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MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

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SERVICES ON COVID-19 IN NAMIBIA.**

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**Check against Delivery*

1. We announce two hundred and seventy-seven (277) new COVID-19 confirmed cases from one thousand one hundred and fifty-five (1 155) results in the last twenty-four (24) hours, which represents 24% positivity ratio. The gender distribution is one hundred and fifty-four (154) females and one hundred and twenty-three (123) males. The age ranges from ten (10) months to ninety-four (94) years. The new COVID-19 cases are geographically distributed as follows:

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

REGIONS	NEW CASES	DISTRICTS	NEW CASES
Oshana	117	Oshakati	117
Khomas	40	Windhoek	40
Oshikoto	35	Tsumeb	19
		Onandjokwe	16
Zambezi	24	Katima Mulilo	24
Kharas	22	Luderitz	11
		Keetmanshoop	7
		Karasburg	4
Kunene	11	Khorixas	7
		Outjo	4
Kavango East	9	Rundu	9
Otjozondjupa	9	Otjiwarongo	5
		Okahandja	2
		Okakarara	1
		Grootfontein	1
Hardap	5	Rehoboth	4
		Mariental	1
Erongo	2	Walvis Bay	2
Ohangwena	2	Eenhana	2
Omusati	1	Oshikuku	1
Total	277		277

2. We are reporting cases from twelve (12) regions, with Oshana region reporting the highest number of cases, accounting for 42% of the confirmed cases. Among the confirmed cases are twenty-three (23) learners, two (2) teachers and four (4) students, while the number of health care workers who tested positive to Covid-19 is eight (8).

3. Eight people who tested positive have been vaccinated. Of those, two have received two doses of vaccines.
4. We have recorded four hundred and twenty-three (423) new recoveries.

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

Region	Number
Erongo	130
Otjozondjupa	64
Zambezi	52
Kharas	42
Kavango East	39
Khomas	35
Omusati	30
Omaheke	24
Kavango West	7
Total	423

5. We now have twenty thousand seven hundred and one (20 701) active cases. Five hundred and six (506) are hospitalized, of which seventy-nine (79) are in Intensive Care Unit (ICU).

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

Region	Hospitalized confirmed cases	Intensive Care Unit
Khomas	180	43
Oshana	65	15
Kunene	48	0
Erongo	42	12
Oshikoto	33	1
Kharas	30	3
Otjozondjupa	26	0
Kavango East	20	1
Omusati	18	0
Ohangwena	18	0
Zambezi	13	0
Omaheke	8	4
Hardap	5	0
Total	506	79

6. We announce fifty-six (56) deaths from twelve (12) districts.

Table 4a. Summary table of deaths, 27 July 2021

District	Sex		Total	Classification		Home death	Comorbidity
	M	F		Covid Death	Related death		
Onandjokwe	8	8	16	14	2	0	12
Rundu	5	7	12	12	0	10	5
Windhoek	5	2	7	7	0	0	6
Oshikuku	3	2	5	5	0	0	4
Opuwo	3	0	3	2	1	1	2
Okahao	2	1	3	3	0	1	1
Tsumeb	1	2	3	3	0	0	2
Engela	2	0	2	1	1	0	2
Tsandi	1	1	2	1	1	0	2
Khorixas	1	0	1	1	0	0	1
Eenhana	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
Nankudu	0	1	1	0	1	0	1
Total	31	25	56	50	6	12	38

Table 4b. Age group and vaccination status of the deceased, 27 July 2021

Age group	No. of Deaths	Vaccination Status		
		1st dose	2 nd dose	Indetermined
Under 1	0			
1-4	0			
5-9	0			
10-19	0	0	0	0
20-29	0	0	0	
30-39	4	0	0	2
40-49	2	0	0	0
50-59	12	0	1*	0
60-69	12	0	0	1
70-79	14	1 [#]	0	0
80-89	7	0	0	0
90+	5	0	0	0
Total	56	1	1	3

*Sinopharm 2 doses

AstraZeneca 1st dose

7. More deaths (16) were reported from Onandjokwe district, followed by Rundu district with twelve (12) deaths. The remaining districts reported less than ten (10) deaths each.
8. Twelve (12) deaths were reported as home deaths, of which ten were reported from Rundu district.
9. Deaths we are reporting today occurred between 15–26 July 2021. Four deaths occurred between 15-18 July 2021, forty-seven (47) demised between 19-25 July 2021, and five (5) passed away on the 26 July 2021, that is within the period of 24 hours which is under review.
8. Tables 5 and 6 below show the number of people vaccinated with Sinopharm and AstraZeneca vaccines.

Table 5: Summary of administered COVID-19 vaccine 1st dose, 27 July 2021

Region	#New persons vaccinated with 1st doses of Sinopharm	Total persons who received 1st doses of Sinopharm	#New persons vaccinated with 1st dose of ca AZ	Total persons vaccinated with 1st doses of AZ	Total persons vaccinated with 1st doses of Sinopharm and AZ
Erongo	160	6 615	35	9 327	15 942
Hardap	374	3 616	0	3 674	7 290
Kharas	117	3 942	12	2 766	6 708
Kavango East	166	3 712	0	4 414	8 126
Kavango West	31	1 253	0	2 173	3 426
Khomas	515	23 299	0	23 824	47 123
Kunene	420	3 656	0	3 526	7 182
Ohangwena	256	4 718	0	3 785	8 503
Omaheke	104	3 645	0	3 060	6 705
Omusati	220	5 005	4	5 183	10 188
Oshana	293	6 158	0	3 474	9 632
Oshikoto	170	4 666	0	2 819	7 485
Otjozondjupa	182	7 180	0	5 938	13 118
Zambezi	50	2 091	0	831	2 922
Total	3 058	79 556	51	74 794	154 350

Table 6: Summary of administered COVID-19 vaccine 2nd dose, 27 July 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	17	3 087	0	385	3 472
Hardap	18	1 778	0	30	1 808
Kharas	83	2 066	26	286	2 352
Kavango East	26	1 687	10	932	2 619
Kavango West	3	689	0	97	786
Khomas	242	12 722	0	1 271	13 993
Kunene	45	1 701	0	86	1 787
Ohangwena	67	2 146	0	289	2 435
Omaheke	4	1 465	0	164	1 629
Omusati	63	2 316	20	593	2 909
Oshana	113	2 874	0	966	3 840
Oshikoto	100	2 170	8	308	2 478
Otjozondjupa	128	4 091	0	926	5 017
Zambezi	23	1 106	0	113	1 219
Total	932	39 898	64	6 446	46 344

Table 7: Summary of the national update, 27 July 2021

Cumulative confirmed cases	117 570
Newly confirmed	277
Recoveries	93 931
Recovery rate	80%
Active cases	20 701
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 1 st doses administered	154 350
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 2 nd doses administered	46 344
COVID-19 Deaths	2 674
COVID-19 Related Deaths	253
Total Deaths	2 927
Total samples tested	606 987
Active contacts	3 892
Cumulative number of people quarantined	68 292
Number of quarantined people discharged	64 651
Number of people in quarantines	3 641

9. Key message

- Generally, new confirmed cases are decreasing, which is encouraging. We have also observed decline in number of people being admitted these days. We have observed a shift in number of cases from Khomas region to other areas. We are still concerned with high number of deaths and home deaths in particular. We therefore continue to advise the public to seek health care when not feeling well.

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