

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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**Check against Delivery*

1. We announce one hundred and twenty (**120**) new COVID-19 confirmed cases from one thousand eight hundred and forty-seven (**1 847**) results in the last twenty-four (24) hours reporting cycle, which represents **6.5%** positivity ratio. The sex distribution is sixty-five (**65**) females and fifty-five (**55**) males. The age range is from one (**1**) year to ninety-one (**91**) years. The new COVID-19 cases are geographically distributed as follows:

Table 1: New COVID-19 positive cases, 27 September 2021

REGIONS	NEW CASES	DISTRICTS	NEW CASES
Ohangwena	63	Eenhana	30
		Engela	20
		Okongo	13
Omusati	22	Oshikuku	8
		Tsandi	8
		Outapi	6
Oshana	11	Oshakati	11
Oshikoto	7	Onandjokwe	5
		Tsumeb	2
Hardap	7	Aranos	4
		Mareintal	3
Khomas	5	Windhoek	5
Erongo	3	Walvis Bay	2
		Omaruru	1
Kunene	2	Opuwo	2
Total	120		120

2. Of the confirmed cases, sixty-four (64) are learners of which twenty-two (22) are from Oshidute Combined School in Eenhana, eighteen from Epoli Combined School in Engela and the rest are from different schools. Three (3) teachers are among the positive cases.
3. Five (5) cases received one dose of the vaccines and two (2) received two doses.
4. We have recorded thirty-five (35) new recoveries from six (6) regions:

Table 2: Distribution of new recoveries by region, 27 September 2021

Region	Number
Omusati	10
Khomas	7
Otjozondjupa	7
Omaheke	6
Oshikoto	4
Oshana	1
Total	35

5. The number of active cases is now one thousand one hundred and ninety-nine (**1 199**). Ninety-three (**93**) are hospitalized, of which eighteen (**18**) are in ICU.

Table 3: Distribution of hospitalization of confirmed cases per region, 27 September 2021

Region	Hospitalized confirmed cases		Intensive Care Unit	
	Current	Previous	Current	Previous
Ohangwena	16	14	0	0
Khomas	15	17	5	3
Erongo	12	12	5	5
Omusati	12	10	0	0
Oshana	10	8	6	6
Kunene	9	9	0	0
Kavango East	5	5	0	0
Kharas	5	5	0	0
Oshikoto	3	3	2	2
Zambezi	3	3	0	0
Otjozondjupa	1	1	0	0
Kavango West	1	1	0	0
Hardap	1	1	0	0
Total	93	89	18	16

6. We are reporting zero (0) death. We are moving in the right direction.
7. By 26 September 2021, a total of **261 269** people have received one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine, of which **9 128** have received the Janssen & Johnson vaccine, which is only administered as one dose, while **167 720** had received two doses. Therefore, **176 848** have completed the vaccination, as depicted on tables 5 and 6 below.

Table 5: Summary of administered COVID-19 vaccine 1st dose, 27 September 2021

Region	Sinopharm		AstraZeneca		Sputnik		Janssen&Johns on		Grand total 1 st dose
	New 1 st dose	Total 1 st dose	New 1 st dose	Total 1 st dose	New 1 st dose	Total 1 st dose	New 1 st dose	Total 1 st dose	
Erongo	2	14 506	9	12 414	0	0	48	1 368	28 288
Hardap	0	11 274	0	4 797	0	0	0	681	16 752
Kharas	16	7 880	0	3 434	0	0	57	335	11 649
Kavango East	0	7 761	0	5 255	0	0	0	163	13 179
Kavango West	17	3 203	0	2 830	0	0	13	83	6 116
Khomas	46	38 288	22	28 230	0	54	141	3 321	69 893
Kunene	192	9 557	60	4 817	0	0	275	523	14 897
Ohangwena	77	12 120	13	4 487	0	0	59	172	16 779
Omaheke	151	7 416	71	4 509	0	0	279	394	12 319
Omusati	238	10 820	118	6 372	0	0	233	375	17 567
Oshana	0	10 720	0	4 533	0	0	0	327	15 580
Oshikoto	111	10 311	20	3 494	0	0	159	338	14 143
Otjozondjupa	0	11 303	0	7 642	0	0	0	968	19 913
Zambezi	18	3 224	4	890	0	0	3	80	4 194
Total	868	158 383	317	93 704	0	54	1267	9 128	261 269

Table 6: Summary of administered COVID-19 vaccines 2nd dose, 27 September 2021

Region	Sinopharm		AstraZeneca		Sputnik		Grand Total vaccinated with 2 nd dose
	New 2 nd dose	All 2 nd dose	New 2 nd dose	All 2 nd dose	New 2 nd dose	All 2 nd doses	
Erongo	3	10 423	1	8 174	0	0	18 597
Hardap	0	7 744	0	3 006	0	0	10 750
Kharas	21	5 674	16	2 258	0	0	7 932
Kavango East	0	4 167	0	2 546	0	0	6 713
Kavango West	33	2 331	17	2 171	0	0	4 502
Khomas	80	27 456	68	19 125	0	0	46 581
Kunene	272	5 427	96	2 689	0	0	8 116
Ohangwena	119	7 854	39	2 866	0	0	10 720
Omaheke	62	4 338	42	2 015	0	0	6 353
Omusati	208	7 618	123	3 888	0	0	11 506
Oshana	0	7 776	0	2 841	0	0	10 617
Oshikoto	80	7 065	24	2 054	0	0	9 119
Otjozondjupa	0	8 463	0	4 758	0	0	13 221
Zambezi	10	2 362	4	631	0	0	2 993
Total	888	108 698	430	59 022	0	0	167 720

8. Table 7: Summary of the national update, 27 September 2021

Cumulative confirmed cases	127 493
Newly confirmed	120
Recoveries	122 788
Recovery rate	96%
Active cases	1 199
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 1 st doses	261 269
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine 2 nd doses	167 720
Cumulative COVID-19 vaccine completed	176 848
COVID-19 Deaths	3 207
COVID-19 Related Deaths	287
Total Deaths	3 494
Total samples tested	700 104
Active contacts	1 018
Cumulative number of people quarantined	78 039
Number of quarantined people discharged	77 086
Number of people in quarantines	953

9. **Key message**

- Of late, the numbers of new infections is sustained by the education institutions. During the last reporting cycle, sixty-four (64) learners and three (3) teachers tested positive for Covid-19. The schools most affected are those predominantly those in rural areas. This points to challenges in implementing and sustaining public health measures. I once again call on the education sector to strengthen preventive measures in schools.
- On the positive side, we have not recorded any death during the last six (6) days. All the death we have announced lately, happened earlier than six days. Let us build on this positive trend.

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