



	NAMIBIA COVI	D-19 SITUATION REPORT NO	. 396
Outbreak Name	COVID-19 outbreak	Country affected	Namibia
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# **HIGHLIGHTS/SITUATION UPDATE (18/04/2021)**



- ➤ A total of 46773 cases have been recorded to-date, representing 2% of the population.
- Cases are equally distributed by gender at 50%.
- Of the total confirmed cases, 2019 (4%) are Health Workers.
  - 1590 (79%) State; 425 (21%) Private, 4
     (0.2%) Non-Governmental Organizations.
  - 1941 (96%) recoveries and 6 (0.3%) deaths.
- > The recovery rate now stands at 96%.
- All fourteen (14) regions have reported confirmed cases; Khomas and Erongo regions reported the highest with 16775 (36%) and 8377 (18%) respectively.
- Of the total fatalities, **490** (**81%**) are COVID-19 deaths while **114** (**19%**) are COVID-19 related deaths.

Table 1: Distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases by region, 18 April 2021

Region	Total No. of cases	Active cases	Recoveries	Cumulative Deaths	Cumulative deaths with co-morbidities	Non- COVID deaths	Vaccine data	Health Workers
Erongo	8377	228	8030	114	107	5	1093	221
Hardap	2515	171	2308	36	25	0	0	63
//Kharas	2899	48	2811	40	32	0	51	126
Kavango East	1874	52	1799	23	18	0	0	114
Kavango West	227	24	201	2	2	0	0	12
Khomas	16775	409	16148	217	194	1	3476	816
Kunene	1357	50	1293	14	14	0	0	53
Ohangwena	1188	59	1111	16	13	2	0	57
Omaheke	1025	7	1004	14	11	0	0	44
Omusati	1241	34	1198	9	6	0	0	34
Oshana	2879	77	2767	34	22	1	0	216
Oshikoto	2622	69	2533	1.8	18	2	0	118
Otjozondjupa	3072	158	2858	56	44	0	0	109
Zambezi	722	12	699	11	8	0	0	36
Total	46773	1398	44760	604	514	11	4620	2019

### **EPIDEMIOLOGICAL SITUATION IN NAMIBIA**

Table 2: Number of people in mandatory quarantine facilities, 18 April 2021

Region	Newly quarantined 24 Hrs.	Cumulative number	Number discharged	Number in quarantine now
Erongo	0	5307	5261	46
Hardap	0	1627	1596	31
Kavango	0	1322	1311	11
Khomas	0	3415	3402	13
//Kharas	36	5722	5547	175
Kunene	0	4629	4468	161
Ohangwena	0	692	692	0
Omaheke	0	5297	5164	133
Omusati	0	565	565	0
Oshana	0	400	400	0
Oshikoto	0	11478	10738	
Otjozondjupa	0	1476	1453	23
Zambezi	0	1702	1557	145
Total	36	43632	42154	1478

- Since March 2020, 43632 people have been placed into mandatory quarantine facilities around the country.
- A total of 1478 people are currently in quarantine, with 36 new admissions.

- Of the total confirmed cases, 29631 (63%) are in the 20-49 years age-brackets which constitutes the majority of the recorded cases.
- A total of **8166** (17%) of the confirmed cases are among the 5-19 years category.
- The under 5 years age group make up 1070 (2%) of the total cases whereas, 3023 (6%) are above 60 years of age.

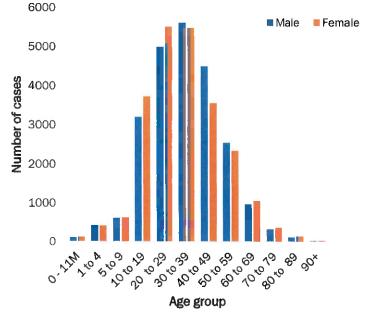


Figure 1: Age and Sex distribution of COVID-19 confirmed cases
18 April 2021

Table 3: COVID-19 specimen recorded at the Laboratories 18 April 2021

VARIABLES	TOTAL
Total samples received by the Laboratory	368819
Total samples tested	356832
Total samples re-tested	11870
Total positive results	46773
Total negative results	310006
Total samples discarded	117
Invalid results	0
Total pending results	46
Indeterminant/Inconclusive	7
Suspected cases in 24 hours (excluding re-tests)	1120

- To date, 368702 tests (including 11870 retests) have been conducted by NIP, Path-Care, NAMDEB, UNAM, Namib Poultry, Diagno, NAMPath, Namibia Central Pathology and Central Veterinary laboratories
- Since the beginning of the outbreak, 85558 contacts of confirmed cases have been identified, 155 new contacts were identified within the last 24 hours from 11 regions.
- Cumulatively, 81047 contacts have completed their monitoring period, while a total of 11703 (25%) contacts of confirmed cases have tested positive.
  - Today, **3384 (92%)** out of **3693** active contacts monitored.

- The highest peaks of 3463 (7%) and 3485 (7%) cases were recorded during week 53 of 2020 and 1 of 2021 respectively (Figure 2).
- The National Call Center continues operations for 24 hours daily.
- Today (18/04/2021), 472 calls were answered including 17 alerts.

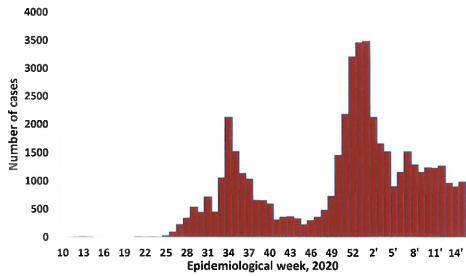


Figure 2: Epi-curve for confirmed COVID-19 cases, 18 April 2021



Figure 3: Distribution of cumulative confirmed cases per 100 000 by region, 18 April 2021

#### **PUBLIC HEALTH ACTION (S)**

- The COVID-19 vaccination programme has been extended to other regions and is ongoing.
- The government and developmental partners continue to prioritize the continuation of essential health services.

#### **CHALLENGES**

- Lack of isolation units and facilities for cases detected in boarding schools and police holding cells.
- Non-adherence to COVID-19 prevention measures by the general public.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

- Establish fully equipped isolation units and facilities for cases detected in schools and police holding cells.
- Continue to give awareness on the importance of adhering to COVID -19 prevention measures; with the involvement of the Security Cluster.

INCIDENT MANAGER

18 APRIL 2021

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