

MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

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01 April 2022 WINDHOEK

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1. We announce eighty-seven (87) positive cases from one thousand one hundred and twenty-five (1 125) results in the last twenty-four (24) hour reporting cycle, representing 7.7% positivity ratio. Of these, eight-four (84) are new cases and three (3) are reinfections. The sex distribution of the cases is fifty (50) females of which forty-nine (49) are new cases and thirty-seven (37) males of which thirty-five (35) are new cases. The age ranges from thirteen (13) years to seventy-three (73) years.

Table 1: New COVID-19 positive cases & reinfections, 01 April 2022

Region	New cases	District	New cases	Reinfections	Total
Khomas	68	Windhoek	68	2	70
Erongo	6	Swakopmund	5	0	5
Erongo	0	Walvis bay	1	0	1
Ohongwone	ena 3 Engela		2	0	2
Ohangwena	3	Eenhana	1	0	1
Zambezi	3	Katima Mulilo	3	0	3
Oshikoto	2	Onandjokwe	2	0	2
Omaheke	1	Gobabis	1	1	2
Kharas	1	Karasburg	1	0	1
Total	84		84	3	87

- 2. Among the confirmed cases, seventy-three (73) are learners of which sixty-eight (68) are from Concordia Secondary School in Windhoek district and the rest are from different schools. One (1) is a health care worker and one (1) is a teacher.
- 3. Two (2) cases have received one (1) dose of the COVID-19 vaccine and five (5) are fully vaccinated of which three (3) have received a booster dose, while eighty (80) cases are not vaccinated.
- 4. Sixty-one (61) cases from six (6) regions have recovered.

Table 2: Distribution of new recoveries by region, 01 April 2022

Region	Number
Khomas	34
Ohangwena	16
Erongo	6
Omaheke	3
Zambezi	1
Kharas	1
Total	61

5. The number of active cases is one hundred and seventy-nine (179). Nine (9) cases are currently hospitalized in two (2) regions, none in ICU. All hospitalized cases are not vaccinated.

Table 3: Distribution of hospitalization of confirmed cases per region, 01 April 2022

	Hospitaliz	Hospitalized cases		Vaccinated			Vaccinated	
Region	Current	Previous	1st dose	2 nd dose	Current	Previous	1st dose	2 nd dose
Ohangwena	6	6	0	0	0	0	0	0
Zambezi	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	9	9	0	0	0	0	0	0

- 6. We have not recorded death during the period under review.
- 7. By 31 March 2022, a total of **446 681 people** aged 18 years and older have received one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine, representing **30.3%** of the target population (1 471 973). A total of **131 775** have received the Johnson & Johnson vaccine, while **257 573** adults have received two doses of other vaccine types. Hence, **389 348** adults have completed their vaccination, translating to **26.5** % of the target population.
- 8. A total of one hundred and twenty-eight (128) individuals have received component one of 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. Thirteen thousand four hundred and twenty-two (13 422) children aged 12-17 years have received one dose of the Pfizer vaccine, representing 4.4% of the target population (307 298). Of these, five thousand one hundred and seventy-one (5 171) 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 460 103 of which 394 519 are fully vaccinated, translating to 22.2% of the total target population (1 779 271).
- 10. Forty-four thousand four hundred and ninety (44 490) 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, 01 April 2022

D 1	Sin	Sinopharm		aZeneca	P	fizer		J&J	Grand
Region	New	All	New	All	New	All	New	All	total 1st dose
Erongo	4	16264	0	13241	0	1349	16	10702	41556
Hardap	5	13040	8	5722	1	632	36	7908	27302
Kharas	0	10603	0	4615	1	447	13	7195	22860
Kavango East	11	11703	10	7530	0	1834	46	14279	35346
Kavango West	0	7070	0	4861	0	1125	0	11854	24910
Khomas	4	42447	5	29625	8	4936	33	23522	100530
Kunene	0	11900	0	5473	0	213	0	9221	26807
Ohangwena	0	16169	0	5334	0	258	0	6968	28729
Omaheke	1	10215	0	5399	0	759	7	6148	22521
Omusati	9	13935	1	7271	1	358	13	6093	27657
Oshana	0	12806	0	4806	0	318	0	5450	23380
Oshikoto	0	12288	1	3730	0	121	3	6637	22776
Otjozondjupa	0	12648	0	8584	2	412	11	11955	33599
Zambezi	3	3719	0	940	0	78	29	3843	8580
Total	37	194807	25	107131	13	12840	207	131775	446553

Table 5: Summary of administered COVID-19 vaccines 2nd dose, 01 April 2022

	Sinopharm		AstraZeneca			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		1	14	108		4	11	1477		6		912		26497
Hardap		5		115		4		1421		3		506		16042
Kharas		3	8	697		2	3	3258		0		360		12315
Kavango East		15	8	177		15	۷	1064		10		878		13119
Kavango West		0	5	200		0	3	3246		0		496		8942
Khomas		2	36	445		4	24	1843		6		3702		64990
Kunene		0	9	020		0	۷	4116		0		137		13273
Ohangwena		0	13	521		0	4	1261		0		40		17822
Omaheke		0	8	816		4	3	3970		2		1491		14277
Omusati		2	12	182		1	4	5947		1		340		18469
Oshana		0	11	412		0	3	3898		0		267		15577
Oshikoto		1	10	754		0	3	3137		0		78		13969
Otjozondjupa		2	11	096		1	(5711		1		355		18162
Zambezi		3	3	253		0		753		2		37		4043
Total		34		796		35	84	1102		31		9599	2	57497

Table 6: Summary of administered Covid-19 booster doses, 01 April 2022

Region	Sinopharm		AstraZeneca		Pfizer		J&J	Grand	
	New	All	New	All	New	All	New	All	total 3rd
	booster	booster	booster	booster	booster	booster	booster	booster	dose
	dose	dose	dose	dose	dose	dose	dose	dose	
Erongo	6	1742	10	708	10	3021	8	416	5887
Hardap	12	2277	9	493	3	1001	35	395	4166
Kharas	7	944	7	216	3	354	2	111	1625
Kavango East	22	638	13	251	5	318	13	574	1781
Kavango West	0	688	0	262	0	419	0	391	1760
Khomas	18	2740	9	1020	19	5512	13	718	9990
Kunene	0	1819	0	497	0	683	0	701	3700
Ohangwena	0	414	0	128	0	26	0	63	631
Omaheke	8	2651	10	1292	4	904	0	61	4908
Omusati	34	1030	5	399	0	509	6	89	2027
Oshana	0	1318	0	269	0	612	0	221	2420
Oshikoto	9	940	10	222	1	228	1	78	1468
Otjozondjupa	9	1730	8	601	4	975	0	8	3314
Zambezi	9	482	4	68	0	109	3	154	813
Total	134	19413	85	6426	49	14671	81	3980	44490

Table 7: Summary of administered COVID-19 vaccines (12-17) Years, 1st dose, 01 April 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	0	162	1	298	460					
Hardap	2	234	2	385	619					
Kharas	0	88	0	137	225					
Kavango East	20	1308	69	3168	4476					
Kavango West	0	1378	0	2575	3953					
Khomas	1	243	0	509	752					
Kunene	0	207	0	344	551					
Ohangwena	0	306	0	695	1001					
Omaheke	8	206	0	295	501					
Omusati	1	91	2	69	160					
Oshana	0	88	0	168	256					
Oshikoto	11	46	15	78	124					
Otjozondjupa	0	130	0	207	337					
Zambezi	0	4	0	3	7					
Total	43	4491	89	8931	13422					

Table 8: Summary of administered COVID-19 vaccines (12-17) Years, 2nd dose, 01 April 2022

PFIZER FOR CHILDREN 2 nd DOSE (12-17) Years								
Region	New (12-13 yrs)	All 2 nd dose (12-13 yrs)	New (14-17 yrs)	All 2nd Dose (14-17 yrs)	GRAND TOTAL 2 nd DOSE (12-17) Years			
Erongo	0	69	0	189	258			
Hardap	4	118	2	144	262			
Kharas	0	20	0	32	52			
Kavango East	32	610	46	1447	2057			
Kavango West	0	444	0	717	1161			
Khomas	0	168	3	396	564			
Kunene	0	80	0	53	133			
Ohangwena	0	3	0	4	7			
Omaheke	0	133	0	223	356			
Omusati	0	7	0	16	23			
Oshana	0	33	0	56	89			
Oshikoto	1	10	1	31	41			
Otjozondjupa	0	48	0	115	163			
Zambezi	0	3	0	2	5			
Total	37	1746	52	3425	5171			

11. Table 9: Summary of the national update, 01 April 2022

Cumulative newly confirmed individuals	157 747
Newly confirmed individuals	84
New reinfections	3
Cumulative cases including reinfections	159 850
Recoveries	155 638
Recovery rate	97.4%
Active cases	179
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 1 st dose	460 103
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 2 nd dose	262 744
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine completed	394 519
COVID-19 Deaths	3 689
COVID-19 Related Deaths	330
Total Deaths	4 019
Total samples tested	985 664
Active contacts	64
Cumulative number of people quarantined	89 901
Number of quarantined people discharged	89 783
Number of people in quarantines	118

12. **Key messages**

- We have observed an instant upsurge in the number of new cases, especially among the learners. This is due to the high number of of new cases among learners at Concordia College in Windhoek who contributed 68 or 78% of the 87 cases. This fact points to failure to comply with public health and social measures.
- The Ministry of Health and Social Services and the Ministry of Education, Art and Culture have instituted measures to contain the spread of infection. The public is urged to remain calm but to be vigilant and continue to protect themselves.

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