

MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

UPDATE BY DR. KALUMBI SHANGULA, MINISTER OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES ON COVID-19 IN NAMIBIA

31 May 2022 WINDHOEK

1. We announce two hundred and ninety-six (296) positive cases from one thousand four hundred and sixteen (1 416) results in the last twenty-four (24) hour reporting cycle, representing a 20.9% positivity ratio. Of these cases, two hundred and fifty-eight (258) are new cases and thirty-eight (38) are reinfections. The sex distribution is one hundred and sixty-nine (169) females of which one hundred and forty-five (145) are new cases and one hundred and twenty-seven (127) males of which one hundred and thirteen (113) are new cases. The age ranges from two (2) weeks to one hundred and three (103) years.

Table 1: New COVID-19 positive cases & reinfections, 31 May 2022

Region	New cases District		New cases	Reinfections	Total
		Swakopmund	49	7	56
Erongo	90	Walvis Bay	37	0	37
		Omaruru	4	0	4
Khomas	58	Windhoek	58	15	73
		Luderitz	21	1	22
Kharas	32	Keetmanshoop	9	2	11
		Karasburg	2	1	3
Ommanti	27	Oshikuku	15	0	15
Omusati	21	Outapi	12	1	13
		Otjiwarongo	7	0	7
Otjozondjupa	16	Okahandja	6	0	6
		Grootfontein	3	1	4
Kavango East	16	Rundu	16	5	21
		Okongo	7	3	10
Ohangwena	8	Engela	1	0	1
		Eenhana	0	2	2
Zambezi	5	Katima Mulilo	5	0	5
Kunene	3	Opuwo	3	0	3
Kavango West	2	Nkurenkuru	2	0	2
Oshana	1	Oshakati	1	0	1
Total	258		258	38	296

- 2. Among the confirmed cases, are sixty-one (61) learners from different schools, nineteen (19) health care workers, seven (7) teachers, and three (3) students.
- 3. Ten (10) cases have received one (1) dose of COVID-19 vaccine, forty-eight (48) cases are fully vaccinated of which ten (10) have received a booster, forty (40) cases are not eligible, and one hundred and ninety-eight (198) cases are not vaccinated.
- 4. Nine hundred and ninety (990) cases from five (5) regions have recovered.

Table 2: Distribution of new recoveries by region, 31 May 2022

Region	Number
Khomas	785
Otjozondjupa	95
Erongo	63
Hardap	45
Kunene	2
Total	990

5. The number of active cases is two thousand and thirty-two (2 032). Sixty-two (62) cases are currently hospitalized in twelve (12) regions of which six (6) are in ICU. Five (5) of the hospitalized cases have received one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine and five (5) are fully vaccinated, and none of the ICU admissions is vaccinated.

Table 3: Distribution of hospitalization of confirmed cases per region, 31 May 2022

n ·	Hospitalized cases		Vaccinated		ICU		Vaccinated	
Region	Current	Previous	1st dose	2 nd dose	Current	Previous	1st dose	2 nd dose
Khomas	22	22	1	1	5	4	0	0
Erongo	8	8	2	3	1	1	0	0
Omusati	8	8	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kavango East	7	5	1	0	0	0	0	0
Otjozondjupa	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kharas	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oshana	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hardap	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oshikoto	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ohangwena	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kunene	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Zambezi	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
Total	62	64	5	5	6	5	0	0

- 6. No death was reported for the period under review.
- 7. By 30 May 2022, a total of **466 434** people aged 18 years and older have received one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine, representing **32.0%** of the target population (1 471 973). A total of **145 077** have received the Johnson & Johnson vaccine, while **263 062** adults have received two doses of other vaccine types. Hence, **408 139** adults have completed their vaccination, translating to **28.0** % of the target population.
- 8. A total of one hundred and twenty-eight (128) individuals have received component one of the Sputnik V vaccine and seventy-six (76) have received component two of the same vaccine. Hence, a total of two hundred and four (204) doses of Sputnik V were administered. This is included in the grand totals above.
- 9. Twenty-two thousand seven hundred and ninety-eight (22 798) children aged 12-17 years have received one dose of the Pfizer vaccine, representing 7.4% of the target population (307 298). Of these, eleven thousand four hundred and six (11 406) are fully vaccinated. Hence, the cumulative number of people vaccinated with the first dose of the COVID-19 vaccine for both adults and children is 489 232 of which 419 545 are fully vaccinated, translating to 23.5% of the total target population (1 779 271).
- 10. Sixty-six thousand two hundred and five (66 205) people have received a COVID-19 vaccine booster dose. Details of vaccinations are presented in tables 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 below.

Table 4: Summary of administered COVID-19 vaccine 1st dose, 31 May 2022

ъ.	Sin	Sinopharm		AstraZeneca		Pfizer		J&J	
Region	New	All	New	All	New	All	New	All	total 1st dose
Erongo	5	16348	0	13290	6	1497	22	11386	42521
Hardap	2	13308	4	5889	2	698	26	8656	28551
Kharas	2	10776	0	4670	0	484	17	7875	23805
Kavango East	4	12252	1	7706	0	2045	15	15242	37245
Kavango West	17	7682	21	5200	5	1294	17	13076	27252
Khomas	2	42666	2	29722	4	5231	41	25314	102933
Kunene	4	12041	1	5525	0	290	8	10265	28121
Ohangwena	0	16399	0	5364	0	302	0	7826	29891
Omaheke	0	10264	0	5412	8	944	19	6563	23183
Omusati	4	14241	1	7336	2	477	6	6580	28634
Oshana	5	13052	2	4882	8	378	14	6236	24548
Oshikoto	4	12477	2	3799	1	285	21	7586	24147
Otjozondjupa	1	12816	4	8700	6	588	21	13217	35321
Zambezi	5	3793	0	953	0	153	21	5255	10154
Total	55	198115	38	108448	42	14666	248	145077	466306

Table 5: Summary of administered COVID-19 vaccines 2nd dose, 31 May 2022

	S	inopharm	As	straZeneca		Pfizer	Grand total	
Region	New 2 nd	All 2 nd	New 2 nd	All 2 nd	New 2 nd	All 2 nd	2nd dose	
	dose	dose	dose	dose	dose	dose		
Erongo	8	14214	0	11540	1	1042	26796	
Hardap	10	11351	1	4543	2	575	16469	
Kharas	5	8825	3	3303	0	410	12538	
Kavango East	5	8628	0	4203	5	1108	13939	
Kavango West	10	5653	23	3523	8	756	9932	
Khomas	6	36725	1	24951	5	3984	65660	
Kunene	1	9127	0	4157	0	168	13452	
Ohangwena	0	13682	0	4291	0	133	18106	
Omaheke	2	8868	0	4013	5	1532	14413	
Omusati	2	12427	1	6020	0	396	18843	
Oshana	3	11605	0	3957	0	304	15866	
Oshikoto	3	10892	3	3169	1	222	14283	
Otjozondjupa	10	11222	4	6860	0	465	18547	
Zambezi	1	3331	0	765	1	46	4142	
Total	66	166550	36	85295	28	11141	262986	

Table 6: Summary of administered Covid-19 booster doses, 31 May 2022

Region		Sinopharm	Ast	raZeneca		Pfizer		J&J	Grand
	New	All	New	All	New	All	New	All	total
	booster	booster	booster	booster	booster	booster	booster	booster	3rd
	dose	dose	dose	dose	dose	dose	dose	dose	dose
Erongo	20	2121	12	1039	28	3494	9	805	7459
Hardap	25	3210	1	886	7	1215	9	1285	6596
Kharas	10	1452	15	429	5	482	19	246	2609
Kavango East	14	1142	12	505	17	643	19	970	3260
Kavango West	26	1213	21	559	24	717	7	929	3418
Khomas	59	3635	42	1780	76	6667	15	1364	13446
Kunene	10	2266	7	792	0	745	10	1147	4950
Ohangwena	0	871	0	307	0	61	0	190	1429
Omaheke	18	3075	4	1532	8	996	11	101	5704
Omusati	17	1978	8	849	2	656	2	316	3799
Oshana	44	2146	12	609	15	727	14	579	4061
Oshikoto	16	1509	12	452	4	308	18	219	2488
Otjozondjupa	14	2406	26	1168	10	1235	12	682	5491
Zambezi	3	785	0	147	2	140	7	423	1495
Total	276	27809	172	11054	198	18086	152	9256	66205

Table 7: Summary of administered COVID-19 vaccines (12-17) Years, 1st dose, 31 May 2022

PFIZER FOR CHILDREN 1st DOSE (12-17) Years									
Region	New (12-13	All 1st dose	New (14-17	All 1st dose	GRAND TOTAL 1st DOSES				
	yrs)	(12-13 yrs)	yrs)	(14-17 yrs)	(12-17 yrs)				
Erongo	1	204	1	388	592				
Hardap	0	341	0	976	1317				
Kharas	0	136	0	200	336				
Kavango East	0	1479	0	3817	5296				
Kavango West	31	1765	56	3514	5279				
Khomas	2	316	13	693	1009				
Kunene	0	364	0	787	1151				
Ohangwena	0	873	0	2520	3393				
Omaheke	0	233	0	332	565				
Omusati	0	111	0	110	221				
Oshana	17	164	32	442	606				
Oshikoto	0	490	0	1591	2081				
Otjozondjupa	0	162	4	534	696				
Zambezi	0	31	0	225	256				
Total	51	6669	106	16129	22798				

Table 8: Summary of administered COVID-19 vaccines (12-17) Years, 2nd dose, 31 May 2022

	PFIZER FOR CHILDREN 2 nd DOSE (12-17) Yea								
Region	New (12-13	All 2 nd dose	New (14-17	All 2nd Dose	GRAND TOTAL 2 nd				
	yrs)	(12-13 yrs)	yrs)	(14-17 yrs)	DOSE (12-17) Years				
Erongo	6	90	12	256	346				
Hardap	0	152	2	258	410				
Kharas	0	26	0	51	77				
Kavango East	0	777	0	2062	2839				
Kavango West	16	1000	154	2122	3122				
Khomas	44	244	125	639	883				
Kunene	0	98	0	174	272				
Ohangwena	0	339	0	883	1222				
Omaheke	10	157	0	242	399				
Omusati	0	12	0	30	42				
Oshana	6	72	17	185	257				
Oshikoto	0	314	3	843	1157				
Otjozondjupa	0	59	11	196	255				
Zambezi	2	15	4	110	125				
Total	84	3355	328	8051	11406				

11. Table 9: Summary of the national update, 31 May 2022

Cumulative newly confirmed individuals	163 874
Newly confirmed individuals	258
New reinfections	38
Cumulative cases including reinfections	166 659
Recoveries	160 574
Recovery rate	96.3%
Active cases	2 032
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 1st dose	489 232
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 2 nd dose	274 468
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine completed	419 545
COVID-19 Deaths	3 697
COVID-19 Related Deaths	341
Total Deaths	4 038
Total samples tested	1 039 597
Active contacts	1 405
The cumulative number of people quarantined	94 162
Number of quarantined people discharged	92 702
Number of people in quarantines	1 460

12. Key message

• We are observing sustained high numbers of cases over the past weeks. We also noted that Covid-19 patients in ICU are all not vaccinated. Let us not allow the situation to get out of hand. We have means to prevent that. Let us getz vaccinated.