

## MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

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

21-27 July 2022 WINDHOEK

1. For the past week, 21-27 July 2022, we recorded sixty-six (66) positive cases from one thousand eight hundred and twenty-seven (1 827) tests conducted, representing a 3.6% positivity ratio. Of these positive cases, sixty-two (62) are new cases and four (4) are reinfections. The sex distribution is thirty-eight (38) females of which thirty-six (36) are new cases and twenty-eight (28) males of which twenty-six (26) are new cases. The age ranges from one (1) month to eighty-three (83) years.

Table 1: New COVID-19 positive cases & reinfections, 21-27 July 2022

Region	New cases	Reinfections	Total
Khomas	15	2	17
Erongo	13	1	14
Omusati	11	0	11
Oshana	7	0	7
Zambezi	5	0	5
Ohangwena	4	0	4
Otjozondjupa	3	1	4
Kharas	2	0	2
Oshikoto	1	0	1
Omaheke	1	0	1
Total	62	4	66

- 2. Cases were reported from ten (10) regions. Among the confirmed cases are seven (7) learners, two (2) students, one (1) teacher and one (1) health care worker.
- 3. Of these cases, two (2) have received one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine, twenty-four (24) have received two doses of which seven (7) have received booster doses. Seven (7) are not eligible and thirty-three (33) were not vaccinated.
- 4. We recorded ninety-six (96) recoveries from ten (10) regions during the reporting period.

Table 2: Distribution of recoveries by region, 21-27 July 2022

Region	Number
Kharas	26
Erongo	20
Khomas	17
Oshana	17
Omusati	4
Oshikoto	4
Otjozondjupa	3
Kavango East	3
Ohangwena	1
Zambezi	1
Total	96

5. As at 27 July 2022, the number of active cases is ninety-six (96). Fourteen (14) cases are currently hospitalized in eight (8) regions of which one (1) is in ICU. One (1) of the hospitalized cases has received one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine. The case in ICU is not vaccinated.

Table 3: Distribution of hospitalization of confirmed cases per region, 27 July 2022

Region	Hospitalized cases		Vaccinated		ICU		Vaccinated	
	Current	Previous	1st dose	2 <sup>nd</sup> dose	Current	Previous	1st dose	2 <sup>nd</sup> dose
Omusati	5	6	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ohangwena	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
Otjozondjupa	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oshana	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Erongo	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Khomas	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0
Kharas	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Zambezi	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	14	17	1	0	1	1	0	0

- 6. We recorded one (1) COVID-related death during the reporting period. A 76 years old male from Swakopmund district, with commodities, died at a health facility on 20 July 2022. The deceased was not vaccinated.
- 7. By 27 July 2022, a total of **515 082** people aged 18 years and older have received one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine, representing **35.0%** of the target population (1 471 973). A total of **185 913** have received the Johnson & Johnson vaccine, while **267 470** adults have received two doses of other vaccine types. Hence, **453 383** adults have completed their vaccination, translating to **30.8** % of the target population.
- 8. Twenty-four thousand seven hundred and sixty-seven (24 767) children aged 12-17 years have received one dose of the Pfizer vaccine, representing 8.1% of the target population (307 298). Of these, twelve thousand six hundred and eighty-two (12 682) 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 539 849 of which 466 065 are fully vaccinated, translating to 26.2 % of the total target population (1 779 271).
- 9. Eighty-two thousand three hundred eighty-eight (**82 388**) people have received a COVID-19 vaccine booster dose. The vaccinations summary is presented in Table 4:

Table 4: Summary of administered vaccines Cumulatively and between 21-27 July 2022

Doses administered	New	cumulative adults	New children	Cumulative children	Cumulative adults and children	% coverage for adults and children
First doses	8 723	515 082	105	24 767	539 849	30.3
Completed doses	8 122	453 383	87	12 682	466 065	26.2
Booster doses	1 415	82 388			82 388	

10. Table 5: Summary of the national update, as of 27 July 2022

Cumulative confirmed individuals excluding reinfections	166 467
Cumulative cases including reinfections	169 506
Newly confirmed individuals	62
New reinfections	4
Recoveries	165 323
Recovery rate	97.5%
Active cases	96
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 1st dose	539 849
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 2 <sup>nd</sup> dose	280 152
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine completed	466 065
COVID-19 Deaths	3 718
COVID-19 Related Deaths	354
Total Deaths	4 072
Total samples tested	1 069 494