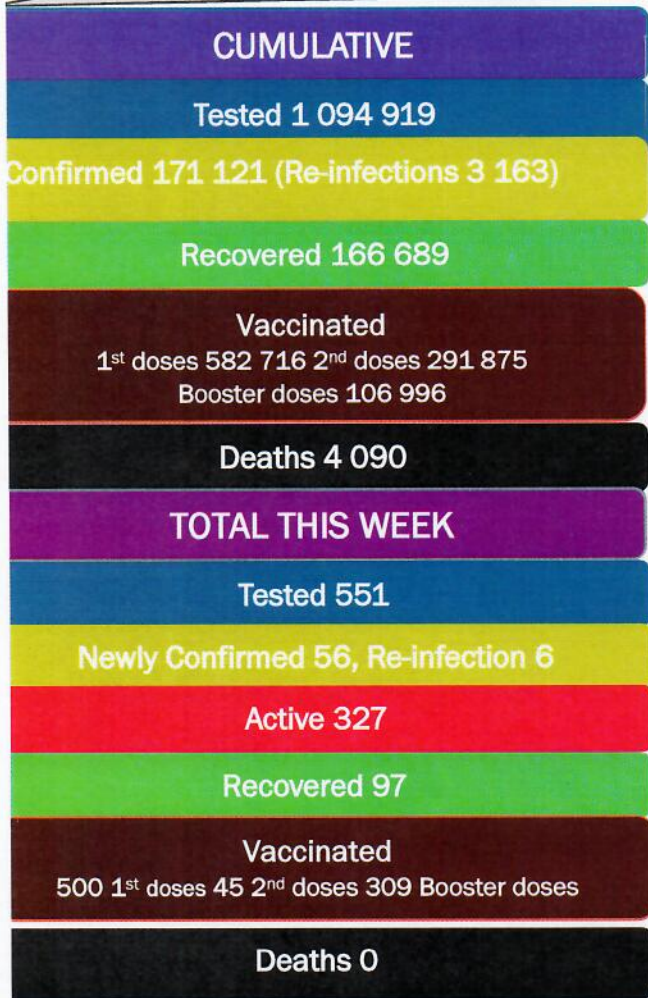




## NAMIBIA COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT NO. 971

<b>Outbreak Name</b>	COVID-19 outbreak	<b>Country affected</b>	Namibia
<b>Date &amp; Time</b>	06.02 - 12.02 2023 17h00	<b>Investigation start Date</b>	14 March 2020

### HIGHLIGHTS/SITUATION UPDATE (06.02 – 12.02 2023)

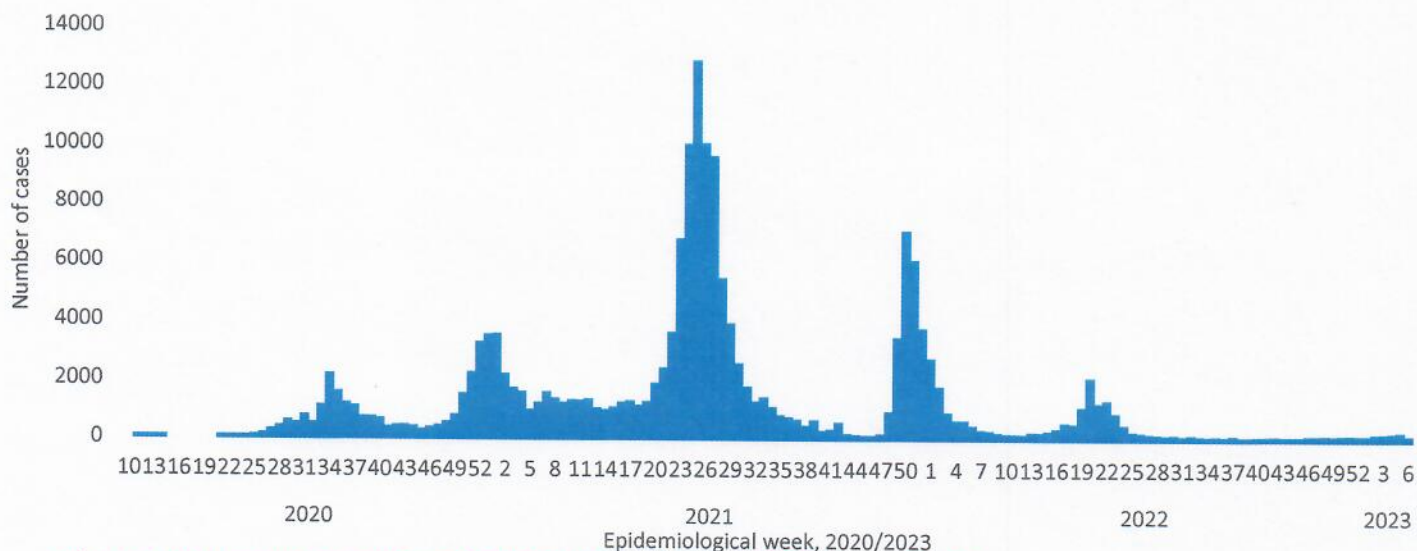


- A total of **171 121** cases including re-infections have been recorded to-date.
- Of the total confirmed cases, **5 801 (3%)** are Health Workers, with **2** new confirmed this week.
  - 4 875 (84%) State; 910 (15.8%) Private, 16 (0.2%) Non-Governmental Organizations.
  - 5 756 (99.6%) recoveries and 25 (0.4%) deaths.
- The recovery rate now stands at **97.4%**.
- Khomas and Erongo regions reported the highest number of new cases with **55 123 (32%)** and **24 016 (14%)** respectively.
- Of the total fatalities **3 729 (91%)** are COVID-19 deaths while **361 (9%)** are COVID-19 related deaths.
- The case fatality rate now stands at **2.4%**.
- The weekly positivity rate stands at **25.4%**.

**Table 1: Distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases by region, as at 12 February 2023**

Region	New cases	New re-infections	Cum re-infections	Cum confirmed excluding re-infections	Active cases	Recoveries	Cum Deaths	Cum deaths with co-morbidities	Non-COVID deaths	Health Workers
Erongo	10	4	472	24 016	3	24047	431	355	5	533
Hardap	0	0	122	8 826	0	8683	265	168	0	199
Kharas	4	0	331	10 823	8	10983	163	138	0	324
Kavango East	13	1	87	6 910	141	6620	234	134	2	328
Kavango West	8	0	4	880	8	853	23	21	0	51
Khomas	6	0	1412	55 123	61	55563	911	706	1	1 953
Kunene	1	0	74	5 368	32	5248	162	110	0	167
Ohangwena	5	0	59	6 366	35	6168	220	127	2	241
Omaheke	1	1	74	5 412	3	5191	291	205	1	153
Omusati	0	0	71	8 110	19	7816	346	211	0	305
Oshana	1	0	115	10 960	2	10666	406	246	1	627
Oshikoto	2	0	81	8 253	12	8105	215	160	2	394
Otjozondjupa	5	0	230	13 254	3	13192	288	196	1	395
Zambezi	0	0	31	3 658	0	3554	135	77	0	131
<b>Total</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3 163</b>	<b>167 958</b>	<b>327</b>	<b>166 689</b>	<b>4 090</b>	<b>2 854</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>5 801</b>

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**Figure 1: Epi-curve for confirmed COVID-19 case, as at 12 February 2023**

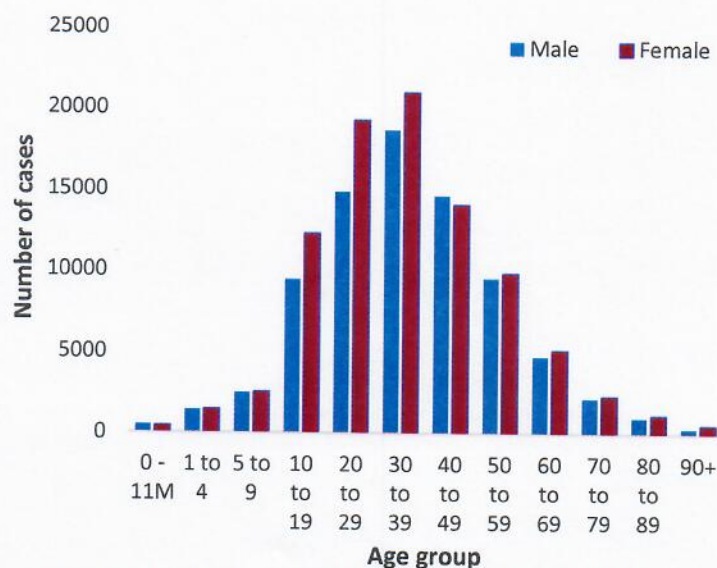
- The highest peak of **12 787 (8%)** cases was recorded during week 25 of 2021 (Figure 3).
  - The country has started seeing a gradual reduction in the average number of confirmed cases from 2 681 to 429 from epi-week 1 to 18 of 2022.
  - Another peak of 2022 cases was recorded in week 20 of 2022
  - The number of cases has started decreasing in week 23 of 2022.
- Since March 2020, **98 561** people have been placed into quarantine around the country.
  - Currently we do not have anyone in quarantine.

**Table 2: COVID-19 specimen recorded at the Laboratories 12 February 2023**

VARIABLES	TOTAL
Total samples received by the Laboratory	1 094 056
Total samples tested	1 073 957
Total samples re-tested	19 800
Total positive results	<b>167 791</b>
Total negative results	905 475
Total samples discarded	117
Invalid results	0
Total pending results	0
Indeterminant/Inconclusive	170
Suspected cases in 7 days (excluding re-tests)	551

- The laboratory testing capacity has been enhanced; with a total of twenty-three (23) laboratories carrying out the testing of samples: NIP, Path-Care, UNAM Molecular, Central Veterinary Laboratory, Namib Poultry, NAMDEB, NamPath, Namibia Central Pathology, DiagnoLab, High Care, Alpha Medical Laboratory, NCP, Maerua MC, Des-Jo Medical Test Centre, ProQuest Diagnostic Laboratory, MAXI, Medlink Laboratory Services, Biotech Medical, Covisure, Star Care, Soweto Medical Center, Hosea Kutako International Airport & Oshana Med Laboratory .
- To date, **1 094 056** tests (including **19 800** re-tests) have been conducted by authorized laboratories.
- Since the beginning of the outbreak, **179 118** contacts have been identified.

- Of the total confirmed cases, **102 952 (60%)** are in the 20-49 years age-brackets which constitutes the majority of the recorded cases.
- A total of **26 997 (16%)** of the confirmed cases are among the 5-19 years category.
- A total of **19 466 (11%)** of the confirmed cases are among the 50 - 59 years group.
- The under 5 years age group make up **3 832 (2%)** of the total cases whereas, **17 344 (10%)** are above 60 years of age.



**Figure 2: Age and Sex distribution of COVID-19 confirmed cases, as at 12 February 2023**

**Table 3: The current distribution for hospitalization of confirmed cases by region, 12 February 2023**

Region	Hospitalized confirmed cases		Vaccinated		Intensive Care Unit		Vaccinated	
	Current	Previous	1 <sup>st</sup> dose	2 <sup>nd</sup> dose	Current	Previous	1 <sup>st</sup> dose	2 <sup>nd</sup> dose
Erongo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hardap	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kharas	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kavango East	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kavango West	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Khomas	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kunene	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ohangwena	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Omaheke	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Omusati	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oshana	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oshikoto	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Otjozondjupa	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Zambezi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**Table 4: Summary of COVID-19 vaccine doses administered as at 12 February 2023**

Region	Cumulative no. of persons vaccinated with doses of Sinopharm, AstraZeneca, Sputnik V, Pfizer and Jassen & Johnson		Targeted Population	Vaccination Coverage (%)	Cumulative no. of Healthcare Workers vaccinated with doses of Sinopharm, AstraZeneca, Sputnik V, Pfizer and Jassen & Johnson	
	1 <sup>st</sup> dose	Fully vaccinated			1 <sup>st</sup> dose	Fully vaccinated
Erongo	48545	43696	161,966	27%	1479	1132
Hardap	34118	29637	69,121	43%	555	464
Kharas	28920	24574	69,786	35%	851	529
Kavango East	52348	40751	105,223	39%	1349	1106
Kavango West	39655	32142	57,210	56%	453	407
Khomas	115698	103258	362,620	28%	4169	3161
Kunene	36433	30198	72,991	40%	704	552
Ohangwena	40318	34069	174,546	20%	974	795
Omaheke	26044	23585	53,002	44%	430	342
Omusati	36262	31544	179,370	18%	1070	846
Oshana	32685	29793	143,395	21%	1691	1393
Oshikoto	32682	28798	144,912	20%	908	798
Otjozondjupa	42704	38380	112,119	34%	940	277
Zambezi	16304	15138	73,010	21%	740	1025
<b>Total</b>	<b>582716</b>	<b>505563</b>	<b>1,779,271</b>	<b>28%</b>	<b>16313</b>	<b>12827</b>

**Table 5: Summary of COVID-19 booster doses administered as at 12 February 2023**

Region	Cumulative no. of persons vaccinated			
	Sinopharm	AstraZeneca	Pfizer	Booster Doses J&J
Erongo	2 905	1 199	3 998	1 836
Hardap	4 726	971	1 766	3 476
Kharas	2 703	659	793	1 365
Kavango East	2 326	573	1 338	3 185
Kavango West	2 348	806	1 372	2 624
Khomas	4 789	2 097	7 657	2 912
Kunene	3 412	1 087	1 038	2 719
Ohangwena	1 911	483	214	566
Omaheke	3 825	1 650	1 199	1 044
Omusati	3 736	1 256	1 169	1 280
Oshana	3 281	786	1 050	1 513
Oshikoto	2 435	590	460	719
Otjozondjupa	3 136	1 373	1 523	1 764
Zambezi	1 160	182	201	1 810
<b>Total</b>	<b>42 693</b>	<b>13 712</b>	<b>23 778</b>	<b>26 813</b>

**PUBLIC HEALTH ACTIONS**

- The COVID-19 vaccination programme is ongoing throughout the country.
- The public is encouraged to continue adhering to COVID-19 preventative measures as the situation is being observed.
- The government and development partners continue to prioritize the continuation of essential health services.

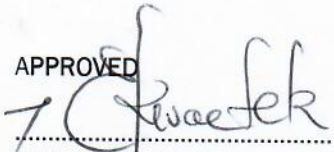
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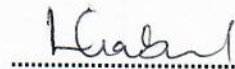
- Slow vaccine uptake among members of the public
- Non-renewal of COVID-19 volunteers' contracts negatively affected the response at all levels

**RECOMMENDATIONS**


- Encourage the public to get vaccinated and strengthen community health awareness to counteract anti-vaccination information in circulation.
- Integrate response into routine activities


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