

**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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**WINDHOEK**

*\*Check against Delivery*

1. We announce one hundred and eighty-seven (**187**) new COVID-19 confirmed cases from one thousand and eighty-eight (**1 088**) results in the last twenty-four (24) hours reporting cycle, which represents **17%** positivity ratio. The gender distribution is ninety- seven (97) males and ninety (90) females. The age ranges from three (3) days to eighty-two (82) years. The new COVID-19 cases are geographically distributed as follows:

*Table 1: New COVID-19 positive cases, 03 August 2021*

<b>REGIONS</b>	<b>NEW CASES</b>	<b>DISTRICTS</b>	<b>NEW CASES</b>
Khomas	52	Windhoek	52
Oshikoto	45	Tsumeb	32
		Onandjokwe	9
		Omuthiya	4
Ohangwena	27	Eenhana	19
		Engela	8
Otjozondjupa	18	Otjiwarongo	8
		Okahandja	7
		Okakarara	2
		Grootfontein	1
Kharas	17	Lüderitz	16
		Karasburg	1
Omaheke	9	Gobabis	9
Erongo	7	Walvis Bay	4
		Usakos	2
		Swakopmund	1
Kunene	4	Khorixas	4
Oshana	3	Oshakati	3
Hardap	3	Rehoboth	3
Zambezi	2	Katima Mulilo	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>187</b>		<b>187</b>

2. We are reporting cases from eleven (11) regions, with Khomas region reporting the highest number of cases, accounting for 28% followed by Oshikoto region with 24% of all confirmed cases. Among the confirmed cases are twenty- five (25) learners, three (3) teachers, two (2) students and two (2) health care workers.
3. Of all confirmed cases, two (2), representing 1% are reported to have received two doses of the COVID-19 vaccine

4. We have recorded two hundred and twenty-seven (227) new recoveries.

*Table 2: Distribution of new recoveries by region, 03 August 2021*

<b>Region</b>	<b>Number</b>
Otjozondjupa	67
Kharas	56
Omusati	41
Erongo	26
Kavango East	17
Zambezi	16
Hardap	3
Kavango West	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>227</b>

5. We now have twenty thousand two hundred and ninety-three (20 293) active cases. Three hundred and seventy-one (371) are hospitalized, of which seventy-four (74) are in Intensive Care Unit (ICU).

*Table 3: Distribution of hospitalization of confirmed cases per region, 03 August 2021*

<b>Region</b>	<b>Hospitalized confirmed cases</b>	<b>Intensive Care Unit</b>
Khomas	101	37
Oshana	64	15
Kunene	42	0
Erongo	38	13
Kavango East	26	3
Kharas	21	1
Oshikoto	18	5
Omusati	18	0
Otjozondjupa	16	0
Ohangwena	15	0
Zambezi	7	0
Omaheke	4	0
Hardap	1	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>371</b>	<b>74</b>

6. We announce thirty-two (32) deaths from nine (9) districts.

Table 4a. Summary of deaths, 03 August 2021

District	Gender		Total	Classification		Home death	Comorbidity
	M	F		COVID Death	C-Related death		
Windhoek	3	4	7	5 (1)*	2	0	7
Oshakati	4	2	6	5	1	0	6
Onandjokwe	3	3	6	6	0	0	1
Gobabis	2	2	4	4	0	0	3
Engela	3	0	3	3	0	2	2
Mariental	1	2	3	3	0	0	2
Rehoboth	0	1	1	1	0	0	1
Swakopmund	0	1	1	1	0	0	1
Katima Mulilo	0	1	1	1	0	0	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>24</b>

\*Maternal death

Table 4b. Age group and vaccination status of the deceased, 03 August 2021

Age group	No. of Deaths	Vaccination Status		
		1st dose	2nd dose	Indetermined
Under 1	0			
1-4	0			
5-9	0			
10-19	0	0	0	0
20-29	3	0	0	0
30-39	1	0	0	0
40-49	2	0	0	1
50-59	3	1	0	0
60-69	5	0	0	1
70-79	8	0	0	2
80-89	6	0	0	1
90+	4	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>

7. Windhoek district reported the highest number of deaths with seven (7), followed by Oshakati and Onandjokwe districts with six (6) deaths each. Gobabis reported four (4) deaths, Engela and Mariental three (3) deaths each while Rehoboth, Swakopmund and Katima Mulilo reported one (1) death each.
8. Of the reported deaths, two (2) deaths from Engela occurred at home. One (1) maternal death was reported from Windhoek.

9. A total of seventeen (17) deaths occurred in July 2021 with seven (7) deaths between 01-21 July and 10 deaths between 28-31 July while fifteen (15) deaths occurred from 01-03 August 2021.
10. By today, a total of **167 885** people have received at least one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine, while **50 326** have received two doses and regarded as fully vaccinated, as depicted in table 5 and 6 below:

*Table 5: Summary of administered COVID-19 vaccine 1<sup>st</sup> dose, 03 August 2021*

<b>Region</b>	<b>#New persons vaccinated with 1<sup>st</sup> doses of Sinopharm</b>	<b>Total persons who received 1<sup>st</sup> doses of Sinopharm</b>	<b>#New persons vaccinated with 1<sup>st</sup> dose of (AZ)</b>	<b>Total persons vaccinated with 1<sup>st</sup> doses of AZ</b>	<b>Total persons vaccinated with 1<sup>st</sup> doses of Sinopharm and AZ</b>
Erongo	223	7 759	0	9 327	17 086
Hardap	230	5 248	0	3 674	8 922
Kharas	60	4 438	0	2 769	7 207
Kavango East	275	4 435	6	4 441	8 876
Kavango West	0	1 365	0	2 173	3 538
Khomas	357	26 022	0	23 824	49 846
Kunene	526	4 754	0	3 526	8 280
Ohangwena	191	6 117	0	3 785	9 902
Omaheke	101	4 304	0	3 060	7 364
Omusati	163	6 090	0	5 183	11 273
Oshana	170	7 123	0	3 474	10 597
Oshikoto	115	5 388	2	2 822	8 210
Otjozondjupa	203	7 974	0	5 938	13 912
Zambezi	27	2 232	0	831	3 063
<b>Total</b>	<b>2 641</b>	<b>93 249</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>74827</b>	<b>168 076</b>

Table 6: Summary of administered COVID-19 vaccine 2<sup>nd</sup> dose, 03 August 2021

Region	# of new persons who received 2 <sup>nd</sup> doses Sinopharm	Total persons who received 2 <sup>nd</sup> doses of Sinopharm	# of new persons who received 2 <sup>nd</sup> doses of AstraZeneca	Total persons who received 2 <sup>nd</sup> doses of AZ	Total 2 <sup>nd</sup> doses of Sinopharm and AZ
Erongo	50	3 516	0	396	3 912
Hardap	63	2 025	0	30	2 055
Kharas	43	2 288	12	365	2 653
Kavango East	68	1 855	31	993	2 848
Kavango West	0	749	0	97	846
Khomas	69	13 349	0	1 271	14 620
Kunene	49	1 839	0	86	1 925
Ohangwena	51	2 398	0	289	2 687
Omaheke	13	1 549	0	164	1 713
Omusati	48	2 646	0	600	3 246
Oshana	97	3 233	0	966	4 199
Oshikoto	84	2 479	18	357	2 836
Otjozondjupa	95	4 560	0	926	5 486
Zambezi	32	1 236	0	115	1 351
<b>Total</b>	<b>762</b>	<b>43 722</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>6 655</b>	<b>50 377</b>

11. Table 7: Summary of the national update, 03 August 2021

Cumulative confirmed cases	119 984
Newly confirmed	187
Recoveries	96 568
Recovery rate	80%
Active cases	20 293
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 1 <sup>st</sup> doses administered	168 076
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 2 <sup>nd</sup> doses administered	50 377
COVID-19 Deaths	2 842
COVID-19 Related Deaths	270
Total Deaths	3 112
Total samples tested	618 683
Active contacts	2 863
Cumulative number of people quarantined	69 449
Number of quarantined people discharged	66 525
Number of people in quarantines	2 924

## 12. Key Messages

- Today the schools have re-opened for the third term. We wish all learners the best as they start the term. Please remember to wear a mask, wash your hands and keep your distance.

- Thank you to all teachers and school support staff who got vaccinated. We encourage any teachers and school support staff who have not yet done so to get vaccinated against COVID-19. Enjoy the term and stay healthy!

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