

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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**Check against Delivery*

1. We announce two hundred and thirty-four (234) new COVID-19 confirmed cases from one thousand three hundred and twenty-three (1 323) results in the last twenty-four (24) hours, which represents 18% positivity ratio. The gender distribution is one hundred and thirty-six (136) females and ninety-eight (98) males. The age range is from two (2) days to ninety-three (93) years. The new COVID-19 cases are geographically distributed as follows:

Table 1: New COVID-19 positive cases, 23 May 2021

REGIONS	NEW CASES	DISTRICTS	NEW CASES
Khomas	145	Windhoek	145
Otjozondjupa	28	Grootfontein	10
		Otjiwarongo	8
		Okakarara	6
		Okahandja	4
Hardap	20	Rehoboth	14
		Aranos	5
		Mariental	1
Erongo	16	Swakopmund	9
		Walvis Bay	4
		Usakos	3
Oshikoto	7	Tsumeb	5
		Omuthiya	2
Kunene	5	Outjo	3
		Khorixas	2
Karas	4	Lüderitz	3
		Keetmanshoop	1
Omaheke	4	Gobabis	4
Kavango East	3	Rundu	3
Oshana	2	Oshakati	2
	234		234

2. Today we are reporting cases from nine (9) regions. Among the confirmed cases are nineteen (19) students, fourteen (14) learners and eleven (11) health care workers.
3. We have recorded seventy-five (75) new recoveries.

Table 2: Distribution of new recoveries by region, 23 May 2021

Region	Number
Hardap	31
Omaheke	27
Zambezi	11
Karas	3
Kunene	3
Total	75

4. We have two thousand nine hundred and fifty-seven (2 957) active cases. Two hundred and twenty-eight (228) are hospitalized, of which fifty-two (52) are in ICU/ High Care.

Table 3: Distribution of hospitalization of confirmed cases per region, 23 May 2021

Region	Hospitalized confirmed cases	Intensive Care Unit/ High Care
Khomas	74	32
Oshana	31	13
Erongo	23	5
Karas	21	1
Zambezi	17	0
Ohangwena	12	0
Hardap	11	0
Kunene	10	0
Oshikoto	10	1
Omaheke	9	0
Otjozondjupa	4	0
Omusati	4	0
Kavango East	2	0
Total	228	52

5. We announce two(2) deaths, one each from Karasburg and Omaruru districts.

Table 4: Summary of deaths, 23 May 2021

District	Sex	Age	Comorbidities	Date of Death	Classification
Karasburg	Male	69	Yes	19.05.2021	COVID-19 Related Death
Omaruru	Male	57	No	21.05.2021	COVID-19 Death

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 23 May 2021

Region	#New persons vaccinated with 1 st dose of Sinopharm	Total persons who received 1 st dose of Sinopharm	#New persons vaccinated with 1 st dose of AstraZeneca (AZ)	Total persons vaccinated with 1 st dose of AZ	Total persons vaccinated with 1 st doses of Sinopharm and AZ
Erongo	0	2 493	0	4 064	6 557
Hardap	0	1 217	0	1 635	2 852
Karas	0	1 184	0	1 306	2 490
Kavango East	0	2 065	0	2 386	4 451
Kavango West	0	826	0	1 142	1 968
Khomas	0	6 847	0	14 050	20 897
Kunene	0	1 778	0	1 101	2 879
Ohangwena	0	1 567	0	1 671	3 238
Omaheke	0	1 409	0	1 670	3 079
Omusati	0	1 045	0	2 109	3 154
Oshana	0	1 425	0	1 632	3 057
Oshikoto	0	584	0	854	1 438
Otjozondjupa	0	1 915	0	3 008	4 923
Zambezi	0	517	0	486	1003
Total	0	24 872	0	37 114	61 986

Table 6: Number of 2nd doses administered as of 23 May 2021

Region	# of new persons who received 2 nd doses of Sinopharm	# of New persons who received 2 nd doses of AstraZeneca	Total 2 nd doses of Sinopharm and AstraZeneca
Erongo	0	0	762
Hardap	0	0	193
Karas	0	0	157
Kavango East	0	0	338
Kavango West	0	0	88
Khomas	0	0	2 305
Kunene	0	0	177
Ohangwena	0	0	247
Omaheke	0	0	143
Omusati	0	0	116
Oshana	0	0	474
Oshikoto	0	0	235
Otjozondjupa	0	0	344
Zambezi	0	0	94
Total	0	0	5 673

7. Table 7: Summary of the national update, 23 May 2021

Cumulative confirmed cases	52 946
Newly confirmed	234
Recoveries	49 213
Recovery rate	93%
Active cases	2 957
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 1 st doses administered	61 986
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 2 nd doses administered	5 673
COVID-19 Deaths	633
COVID-19 Related Deaths	132
Total Deaths	765
Total samples tested	421 684
Active contacts	3 165
Cumulative number of people quarantined	48 251
Number of quarantined people discharged	46 956
Number of people in quarantines	1 295

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