



NAMIBIA COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT NO. 324						
Outbreak Name	COVID-19 outbreak	Country affected	Namibia			
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HIGHLIGHTS/SITUATION UPDATE (05/02/2021)



- A total of 34844 cases have been recorded to-date, representing 1% of the population.
- More male cases 17652 (51%) were recorded compared to female cases 17192 (49%).
- Of the total confirmed cases, 1648 (5%) Health Workers (HWs) have tested positive for COVID-19 todate.
 - 1267 (77%) State; 373 (23%) Private, 4
 (0.2%) Non-Governmental Organizations.
 - 1598 (97%) recoveries and 6 (0.4%) deaths.
- The recovery rate now stands at 96%.
- All fourteen (14) regions have reported confirmed cases; Khomas and Erongo regions reported the highest with 14539 (42%) and 7095 (20%) respectively.
- Of the total fatalities, 301 (81%) are COVID-19 deaths while 70 (19%) are COVID-19 related deaths.

Table 1: Distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases by region, 05 February 2021

Region	Total No. of cases	Active cases	Recoveries	Cumulative Deaths	Cumulative deaths with co-morbidities	Non-COVID deaths	Health Workers
Erongo	7095	237	6774	80	77	4	185
Hardap	1428	22	1394	12	12	0	35
//Kharas	2269	24	2222	22	18	0	101
Kavango East	871	231	630	10	7	0	84
Kavango West	51	20	29	2	2	0	1
Khomas	14539	97	14292	151	141	0	730
Kunene	878	36	837	5	5	0	45
Ohangwena	634	34	586	12	9	2	38
Omaheke	692	66	617	9	6	0	34
Omusati	614	28	582	4	2	0	29
Oshana	2315	34	2258	23	18	0	167
Oshikoto	1318	106	1206	5	5	1	89
Otjozondjupa	1686	45	1612	29	22	0	80
Zambezi	454	127	320	7	5	0	30
Total	34844	1107	33359	371	329	7	1648

Table 2: COVID-19 specimen recorded at the Laboratories
As of 05 February 2021

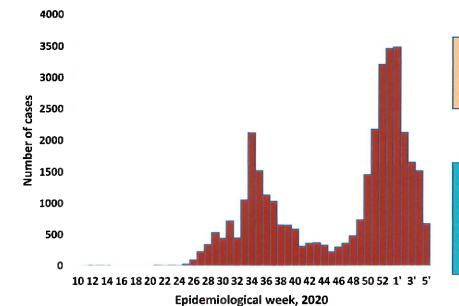
VARIABLES	TOTAL
Total samples received by the Laboratory	270833
Total samples tested	259375
Total samples re-tested	11341
Total positive results	34844
Total negative results	224478
Total samples discarded	117
Invalid results	0
Total pending results	46
Indeterminant/Inconclusive	7
Suspected cases in 24 hours (excludes re-tests)	1538

- To date, 270716 tests (including 11341 retests) have been conducted by NIP, Path-Care, NAMDEB, UNAM, Namib Poultry and Central Veterinary laboratories.
- Since the beginning of the outbreak, 63337 contacts of confirmed cases have been identified, 326 new contacts were identified within the last 24 hours from 10 regions.
- Cumulatively, 59157 contacts have completed their monitoring period, while a total of 8019 (23%) contacts of confirmed cases have tested positive.
- Today, 2409 (66%) out of 3645 active contacts monitored.

Table 3: Number of people in mandatory quarantine facilities, 05 February 2021

- Since March 2020, 32215 people have been placed into mandatory quarantine facilities around the country.
- A total of 1285 people are currently in quarantine, with 273 new admissions.

Region	Newly quarantined 24 Hrs.	Cumulative number	Number discharged	Number in quarantine now
Erongo	0	5158	4933	225
Hardap	5	1316	1300	16
Kavango	0	1061	1029	32
Khomas	2	3159	3147	12
//Kharas	0	4760	4637	123
Kunene	1	2707	2636	71
Ohangwena	0	616	610	6
Omaheke	0	3259	2946	313
Omusati	0	541	541	0
Oshana	1	394	393	1
Oshikoto	264	6577	6117	460
Otjozondjupa	0	1334	1321	13
Zambezi	0	1333	1320	13
Total	273	32215	30930	1285



A highest peak of 3485 (10%) cases was recorded during week 53 (Figure 1).

The National Call Center continues operations for 24 hours daily.

Today (05/02/2021), 628 calls were answered including 70 alerts.

Figure 1: Epi-curve for confirmed COVID-19 cases, As of 05 February 2021

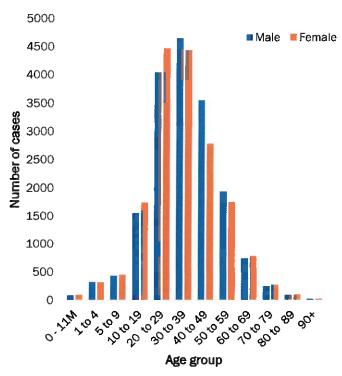


Figure 2: Age and Sex distribution of COVID-19 confirmed cases, as of 05 February 2021

- Of the total confirmed cases, 23911 (69%) are in the 20-49 years age-brackets which constitutes the majority of the recorded cases.
- A total of 4174 (12%) of the confirmed cases are among the 5-19 years category.
- The under 5 years age group make 811 (2%) of the total cases whereas, 2255 (6%) are above 60 years of age.

PUBLIC HEALTH ACTION(S)

- Mechanisms are underway on how to roll out the vaccine nationwide once it is made available.
- Public awareness on COVID-19 prevention measures is ongoing.
- > The government and developmental partners continue to prioritise continuation of essential health services.

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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