the majority of the recorded cases.
- A total of **2926 (11.9%)** of the confirmed cases are among the 5-19 years category.
- The under 5 years age group make **536 (2.2%)** of the total cases whereas, **1387 (5.6%)** are above 60 years of age.

**Figure 2: Age and Sex distribution of COVID-19 confirmed cases, as of 01 January 2021**

**Table 3: Number of people in mandatory quarantine facilities, 01 January 2021**

Region	Newly quarantined 24 Hrs.	Cumulative number	Number discharged	Number in quarantine now	Truck Drivers quarantined in 24 hrs.
Erongo	0	4529	4477	52	0
Hardap	1	1091	1023	68	0
Kavango	2	914	898	16	0
Khomas	0	3074	3053	21	0
//Kharas	0	3897	3791	106	0
Kunene	8	1901	1322	579	0
Ohangwena	0	588	581	7	0
Omaheke	0	2114	2011	103	0
Omusati	5	493	466	27	0
Oshana	0	381	375	6	0
Oshikoto	0	4107	3560	547	0
Otjozondjupa	0	1071	1032	39	0
Zambezi	9	1219	1184	35	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>25379</b>	<b>23773</b>	<b>1606</b>	<b>0</b>

- Since March 2020, **25379** people have been placed into mandatory quarantine facilities around the country.
- A total of **1606** people are currently in quarantine, with **25** new admissions.

#### PUBLIC HEALTH ACTION(S)

- Public awareness on COVID-19 prevention measures is ongoing.
- The government and developmental partners continue to prioritise continuation of essential health services.

#### CHALLENGES

- Lack of isolation units and facilities in the regions.
- Non-adherence to COVID-19 prevention measures by the general public.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

- Establish fully equipped isolation units and facilities throughout the country.
- Continue to give awareness on the importance of adhering to COVID -19 prevention measures; with the involvement of the Security Cluster.

Approved


  
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