

**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 three hundred and nineteen (**319**) new COVID-19 confirmed cases from one thousand seven hundred and thirty-three (**1 733**) results in the last twenty-four (24) hours reporting cycle, which represents **18%** positivity ratio. The gender distribution is one hundred and seventy-two (172) females and one hundred and forty-seven (147) males. The age ranges from three (3) days to one hundred and eleven (111) years. The new COVID-19 cases are geographically distributed as follows:

*Table 1: New COVID-19 positive cases, 06 August 2021*

REGIONS	NEW CASES	DISTRICTS	NEW CASES
Oshana	50	Oshakati	50
Khomas	47	Windhoek	47
Erongo	44	Walvis Bay	21
		Swakopmund	12
		Omaruru	8
		Usakos	3
Omusati	42	Oshikuku	17
		Okahao	13
		Tsandi	8
		Outapi	4
Ohangwena	30	Engela	24
		Eenhana	6
Oshikoto	20	Onandjokwe	10
		Omuthiya	5
		Tsumeb	5
Otjozondjupa	16	Otjiwarongo	7
		Grootfontein	5
		Okakarara	4
Kharas	14	Luderitz	11
		Karasburg	2
		Keetmanshoop	1
Kunene	14	Opuwo	10
		Outjo	3
		Khorixas	1
Omaheke	13	Gobabis	13
Zambezi	10	Katima Mulilo	10
Kavango East	10	Rundu	7
		Andara	3
Hardap	6	Mariental	3
		Rehoboth	3
Kavango West	3	Nankudu	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>319</b>		<b>319</b>

2. We are reporting cases from all regions. Oshana region reporting the highest number of cases, accounting for about 16% of all the confirmed cases, followed by Khomas region with 15% and Erongo region with 14%. Among the confirmed cases are thirty-four (34) learners, ten (10) teachers, eight (8) students and eight (8) health care workers.
3. Of all the confirmed cases, five (5) are reported to have received only one dose of the COVID-19 vaccines. None of the reported cases have received two doses of the COVID-19 vaccines.
4. We have recorded six hundred and seventy-seven (677) new recoveries.

*Table 2: Distribution of new recoveries by region, 06 August 2021*

<b>Region</b>	<b>Number</b>
Erongo	480
Kharas	80
Omusati	35
Otjozondjupa	28
Zambezi	18
Ohangwena	16
Hardap	13
Omaheke	4
Kavango West	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>677</b>

5. We now have eighteen thousand five hundred and sixty-six (18 566) active cases. Three hundred and seventy-one (371) are hospitalized, of which seventy-three (73) are in Intensive Care Unit (ICU).

*Table 3: Distribution of hospitalization of confirmed cases per region, 06 August 2021*

<b>Region</b>	<b>Hospitalized confirmed cases</b>	<b>Intensive Care Unit</b>
Khomas	108	39
Oshana	62	14
Kunene	34	0
Erongo	33	11
Ohangwena	26	0
Kavango East	22	2
Oshikoto	20	6
Otjozondjupa	20	0
Kharas	19	1
Omusati	17	0
Zambezi	5	0
Omaheke	4	0
Hardap	1	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>371</b>	<b>73</b>

6. We announce twenty-four (24) deaths from ten (10) districts.

*Table 4a. Summary of deaths, 06 August 2021*

District	Gender		Total	Classification		Home death	Comorbidity
	M	F		COVID Death	C-R death		
Oshakati	5	0	5	5	0	0	3
Katima Mulilo	3	2	5	5	0	3	2
Windhoek	3	0	3	3	0	0	2
Oshikuku	1	2	3	2	1	0	1
Engela	1	2	3	3	0	1	2
Swakopmund	0	1	1	1	0	0	1
Tsumeb	1	0	1	1	0	0	0
Keetmanshoop	1	0	1	1	0	0	0
Otjiwarongo	1	0	1	1	0	0	1
Tsandi	1	0	1	1	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>12</b>

*Table 4b. Age group and vaccination status of the deceased, 06 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	0	0	0	0
30-39	1	0	0	0
40-49	4	0	0	1
50-59	3	1	0	2
60-69	6	0	0	2
70-79	4	0	0	0
80-89	4	0	0	0
90+	2	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>

7. Oshakati and Katima Mulilo districts reported the highest number of deaths with five (5) deaths each, followed by Windhoek, Oshikuku and Engela districts with three (3) deaths each. Swakopmund, Tsumeb, Keetmanshoop, Otjiwarongo and Tsandi districts reported one (1) death each.
8. Of the reported deaths, four (4) occurred at home: three (3) from Katima Mulilo district and one (1) from Engela district.
9. None of the reported death cases were known to be vaccinated.
10. Of the reported deaths, seven (7) occurred between 23-31 July 2021, thirteen (13) occurred between 02-04 August 2021, and four (4) occurred between 05-06 August 2021, the last twenty-four hours reporting cycle.
11. By the 6th August 2021, a total of **173 428** people had received at least one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine, while **52 681** had received two doses, as depicted in table 5 and 6 below:

*Table 5: Summary of administered COVID-19 vaccine 1<sup>st</sup> dose, 06 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 AstraZeneca (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	153	8 214	12	9 339	17 553
Hardap	279	5 942	0	3 677	9 619
Kharas	110	4 712	0	2 769	7 481
Kavango East	87	4 792	0	4 441	9 233
Kavango West	74	1 490	0	2 173	3 663
Khomas	409	27 040	0	23 824	50 864
Kunene	108	5 029	0	3 526	8 555
Ohangwena	212	6 716	0	3 785	10 501
Omaheke	86	4 550	0	3 060	7 610
Omusati	50	6 379	0	5 183	11 562
Oshana	114	7 449	0	3 474	10 923
Oshikoto	112	5 713	2	2 824	8 537
Otjozondjupa	107	8 266	0	5 938	14 204
Zambezi	14	2 292	0	831	3 123
<b>Total</b>	<b>1 915</b>	<b>98 584</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>74 844</b>	<b>173 428</b>

Table 6: Summary of administered COVID-19 vaccine 2<sup>nd</sup> dose, 06 August 2021

Region	# of new persons who received 2 <sup>nd</sup> doses of 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 AstraZeneca	Total 2 <sup>nd</sup> doses of Sinopharm and AstraZeneca
Erongo	86	3 774	0	396	4 170
Hardap	36	2 131	0	30	2 161
Kharas	51	2 464	0	371	2 835
Kavango East	54	1 974	0	1 003	2 977
Kavango West	39	819	0	97	916
Khomas	129	13 656	0	1 271	14 927
Kunene	59	1 941	0	86	2 027
Ohangwena	55	2 554	0	289	2 843
Omaheke	28	1 620	0	164	1 784
Omusati	24	2 788	0	600	3 388
Oshana	92	3 517	0	966	4 483
Oshikoto	62	2 639	18	375	3 014
Otjozondjupa	84	4 784	0	926	5 710
Zambezi	36	1 331	0	115	1 446
<b>Total</b>	<b>835</b>	<b>45 992</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>6 689</b>	<b>52 681</b>

12. Table 7: Summary of the national update, 06 August 2021

Cumulative confirmed cases	120 814
Newly confirmed	319
Recoveries	99 055
Recovery rate	82%
Active cases	18 566
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 1 <sup>st</sup> doses administered	173 428
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 2 <sup>nd</sup> doses administered	52 681
COVID-19 Deaths	2 907
COVID-19 Related Deaths	275
Total Deaths	3 182
Total samples tested	624 088
Active contacts	2 419
Cumulative number of people quarantined	69 849
Number of quarantined people discharged	67 336
Number of people in quarantines	2 513

13. **Key messages**

- The Ministry of Health and Social Services wishes to inform members of the public that the Government of the Republic of Namibia will receive 75 000 doses of the

AstraZeneca vaccine on Sunday, 8 August 2021. The vaccine has been donated by the Dutch Government (The Netherlands).

- Preference will be given to those who have received the first dose of AstraZeneca already. The Ministry is therefore calling upon those members of the public who have been waiting to receive their second dose of AstraZeneca to go to the nearest vaccination sites on Tuesday, 10 August 2021.
- We are expecting more doses of AstraZeneca during the course of this months. We will also add more vaccine types in our arsenal to give the public more choices.

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