

REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA



MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

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SERVICES ON COVID-19 IN NAMIBIA.**

04 April 2021

WINDHOEK

**Check against Delivery*

1. We announce one hundred and seven (107) new COVID-19 confirmed cases identified from eight hundred and eighty-eight (888) results received from the laboratories in the last twenty-four (24) hours, which represents 12% positivity rate. The gender distribution of the reported cases is sixty-eight (68) females and thirty-nine (39) males. The age range is from four (4) years to eighty-seven (87) years. The new COVID-19 cases are geographically distributed as follows:

Table 1: New COVID-19 positive cases, 04 April 2021

REGIONS	NEW CASES	DISTRICTS	NEW CASES
Hardap	24	Mariental	23
		Aranos	1
Otjozondjupa	18	Otjiwarongo	9
		Grootfontein	7
		Okahandja	2
Omusati	14	Tsandi	10
		Okahao	4
Khomas	10	Windhoek	10
Erongo	10	Walvis Bay	6
		Swakopmund	3
		Omaruru	1
Oshana	9	Oshakati	9
Kunene	6	Opuwo	3
		Outjo	3
Ohangwena	5	Eenhana	5
Kavango West	4	Nankudu	4
Kavango East	3	Rundu	3
Karas	3	Karasburg	2
		Keetmanshoop	1
Oshikoto	1	Tsumeb	1
Total	107		107

2. Today we record cases from twelve (12) of the fourteen (14) regions in the country. Among the confirmed cases are thirty (30) learners of which nine (9) are from Shikongo Iipinge SSS in Tsandi Health District and the rest are from different schools. Nine (9) teachers and two (2) health care workers also tested positive to COVID-19.

3. We have recorded eighty-two (82) new recoveries.

Table 2: Distribution of new recoveries by region, 04 April 2021

Region	Number
Hardap	50
Kavango East	28
Omaheke	2
Khomas	2
Total	82

4. The total number of active cases currently stands at one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven (1897). Of these, one hundred and fifty-eight (158) are hospitalized, of which thirty-six (36) are in critical care (ICUs). *All regions has hospitalized patients due to COVID-19.*

Table 3: Distribution of hospitalization of confirmed cases per region, 04 April 2021

Region	Hospitalized confirmed cases	Intensive Care Unit
Khomas	68	26
Erongo	21	6
Zambezi	13	0
Oshana	10	4
Karas	9	0
Oshikoto	9	0
Omusati	8	0
Hardap	7	0
Otjozondjupa	4	0
Kavango East	3	0
Kunene	2	0
Omaheke	2	0
Ohangwena	2	0
Total	158	36

5. Sadly, four (4) lives were lost due to COVID-19, from Walvis Bay, Swakopmund and Windhoek Districts.

Table 4: Summary of deaths, 04 April 2021

District	Sex	Age	Comorbidities	Date of Death	Classification
Walvis Bay	Female	27	Yes	30/03/2021	COVID-19 Death
Swakopmund	Female	56	Yes	03/04/2021	COVID-19 Death
Windhoek	Male	79	Yes	03/04/2021	COVID-19 Death
	Male	72	Yes	01/04/2021	COVID-19 Death

We extend sincere condolences to the bereaved families and to the nation at large.

6. The cumulative number of vaccinated doses remain the same as yesterday, two thousand and ninety-four (2094), as for now vaccinations are not conducted during the weekend and public holidays.

Table 5: Summary of COVID-19 vaccines administered, 04 April 2021

Region	Total doses administered since the roll-out
Khomas	1568
Erongo	526
Total	2 094

7. *Table 6: Summary of the national update, 03 April 2021*

Cumulative confirmed cases	44 790
Newly confirmed	107
Recoveries	42 346
Recovery rate	95%
Active cases	1 897
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccines doses administered	2 094
COVID-19 Deaths	436
COVID-19 Related Deaths	101
Total Deaths	537
Total samples tested	352 232
Active contacts	4 194
Cumulative number of people quarantined	41 719
Number of quarantined people discharged	40 389
Number of people in quarantines	1 330

Key message

We reiterate once again that as we celebrate Easter with families and friends from different places we still need to practice the necessary preventive measures. The fact of the matter is that whenever there are more than two people coming together, there is always a risk that one of them may be infected with COVID-19, even though both do not have any symptoms. Therefore, adherence to public health measures is paramount.

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