

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.**

18 May 2021

WINDHOEK

**Check against Delivery*

1. We announce two hundred and forty-six (246) new COVID-19 confirmed cases from one thousand six hundred and ninety-four (1 694) results in the last twenty-four (24) hours, which represents 16% positivity ratio. The gender distribution is one hundred and forty-nine (149) females and seventy-three (97) males. The age ranges from one (1) year to ninety-three (93) years. The new COVID-19 cases are geographically distributed as follows:

Table 1: New COVID-19 positive cases, 18 May 2021

REGIONS	NEW CASES	DISTRICTS	NEW CASES
Khomas	135	Windhoek	135
Karas	36	Keetmanshoop	16
		Lüderitz	15
		Karasburg	5
Hardap	33	Aranos	19
		Mariental	11
		Rehoboth	3
Kunene	13	Outjo	13
Kavango East	8	Rundu	8
Otjozondjupa	7	Okakarara	7
Oshana	6	Oshakati	6
Zambezi	5	Katima mulilo	5
Oshikoto	3	Onandjokwe	3
	246		246

2. Today we are reporting cases from 9 regions. Among the confirmed cases are twenty-six (26) learners, ten (10) students and fifteen (15) health care workers.
3. We have recorded hundred and twenty-two (122) new recoveries.

Table 2: Distribution of new recoveries by region, 18 May 2021

Region	Number
Khomas	92
Karas	28
Omaheke	2
Total	122

4. We now have two thousand four hundred and forty-seven (2 447) active cases. Two hundred and sixteen (216) are hospitalized, of which fifty-six (56) are in ICU/ High Care.

Table 3: Distribution of hospitalization of confirmed cases per region, 18 May 2021

Region	Hospitalized confirmed cases	Intensive Care Unit/ High Care
Khomas	68	35
Karas	22	2
Kunene	22	0
Oshana	22	12
Erongo	21	6
Hardap	13	0
Omaheke	9	0
Ohangwena	9	0
Oshikoto	8	1
Otjozondjupa	7	0
Omusati	6	0
Zambezi	5	0
Kavango East	4	0
Total	216	56

5. We announce ten (10) deaths, from Windhoek, Walvis Bay, Otjiwarongo and Gobabis districts.

Table 4: Summary of deaths, 18 May 2021

District	Sex	Age	Comorbidities	Date of Death	Classification
Windhoek	Male	43	No	15.05.2021	COVID-19 Death
	Male	60	Yes	13.05.2021	COVID-19 Death
	Male	59	Yes	13.05.2021	COVID-19 Death
	Male	80	Yes	12.05.2021	COVID-19 Death
	Male	30	No	13.05.2021	COVID-19 Death
Walvis Bay	Male	50	Yes	16.05.2021	COVID-19 Death
	Male	58	Yes	14.05.2021	COVID-19 Death
	Female	67	No	16.05.2021	COVID-19 Death
Otjiwarongo	Male	51	No	17.05.2021	COVID-19 Death
Gobabis	Male	66	Yes	17.05.2021	COVID-19 Death

We extend sincere condolences to the bereaved families.

6. Tables 5 and 6 below show the number of people vaccinated with Sinopharm and AstraZeneca vaccines.

Table 5: Summary of COVID-19 1st vaccines administered, as of 18 May 2021

Region	#New persons vaccinated with 1st dose of Sinopharm	Total persons who received 1st dose of Sinopharm	#New persons vaccinated with 1st dose of AstraZeneca (AZ)	Total persons vaccinated with 1st dose of AZ	Total persons vaccinated with 1st doses of Sinopharm and AZ
Erongo	87	2 074	166	3 480	5 554
Hardap	91	1 041	54	1 558	2 599
Karas	91	947	24	1 276	2 223
Kavango East	0	1 733	0	2 159	3 892
Kavango West	0	456	0	891	1 347
Khomas	505	5 522	579	12 377	17 899
Kunene	72	1 702	89	912	2 614
Ohangwena	113	1 270	98	1 470	2 740
Omaheke	0	1 409	0	1 620	3 029
Omusati	57	894	148	1 800	2 694
Oshana	101	1 189	104	1 374	2 563
Oshikoto	38	501	64	754	1 255
Otjozondjupa	171	1 505	89	2 838	4 343
Zambezi	35	423	18	403	826
Total	1 361	20 666	1 433	32 912	53 578

Table 6: Number of 2nd doses administered as of 18 May 2021

Region	# of new persons who received 2nd doses of Sinopharm	# of New persons who received 2nd doses of AstraZeneca	Total 2nd doses of Sinopharm and AstraZeneca
Erongo	56	0	578
Hardap	15	0	87
Karas	22	0	68
Kavango East	0	0	78
Kavango West	0	0	32
Khomas	97	0	1 866
Kunene	7	0	41
Ohangwena	1	0	121
Omaheke	35	0	45
Omusati	1	0	46
Oshana	69	0	121
Oshikoto	17	0	120
Otjozondjupa	32	0	169
Zambezi	1	0	46
Total	353	0	3 418

7. *Table 7: Summary of the national update, 18 May 2021*

Cumulative confirmed cases	51 636
Newly confirmed	246
Recoveries	48 445
Recovery rate	94%
Active cases	2 447
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 1 st doses administered	53 578
COVID-19 Deaths	606
COVID-19 Related Deaths	127
Total Deaths	733
Total samples tested	413 177
Active contacts	2 739
Cumulative number of people quarantined	47 302
Number of quarantined people discharged	46 263
Number of people in quarantines	1 039

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