

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.**

31 May 2021

WINDHOEK

**Check against Delivery*

1. We announce four hundred and eight (408) new COVID-19 confirmed cases from two thousand two hundred and thirty-four (2234) results in the last twenty-four (24) hours, which represents 18% positivity ratio. The gender distribution is two hundred and thirty-one (231) females and one hundred and seventy-seven (177) males. The age range is from one (1) month to ninety-four (94) years. The new COVID-19 cases are geographically distributed as follows:

Table 1: New COVID-19 positive cases, 31 May 2021

REGIONS	NEW CASES	DISTRICTS	NEW CASES
Khomas	235	Windhoek	235
Hardap	49	Mariental	19
		Rehoboth	18
		Aranos	12
Erongo	24	Swakopmund	12
		Walvis Bay	11
		Omaruru	1
Otjozondjupa	23	Otjiwarongo	10
		Okahandja	9
		Okakarara	4
Omaheke	22	Gobabis	22
Karas	12	Keetmanshoop	11
		Lüderitz	1
Kavango East	12	Rundu	7
		Nyangana	5
Oshikoto	10	Omuthiya	7
		Tsumeb	3
Kunene	8	Outjo	6
		Khorixas	2
Oshana	6	Oshakati	6
Zambezi	5	Katima Mulilo	5
Ohangwena	1	Okongo	1
Kavango West	1	Nankudu	1
	408		408

2. Today we are reporting cases from thirteen regions, with more cases (58%) reported from Khomas region alone. Among the reported cases are twenty-one (21) learners, six (6) teachers, sixteen (16) students from different institutions and eight (8) health care workers.
3. We have recorded two hundred thirty-two (232) new recoveries.

Table 2: Distribution of new recoveries by region, 31 May 2021

Region	Number
Hardap	121
Erongo	60
Karas	34
Omaheke	17
Total	232

4. We now have four thousand and thirty-three (4 033) active cases. Two hundred and seventy-two (272) are hospitalized, of which forty-eight (48) are in Intensive Care Unit (ICU).

Table 3: Distribution of hospitalization of confirmed cases per region, 31 May 2021

Region	Hospitalized confirmed cases	Intensive Care Unit
Khomas	142	33
Erongo	30	4
Karas	25	1
Oshana	18	10
Oshikoto	10	0
Otjozondjupa	9	0
Omaheke	9	0
Zambezi	8	0
Hardap	7	0
Ohangwena	6	0
Kunene	4	0
Omusati	4	0
Total	272	48

5. We announce six (6) deaths, from five districts.

Table 4: Summary of deaths, 31 May 2021

District	Sex	Age	Comorbidities	Date of Death	Classification	Vaccination status
Windhoek	Female	52	No	28.05.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not confirmed
	Male	67	Yes	31.05.2021	COVID-19 Related Death	Not vaccinated
Gobabis	Male	83	Yes	26.05.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not confirmed
Oshakati	Female	35	Yes	19.05.2021	COVID-19 Related Death	Not confirmed
Keetmanshoop	Female	60	Yes	16.05.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not confirmed
Eenhana	Female	62	Yes	26.05.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated

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 31 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	2 931	0	4 238	7 169
Hardap	0	1 303	0	1 690	2 993
Karas	0	1 287	0	1 347	2 634
Kavango East	0	2 129	0	2 651	4 780
Kavango West	0	8 26	0	1 182	2 008
Khomas	0	7 890	0	15 239	23 129
Kunene	0	1 809	56	1 350	3 159
Ohangwena	30	1 813	46	2 000	3 813
Omaheke	0	1 408	0	1 670	3 078
Omusati	15	1 181	11	2 301	3 482
Oshana	0	1 616	0	1 747	3 363
Oshikoto	0	659	0	926	1 585
Otjozondjupa	0	2 280	0	3 227	5 507
Zambezi	0	604	0	560	1 164
Total	45	27 736	113	40 128	67 864

Table 6: Number of 2nd doses administered as of 31 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	910
Hardap	0	0	380
Karas	0	0	313
Kavango East	0	0	651
Kavango West	0	0	186
Khomas	0	0	2 761
Kunene	111	0	609
Ohangwena	66	0	611
Omaheke	0	0	539
Omusati	36	0	327
Oshana	0	0	728
Oshikoto	0	0	297
Otjozondjupa	0	0	611
Zambezi	0	0	162
Total	213	0	9 085

7. *Table 7: Summary of the national update, 31 May 2021*

Cumulative confirmed cases	55 549
Newly confirmed	408
Recoveries	50 675
Recovery rate	91%
Active cases	4 033
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 1 st doses administered	67 864
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 2 nd doses administered	9 085
COVID-19 Deaths	692
COVID-19 Related Deaths	138
Total Deaths	830
Total samples tested	435 661
Active contacts	3 173
Cumulative number of people quarantined	49 989
Number of quarantined people discharged	47 923
Number of people in quarantines	2 066

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