



NAMIBIA COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT NO. 296					
Outbreak Name	COVID-19 outbreak	Country affected	Namibia		
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HIGHLIGHTS/SITUATION UPDATE (08/01/2021)



- ➤ A total of 27723 cases have been recorded to-date, representing 1.1% of the population.
- ➤ More male cases 14117 (50.9%) were recorded compared to female cases 13606 (49.1%).
- Of the total confirmed cases, 1298 (4.6%) Health Workers (HWs) have tested positive for COVID-19 todate.
 - 985 (75.9%) State; 309 (23.8%) Private, 4 (0.3%) Non-Governmental Organizations.
 - 960 (74.0%) recoveries and 6 (0.5%) deaths.



- > The recovery rate now stands at 86%.
- All fourteen (14) regions have reported confirmed cases; Khomas and Erongo regions reported the highest with 12816 (46.2%) and 6056 (21.8%) respectively.
- Of the total fatalities, 204 (81%) are COVID-19 deaths while 47 (18.7%) are COVID-19 related deaths.

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Region	Total No. of cases	Active cases	Recoveries	Cumulative Deaths	Deaths in 24 hours	Cumulative deaths with co-morbidities	Non- COVID deaths	Health Workers
Erongo	6056	789	5204	60	1	57	3	145
Hardap	1134	162	964	8	0	6	0	31
//Kharas	1743	374	1353	16	2	13	0	79
Kavango East	400	74	322	4	0	2	0	39
Kavango West	17	7	9	1	0	1	0	1
Khomas	12816	747	11957	112	0	105	0	647
Kunene	614	88	521	5	0	5	0	36
Ohangwena	374	58	313	2	0	0	1	20
Omaheke	360	80	273	6	0	4	0	24
Omusati	300	47	250	3	0	2	0	17
Oshana	1588	552	1023	13	0	11	0	127
Oshikoto	923	307	614	1	0	1	1	59
Otjozondjupa	1235	246	974	16	2	11	0	56
Zambezi	163	24	135	4	1	4	0	17
Total	27723	3555	23912	251	6	222	5	1298

EPIDEMIOLOGICAL SITUATION IN NAMIBIA

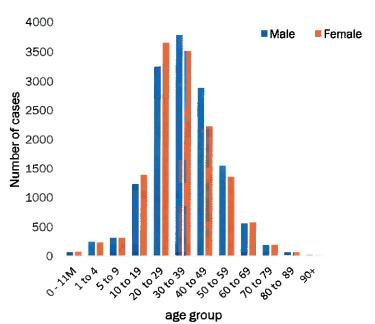


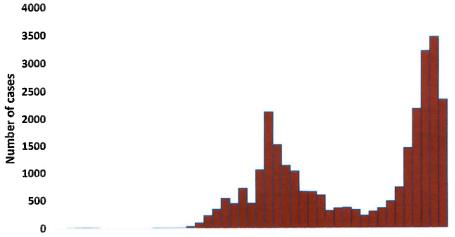
Figure 1: Age and Sex distribution of COVID-19 confirmed cases, as of 08 January 2021

- Of the total confirmed cases, 19307 (69.6%) are in the 20-49 years agebrackets which constitutes the majority of the recorded cases.
- A total of 3241 (11.7%) of the confirmed cases are among the 5-19 years category.
- The under 5 years age group make 616 (2.2%) of the total cases whereas, 1656 (6.0%) are above 60 years of age.

Table 2: Number of people in mandatory quarantine facilities
08 January 2021

- Since March 2020, 26839
 people have been placed into mandatory quarantine facilities around the country.
- A total of 1693 people are currently in quarantine, with 149 new admissions.

Region	Newly quarantined	Cumulative number	Number discharged	Number in quarantine	
	24 Hrs.			now	
Erongo	0	4564	4518	46	
Hardap	0	1161	1088	73	
Kavango	0	946	914	32	
Khomas	0	3099	3081	18	
//Kharas	0	3897	3791	106	
Kunene	14	2103	1798	305	
Ohangwena	0	601	591	10	
Omaheke	12	2348	2138	210	
Omusati	0	512	491	21	
Oshana	0	381	376	5	
Oshikoto	99	4865	4064	801	
Otjozondjupa	24	1095	1071	24	
Zambezi	0	1267	1225	42	
Total	149	26839	25146	1693	



A highest peak of 3463 (12.5%) cases was recorded during week 53 (Figure 2).

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Figure 2: Epi-curve for confirmed COVID-19 cases, As of 08 January 2021

VARIABLES	TOTAL
Total samples received by the Laboratory	223868
Total samples tested	213981
Total samples re-tested	9769
Total positive results	27723
Total negative results	186200
Total samples discarded	117
Invalid results	1
Total pending results	0
Indeterminant/Inconclusive	58
Suspected cases in 24 hours (excludes re-tests)	2577

PUBLIC HEALTH ACTION(S)

- Public awareness on COVID-19 prevention measures is ongoing.
- The government and developmental partners continue to prioritise continuation of essential health services.

- To date, 223750 tests (including 9769 re-tests) have been conducted by NIP, Path-Care, NAMDEB, UNAM, Namib Poultry and Central Veterinary laboratories.
- Since the beginning of the outbreak, 51608 contacts of confirmed cases have been identified, 541 new contacts were identified within the last 24 hours from 12 regions.
- Cumulatively, 44955 contacts have completed their monitoring period, while a total of 5994 (21.6%) contacts of confirmed cases have tested positive.
- > Today, 4761 (72%) out of 6414 active contacts monitored.

CHALLENGES

- Lack of isolation units and facilities in the regions.
- Non-adherence to COVID-19 prevention measures by the general public.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Establish fully equipped isolation units and facilities throughout the country.
- Continue to give awareness on the importance of adhering to COVID -19 prevention measures; with the involvement of the Security Cluster.

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