

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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WINDHOEK

**Check against Delivery*

1. We announce one thousand three-hundred and ninety (1 390) new COVID-19 confirmed cases from three thousand six hundred and fifty-three (3 653) results in the last twenty-four (24) hours, which represents 38% positivity ratio. The gender distribution is seven hundred and fifty-one (751) females and six hundred and thirty-nine (639) males. The age range is from three (3) days to seventy-nine (79) years. The new COVID-19 cases are geographically distributed as follows:

Table 1: New COVID-19 positive cases, 23rd June 2022

REGIONS	NEW CASES	DISTRICTS	NEW CASES
Khomas	561	Windhoek	561
Hardap	143	Rehoboth	97
		Mariental	37
		Aranos	9
Kharas	109	Lüderitz	73
		Keetmanshoop	22
		Karasburg	14
Erongo	108	Swakopmund	65
		Usakos	21
		Walvis Bay	19
		Omaruru	3
Kavango East	93	Rundu	89
		Andara	4
Omaheke	75	Gobabis	75
Otjozondjupa	71	Grootfontein	42
		Otjiwarongo	18
		Okakarara	9
		Okahandja	2
Oshikoto	67	Omuthiya	27
		Tsumeb	25
		Onandjokwe	15
Oshana	64	Oshakati	64
Ohangwena	37	Eenhana	34
		Engela	3
Omusati	23	Outapi	15
		Okahao	7
		Tsandi	1
Kunene	18	Outjo	10
		Khorixas	6
		Opuwo	2
Zambezi	17	Katima Mulilo	17
Kavango West	4	Nankundu	4
Total	1 390		1 390

2. We are reporting cases from all fourteen regions. Khomas region alone account for 40 % of the total number of confirmed cases. Among the confirmed cases, one hundred and fifty-one (151) are learners from different schools. Twenty-five (25) health care workers, twenty-six (26) teachers and twenty-five (25) students from different institutions of high learning, have tested positive for COVID-19.
3. We have recorded eight hundred and fifteen (815) new recoveries.

Table 2: Distribution of new recoveries by region, 23rd June 2022

Region	Number
Erongo	260
Omaheke	212
Oshana	122
Otjozondjupa	85
Hardap	65
Khomas	57
Zambezi	7
Kavango east	7
Total	815

4. We now have fifteen thousand four hundred and seven (15,407) active cases. Five hundred and twenty-eight (528) are hospitalized, of which ninety-four (94) are in Intensive Care Units (ICUs).

Table 3: Distribution of hospitalization of confirmed cases per region, 23rd June 2022

Region	Hospitalized confirmed cases	Intensive Care Unit
Khomas	261	57
Erongo	70	11
Oshana	53	16
Otjozondjupa	47	1
Kharas	24	1
Oshikoto	16	8
Hardap	14	0
Zambezi	9	0
Omaheke	8	0
Ohangwena	8	0
Omusati	7	0
Kunene	6	0
Kavango east	5	0
Total	528	94

5. We announce fifty-five (55) COVID-19 deaths from sixteen (16) districts

Table 4: Summary of deaths, 23rd June 2022

District	Age	Sex	Comorbidities	Date of Death	Classification	Vaccination status
Rehoboth	34	Female	Yes	14.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	83	Female	Yes	17.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	66	Female	No	20.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	56	Female	Yes	15.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	69	Female	Yes	20.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	64	Female	Yes	15.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	76	Female	Yes	15.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	73	Female	Yes	16.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	39	Female	Yes	16.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	52	Female	Yes	16.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	67	Female	Yes	20.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	71	Male	Yes	16.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	60	Male	Yes	16.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
	60	Male	No	16.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
Swakopmund	82	Male	Yes	19.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	86	Male	Yes	22.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	70	Male	Yes	22.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Vaccinated
	56	Male	Yes	22.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	77	Male	No	23.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
	82	Male	Yes	15.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
	85	Female	No	23.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
	77	Female	Yes	23.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	55	Female	Yes	21.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
	97	Female	Yes	20.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	86	Male	No	19.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
Keetmanshoop	68	Male	Yes	22.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	40	Male	No	20.06.2021	#COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	64	Male	No	18.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	38	Female	Yes	22.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
	27	Female	Yes	22.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
Mariental	72	Male	Yes	17.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
	72	Male	Yes	17.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Unknown
	53	Female	No	13.06.2021	#COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
	74	Female	Yes	16.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
Okahandja	62	Female	Yes	17.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
	39	Female	Yes	18.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
	59	Male	No	22.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	51	Male	Yes	20.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
Rundu	64	Male	Yes	16.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Unknown
	69	Male	No	18.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Unknown
Oshikuku	66	Male	Yes	21.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	43	Male	Yes	20.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
Windhoek	67	Male	Yes	18.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
	76	Female	No	17.06.2021	#COVID-19 Death	Unknown
Okahao	54	Male	Yes	15.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
	88	Female	Yes	15.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
Onandjokwe	58	Female	Yes	22.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
	86	Female	Yes	21.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
Omaruru	84	Male	Yes	19.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
	68	Female	Yes	19.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
Luderitz	60	Male	Yes	20.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
Okakarara	53	Male	No	22.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
Grootfontein	53	Male	Yes	16.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
Katima Mulilo	60	Male	Yes	22.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
Usakos	62	Male	Yes	22.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated

Legend: *Died at a health facility, # Died at home

None of those who died was vaccinated. Three of them died at home.

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 23rd June 2022

Region	#New persons who received 1 st dose of Sinopharm	Total persons who received 1 st dose of Sinopharm	#New persons vaccinated with 1 st dose of (AZ)	Total persons vaccinated with 1 st dose of AZ	Total persons vaccinated with 1 st doses of Sinopharm and AZ
Erongo	77	3 629	191	8 074	11 703
Hardap	65	1 799	76	2 903	4 702
Kharas	80	2 161	36	2 097	4 258
Kavango East	44	2 286	399	4 093	6 379
Kavango West	0	830	159	2 146	2 976
Khomas	494	16 207	561	21 714	37 921
Kunene	24	2 063	158	3 148	5 211
Ohangwena	97	2 761	53	2 773	5 534
Omaheke	0	2 160	0	2 277	4 437
Omusati	93	2 701	93	3 632	6 333
Oshana	135	3 338	78	2 652	5 990
Oshikoto	0	1 942	0	1 991	3 933
Otjozondjupa	0	4 366	0	4 994	9 360
Zambezi	56	1 102	17	758	1 860
Total	1 165	47 345	1 821	63 252	110 597

Table 6: Number of 2nd doses administered as of 23rd June 2022

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	21	4	1863
Hardap	14	0	1019
Kharas	17	0	976
Kavango East	85	175	1678
Kavango West	5	11	644
Khomas	0	0	6239
Kunene	8	0	1297
Ohangwena	22	1	1139
Omaheke	0	0	887
Omusati	23	4	881
Oshana	13	43	1800
Oshikoto	0	0	613
Otjozondjupa	0	0	1930
Zambezi	17	1	497
Total	225	239	21 463

7. *Table 7: Summary of the national update, 23rd June 2022*

Cumulative confirmed cases	778 723
Newly confirmed	1 390
Recoveries	62 026
Recovery rate	79%
Active cases	15 407
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 1 st doses administered	110 597
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 2 nd doses administered	21 463
COVID-19 Deaths	1 099
COVID-19 Related Deaths	180
Total Deaths	1 279
Total samples tested	504 284
Active contacts	6 501
Cumulative number of people quarantined	57 169
Number of quarantined people discharged	53 516
Number of people in quarantines	3 753

8. **Key message**

- We need to draw lessons from what is happening around us and make the necessary adjustments. We are witnessing an increase in the number of deaths due to Covid-19. Among the deaths announced today is one maternal death and three home deaths. The importance of seeking early medical assistance cannot be overemphasized.
- We have noted with disbelief claims by anti-vaccine lobbyists that many people are dying because of vaccination. When we announce the deaths, we always indicate the vaccination status of the deceased. Today we have announced 55 deaths. None has been fully vaccinated. How can a person die of vaccination if he or she has not been vaccinated? We ask the anti-vaccine lobbyists to desist from misleading the nation.

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