

# REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA



MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

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SERVICES ON COVID-19 IN NAMIBIA.

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WINDHOEK

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1. We announce one hundred and thirty-four (134) new COVID-19 confirmed cases identified from one thousand four hundred and ninety-one (1 491) results received from the laboratories in the last twenty-four (24) hours, which represents 9% positivity rate. The gender distribution of the reported cases is seventy-eight (78) females and fifty-six (56) males. The age range is from one (1) years to eighty-eight (88) years. The new COVID-19 cases are geographically distributed as follows:

*Table 1: New COVID-19 positive cases, 15 April 2021*

| REGIONS      | NEW CASES  | DISTRICTS     | NEW CASES  |
|--------------|------------|---------------|------------|
| Khomas       | 35         | Windhoek      | 35         |
| Erongo       | 29         | Walvis Bay    | 20         |
|              |            | Swakopmund    | 6          |
|              |            | Omaruru       | 2          |
|              |            | Usakos        | 1          |
| Karas        | 13         | Luderitz      | 6          |
|              |            | Keetmanshoop  | 5          |
|              |            | Karasburg     | 2          |
| Otjozondjupa | 12         | Otjiwarongo   | 7          |
|              |            | Okahandja     | 2          |
|              |            | Grootfontein  | 2          |
|              |            | Okakarara     | 1          |
| Oshana       | 12         | Oshakati      | 12         |
| Kunene       | 10         | Outjo         | 10         |
| Hardap       | 7          | Rehoboth      | 4          |
|              |            | Mariental     | 3          |
| Oshikoto     | 7          | Tsumeb        | 7          |
| Omusati      | 5          | Outapi        | 5          |
| Kavango East | 3          | Rundu         | 3          |
| Zambezi      | 1          | Katima Mulilo | 1          |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>134</b> |               | <b>134</b> |

2. Among the confirmed cases are eighteen (18) learners from different schools, four (4) teachers, and three (3) health care workers from different institutions.

3. We have recorded one hundred and sixty (160) new recoveries.

*Table 2: Distribution of new recoveries by region, 15 April 2021*

| <b>Region</b> | <b>Number</b> |
|---------------|---------------|
| Erongo        | 156           |
| Karas         | 2             |
| Hardap        | 2             |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>160</b>    |

4. The total number of active cases currently stands at one thousand two hundred and fifty-six (1 256). One hundred and nineteen (119) are hospitalized, of which thirty-three (33) are in ICU.

*Table 3: Distribution of hospitalization of confirmed cases per region, 15 April 2021*

| <b>Region</b> | <b>Hospitalized confirmed cases</b> | <b>Intensive Care Unit</b> |
|---------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Khomas        | 63                                  | 25                         |
| Erongo        | 18                                  | 8                          |
| Hardap        | 10                                  | 0                          |
| Zambezi       | 5                                   | 0                          |
| Oshana        | 5                                   | 0                          |
| Oshikoto      | 4                                   | 0                          |
| Ohangwena     | 3                                   | 0                          |
| Otjozondjupa  | 3                                   | 0                          |
| Karas         | 3                                   | 0                          |
| Omaheke       | 2                                   | 0                          |
| Kavango East  | 2                                   | 0                          |
| Omusati       | 1                                   | 0                          |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>119</b>                          | <b>33</b>                  |

5. Today we announce four (4) deaths, from Windhoek, Grootfontein, Otjiwarongo and Keetmanshoop Districts.

*Table 4: Summary of deaths, 15 April 2021*

| <b>District</b> | <b>Sex</b> | <b>Age</b> | <b>Comorbidities</b> | <b>Date of Death</b> | <b>Classification</b>  |
|-----------------|------------|------------|----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| Windhoek        | Male       | 63         | Yes                  | 14/04/2021           | COVID-19 Related Death |
| Grootfontein    | Female     | 71         | Yes                  | 15/04/2021           | COVID-19 Death         |
| Otjiwarongo     | Male       | 71         | Yes                  | 14/04/2021           | COVID-19 Death         |
| Keetmanshoop    | Male       | 35         | Yes                  | 14/04/2021           | COVID-19 Death         |

We extend sincere condolences to the bereaved families.

6. Yesterday, three hundred and five (305) COVID-19 vaccine doses were administered, of which two hundred and thirty-seven (237) were in Khomas and sixty-eight (68) in Erongo region. Cumulatively, a total of three thousand five hundred and eighty-six (3587) vaccine doses have been administered since the roll-out.

*Summary of COVID-19 vaccines administered, 15 April 2021*

| <b>Region</b> | <b>Doses administered on 14/04/21</b> | <b>Total doses administered since the roll-out</b> |
|---------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|
| Khomas        | 237                                   | 2741                                               |
| Erongo        | 68                                    | 846                                                |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>305</b>                            | <b>3587</b>                                        |

7. *Table 6: Summary of the national update, 15 April 2021*

|                                                 |         |
|-------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Cumulative confirmed cases                      | 46 185  |
| Newly confirmed                                 | 134     |
| Recoveries                                      | 44 322  |
| Recovery rate                                   | 96%     |
| Active cases                                    | 1 256   |
| Cumulative COVID-19 vaccines doses administered | 3587    |
| COVID-19 Deaths                                 | 484     |
| COVID-19 Related Deaths                         | 112     |
| Total Deaths                                    | 596     |
| Total samples tested                            | 367 677 |
| Active contacts                                 | 4 152   |
| Cumulative number of people quarantined         | 43 286  |
| Number of quarantined people discharged         | 41 711  |
| Number of people in quarantines                 | 1 575   |

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