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MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

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SERVICES ON COVID-19 IN NAMIBIA.**

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WINDHOEK

**Check against Delivery*

1. We announce one thousand one hundred and ninety-three (1 193) new COVID-19 confirmed cases from two thousand eight hundred and fifty-six (2 856) results in the last twenty-four (24) hours, which represents 42% positivity ratio. The gender distribution is six hundred and eighty-nine (689) females and five hundred and four (504) males. The age range is from three (3) days to eighty-eight (88) years. The new COVID-19 cases are geographically distributed as follows:

Table 1: New COVID-19 positive cases, 07 July 2021

REGIONS	NEW CASES	DISTRICTS	NEW CASES
Khomas	254	Windhoek	254
Erongo	230	Swakopmund	96
		Walvis Bay	95
		Usakos	29
		Omaruru	10
Oshana	228	Oshakati	228
Otjozondjupa	105	Grootfontein	60
		Otjiwarongo	45
Omusati	101	Outapi	71
		Oshikuku	14
		Okahao	11
		Tsandi	5
Oshikoto	72	Omuthiya	55
		Onandjokwe	11
		Tsumeb	6
Kharas	65	Lüderitz	37
		Keetmanshoop	27
		Karasburg	1
Kavango West	44	Nankudu	44
Ohangwena	32	Eenhana	22
		Okongo	8
		Engela	2
Zambezi	25	Katima Mulilo	25
Kavango East	19	Rundu	19
Hardap	13	Mariental	12
		Aranos	1
Omaheke	3	Gobabis	3
Kunene	2	Opuwo	2
Total	1 193		1 193

2. We are reporting cases from all fourteen (14) regions, with Khomas region reporting the highest number of cases accounting for 21% of the confirmed cases, followed by Erongo and Oshana regions accounting for 19% each. Among the confirmed cases are one hundred and twenty-five (125) learners from different schools, of which 32 are from Canisianum High School, twelve (12) teachers and seven (7) students. Seven (7) health

care workers from different health care facilities also tested positive to COVID-19. Of all the confirmed cases, fourteen (14) reported to have received the COVID-19 vaccine. Three (3) of these are fully vaccinated.

3. We have recorded five hundred and seventy-eight (578) new recoveries.

Table 2: Distribution of new recoveries by region, 07 July 2021

Region	Number
Khomas	151
Kharas	136
Omusati	118
Hardap	95
Kunene	78
Total	578

4. We now have twenty-three thousand three hundred and twenty-eight (23 328) active cases. Five hundred and fifty-four (554) are hospitalized, of which one hundred and five (105) are in Intensive Care Units (ICUs).

Table 3: Distribution of hospitalization of confirmed cases per region, 07 July 2021

Region	Hospitalized confirmed cases	Intensive Care Unit
Khomas	251	68
Erongo	72	16
Oshana	46	12
Otjozondjupa	44	2
Oshikoto	34	0
Kharas	25	3
Hardap	18	0
Omaheke	17	4
Ohangwena	14	0
Zambezi	13	0
Kunene	10	0
Omusati	8	0
Kavango East	2	0
Total	554	105

5. We announce seventy (70) deaths from twelve (12) districts.

Table 4: Summary of deaths, 7 July 2021

District	Age	Sex	Comorbidities	DOD	Classification	Vaccination
Wondhoek	28	F	Yes	06.07.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	40	M	Yes	06.07.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	61	F	Yes	06.07.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	73	M	Yes	07.07.2021	COVID-19 Death	Unknown
	54	F	No	06.07.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	40	F	No	02.07.2021	#COVID-19 Death	Unknown
	85	M	Yes	04.07.2021	#COVID-19 Death	Unknown
	77	F	Yes	05.07.2021	COVID-19 Death	Unknown
	55	F	Yes	05.07.2021	COVID-19 Death	Unknown
	47	M	Yes	25.06.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	79	F	No	27.06.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	62	M	No	27.06.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	72	M	Yes	25.06.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	73	M	Yes	25.06.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	71	M	Yes	25.06.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	64	F	No	28.06.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	53	F	No	28.06.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	70	M	No	28.06.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	67	M	No	28.06.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	51	F	Yes	28.06.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	64	F	Yes	28.06.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	60	M	No	24.06.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	69	M	No	24.06.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	41	F	Yes	27.06.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	62	F	Yes	29.06.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	57	M	Yes	28.06.2021	COVID-19 Death	Unknown
Rundu	73	F	Yes	03.07.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	62	F	Yes	27.06.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	57	F	Yes	06.07.2021	COVID-19 Death	Unknown
	53	M	No	28.06.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	99	M	No	04.07.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	71	M	Yes	26.06.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	40	M	No	17.06.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	82	M	Yes	04.07.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	62	M	Yes	04.07.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	70	F	No	25.06.2021	COVID-19 Death	Unknown
	34	M	No	06.07.2021	COVID-19 Death	Unknown
	73	M	Yes	01.07.2021	COVID-19 Death	Unknown
Tsumeb	56	M	No	05.07.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	55	F	Yes	30.06.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	66	F	Yes	30.06.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	65	F	Yes	01.07.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated

	56	M	Yes	02.07.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	52	F	Yes	03.07.2021	COVID-19 Death	Unknown
	66	F	Yes	27.06.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	49	M	No	28.06.2021	COVID-19 Death	Unknown
Grootfontein	80	F	Yes	24.06.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	80	F	Yes	22.06.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	84	M	No	25.06.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	68	M	Yes	26.06.2021	COVID-19 Death	Unknown
	69	M	No	30.06.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
Oshikuku	87	M	Yes	03.07.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	94	M	No	03.07.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	53	M	No	01.07.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	64	M	Yes	02.07.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	57	F	No	29.06.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
Oshakati	92	M	Yes	03.07.2021	COVID-19 Death	Unknown
	63	M	No	04.07.2021	COVID-19 Death	Unknown
	60	F	Yes	27.06.2021	COVID-19 Death	Unknown
	63	F	Yes	04.07.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
Swakopmund	69	F	Yes	07.07.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	66	M	No	05.07.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	67	M	Yes	05.07.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
Walvis Bay	83	F	Yes	03.07.2021	COVID-19 Death	Unknown
	56	F	No	04.07.2021	COVID-19 Death	Unknown
Okakarara	93	M	Yes	26.06.2021	#COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
	84	F	Yes	02.07.2021	#COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
Okahandja	67	M	Yes	06.07.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not Vaccinated
Outapi	71	M	Yes	29.06.2021	COVID-19 Death	Not vaccinated
Outjo	43	F	Yes	25.06.2021	COVID-19 Death	Unknown

- Indicates a home death

- 5.1. Windhoek district recorded the highest number of deaths with twenty-six (26) deaths in total, followed by Rundu district with twelve (12) deaths, Tsumeb district with eight (8) deaths, Grootfontein and Oshikuku districts with five (5) deaths each, Oshakati district with four (4) deaths, Swakopmund district with three (3) deaths, Walvis Bay and Okakarara districts with two (2) deaths each, while Okahandja, Outapi, and Outjo each reported one (1) death. None of those who died was vaccinated.
- 5.2. Among the deaths in Windhoek are two (2) home deaths. The two (2) deaths from Okakarara are all home deaths.
- 5.3. Thirty-six (36) of the deaths occurred in June. The late announcement of these deaths was occasioned by late audit and verification. The Ministry has recruited few staff to reinforce the audit and verification team.

6. Tables 5 and 6 below show the number of people vaccinated with Sinopharm and AstraZeneca vaccines.

Table 5: Summary of COVID-19 vaccines 1st doses administered, 07 July 2021

Region	#New persons vaccinated with 1 st doses of Sinopharm	Total persons who received 1 st doses of Sinopharm	#New persons vaccinated with 1 st dose of AstraZeneca (AZ)	Total persons vaccinated with 1 st doses of AZ	Total persons vaccinated with 1 st doses of Sinopharm and AZ
Erongo	112	4 382	92	8 888	13 270
Hardap	49	2 279	53	3 461	5 740
Kharas	60	2 755	8	2 461	5 216
Kavango East	35	2 637	0	4 258	6 895
Kavango West	23	988	0	2 173	3 161
Khomas	67	17 103	26	23 634	40 737
Kunene	30	2 412	4	3 443	5 855
Ohangwena	61	3 354	44	3 386	6 740
Omaheke	0	2 345	0	2 882	5 227
Omusati	53	3 266	92	4 566	7 832
Oshana	136	4 216	72	3 325	7 541
Oshikoto	65	2 805	27	2 531	5 336
Otjozondjupa	68	5 522	50	5 797	11 319
Zambezi	23	1 520	0	831	2 351
Total	782	55 584	468	71 636	127 220

Table 6: Number of 2nd doses administered, 07 July 2021

Region	# of new persons who received 2 nd doses of Sinopharm	Total persons who received 2 nd doses of Sinopharm	# of new persons who received 2 nd doses of AstraZeneca	Total persons who received 2 nd doses of AstraZeneca	Total 2 nd doses of Sinopharm and AZ
Erongo	25	2 413	42	206	2 619
Hardap	27	1 268	6	8	1 276
Kharas	40	1 256	13	23	1 279
Kavango East	4	1 449	22	660	2 109
Kavango West	0	639	0	96	735
Khomas	118	6 325	22	814	7 139
Kunene	5	1 405	0	13	1 418
Ohangwena	5	1 405	2	19	1 424
Omaheke	0	972	0	13	985
Omusati	30	1 186	7	78	1 264
Oshana	3	1 568	14	793	2 361
Oshikoto	56	864	2	48	912
Otjozondjupa	71	2 420	70	835	3 255
Zambezi	18	667	0	96	763
Total	402	23 837	200	3 702	27 539

7. *Table 7: Summary of the national update, 07 July 2021*

Cumulative confirmed cases	101 001
Newly confirmed	1 193
Recoveries	75 850
Recovery rate	75%
Active cases	23 328
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 1 st doses administered	127 220
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 2 nd doses administered	27 539
COVID-19 Deaths	1 616
COVID-19 Related Deaths	196
Total Deaths	1 812
Total samples tested	556 490
Active contacts	7 604
Cumulative number of people quarantined	63 179
Number of quarantined people discharged	59 069
Number of people in quarantines	4 110

8. **Key Messages**

- We have breached the mark of 100 000 confirmed COVID-19 cases reported since the pandemic started. It is very concerning that we are seeing a sustained increase in the number of cases being reported in other regions outside Khomas region. We urge all members of the public to desist from unnecessary travel, avoid attending gatherings such as funerals and weddings. For those placed under self-isolation or quarantine we strongly advise that you stay at home until your isolation period of at least 10 days is over.
- Let us work together to protect and save the lives of the vulnerable populations in our communities who are at a higher risk of developing serious disease, hospitalization and death. The responsibility lies with us to work towards a behavioral change aimed at reducing the number of COVID-19 infection in the country, through strict adherence to basic infection prevention and control measures and set national regulations.
- We continue encouraging everyone to get vaccinated. Visit your nearest vaccination center to receive your vaccine shot. Vaccines reduce the chances of infection, hospitalization and death.

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