



NAMIBIA COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT NO. 399

Outbreak Name	COVID-19 outbreak	Country affected	Namibia
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HIGHLIGHTS/SITUATION UPDATE (21/04/2021)



- A total of **47172** cases have been recorded to-date, representing **2%** of the population.
- Cases are equally distributed by gender at **50%**.
- Of the total confirmed cases, **2031 (4%)** are Health Workers.
 - 1601 (79%) State; 426 (21%) Private, 4 (0.2%) Non-Governmental Organizations.
 - 2005 (99%) recoveries and 6 (0.3%) deaths.
- The recovery rate now stands at **96%**.
- All fourteen (14) regions have reported confirmed cases; *Khomas and Erongo* regions reported the highest with **16894 (36%)** and **8454 (18%)** respectively.
- Of the total fatalities, **501 (81%)** are COVID-19 deaths while **115 (19%)** are COVID-19 related deaths.

Table 1: Distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases by region, 21 April 2021

Region	Total No. of cases	Active cases	Recoveries	Cumulative Deaths	Cumulative deaths with co-morbidities	Non-COVID deaths	Vaccine data	Health Workers
Erongo	8454	273	8058	118	110	5	1608	224
Hardap	2596	180	2377	39	27	0	0	64
//Kharas	2910	53	2816	41	33	0	197	127
Kavango East	1876	44	1809	23	18	0	0	114
Kavango West	228	2	224	2	2	0	0	12
Khomas	16894	480	16193	220	196	1	4844	821
Kunene	1377	69	1293	15	15	0	20	53
Oshana	1196	19	1159	16	13	2	27	57
Omaheke	1030	4	1012	14	11	0	0	44
Omusati	1241	27	1205	9	6	0	49	34
Oshana	2903	65	2803	34	22	1	320	218
Oshikoto	2634	81	2533	18	18	2	0	118
Otjozondjupa	3110	107	2947	56	44	0	0	109
Zambezi	723	5	707	11	8	0	55	36
Total	47172	1409	45136	616	523	11	7120	2031

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Table 2: Number of people in mandatory quarantine facilities, 21 April 2021

Region	Newly quarantined 24 Hrs.	Cumulative number	Number discharged	Number in quarantine now
Erongo	31	5379	5312	67
Hardap	11	1643	1624	19
Kavango	4	1326	1320	6
Khomas	0	3421	3408	13
//Karas	14	5736	5615	121
Kunene	81	4710	4534	176
Ohangwena	0	692	692	0
Omaheke	150	5582	5358	224
Omusati	0	565	565	0
Oshana	0	400	400	0
Oshikoto	23	11640	11079	561
Otjozondjupa	0	1476	1453	23
Zambezi	0	1703	1576	127
Total	314	44273	42936	1337

- Since March 2020, **44273** people have been placed into mandatory quarantine facilities around the country.
- A total of **1337** people are currently in quarantine, with **314** new admissions.

- Of the total confirmed cases, **29833 (63%)** are in the 20-49 years age-brackets which constitutes the majority of the recorded cases.
- A total of **8253 (17%)** of the confirmed cases are among the 5-19 years category.
- The under 5 years age group make up **1079 (2%)** of the total cases whereas, **3070 (6%)** are above 60 years of age.

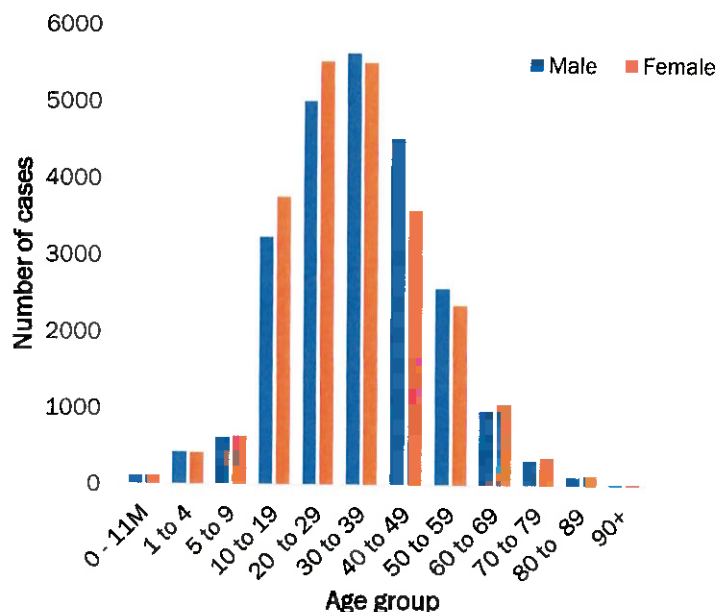


Figure 1: Age and Sex distribution of COVID-19 confirmed cases 21 April 2021

Table 3: COVID-19 specimen recorded at the Laboratories 21 April 2021

VARIABLES	TOTAL
Total samples received by the Laboratory	372948
Total samples tested	360941
Total samples re-tested	11890
Total positive results	47172
Total negative results	313716
Total samples discarded	117
Invalid results	0
Total pending results	46
Indeterminant/Inconclusive	7
Suspected cases in 24 hours (excluding re-tests)	1365

- To date, **372831** tests (including **11890** re-tests) have been conducted by NIP, Path-Care, NAMDEB, UNAM, Namib Poultry, Diagno, NAMPath, Namibia Central Pathology and Central Veterinary laboratories
- Since the beginning of the outbreak, **86282** contacts of confirmed cases have been identified, **267** new contacts were identified within the last 24 hours from 13 regions.
- Cumulatively, **81908** contacts have completed their monitoring period, while a total of **11775 (25%)** contacts of confirmed cases have tested positive.
- Today, **2597 (73%)** out of **3556** active contacts monitored.

➤ The highest peaks of **3463 (7%)** and **3485 (7%)** cases were recorded during week 53 of 2020 and 1 of 2021 respectively (Figure 2).

➤ The National Call Center continues operations for 24 hours daily.

➤ Today (21/04/2021), 396 calls were answered including 26 alerts.

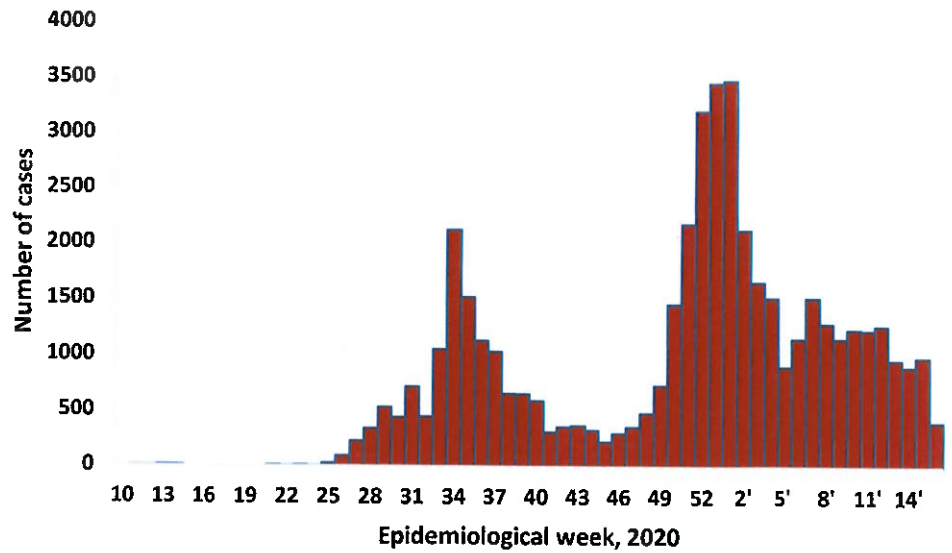
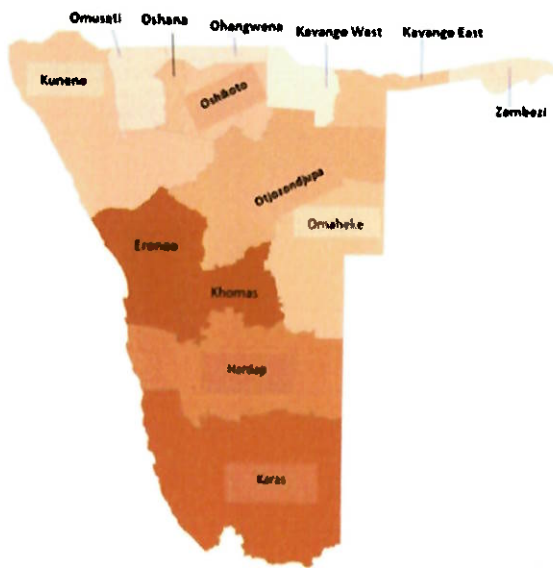
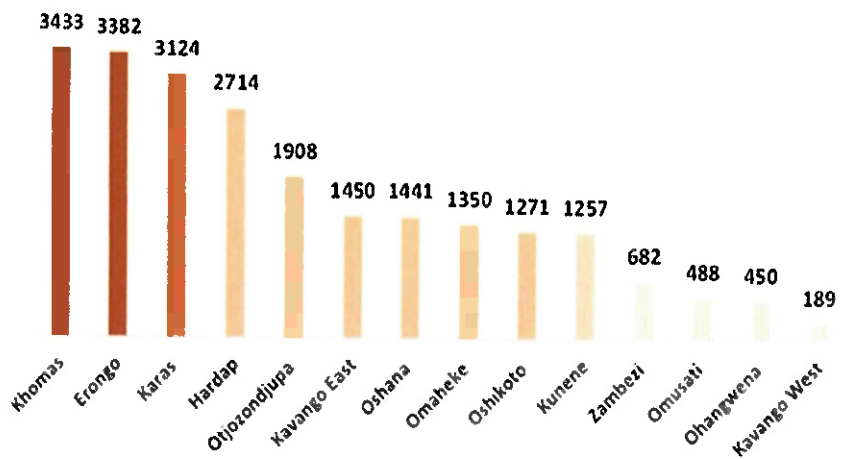


Figure 2: Epi-curve for confirmed COVID-19 cases, 21 April 2021



Cumulative_confirmed cases per 100 000 people



PUBLIC HEALTH ACTION (S)

- The COVID-19 vaccination programme has been extended to other regions and is ongoing.
- The government and developmental partners continue to prioritize the continuation of essential health services.

CHALLENGES

- Lack of isolation units and facilities for cases detected in boarding schools and police holding cells.
- Non-adherence to COVID-19 prevention measures by the general public.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Establish fully equipped isolation units and facilities for cases detected in schools and police holding cells.
- 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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