

REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA



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SERVICES ON COVID-19 IN NAMIBIA.**

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1. We announce twenty-four (**24**) new COVID-19 confirmed cases from one thousand four hundred and ninety-three (**1 493**) results in the last twenty-four (24) hours reporting cycle, which represents **1.6%** positivity ratio. The sex distribution is twelve (**12**) females and twelve (**12**) males. The age range is from three (**3**) days to seventy-two (**72**) years old. The new COVID-19 cases are geographically distributed as follows:

Table 1: New COVID-19 positive cases, 16 October 2021

Region	NEW CASES	DISTRICTS	NEW CASES
Omusati	7	Oshikuku	5
		Tsandi	2
Ohangwena	4	Okongo	3
		Engela	1
Khomas	3	Windhoek	3
Oshana	3	Oshakati	3
Kharas	3	Luderitz	2
		Keetmanshoop	1
Oshikoto	2	Onandjokwe	2
Zambezi	1	Katima Mulilo	1
Erongo	1	Usakos	1
Total	24		24

2. Of the confirmed cases, six (6) are learners from different schools and one (1) is a student.
3. Two (2) cases have received one (1) dose of COVID-19 vaccine and one (1) case is fully vaccinated.
4. We have recorded thirty-three (33) new recoveries from six (6) regions:

Table 2: Distribution of new recoveries by region, 16 October 2021

Region	Number
Ohangwena	17
Omusati	7
Khomas	3
Hardap	2
Oshikoto	2
Kunene	2
Total	33

5. The number of active cases is eight hundred and ninety-eight (**898**). Fifty-two (**52**) are hospitalized, of which five (**5**) are in Intensive Care Unit (ICU). One (**1**) hospitalized case have received second dose of vaccine and none of the ICU cases is vaccinated.

Table 3: Distribution of hospitalization of confirmed cases per region, 16 October 2021

Region	Hospitalized confirmed cases		Vaccinated (current hosp.)		Intensive Care Unit		Vaccinated (current ICU)	
	Current	Previous	1 st dose	2 nd dose	Current	Previous	1 st dose	2 nd dose
Oshana	9	9	0	0	3	3	0	0
Khomas	8	8	0	0	1	1	0	0
Omusati	8	8	1	0	0	0	0	0
Oshikoto	6	6	0	0	1	1	0	0
Kavango East	5	5	0	1	0	0	0	0
Ohangwena	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kunene	4	4	1	0	0	0	0	0
Kharas	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
Erongo	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kavango West	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hardap	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	52	53	2	1	5	5	0	0

6. We have not recorded any death today.
7. By 15 October 2021, a total of **296 409** people have received one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine, of which **32 273** have received the Janssen & Johnson vaccine, which is only administered as one dose, while **192 125** had received two doses. Therefore, **224 398** have completed the vaccination, as depicted on tables 4 and 5 below.

Table 4: Summary of administered COVID-19 vaccine 1st dose, 16 October 2021

Region	Sinopharm		AstraZeneca		Sputnik		Pfizer		J&J		Grant total 1 st dose
	New	All	New	All	New	All	New	All	New	All	
Erongo	0	14 899	0	12 680	0	1	0	0	0	3 348	30 928
Hardap	26	11 645	32	5 147	0	0	0	0	98	2 005	18 797
Kharas	0	8 284	0	3 534	0	0	0	0	0	1 367	13 185
Kavango East	0	8 201	0	5 420	0	0	0	0	0	1 335	14 956
Kavango West	0	3 435	0	2 935	0	0	0	0	0	869	7 239
Khomas	105	39 501	36	28 703	6	87	124	797	429	8 850	77 938
Kunene	0	10 144	0	5 006	0	0	0	0	0	2 467	17 617
Ohangwena	0	13 684	0	4 800	0	0	0	0	0	1 805	20 289
Omaheke	2	7 771	0	4 629	0	0	0	0	21	1 691	14 091
Omusati	0	11 661	0	6 753	0	0	0	0	0	1 388	19 802
Oshana	26	11 394	12	4 608	14	14	0	0	73	1 515	17 531
Oshikoto	26	11 058	1	3 574	0	0	0	0	62	1 802	16 434
Otjozondjupa	10	11 674	14	7 877	0	0	0	0	194	3 442	22 993
Zambezi	0	3 322	0	898	0	0	0	0	0	389	4 609
Total	195	166 673	95	96 564	20	102	124	797	877	32 273	296 409

Table 5: Summary of administered COVID-19 vaccines 2nd dose, 16 October 2021

	Sinopharm		AstraZeneca		Sputnik		Pfizer		Grand Total 2 nd dose
Region	New 2 nd dose	All 2 nd dose	New 2 nd dose	All 2 nd dose	New 2 nd dose	All 2 nd doses	New 2 nd dose	All 2 nd dose	
Erongo	0	12 221	0	9 078	0	0	0	0	21 299
Hardap	74	9 113	10	3 294	0	0	0	0	12 407
Kharas	0	6 581	0	2 541	0	0	0	0	9 122
Kavango East	0	5 158	0	2 900	0	0	0	0	8 058
Kavango West	0	2 891	0	2 378	0	0	0	0	5 269
Khomas	339	31 227	120	20 142	7	7	0	10	51 386
Kunene	0	6 557	0	2 942	0	0	0	0	9 499
Ohangwena	0	9 402	0	3 339	0	0	0	0	12 741
Omaheke	33	5 084	27	2 401	0	0	0	0	7 485
Omusati	0	8 902	0	4 546	0	0	0	0	13 448
Oshana	101	9 117	7	3 159	0	0	0	0	12 276
Oshikoto	75	8 451	19	2 409	0	0	0	0	10 860
Otjozondjupa	48	9 529	49	5 434	0	0	0	0	14 963
Zambezi	0	2 643	0	669	0	0	0	0	3 312
Total	670	126 876	232	65 232	7	7	0	10	192 125

8. Table 6: Summary of the national update, 16 October 2021

Cumulative confirmed cases	128 328
Newly confirmed	24
Recoveries	123 880
Recovery rate	97%
Active cases	898
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 1 st doses	296 409
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 2 nd doses	192 125
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine completed	224 398
COVID-19 Deaths	3 250
COVID-19 Related Deaths	288
Total Deaths	3 538
3Total samples tested	730 765
Active contacts	1 016
Cumulative number of people quarantined	79 572
Number of quarantined people discharged	79 037
Number of people in quarantines	535

9. **Key message**

- We have relaxed certain restrictions like lifting the curfew and increasing the number of public gatherings. It should be borne in mind that Covid-19 has not relaxed its attack. The responsibility has been shifted to individual members of the society. We must exercise caution so that further relaxations can be possible and to return our country to normalcy.

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