

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.**

27 June 2021

WINDHOEK

**Check against Delivery*

1. We announce one thousand nine hundred and forty-four (1 944) new COVID-19 confirmed cases from four thousand two hundred and twenty (4 220) results in the last twenty-four (24) hours, which represents 46% positivity ratio. The gender distribution is one thousand one hundred and nine (1109) females and eight hundred and thirty-five (835) males. The age range is from two (2) months to ninety-two (92) years. The new COVID-19 cases are geographically distributed as follows:

Table 1: New COVID-19 positive cases, 27 June 2021

REGIONS	NEW CASES	DISTRICTS	NEW CASES
Erongo	315	Swakopmund	174
		Walvis Bay	111
		Usakos	30
Otjozondjupa	305	Okahandja	207
		Okakarara	69
		Otjiwarongo	28
		Grootfontein	1
Khomas	299	Windhoek	299
Kavango East	220	Rundu	204
		Andara	14
		Nyangana	2
Oshana	191	Oshakati	191
Hardap	184	Rehoboth	150
		Mariental	25
		Aranos	9
Oshikoto	95	Tsumeb	46
		Onandjokwe	43
		Omuthiya	6
Kunene	80	Outjo	40
		Khorixas	25
		Opuwo	15
Omaheke	75	Gobabis	75
Kharas	58	Keetmanshoop	52
		Karasburg	6
Zambezi	54	Katima Mulilo	54
Omusati	36	Oshikuku	15
		Okahao	12
		Tsandi	6
		Outapi	3
Ohangwena	32	Eenhana	23
		Okongo	9
Total	1944		1944

2. We are reporting cases from thirteen regions, with Erongo and Otjozondjupa regions

accounting for 16% each from the total confirmed cases. In addition, Khomas, Kavango East, Oshana and Hardap regions reported high number of cases ranging between 10% and 15% respectively. Among the confirmed cases are three hundred and seventeen (317) learners and ninety-one (91) teachers from different schools, fifty-five (55) students and forty-four (44) health care workers.

3. Of all the confirmed cases, only forty-two (42), which represent two percent (2%) reported to have received at least one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine while none of them have been fully vaccinated.
4. We have recorded nine hundred and sixty-eight (968) new recoveries.

Table 2: Distribution of new recoveries by region, 27 June 2021

Region	Number
Erongo	473
Kharas	437
Zambezi	58
Total	968

5. We now have twenty thousand two hundred and ninety-three (20 293) active cases. Five hundred and fifty-five (555) are hospitalized, of which eighty - one (81) are in Intensive Care Units (ICUs).

Table 3: Distribution of hospitalization of confirmed cases per region, 27 June 2021

Region	Hospitalized confirmed cases	Intensive Care Unit
Khomas	279	50
Erongo	79	11
Oshana	54	14
Otjozondjupa	33	1
Kharas	30	2
Hardap	17	0
Omaheke	15	0
Ohangwena	12	0
Zambezi	11	0
Oshikoto	7	3
Kunene	6	0
Omusati	6	0
Kavango East	6	0
Total	555	81

6. We announce forty-five (45) new COVID-19 deaths from eight (8) districts.

Table 4: Summary of deaths, 27 June 2021

District	Age	Sex	Comorbidities	Date of Death	Classification	Vaccination status
Gobabis	55	M	Yes	16.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Unknown
	52	M	Yes	19.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	82	F	Yes	24.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	70	M	Yes	21.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	59	M	Yes	19.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	51	M	No	15.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	78	M	No	17.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	51	M	No	09.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	62	F	Yes	23.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
	63	F	Yes	16.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Unknown
	55	M	Yes	16.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Unknown
	52	M	Yes	20.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
	76	M	Yes	17.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
	59	M	Yes	20.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
	49	M	No	13.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
	74	M	Yes	23.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
	49	F	Yes	20.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
	57	M	Yes	22.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
	59	F	Yes	16.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
	75	M	Yes	11.06.2021	#COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
	26	M	Yes	15.06.2021	#COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
	63	F	Yes	12.06.2021	#COVID-19 Death	Unknown
	63	F	Yes	12.06.2021	#COVID-19 Death	Unknown
	46	F	No	15.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
Windhoek	52	M	No	26.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Unknown
	59	M	Yes	26.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Unknown
	81	M	No	26.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
	59	F	Yes	23.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
	71	M	Yes	25.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
	81	F	Yes	17.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
	63	F	Yes	22.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
Swakopmund	65	M	Yes	26.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	70	M	Yes	26.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Unknown
	71	F	Yes	24.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	91	F	Yes	26.06.2021	#COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	73	F	Yes	25.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Vaccinated 1 st dose
Okahandja	58	F	Yes	24.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
	70	M	No	25.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	39	M	Yes	24.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	46	M	No	25.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
Otjiwarongo	73	M	No	21.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	46	M	No	25.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
Grootfontein	71	M	Yes	19.06.2021	#COVID-19 Death	Vaccinated 1 st dose
Omaruru	65	M	No	27.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
Katima Mulilo	82	M	Yes	26.06.2021	*COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated

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

Gobabis reported 24 deaths with 4 home deaths. Windhoek recorded 7 deaths, Swakopmund recorded 5 deaths with 1 home death. Okahandja-4, Otjiwarongo-2, Grootfontein-1 home death, Omaruru-1 and Katima Mulilo-1. Two cases received the 1st dose of Astra Zeneca vaccine.

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

Table 5: Summary of COVID-19 1st doses administered, 27 June 2021

Region	#New persons vaccinated with 1 st doses of Sinopharm	Total persons who received 1 st doses of Sinopharm	#New persons vaccinated with 1 st dose of AstraZeneca (AZ)	Total persons vaccinated with 1 st doses of AZ	Total persons vaccinated with 1 st doses of Sinopharm and AZ
Erongo	0	3 848	0	8 183	12 031
Hardap	0	1 843	0	3 332	5 175
Kharas	0	2 446	31	2 248	4 680
Kavango East	0	2 338	0	4 210	6 548
Kavango West	0	830	0	2 156	2 986
Khomas	0	16 986	0	22 932	39 918
Kunene	0	2 216	0	3 357	5 573
Ohangwena	0	2 856	0	2 940	5 796
Omaheke	0	2 305	0	2 697	5 002
Omusati	0	2 826	0	3 832	6 658
Oshana	0	3 573	0	2 887	6 460
Oshikoto	0	2 317	0	2 232	4 549
Otjozondjupa	0	4 906	0	5 346	10 252
Zambezi	5	1 249	0	777	2 026
Total	5	50 539	1 039	67 129	117 668

Table 6: Number of 2nd doses administered, 27 June 2021

Region	# of new persons who received 2 nd doses of Sinopharm	Total persons who received 2 nd doses of Sinopharm	# of New persons who received 2 nd doses of AstraZeneca	Total persons who received 2 nd doses of AZ	Total 2 nd doses of Sinopharm and AstraZeneca
Erongo	0	2 076	0	46	2 122
Hardap	0	1 069	0	1	1 070
Kharas	0	1 053	0	4	1 057
Kavango East	0	1 371	0	417	1 788
Kavango West	0	624	0	75	699
Khomas	0	6 003	0	682	6 685
Kunene	0	1 350	0	2	1 352
Ohangwena	0	1 191	0	8	1 199
Omaheke	0	931	0	13	944
Omusati	0	868	0	30	898
Oshana	0	1 427	0	628	2 055
Oshikoto	0	633	0	36	669
Otjozondjupa	0	2 037	0	382	2 419
Zambezi	9	562	0	22	584
Total	9	21 195	0	2 346	23 541

8. *Table 7: Summary of the national update, 27 June 2021*

Cumulative confirmed cases	86 649
Newly confirmed	1 944
Recoveries	64 900
Recovery rate	75%
Active cases	20 293
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 1 st doses administered	117 668
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 2 nd doses administered	23 541
COVID-19 Deaths	1 259
COVID-19 Related Deaths	186
Total Deaths	1 445
Total samples tested	521 545
Active contacts	7 123
Cumulative number of people quarantined	58 760
Number of quarantined people discharged	54 678
Number of people in quarantines	4 082

9. **Key message**

- There is a wrong perception created in the public that we have suspended the vaccination campaign. I assure the public that we have not suspended the vaccination campaign. The Ministry will continue vaccinating as many people as possible with the 1st dose, while the booster dose or 2nd dose will be given as soon as the next consignment is received in July 2021. This is in accordance with the WHO guidance in case of limited vaccine supply. It should be noted that the 1st dose of the vaccine already offers some degree of protection against severe disease, hospitalization and death. Thus, vaccinating as many people as possible with the first dose will lead to the protection of the larger proportion of the population against severe illness, hospitalisation and death.

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