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SERVICES ON COVID-19 IN NAMIBIA

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1. We announce nine (9) positive cases from eight hundred and ninety-eight (898) results in the last twenty-four (24) hour reporting cycle, representing 1.0% positivity ratio. Of these, eight (8) are new cases and one (1) is a reinfection. The sex distribution of the cases is five (5) females which are all new cases and four (4) males of which three (3) are new cases. The age range is from seventeen (17) years to sixty-three (63) years.

Table 1: New COVID-19 positive cases & reinfections, 12 March 2022

Region	New cases	District	New cases	Reinfections	Total
Erongo	4	Swakopmund	2	0	2
		Walvis bay	1	0	1
		Usakos	1	0	1
Otjozondjupa	2	Otjiwarongo	2	0	2
		Okahandja	0	1	1
Khomas	1	Windhoek	1	0	1
Kavango East	1	Rundu	1	0	1
Total	8		8	1	9

2. Among the confirmed cases, two (2) are learners and one (1) is a health care worker. Two (2) cases are fully vaccinated, while seven (7) cases are not vaccinated.
3. Nine (9) cases from six (6) regions have recovered.

Table 2: Distribution of new recoveries by region, 12 March 2022

Region	Number
Oshikoto	3
Otjozondjupa	2
Omusati	1
Kavango East	1
Kharas	1
Zambezi	1
Total	9

4. The number of active cases is two hundred and eleven (211). Twenty-three (23) are hospitalized. Three (3) hospitalized are fully vaccinated, while twenty (20) cases are not vaccinated constituting 87.0%. Two (2) cases are in ICU and both are not vaccinated.

Table 3: Distribution of hospitalization of confirmed cases per region, 12 March 2022

Region	Hospitalized cases		Vaccinated		ICU		Vaccinated	
	Current	Previous	1 st dose	2 nd dose	Current	Previous	1 st dose	2 nd dose
Oshikoto	5	6	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oshana	4	4	0	2	0	0	0	0
Khomas	4	2	0	1	2	1	0	0
Kavango East	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ohangwena	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kharas	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Erongo	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Otjozondjupa	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hardap	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	23	22	0	3	2	1	0	0

5. We have not recorded any death during the period under review.
6. By 11 March 2022, a total of **436 973** people aged 18 years and older have received one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine, representing **30.0%** of the target population (1 471 973). A total of **127 035** have received the Johnson & Johnson vaccine, while **250 602** adults have received two doses of other vaccine types. Hence, **377 637** adults have completed their vaccination, translating to **26.0 %** of the target population.
7. A total of one hundred and twenty-eight (**128**) individuals have received component one of Sputnik V vaccine and seventy-six (**76**) have received component two of the same vaccine. Hence, a total of two hundred and four (**204**) doses of Sputnik V were administered. This is included in the grand totals above.
8. Ten thousand five hundred and seventy-two (**10 572**) children aged 12-17 years have received one dose of the Pfizer vaccine, representing **3.4%** of the target population (307 298). Of these, two thousand nine hundred and thirty (**2 930**) are fully vaccinated. Hence, the cumulative number of people vaccinated with the first dose of the COVID-19 vaccine for both adults and children is **447 545** of which **380 567** are fully vaccinated, translating to **21.4%** of the total target population (1 779 271).
9. Thirty-two thousand nine hundred and nineteen (**32 919**) people have received a COVID-19 vaccine booster dose. Details of vaccinations are presented in tables 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 below.

Table 4: Summary of administered COVID-19 vaccine 1st dose, 12 March 2022

Region	Sinopharm		AstraZeneca		Pfizer		J&J		Grand total 1st dose
	New	All	New	All	New	All	New	All	
Erongo	0	16222	0	13236	0	1293	0	10530	41281
Hardap	6	12920	0	5678	7	615	14	7590	26803
Kharas	0	10543	0	4611	0	414	0	6920	22488
Kavango East	0	11468	0	7477	0	1717	0	13505	34167
Kavango West	0	6603	0	4848	0	999	0	11385	23835
Khomas	4	42346	0	29601	5	4817	34	22822	99586
Kunene	0	11863	0	5471	0	201	0	8860	26395
Ohangwena	2	16055	0	5313	0	132	10	6702	28202
Omaheke	0	8371	0	5020	0	338	0	5807	19536
Omusati	0	13851	0	7258	0	346	0	6005	27460
Oshana	15	12738	0	4805	0	307	61	5243	23093
Oshikoto	0	12246	0	3725	0	116	0	6531	22618
Otjozondjupa	0	12625	0	8557	0	375	0	11617	33174
Zambezi	0	3673	0	940	0	76	0	3518	8207
Total	27	191524	0	106540	12	11746	119	127035	436845

Table 5: Summary of administered COVID-19 vaccines 2nd dose, 12 March 2022

Region	Sinopharm		AstraZeneca		Pfizer		Grand total 2nd dose
	New 2 nd dose	All 2 nd dose	New 2 nd dose	All 2 nd dose	New 2 nd dose	All 2 nd dose	
Erongo	0	14064	0	11458	0	799	26321
Hardap	7	11032	0	4382	10	469	15883
Kharas	0	8621	0	3252	0	319	12192
Kavango East	0	8007	0	3981	0	791	12779
Kavango West	0	5011	0	3208	0	393	8612
Khomas	3	36338	0	24800	19	3521	64659
Kunene	0	8933	0	4094	0	123	13150
Ohangwena	5	13402	0	4223	0	37	17662
Omaheke	0	6113	0	3098	0	210	9421
Omusati	0	12105	0	5934	0	319	18358
Oshana	6	11359	0	3891	1	253	15503
Oshikoto	0	10721	0	3132	0	70	13923
Otjozondjupa	0	11050	0	6669	0	334	18053
Zambezi	0	3227	0	751	0	32	4010
Total	21	159983	0	82873	30	7670	250526

Table 6: Summary of administered Covid-19 booster doses, 12 March 2022

Region	Sinopharm		AstraZeneca		Pfizer		J&J		Grand total 3rd dose
	New booster dose	All booster dose	New booster dose	All booster dose	New booster dose	All booster dose	New booster dose	All booster dose	
Erongo	0	1581	0	601	0	2722	0	331	5235
Hardap	45	1912	0	370	22	878	15	39	3199
Kharas	0	750	0	161	0	281	0	59	1251
Kavango East	0	492	0	193	0	228	0	410	1323
Kavango West	0	439	0	247	0	204	0	192	1082
Khomas	21	2416	0	868	67	4987	88	526	8797
Kunene	0	1482	0	376	0	579	0	454	2891
Ohangwena	6	265	1	71	0	14	0	49	399
Omaheke	0	340	0	150	0	98	0	31	619
Omusati	0	804	0	308	0	367	0	60	1539
Oshana	33	1102	0	196	12	543	10	144	1985
Oshikoto	5	750	0	159	0	180	0	26	1115
Otjozondjupa	0	1581	0	444	0	824	0	6	2855
Zambezi	0	381	0	38	0	105	0	105	629
Total	110	14295	1	4182	101	12010	113	2432	32919

Table 7: Summary of administered COVID-19 vaccines (12-17) Years, 1st dose, 12 March 2022

PFIZER FOR CHILDREN 1 st DOSE (12-17) Years					
Region	New (12-13 yrs)	All 1 st dose (12-13 yrs)	New (14-17 yrs)	All 1 st dose (14-17 yrs)	GRAND TOTAL 1 st DOSES (12-17 yrs)
Erongo	0	157	0	286	443
Hardap	1	201	0	330	531
Kharas	0	77	0	124	201
Kavango East	0	1091	0	2377	3468
Kavango West	0	1288	0	2494	3782
Khomas	6	229	4	473	702
Kunene	0	162	0	268	430
Ohangwena	0	49	0	52	101
Omaheke	0	53	0	111	164
Omusati	0	86	0	63	149
Oshana	3	78	13	151	229
Oshikoto	0	20	0	44	64
Otjozondjupa	0	120	0	181	301
Zambezi	0	4	0	3	7
Total	10	3615	17	6957	10572

Table 8: Summary of administered COVID-19 vaccines (12-17) Years, 3rd dose, 12 March 2022

PFIZER FOR CHILDREN 2 nd DOSE (12-17) Years					
Region	New (12-13 yrs)	All 2 nd dose (12-13 yrs)	New (14-17 yrs)	All 2 nd Dose (14-17 yrs)	GRAND TOTAL 2 nd DOSE (12-17) Years
Erongo	0	65	0	181	246
Hardap	0	108	1	135	243
Kharas	0	18	0	28	46
Kavango East	0	253	0	628	881
Kavango West	0	251	0	321	572
Khomas	7	153	0	354	507
Kunene	0	67	0	12	79
Ohangwena	0	0	0	1	1
Omaheke	0	22	0	71	93
Omusati	0	6	0	13	19
Oshana	0	23	0	43	66
Oshikoto	0	7	0	19	26
Otjozondjupa	0	43	0	103	146
Zambezi	0	3	0	2	5
Total	7	1019	1	1911	2930

10. *Table 9: Summary of the national update, 12 March 2022*

Cumulative newly confirmed individuals	157 438
Newly confirmed individuals	8
New reinfections	1
Cumulative cases including reinfections	159 526
Recoveries	155 286
Recovery rate	97.3%
Active cases	211
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 1 st dose	447 545
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 2 nd dose	253 532
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine completed	380 567
COVID-19 Deaths	3 685
COVID-19 Related Deaths	329
Total Deaths	4 014
Total samples tested	968 241
Active contacts	280
Cumulative number of people quarantined	89 531
Number of quarantined people discharged	89 051
Number of people in quarantines	480

11. Today marks two years since Namibia recorded the two cases of Covid-19 among two tourists from Europe. During the period of two years Namibia has recorded 157 438 cases, 3 685 deaths and 329 Covid-19 related deaths. Namibia has experienced four (4) Covid-19 waves of which the third wave was responsible for many Covid-19 deaths. The government has instituted measures to mitigate the transmission of infections. These measures have served us well. Many more infections and deaths were averted by these measures. Today we announced new cases of less ten and no death. We are on the right tract. It is possible to defeat Covid-19. Let us continue to cooperate and most important, let us get vaccinated against Covid-19.

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