

REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA



MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

**UPDATE BY DR. KALUMBI SHANGULA, MINISTER OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL
SERVICES ON COVID-19 IN NAMIBIA.**

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1. We announce seventy (**70**) new COVID-19 confirmed cases from one thousand one hundred and seventy-six (**1 176**) results in the last twenty-four (24) hours reporting cycle, which represents **6%** positivity ratio. The sex distribution is forty-seven (**47**) females and twenty-three (**23**) males. The age range is from five (**5**) years to ninety-one (**91**) years old. The new COVID-19 cases are geographically distributed as follows:

Table 1: New COVID-19 positive cases, 01 September 2021

REGIONS	NEW CASES	DISTRICTS	NEW CASES
Otjozondjupa	18	Grootfontein	9
		Otjiwarongo	7
		Okakarara	1
		Okahandja	1
Khomas	11	Windhoek	11
Omusati	8	Outapi	5
		Okahao	3
Kharas	8	Luderitz	3
		Keetmanshoop	3
		Karasburg	2
Oshikoto	5	Omuthiya	3
		Tsumeb	2
Erongo	5	Walvis Bay	3
		Swakopmund	1
		Omaruru	1
Hardap	5	Rehoboth	3
		Mariental	2
Oshana	5	Oshakati	5
Zambezi	3	Katima Mulilo	3
Kavango East	2	Andara	2
Total	70		70

2. Of the confirmed cases, twenty-one (21) are learners from different schools, two (2) teachers, one (1) student and three (3) health care workers.
3. Of the confirmed cases, one (1) has received one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine and three (3) have received two doses.
4. We have recorded two hundred and seventy-nine (279) new recoveries. They are distributed as follows:

Table 2: Distribution of new recoveries by region, 01 September 2021

Region	Number
Ohangwena	230
Oshana	32
Omusati	16
Kavango West	1
Total	279

5. The active cases are two thousand and ninety-one (2 091). One hundred and sixty-five (165) are hospitalized, of which twenty-four (24) are in Intensive Care Unit (ICU).

Table 3: Distribution of hospitalization of confirmed cases per region, 01 September 2021

Region	Hospitalized confirmed cases		Intensive Care Unit	
	Current	Previous	Current	Previous
Oshana	27	25	5	7
Khomas	25	27	9	7
Omusati	24	24	0	0
Erongo	23	24	7	7
Ohangwena	21	20	0	0
Kunene	12	12	0	0
Oshikoto	8	14	3	3
Kharas	8	8	0	0
Otjozondjupa	6	6	0	0
Kavango East	6	6	0	0
Omaheke	3	3	0	0
Hardap	2	1	0	0
Total	165	170	24	24

6. We are reporting eight (8) COVID-19 deaths from six (6) districts.

Table 4a. Summary of deaths, 01 September 2021

District	Sex		Total	Classification		Home death	Comorbidity
	M	F		Covid death	C-R death		
Katima Mulilo	2	0	2	2	0	0	2
Rundu	1	1	2	2	0	0	2
Nyangana	1	0	1	1	0	0	1
Walvis Bay	1	0	1	1	0	0	1
Windhoek	1	0	1	1	0	0	1
Luderitz	1*	0	1	1	0	0	1
Total	7	1	8	8	0	0	8

*Dead on Arrival

Table 4b. Age group and vaccination status of the deceased, 01 September 2021

Age group	No. of Deaths	Vaccination Status	
		1st dose	2nd dose
Under 1	0		
1-4	0		
5-9	0		
10-19	0	0	0
20-29	0	0	0
30-39	2	0	0
40-49	0	0	0
50-59	1	0	0
60-69	3	0	0
70-79	1	0	0
80-89	1	0	0
90+	0	0	0
Total	8	0	0

7. One deceased reported from Luderitz district died on arrival at a health facility. One (1) deaths occurred on 18 August 2021, three (3) deaths occurred between 24-25 August 2021, three (3) occurred on 30 August 2021 and one (1) occurred on 01 September 2021, within 24 hours reporting cycle. None of the deceased cases was vaccinated.
8. By 31 August 2021, a total of **214 854** people have received one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine, while **117 910** had received two doses, as depicted on tables 5 and 6 below:

Table 5: Summary of administered COVID-19 vaccine 1st dose, 30 August 2021

Region	New persons vaccinated with 1 st doses of Sinopharm	All persons who received 1 st doses of Sinopharm	New persons vaccinated with 1 st dose of AZ	All persons vaccinated with 1 st doses of AZ	All persons vaccinated with 1 st doses of SP and AZ
Erongo	122	12 090	190	11 085	23 175
Hardap	89	9 940	58	3 912	13 852
Kharas	76	6 355	32	3 039	9 394
Kavango East	0	6 201	0	5 081	11 282
Kavango West	60	2 512	31	2 582	5 094
Khomas	195	33 224	113	25 618	58 842
Kunene	0	7 279	0	3 789	11 068
Ohangwena	85	9 625	11	4 000	13 625
Omaheke	52	5 718	53	3 820	9 538
Omusati	0	8 452	0	5 572	14 024
Oshana	56	9 167	16	4 165	13 332
Oshikoto	50	8 178	12	3 072	11 250
Otjozondjupa	44	9 941	41	6 775	16 716
Zambezi	29	2 816	1	846	3 662
Total	858	131 498	558	83 356	214 854

Table 6: Summary of administered COVID-19 vaccine 2nd dose, 30 August 2021

Region	New persons who received 2 nd doses of Sinopharm	All persons who received 2 nd doses of Sinopharm	New persons who received 2 nd doses of AstraZeneca	All persons who received 2 nd doses of AstraZeneca	All 2 nd doses of SP and AZ
Erongo	259	6 700	226	6 014	12 714
Hardap	84	4 097	43	1 878	5 975
Kharas	46	4 038	26	1 562	5 600
Kavango East	0	2 929	0	2 100	5 029
Kavango West	55	1349	52	1 552	2 901
Khomas	379	21 300	256	15 166	36 466
Kunene	0	3 235	0	1 432	4 667
Ohangwena	152	4 977	40	1 700	6 677
Omaheke	94	3 170	87	1 202	4 372
Omusati	0	4 664	0	2 297	6 961
Oshana	103	5 693	52	2 477	8 170
Oshikoto	81	4 730	25	1 226	5 956
Otjozondjupa	116	6 731	88	3 247	9 978
Zambezi	16	1 983	6	461	2 444
Total	1 385	75 596	901	42 314	117 910

9. *Table 7: Summary of the national update, 01 September 2021*

Cumulative confirmed cases	125 206
Newly confirmed	70
Recoveries	119 710
Recovery rate	96%
Active cases	2 091
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 1 st doses	214 854
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 2 nd doses	117 910
COVID-19 Deaths	3 115
COVID-19 Related Deaths	279
Total Deaths	3 394
Total samples tested	662 505
Active contacts	1 572
Cumulative number of people quarantined	75 003
Number of quarantined people discharged	73 392
Number of people in quarantines	1 611

10. Key message

- We are encouraged by the sustained decline in the number of new infections, hospitalisation and deaths. These achievements are the results of the public health measures that we have instituted and the cooperation from the public. We ask that we continue on this trajectory. We ask those who have not yet been vaccinated to do so without delay. Covid-19 will not wait for you to make up your mind. It may strike before you do so.
- We have received 15 000 doses of Sputnik V vaccines, a donation from the Government of Serbia. We have now increased the range of vaccines available to Namibians. Those who were waiting for the arrival of Sputnik V are invited to come for vaccination.

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