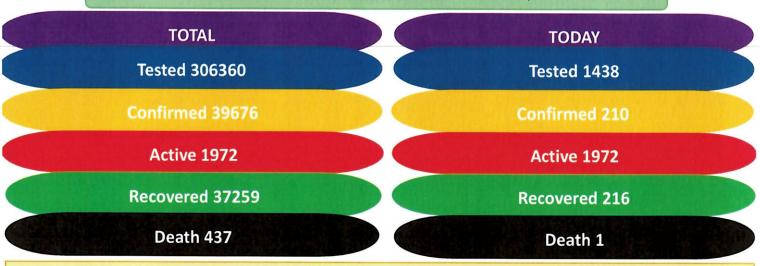




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## **HIGHLIGHTS/SITUATION UPDATE (04/03/2021)**

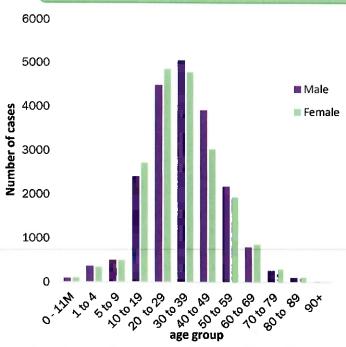


- A total of 39676 cases have been recorded to-date, representing 2% of the population.
- More male cases 20113 (51%) were recorded compared to female cases 19563 (49%).
- Of the total confirmed cases, 1778 (4%) are Health Workers (HWs).
  - 1382 (78%) State; 392 (22%) Private, 4 (0.2%) Non-Governmental Organizations.
  - 1686 (95%) recoveries and 6 (0.3%) deaths.
- The recovery rate now stands at 94%.
- > All fourteen (14) regions have reported confirmed cases; Khomas and Erongo regions reported the highest with 15419 (39%) and 7506 (19%) respectively.
- Of the total fatalities, 347 (79%) are COVID-19 deaths while 90 (21%) are COVID-19 related deaths.

Table 1: Distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases by region, 04 March 2021

Region	Total No. of cases	Active cases	Recoveries	Cumulative Deaths	Cumulative deaths with co-morbidities	Non-COVID deaths	Health Workers
Erongo	7506	205	7207	90	86	4	198
Hardap	1608	54	1535	19	15	0	35
//Kharas	2492	120	2342	30	25	0	105
Kavango East	1428	303	1110	15	11	0	94
Kavango West	165	10	153	2	2	0	7
Khomas	15418	190	15064	164	151	0	764
Kunene	957	99	849	9	9	0	48
Ohangwena	867	108	744	13	10	2	47
Omaheke	843	98	734	11	8	0	43
Omusati	1016	52	959	5	3	0	30
Oshana	2541	208	2306	27	21	0	183
Oshikoto	2161	83	2066	10	10	2	97
Otjozondjupa	2092	188	1870	34	26	0	93
Zambezi	582	254	320	8	6	0	34
Total	39676	1972	37259	437	383	8	1778

### **EPIDEMIOLOGICAL SITUATION IN NAMIBIA**



- Of the total confirmed cases, 26092 (66%) are in the 20-49 years agebrackets which constitutes the majority of the recorded cases.
- A total of 6106 (15%) of the confirmed cases are among the 5-19 years category.
- The under 5 years age group make up 900 (2%) of the total cases whereas, 2477 (6%) are above 60 years of age.

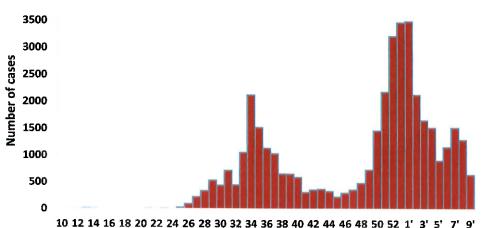
Figure 1: Age and Sex distribution of COVID-19 confirmed cases, 04 March 2021

- To date, 306360 tests (including 11576 re-tests) have been conducted by NIP, Path-Care, NAMDEB, UNAM, Namib Poultry, Diagno and Central Veterinary laboratories.
- Since the beginning of the outbreak, 71530 contacts of confirmed cases have been identified, 846 new contacts were identified within the last 24 hours from 8 regions.
- Cumulatively, 66991 contacts have completed their monitoring period, while a total of 9745 (25%) contacts of confirmed cases have tested positive.
- Today, 2817 (68%) out of 4153 active contacts monitored.

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Table 2: COVID-19 specimen recorded at the Laboratories
As of 04 March 2021

VARIABLES	TOTAL	
Total samples received by the Laboratory	306477	
Total samples tested	294784	
Total samples re-tested	11576	
Total positive results	39676	
Total negative results	255055	
Total samples discarded	117	
Invalid results	0	
Total pending results	46	
Indeterminant/Inconclusive	7	
Suspected cases in 24 hours (excludes re-tests)	1429	



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Figure 2: Epi-curve for confirmed COVID-19 cases, 04 March 2021

A highest peak of 3485 (9%) cases was recorded during week 1 in 2021 (Figure 2).

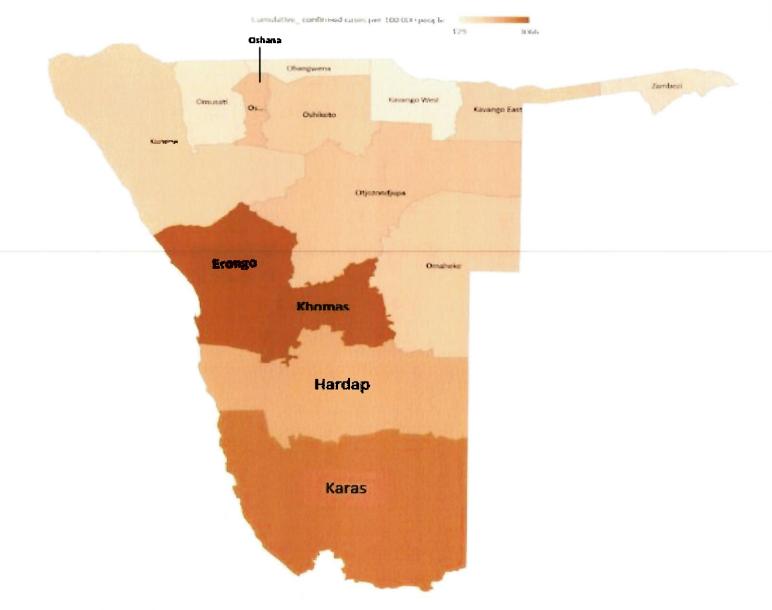


Figure 3: Distribution of cumulative confirmed cases per 100 000 by region, 04 March 2021

Table 3: Number of people in mandatory quarantine facilities, 04 March 2021

- Since March
  2020, 36459
  people have been
  placed into
  mandatory
  quarantine
  facilities around
  the country.
- A total of 1907
  people are
  currently in
  quarantine, with
  102 new
  admissions.

Region	Newly quarantined 24 Hrs.	Cumulative number	Number discharged	Number in quarantine now	
Erongo 0		5158	4933	225	
Hardap	4	1434	1413	21	
Kavango	5	1124	1107	17	
Khomas	8	3342	3206	136	
//Kharas	0	4760	4637	123	
Kunene	ene 33		2990	190	
Ohangwena	ngwena 0		641	3	
Omaheke	nheke 0		3881	183	
Omusati	nusati 0		549	2	
Oshana	hana 0		399	1	
Oshikoto	Oshikoto 52		8053	963	
Otjozondjupa 0		1403	1386	17	
Zambezi 0		1383	1357	26	
Total	102	36459	34552	1907	

# **PUBLIC HEALTH ACTION(S)**

- Mechanisms are underway on how to roll out the vaccine nationwide once it is made available.
- The government and developmental partners continue to prioritise the continuation of essential health services.

### CHALLENGES

Non-adherence to COVID-19 prevention measures by the general public.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

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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