

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.**

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**Check against Delivery*

1. We announce one hundred and twelve (**112**) new COVID-19 confirmed cases from one thousand four hundred and ninety-eight (**1 498**) results in the last twenty-four (24) hours reporting cycle, which represents **8%** positivity ratio. The sex distribution is sixty-four (**64**) females and forty-eight (**48**) males. The age range is from two (**2**) weeks to eighty-three (**83**) years. The new COVID-19 cases are geographically distributed as follows:

Table 1: New COVID-19 positive cases, 26 September 2021

REGIONS	NEW CASES	DISTRICTS	NEW CASES
Ohangwena	50	Eenhana	50
Kunene	22	Opuwo	22
Omusati	17	Okahao	10
		Outapi	7
Erongo	10	Swakopmund	6
		Walvis Bay	4
Khomas	6	Windhoek	6
Oshana	3	Oshakati	3
Otjozondjupa	3	Grootfontein	3
Kavango East	1	Rundu	1
Total	112		112

2. Of the confirmed cases, sixty-six (66), which translates in 58.9% are learners of which thirty-five (35) are from Eenhana district. Out of this number eighteen (18) are from Wangushu Combined School and seventeen (17) from Oshaango Combined School. Twelve (12) are from Otjetjekua Primary School and the rest are from different schools. Three (3) teachers and one (1) student also tested positive. Of the confirmed cases only one received the COVID-19 vaccine.
3. We have recorded nineteen (19) new recoveries from two (2) regions:

Table 2: Distribution of new recoveries by region, 25 September 2021

Region	Number
Omusati	15
Otjozondjupa	4
Total	19

4. The number of active cases is now one thousand and one hundred and fourteen (**1 114**). Eighty-nine (**89**) are hospitalized, of which sixteen (**16**) are in ICU.

Table 3: Distribution of hospitalization of confirmed cases per region, 26 September 2021

Region	Hospitalized confirmed cases		Intensive Care Unit	
	Current	Previous	Current	Previous
Khomas	17	17	3	4
Ohangwena	14	14	0	0
Erongo	12	12	5	5
Omusati	10	10	0	0
Kunene	9	9	0	0
Oshana	8	8	6	6
Kavango East	5	5	0	0
Kharas	5	5	0	0
Oshikoto	3	3	2	2
Zambezi	3	3	0	0
Otjozondjupa	1	1	0	0
Kavango West	1	1	0	0
Hardap	1	1	0	0
Total	89	89	16	17

5. No death has been reported during this reporting cycle.
6. By 25 September 2021, a total of **258 817** people have received one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine, of which **7 568** have received the Janssen & Johnson vaccine, which is only administered as one dose, while **166 402** had received two doses. Therefore, **174 263** have completed the vaccination, as depicted on tables 5 and 6 below.

Table 5: Summary of administered COVID-19 vaccine 1st dose, 26 September 2021

Region	Sinopharm		AstraZeneca		Sputnik		Janssen&Johnson		Grand total 1 st dose
	New 1 st dose	Total 1 st dose	New 1 st dose	Total 1 st dose	New 1 st dose	Total 1 st dose	New 1 st dose	Total 1 st dose	
Erongo	59	14 504	24	12 405	0	0	192	1 320	28 229
Hardap	35	11 274	35	4 797	0	0	252	681	16 752
Kharas	30	7 864	7	3 434	0	0	55	278	11576
Kavango East	0	7 761	0	5 255	0	0	0	163	13179
Kavango West	0	3 186	0	2 830	0	0	0	70	6086
Khomas	136	38 242	78	28 208	0	54	552	3 180	69 684
Kunene	0	9 365	0	4 757	0	0	0	248	14370
Ohangwena	0	12 043	0	4 474	0	0	0	113	16630
Omaheke	0	7 265	0	4 438	0	0	0	115	11818
Omusati	65	10 582	2	6 254	0	0	31	142	16 978
Oshana	49	107 20	15	4 533	0	0	76	327	15 580
Oshikoto	0	10 200	0	3 474	0	0	0	179	13 853
Otjozondjupa	9	11 303	10	7 642	0	0	59	968	19 913
Zambezi	5	3 206	6	886	0	0	11	77	4 169
Total	138	157 515	42	93 387	0	54	293	7 861	258 817

Table 6: Summary of administered COVID-19 vaccines 2nd dose, 26 September 2021

	Sinopharm		AstraZeneca		Sputnik		Grand Total vaccinated with 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	
Erongo	104	10 420	67	8 173	0	0	18 593
Hardap	143	7 744	20	3 006	0	0	10 750
Kharas	59	5 653	29	2 242	0	0	7 895
Kavango East	0	4 167	0	2 546	0	0	6 713
Kavango West	0	2 298	0	2 154	0	0	4 452
Khomas	221	27 376	218	19 057	0	0	46 433
Kunene	0	5 155	0	2 593	0	0	7 748
Ohangwena	0	7 735	0	2 827	0	0	10 562
Omaheke	0	4 276	0	1 973	0	0	6 249
Omusati	42	7410	40	3765	0	0	11175
Oshana	62	7 776	5	2 841	0	0	10 693
Oshikoto	0	6 985	0	2 030	0	0	9 015
Otjozondjupa	3	8 463	9	4 758	0	0	13 221
Zambezi	4	2 352	0	627	0	0	2 979
Total	153	107 810	116	58 592	0	0	166 402

7. Table 7: Summary of the national update, 26 September 2021

Cumulative confirmed cases	127 373
Newly confirmed	112
Recoveries	122 753
Recovery rate	96%
Active cases	1 114
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 1 st doses	258 817
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 2 nd doses	166 402
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine completed	174 263
COVID-19 Deaths	3 207
COVID-19 Related Deaths	287
Total Deaths	3 494
Total samples tested	698 457
Active contacts	1 055
Cumulative number of people quarantined	78 020
Number of quarantined people discharged	76 963
Number of people in quarantines	1 057

8. Key message

- We noted that almost 60% of new infections is of learners, of which more than half are from one district. This shows laxity in implementation and maintenance of public health measures in that district. The education sector is reminded of condition precedents for the opening of schools and take measures to rectify this matter.

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