



NAMIBIA COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT NO. 486				
Outbreak Name	COVID-19 outbreak	Country affected	Namibia	
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### **HIGHLIGHTS/SITUATION UPDATE (17/07/2021)**

CUMULATIVE	TOTAL TODAY	
Tested 585 243	Tested 2 172	
Confirmed 112 824	Confirmed 664	
Active 22 503	Active 22 503	
Recoveries 87 778	Recoveries 465	
Vaccinated 1 <sup>st</sup> doses 136 181 2 <sup>nd</sup> doses 34 788	Vaccinated  1st doses 5  2nd doses 2	
Death 2 532	Death 26	
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- A total of 112 824 cases have been recorded to-date, representing 4% of the total population (2 550 226).
- More female cases 59 587 (53%) have been recorded compared to male cases 53 237 (47%).
- Of the total confirmed cases, 3 844 (3%) are Health Workers.
  - 3 191 (83%) State; 645 (17%) Private, 8 (0.2%) Non-Governmental Organizations.
  - 3 475 (90%) recoveries and 13 (0.3%) deaths.
- The recovery rate now stands at 78%.
- All fourteen (14) regions have reported confirmed cases; Khomas and Erongo regions reported the highest with 39 927 (35%) and 16 738 (15%) respectively.
- Of the total fatalities, 2 298 (91%) are COVID-19 deaths while 234 (9%) are COVID-19 related deaths. The case fatality rate now stands at 2%.

Table 1: Distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases by region, 17 July 2021

Region	Total No. of cases	Active cases	Recoveries	Cumulative Deaths	Cumulative deaths with co-morbidities	Non- COVID deaths	Health Workers
Erongo	16 738	1 527	14 869	337	283	5	387
Hardap	7 107	384	6 544	179	123	0	122
Kharas	6 845	479	6 239	127	114	0	217
Kavango East	5 027	756	4 162	109	80	0	233
Kavango West	467	95	365	7	6	0	34
Khomas	39 927	15 035	24 136	755	601	1	1 443
Kunene	2 899	184	2 672	43	40	0	79
Ohangwena	2 982	728	2 184	68	47	2	114
Omaheke	3 483	62	3 203	218	157	0	67
Omusati	3 928	517	3 327	84	59	0	133
Oshana	7 472	528	6 738	205	137	1	461
Oshikoto	5 449	257	5 083	107	93	2	256
Otjozondjupa	8 280	1 290	6 765	225	157	0	213
Zambezi	2 220	661	1 491	68	40	0	85
Total	112 824	22 503	87 778	2 532	1937	11	3 844

## **EPIDEMIOLOGICAL SITUTATION IN NAMIBIA**

- Of the total confirmed cases, 68 449 (61%) are in the 20-49 years age-brackets which constitutes the majority of the recorded cases.
- A total of 18 191 (16%) of the confirmed cases are among the 5-19 years category.
- The under 5 years age group make up 2 358 (2%) of the total cases whereas, 10 355 (9%) are above 60 years of age.

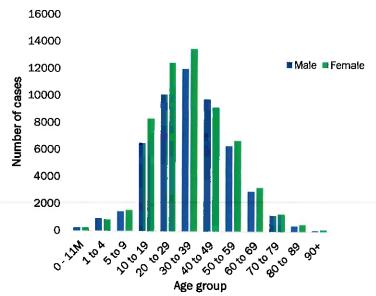


Figure 1: Age and Sex distribution of COVID-19 confirmed cases 17 July 2021

Table 2: The current distribution for hospitalization of confirmed cases by region, 17 July 2021

Region	Hospitalized confirmed cases	Intensive Care Unit		
Erongo	70	18		
Hardap	15	0		
Kharas	28	3		
Kavango East	21	5		
Kavango West	0	0		
Khomas	219	60		
Kunene	19	0		
Ohangwena	13	0		
Omaheke	14	4		
Omusati	23	0		
Oshana	62	14		
Oshikoto	23	9		
Otjozondjupa	49	2		
Zambezi	7	0		
Total	563	115		

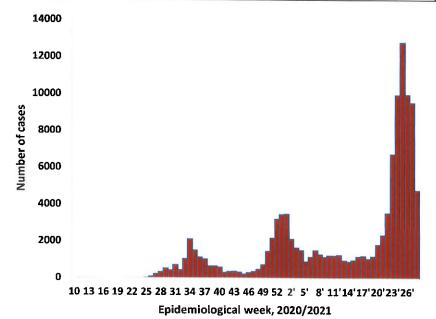


Figure 2: Epi-curve for confirmed COVID-19 cases, 17 July 2021

The highest peak of 12 787 (11%) cases was recorded during week 25' of 2021 (Figure 2).

- The National Call Center continues operations for 24 hours daily.
- Today (17/07/2021), 465 calls were answered including 10 alerts.

Table 3: COVID-19 specimen recorded at the Laboratories 17 July 2021

VARIABLES	TOTAL
Total samples received by the Laboratory	585 360
Total samples tested	571 689
Total samples re-tested	13 554
Total positive results	112 824
Total negative results	458 812
Total samples discarded	117
Invalid results	0
Total pending results	46
Indeterminant/Inconclusive	7
Suspected cases in 24 hours (excluding re-tests)	2 157

- The laboratory testing capacity has been enhanced; with a total of thirteen (13) laboratories carrying out the testing of samples: NIP (including Oshakati), Path-Care, UNAM Molecular, Central Veterinary Laboratory, Namib Poultry, NAMDEB Molecular, NamPath, Namibia Central Pathology, DiagnoLab, High Care, Alpha Medical Laboratory, Des-Jo Medical Test Centre and ProQuest Diagnostic Laboratory.
- To date, 585 243 tests (including 13 554 re-tests) have been conducted by authorized laboratories.
- Since the beginning of the outbreak, 124 257 contacts of confirmed cases have been identified, 150 new contacts were identified within the last 24 hours from 8 regions.
- Cumulatively, 117 541 contacts have completed their monitoring period, while 134 contacts are lost to follow-up and a total of 20 560 (18%) contacts of confirmed cases have tested positive.
- Today, 824 (17%) out of 4 862 active contacts were monitored.

Table 4: Number of people in quarantine, 17 July 2021

Region	Newly quarantined 24 hours	Cumulative number	Number discharged	Number in quarantine now
Erongo	1	6 898	5 796	1 102
Hardap	3	2 742	2 720	22
Kavango (East and West)	0	1 570	1 557	13
Khomas	0	3 638	3 630	8
Kharas	0	8 748	7 849	899
Kunene	0	6 079	5 823	256
Ohangwena	0	695	695	0
Omaheke	0	11 442	11 220	222
Omusati	0	2 059	1 781	278
Oshana	0	400	400	0
Oshikoto	0	18 706	17 714	992
Otjozondjupa	0	1 540	1 540	0
Zambezi	0	1 991	1819	172
Total	4	66 508	62 544	3 964

- Since March 2020, 66 508 people have been placed into quarantine around the country.
- A total of 3 964 people are currently in quarantine, with 4 new admissions.

Table 5: Summary of COVID-19 vaccine doses administered, as of 17 July 2021

Region	Cumulative no. of persons of Sinopharm and		Cumulative no. of Healthcare Workers vaccinated with doses of Sinopharm and AstraZeneca	
	1st doses	2 <sup>nd</sup> doses	1st doses	2 <sup>nd</sup> doses
Erongo	14 476	3 001	684	341
Hardap	6 410	1 562	350	146
Kharas	5 933	1 657	519	162
Kavango East	7 415	2 416	744	290
Kavango West	3 244	737	252	57
Khomas	41 406	8 693	2 476	949
Kunene	6 231	1 580	480	290
Ohangwena	7 568	2 009	532	241
Omaheke	5 837	1 477	296	162
Omusati	8 699	2 034	693	297
Oshana	8 039	2 883	1 007	508
Oshikoto	6 340	1 840	533	272
Otjozondjupa	11 945	3 956	609	279
Zambezi	2 638	943	367	200
Total	136 181	34 788	9 542	4 194

# **PUBLIC HEALTH ACTION (S)**

- The COVID-19 vaccination programme is ongoing throughout the country
- The government and development partners continue to prioritize the continuation of essential health services.

### **CHALLENGES**

- Non-adherence to COVID-19 Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) measures by the general public.
- High infection rate countrywide.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- Continue to give awareness on the importance of adhering to COVID-19 IPC measures; with the involvement of the Security Cluster.
- Continue to encourage the public to take the vaccine to increase herd immunity.

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