



## NAMIBIA COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT NO. 312

<b>Outbreak Name</b>	COVID-19 outbreak	<b>Country affected</b>	Namibia
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### HIGHLIGHTS/SITUATION UPDATE (24/01/2021)

- A total of **32650** cases have been recorded to-date, representing **1%** of the population.
- More male cases **16444 (50%)** were recorded compared to female cases **16206 (50%)**.
- Of the total confirmed cases, **1552 (5%)** Health Workers (HWs) have tested positive for COVID-19 to-date.
  - 1184 (76%) State; 364 (23%) Private, 4 (0.3%) Non-Governmental Organizations.
  - 1238 (80%) recoveries and 6 (0.4%) deaths.
- The recovery rate now stands at **93%**.
- All fourteen (14) regions have reported confirmed cases; Khomas and Erongo regions reported the highest with **14035 (43%)** and **6756 (21%)** respectively.
- Of the total fatalities, **262 (82%)** are COVID-19 deaths while **57 (18%)** are COVID-19 related deaths.



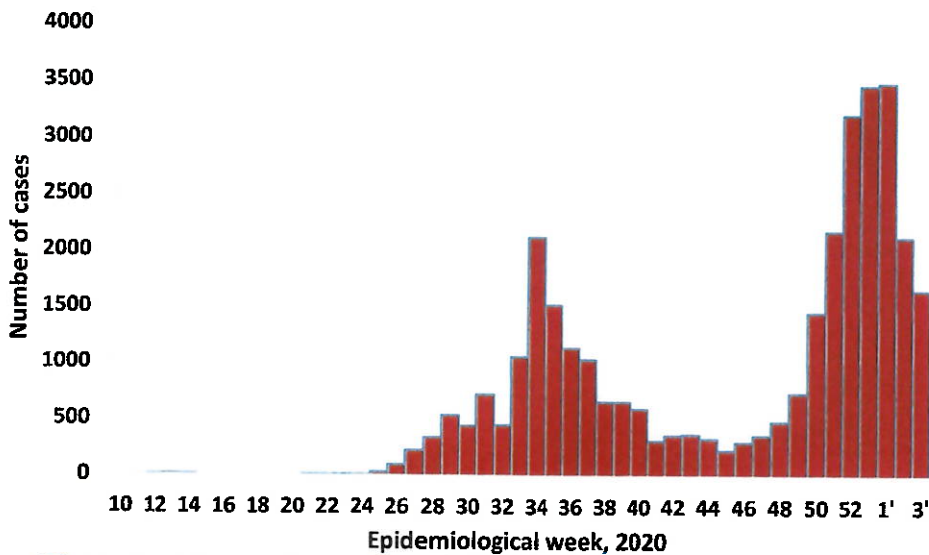
**Table 1: Distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases by region, 24 January 2021**

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	6756	471	6207	74	0	71	4	176
Hardap	1348	25	1315	8	0	6	0	34
//Kharas	2174	142	2015	17	0	14	0	95
Kavango East	577	96	472	9	0	6	0	66
Kavango West	25	15	9	1	0	1	0	1
Khomas	14035	127	13772	136	0	127	0	709
Kunene	811	72	734	5	0	5	0	44
Ohangwena	564	63	496	4	0	1	1	31
Omaheke	566	36	522	8	0	5	0	29
Omusati	511	93	414	4	0	2	0	26
Oshana	2160	285	1853	22	0	17	0	162
Oshikoto	1223	392	829	1	0	1	1	81
Otjozondjupa	1526	116	1386	24	0	17	0	72
Zambezi	374	122	246	6	0	5	0	26
<b>Total</b>	<b>32650</b>	<b>2055</b>	<b>30270</b>	<b>319</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>278</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1552</b>

Table 2: Number of people in mandatory quarantine facilities, 24 January 2021

Region	Newly quarantined 24 Hrs.	Cumulative number	Number discharged	Number in quarantine now
Erongo	27	4814	4772	42
Hardap	2	1259	1219	40
Kavango	0	1024	973	51
Khomas	0	3145	3129	16
//Kharas	90	4726	4526	200
Kunene	21	2603	2098	505
Ohangwena	0	608	605	3
Omaheke	93	2927	2666	261
Omusati	0	534	529	5
Oshana	0	393	392	1
Oshikoto	0	5812	5330	482
Otjondjupa	0	1130	1095	35
Zambezi	5	1311	1289	22
<b>Total</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>30286</b>	<b>28623</b>	<b>1663</b>

- Since March 2020, **30286** people have been placed into mandatory quarantine facilities around the country.
- A total of **1663** people are currently in quarantine, with **238** new admissions.



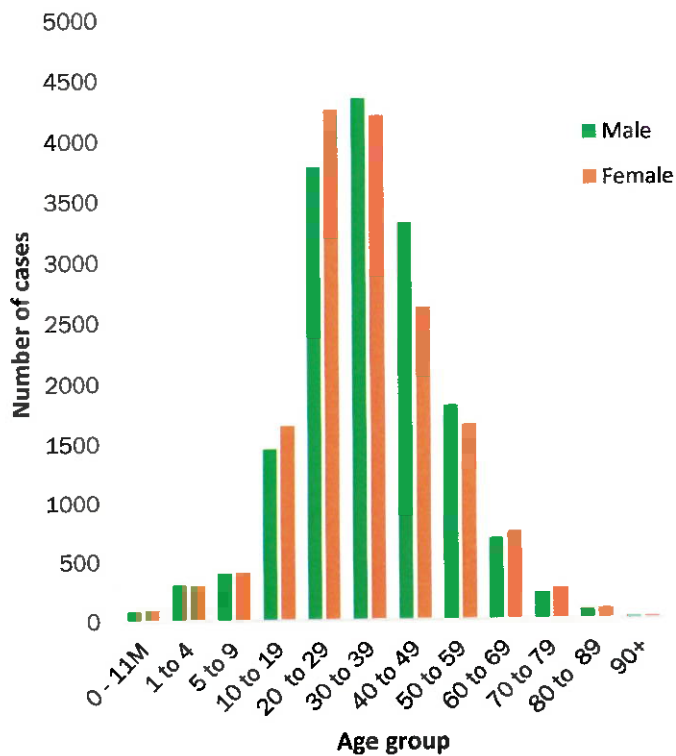
- A highest peak of **3485 (11%)** cases was recorded during week 54 (Figure 1).

Figure 1: Epi-curve for confirmed COVID-19 cases, As of 24 January 2021

Table 3: COVID-19 specimen recorded at the Laboratories As of 24 January 2021

VARIABLES	TOTAL
Total samples received by the Laboratory	253336
Total samples tested	242099
Total samples re-tested	11119
Total positive results	32601
Total negative results	209434
Total samples discarded	117
Invalid results	1
Total pending results	0
Indeterminant/Inconclusive	64
Suspected cases in 24 hours (excludes re-tests)	1607

- To date, **253218** tests (including **11119** re-tests) have been conducted by NIP, Path-Care, NAMDEB, UNAM, Namib Poultry and Central Veterinary laboratories.
- Since the beginning of the outbreak, **58645** contacts of confirmed cases have been identified, **252** new contacts were identified within the last 24 hours from 12 regions.
- Cumulatively, **52713** contacts have completed their monitoring period, while a total of **7204 (22%)** contacts of confirmed cases have tested positive.
- Today, **4012 (69%)** out of **5788** active contacts monitored.



**Figure 2: Age and Sex distribution of COVID-19 confirmed cases, as of 24 January 2021**

- Of the total confirmed cases, **22460 (69%)** are in the 20-49 years age-brackets which constitutes the majority of the recorded cases.
- A total of **3886 (12%)** of the confirmed cases are among the 5-19 years category.
- The under 5 years age group make **762 (2%)** of the total cases whereas, **2089 (6%)** are above 60 years of age.

**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.

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