



NAMIBIA COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT NO. 423						
Outbreak Name	COVID-19 outbreak	Country affected	Namibia			
Date & Time	15.05.2021 17h00	Investigation start Date	13 March 2020			
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HIGHLIGHTS/SITUATION UPDATE (15/05/2021)

CUMULATIVE	TOTAL TODAY		
Tested 406461	Tested 845		
Confirmed 51218	Confirmed 105		
Active 2242	Active 2242		
Recoveries 48247	Recoveries 198		
Deaths 718	Deaths 8		
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- A total of 51218 cases have been recorded to-date, representing 2% of the population.
- Cases are equally distributed by gender at 50%.
- Of the total confirmed cases, 2213 (4%) are Health Workers.
 - 1746 (79%) State; 463 (21%) Private, 4 (0.2%) Non-Governmental Organizations.
 - 2115 (96%) 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 18207 (36%) and 8916 (17%) respectively.
- Of the total fatalities, 591 (82%) are COVID-19 deaths while 127 (18%) are COVID-19 related deaths.

Table 1: Distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases by region, 15 May 2021 Region Total No. of Active Recoveries Cumulative Cumulative Non-Vaccine Health cases cases Deaths deaths with COVID data Workers co-morbidities deaths **Erongo** Hardap //Kharas Kavango East Kavango West **Khomas** Kunene Ohangwena Omaheke Omusati Oshana Oshikoto Otjozondjupa Zambezi Total

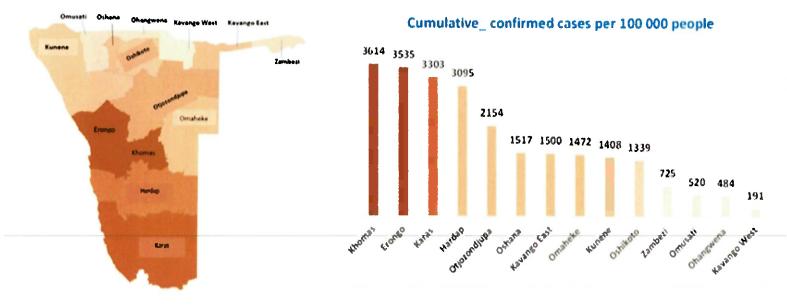


Figure 1: Distribution of cumulative confirmed cases per 100 000 by region, 15 May 2021

Table 2: Number of people in mandatory quarantine facilities, 15 May 2021

Region	Newly quarantined 24 hours	Cumulative number	Number discharged	Number in quarantine now
Erongo	0	5443	5401	42
Hardap	33	1823	1756	67
Kavango (East and West)	0	1383	1370	13
Khomas	0	3463	3445	18
//Kharas	0	6065	5904	161
Kunene	0	4906	4794	112
Ohangwena	0	695	695	0
Omaheke	26	6485	6370	115
Omusati	0	569	569	0
Oshana	0	400	400	0
Oshikoto	0	12382	12063	319
Otjozondjupa	0	1517	1476	41
Zambezi	0	1791	1624	167
Total	59	46922	45867	1055

Since March 2020, 46922 people have been placed into mandatory quarantine facilities around the country.

A total of 1055 people are currently in quarantine, with 59 new admissions.

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 (15/05/2021), **450** calls were answered including **8** aierts.

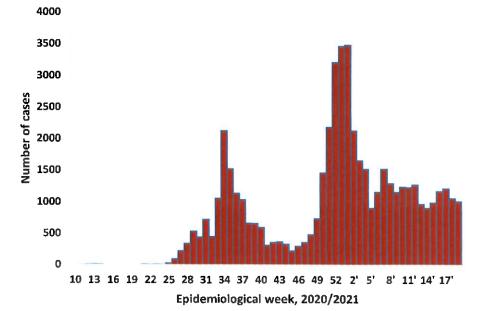


Figure 2: Epi-curve for confirmed COVID-19 cases, 15 May 2021

Table 3: COVID-19 specimen recorded at the Laboratories 15 May 2021

VARIABLES	TOTAL				
Total samples received by the Laboratory	406578				
Total samples tested	394443				
Total samples re-tested	12018				
Total positive results	51218				
Total negative results	343172				
Total samples discarded	117				
Invalid results	0				
Total pending results	46				
Indeterminant/Inconclusive	7				
Suspected cases in 24 hours (excluding re-tests)	836				

- To date, 406461 tests (including 12018 re-tests) have been conducted by NIP, Path-Care, NAMDEB, UNAM, Namib Poultry, Diagno, NAMPath, Namibia Central Pathology, High Care and Central Veterinary laboratories
- Since the beginning of the outbreak, 92168 contacts of confirmed cases have been identified. 112 new contacts were identified within the last 24 hours from 8 regions.
- Cumulatively, 88736 contacts have completed their monitoring period, while a total of 12812 (25%) contacts of confirmed cases have tested positive.
- Today, 736 (28%) out of 2676 active contacts were monitored.

- Of the total confirmed cases, 32091 (63%) are in the 20-49 years age-brackets which constitutes the majority of the recorded cases.
- A total of 8957 (17%) of the confirmed cases are among the 5-19 years category.
- > The under 5 years age group make up 1162 (2%) of the total cases whereas, 3528 (7%) are above 60 years of age.

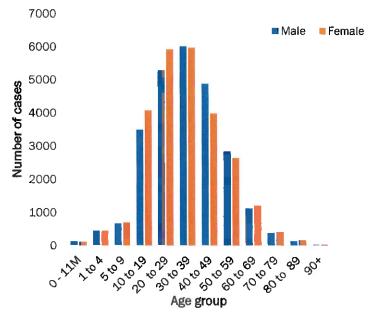


Figure 3: Age and Sex distribution of COVID-19 confirmed cases 15 May 2021

PUBLIC HEALTH ACTION (S)

- The COVID-19 vaccination programme has been extended to all the 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.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

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