



COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT

WEEKLY EPIDEMIOLOGICAL REPORT 79

Epi Week 15: 11th – 17th April 2022

DATA AS REPORTED AND ACCURATE BY NCDC AS OF MIDNIGHT 17TH APRIL 2022

HIGHLIGHTS

- In Week 15, the number of samples tested decreased to **51,752** from **68,911** reported in week 14. These were reported in **36** states and FCT (Table 1).
- In Week 15, the number of new confirmed cases decreased to **43 (0.1%)** from **116 (0.2%)** test positivity reported in week 14. These were reported in **6** states and FCT (Tables 1 & 2).
- In Week 15, the number of discharged cases decreased to **72** from **131** in week 14.
- There was **1** death reported in the last one week (Tables 1 & 4).
- Cumulatively, since the outbreak began in Week 9, 2020, **255,674** cases and **3,143** deaths have been reported giving a case fatality rate (CFR) of **1.2%** (Tables 1 & 4).
- In Week 15, the number of in-bound international travellers tested was **1,356** of which **2 (0.2%)** were positive compared to **25 (0.6%)** (out of **4,416** tested) in week 14.
- In Week 15, the number of out-bound international travellers tested was **4,936** of which **5 (0.1%)** were positive compared to **33 (0.5%)** (out of **6,413** tested) in week 14.
- Worldwide, there has been **500,186,525** confirmed COVID-19 cases with **6,190,349** deaths giving a case fatality rate of **1.2%**.



Fig 1. Distribution of cases (Epi Week 15 only)

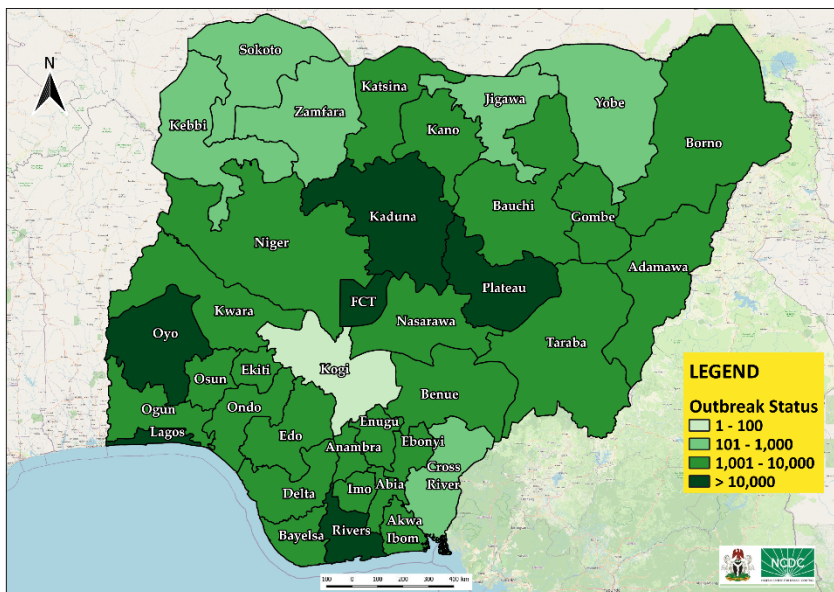


Fig 2. Distribution of cumulative cases as of Epi Week 15, 2022

GENERAL FACT SHEET – DATA AS OF 17TH APRIL 2022

Table 1: States with reported laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 cases, recoveries, deaths, samples tested and active cases.

STATE	CONFIRMED		RECOVERIES		DEATHS		ACTIVE CASES	TESTING	
	Total	Last Week	Total	Last Week	Total	Last Week		Total	Last Week
Abia	2,177	0	2,141	7	34	0	2	116,809	5,456
Adamawa	1,203	0	1,103	0	32	0	68	33,802	4
Akwa Ibom	4,657	0	4,586	0	44	0	27	116,427	4,217
Anambra	2,825	0	2,760	0	19	0	46	61,688	153
Bauchi	1,957	0	1,915	4	24	0	18	41,153	3
Bayelsa	1,315	0	1,282	0	28	0	5	42,037	8
Benue	2,129	0	1,764	0	25	0	340	55,013	6
Borno	1,629	0	1,580	0	44	0	5	29,198	69
Cross River	829	0	800	2	25	0	4	25,526	16
Delta	5,375	3	5,170	0	111	0	94	113,979	1,070
Ebonyi	2,064	0	2,004	0	32	0	28	40,481	33
Edo	7,694	0	7,373	0	321	0	0	170,945	7,700
Ekiti	2,004	0	1,926	0	28	0	50	113,876	4,599
Enugu	2,952	0	2,910	0	29	0	13	81,294	144
FCT	28,650	8	28,319	47	248	0	83	678,488	2,544
Gombe	3,307	0	3,158	0	66	0	83	116,070	336
Imo	2,560	0	2,480	0	58	0	22	91,442	480
Jigawa	669	0	649	0	18	0	2	31,908	185
Kaduna	11,258	1	11,166	2	90	1	2	202,719	798
Kano	4,986	1	4,853	2	126	0	7	162,651	49
Katsina	2,418	0	2,381	0	37	0	0	68,302	12
Kebbi	480	0	454	0	16	0	10	71,272	4,433
Kogi	5	0	3	0	2	0	0	16,551	2
Kwara	4,630	0	4,175	0	64	0	391	95,714	2,927
Lagos	99,324	20	98,062	0	769	0	493	1,287,074	5,223
Nasarawa	2,726	6	2,345	0	39	0	342	43,490	36
Niger	1,148	0	998	0	20	0	130	32,768	37
Ogun	5,810	0	5,717	0	82	0	11	129,789	235
Ondo	5,173	0	4,749	0	109	0	315	94,414	7,650
Osun	3,311	0	3,178	0	92	0	41	45,206	49

STATE	CONFIRMED		RECOVERIES		DEATHS		ACTIVE CASES	TESTING	
	Total	Last Week	Total	Last Week	Total	Last Week		Total	Last Week
Oyo	10,221	0	10,017	0	202	0	2	126,388	223
Plateau	10,252	0	10,177	1	75	0	0	97,011	55
Rivers	16,662	4	16,468	7	154	0	40	466,261	1,622
Sokoto	817	0	789	0	28	0	0	84,733	947
Taraba	1,473	0	1,377	0	34	0	62	25,096	374
Yobe	609	0	600	0	9	0	0	34,058	57
Zamfara	375	0	366	0	9	0	0	18,546	-
Total	255,674	43	249,795	72	3,143	1	2,736	5,062,179	51,752

Test type disaggregation (last one week)

Type	Number of tests done	Percentage of tests done
PCR	11,953	23.1%
RDT	39,799	76.9%
TOTAL	51,752	

NB: 19,801 RDT testing figures are backlogs from 4th – 10th April 2022

Test type disaggregation (cumulative)

Type	Number of tests done	Percentage of tests done
PCR	3,743,237	73.9%
RDT	1,318,942	26.1%
TOTAL	5,062,179	

PASSENGERS TESTS

Laboratories and COVID-19 tests for Returning and Outbound Persons of Interest

LABORATORY	INBOUND
Everight diagnostics (Imo)	155
DNA labs Abuja	110
CLINA-LANCET	105
MEDBURY	79
ARRIVE ALIVE	78
LIFE CENTER	66
ACCOUNS	58
Cedarcrest Hospitals Abuja	41
MEDBURY MEDICAL SERVICES	41
Dexmian medical laboratory	39
Edo Specialist Hospital	39
ZAINE LAB	36
E-clinic & Diagnostics	34
WESTEND HOSPITAL MOLECULAR LABORATORY	33
FUNBELL	33
AFRIGLOBAL	30
Arab Labs	29
BIOLOGIX	27
EHA Clinics	26
Everight diagnostics (Abuja)	23
LANDMARK DIAGNOSTICS	23
CLINIX HEALTHCARE	21
SYNLAB	21
LIFEBRIDGE	20
EVERCARE	20
CLINA-LANCET LABORATORIES ABUJA	19
MEDICAID	19
HARLEY AND RAINBOW	16
WellMed	16
ME CURE	13
Labcrest	11
LILY LAB	11
UNION DIAGNOSTICS	9
DNA LABS KADUNA	8
BLUE COAT	8
THE LOVETT LAWSON MOLECULAR LAB	7
DDW	5
IBOM MOLECULAR LABORATORY	5
GRANDVILLE	5
DemyHealth	4
NIZAMIYE	4
CoolSpring	4
CENTOLAB	3
MEDI-COM LABORATORY	3
sahel molecular laboratory ABUJA	3
DNA LAB	3
IFAIN	2
PAELON	2
VCARE	2
MEDILAG	1
RMC	1
TOTAL LAB	1
GRAND TOTAL	1,372

LABORATORY	OUTBOUND
MEDBURY	703
DNA labs Abuja	411
LIFE CENTER	361
ZAINE LAB	283
ARRIVE ALIVE	274
Dexmian medical laboratory	229
Everight diagnostics (Imo)	200
MEDICAID	197
DemyHealth	181
Cedarcrest Hospitals Abuja	168
MEDBURY MEDICAL SERVICES	162
CLINIX HEALTHCARE	155
SYNLAB	143
VCARE	143
EHA Clinics	126
Edo Specialist Hospital	82
Everight diagnostics (Abuja)	76
BIOLOGIX	66
Genequest	64
CLINA-LANCET LABORATORIES ABUJA	63
E-clinic & Diagnostics	60
UNION DIAGNOSTICS IBADAN	56
IML	53
Arab Labs	50
CoolSpring	50
ACCOUNS	46
FUNBELL	44
ME CURE	41
UNION DIAGNOSTICS	41
EVERCARE	39
IBOM MOLECULAR LABORATORY	37
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DNA LABS KADUNA	36
NIZAMIYE	36
WESTEND HOSPITAL MOLECULAR LABORATORY	28
HARLEY AND RAINBOW	24
LILY LAB	18
LANDMARK DIAGNOSTICS	17
TOTAL LAB	17
DNA LAB	16
Labcrest	14
LIFEBRIDGE	13
GRANDVILLE	12
THE LOVETT LAWSON MOLECULAR LAB	11
The Specialist Lab	9
MEDILAG	8
The GeneLab	6
BLUE COAT	6
DDW	5
CENTOLAB	4
ABUAD MSH	2
ACCUNALYSIS	2
IFAIN	2
TCHLAB	2
AFRIGLOBAL	2
LASUCOM	2
Nasarawa state public health lab	1
ONITSHA MEDICAL DIAGNOSTIC CENTRE	1
PAELON	1
GRAND TOTAL	4,936

Highlights of Non-performing Public and Private Laboratories within the NCDC Lab Network

S/N	LABORATORY	STATE	PUBLIC/PRIVATE	CURRENT STATUS
1	UN IOM	Lagos	Corporate	Reporting but data not accessible
2	UN IOM	FCT	Corporate	Reporting but data not accessible
3	AKTH	Kano	Public	Not testing
4	UNIOSUN	Osun	Public	Not testing
5	OOUTH	Ogun	Public	Not testing
6	SSH	Kogi	Public	Testing but no report
7	PLASVREC	Plateau	Public	Testing but not sequential
8	BUK	Kano	Public	Testing but no report
9	ZANKLI GX lab	Nasarawa	Public	Testing but no report
10	YSSH	Yobe	Public	Not testing
11	UCTH	Cross River	Public	Not testing
12	TSSHJ	Taraba	Public	Testing but no report
13	USUMH	Borno	Public	Not testing
14	FMCK	Katsina	Public	Testing but no report
15	GH Kagarko	Kaduna	Public	Testing but no report
16	DLHMH	Cross River	Public	Not testing
17	FMCG	Zamfara	Public	Testing but no report
18	Sobi IDH	Kwara	Public	Testing but no report
19	NASIDARC	Nasarawa	Public	Testing but no report
20	YDMH Genexpert	Kaduna	Public	Testing but no report
21	GH Takum	Taraba	Public	Testing but no report
22	Mobile Truck GX	Kaduna	Public	Not testing
23	GH Saminaka	Kaduna	Public	Testing but no report
24	O2	Lagos	Private	Not testing
25	FMC Bida	Niger	Public	Not testing
26	NVRI	Plateau	Public	Not testing
27	ABU	Kaduna	Public	Not testing
28	JUTH	Plateau	Public	Testing but no report
29	YDMSH	Kaduna	Public	Testing but no report
30	FMC Birnin Kebbi	Kebbi	Public	Testing but no report
31	UNTH	Enugu	Public	Testing but no report
32	MOGID	Bauchi	Public	Testing but no report
33	BRM	Bauchi	Public	Testing but no report
34	BML	Bayelsa	Public	Testing but no report
35	GH Ikara	Kaduna	Public	Testing but no report
36	Warri Lab	Delta	Public	Testing but no report
37	Delta Mobile Lab	Delta	Public	Testing but no report
38	GAGH	Kaduna	Public	Testing but no report
39	FMC Makurdi	Benue	Public	Not testing
40	FMCI	Taraba	Public	Testing but no report
41	BDTH	Kaduna	Public	Testing but no report
42	SEZTBRL Amachara	Abia	Public	Testing but no report
43	161 NAFHL	Benue	Public	Testing but no report
44	FMC Owerri	Imo	Public	Testing but no report
45	COOUTH	Anambra	Public	Testing but no report
46	FMC OWO	Ondo	Public	Testing but no report
47	UBTH	Edo	Public	Testing but no report
48	FMC KEFFI	Nasarawa	Public	Testing but no report
49	Molecular Lab, Minna	Niger	Public	Testing but no report
50	UDUTH	Sokoto	Public	Testing but no report
51	SPIYDH	Kaduna	Public	Testing but no report
52	AML, Sagamu	Ogun	Private	Not testing
53	FMC Asaba	Delta	Public	Testing but no report
54	Ogun State Mol Lab	Ogun	Public	Testing but no report
55	AE-FETA	Ebonyi	Public	Testing but no report
56	UCH Ibadan	Oyo	Public	Testing but no report
57	SHAC	FCT	Public	Testing but no report
58	NNRHL Cal	Cross River	Public	Testing but no report
59	NNRHL Ojo	Lagos	Public	Testing but no report
60	161 NAFHL	Benue	Public	Testing but no report

NB: This refers to all testing not just travel-related testing

DAILY CONFIRMED CASES – DATA AS OF 17TH APRIL 2022

Table 2: States with reported laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 cases daily over the last week

CONFIRMED CASES	WEEK 15	11 th April	12 th April	13 th April	14 th April	15 th April	16 th April	17 th April
	TOTAL	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Abia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adamawa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Akwa Ibom	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Anambra	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bauchi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bayelsa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Benue	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Borno	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cross River	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Delta	3	0	2	0	1	0	0	0
Ebonyi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Edo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ekiti	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Enugu	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FCT	8	3	1	1	0	3	0	0
Gombe	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Imo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jigawa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kaduna	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kano	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Katsina	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kebbi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kogi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kwara	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lagos	20	2	6	2	2	3	2	3
Nasarawa	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
Niger	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

CONFIRMED CASES	WEEK 15	11 th April	12 th April	13 th April	14 th April	15 th April	16 th April	17 th April
	TOTAL	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Ogun	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ondo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Osun	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oyo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Plateau	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rivers	4	3	0	0	1	0	0	0
Sokoto	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Taraba	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Yobe	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Zamfara	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	43	9	9	4	4	6	2	9

DAILY RECOVERIES – DATA AS OF 17TH APRIL 2022

Table 3: States with reported case management confirmed COVID-19 recoveries daily over the last week.

CONFIRMED RECOVERIES	WEEK 15	11 th April	12 th April	13 th April	14 th April	15 th April	16 th April	17 th April
	TOTAL	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Abia	7	0	5	0	0	2	0	0
Adamawa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Akwa Ibom	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Anambra	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bauchi	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bayelsa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Benue	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Borno	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cross River	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Delta	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ebonyi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Edo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ekiti	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Enugu	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FCT	47	1	0	23	0	23	0	0
Gombe	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Imo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jigawa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kaduna	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Kano	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Katsina	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kebbi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kogi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kwara	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lagos	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nasarawa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Niger	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

CONFIRMED RECOVERIES	WEEK 15	11 th April	12 th April	13 th April	14 th April	15 th April	16 th April	17 th April
	TOTAL	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Ogun	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ondo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Osun	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oyo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Plateau	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Rivers	7	0	0	0	3	2	1	1
Sokoto	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Taraba	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Yobe	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Zamfara	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	72	7	5	24	3	27	5	1

DAILY FATALITIES – DATA AS OF 17TH APRIL 2022

Table 4: States with reported COVID-19 fatalities daily over the last week

CONFIRMED FATALITIES	WEEK 15	11 th April	12 th April	13 th April	14 th April	15 th April	16 th April	17 th April
	TOTAL	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Abia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adamawa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Akwa Ibom	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Anambra	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bauchi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bayelsa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Benue	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Borno	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cross River	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Delta	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ebonyi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Edo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ekiti	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Enugu	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FCT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gombe	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Imo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jigawa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kaduna	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Kano	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Katsina	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kebbi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kogi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kwara	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lagos	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nasarawa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Niger	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

CONFIRMED FATALITIES	WEEK 15	11 th April	12 th April	13 th April	14 th April	15 th April	16 th April	17 th April
	TOTAL	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Ogun	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ondo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Osun	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oyo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Plateau	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rivers	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sokoto	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Taraba	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Yobe	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Zamfara	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0

DAILY EPICURVE

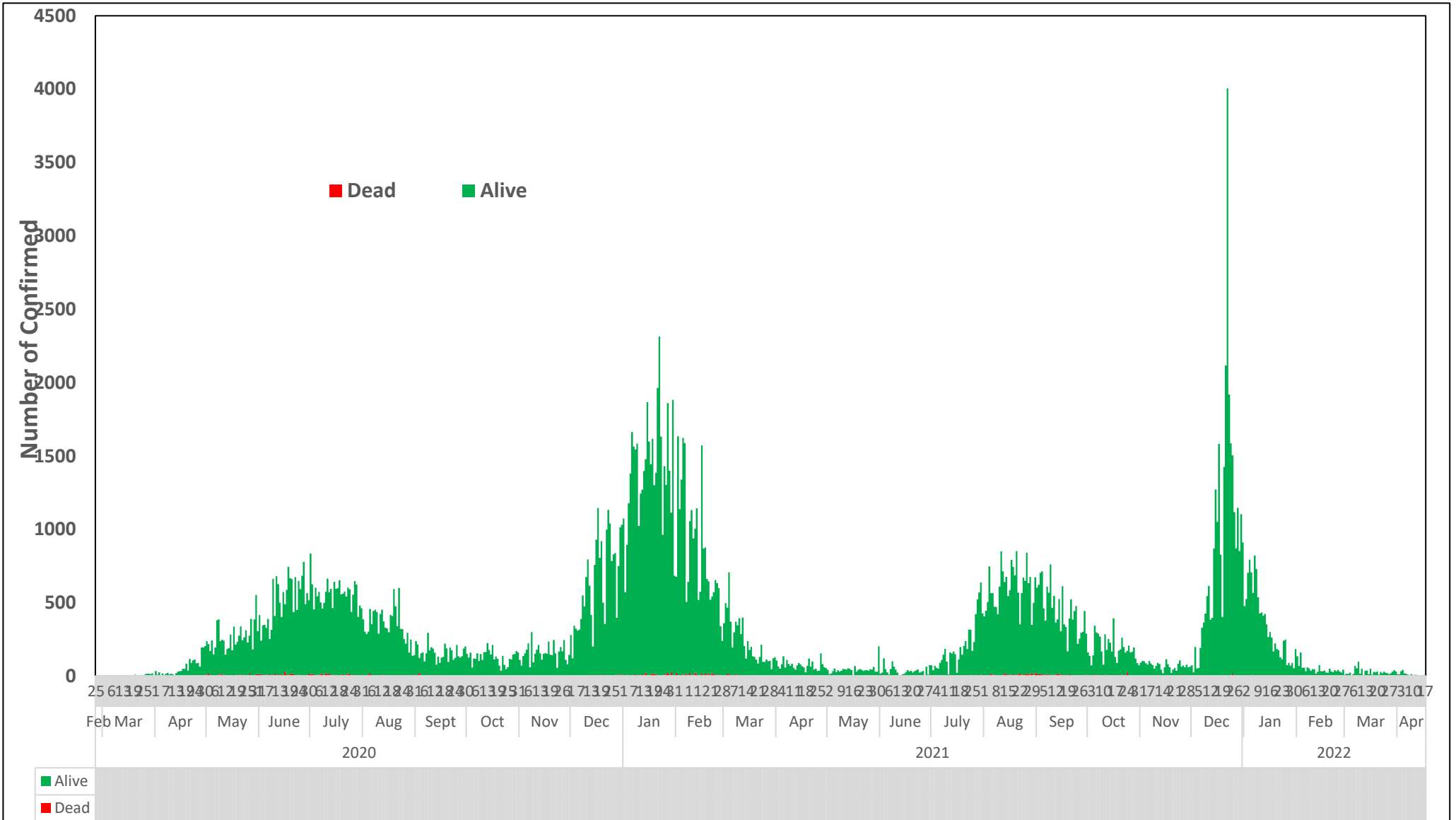


Figure 5: Daily epidemic curve of reported confirmed cases as of 17th April 2022

AGE-GENDER BREAKDOWN

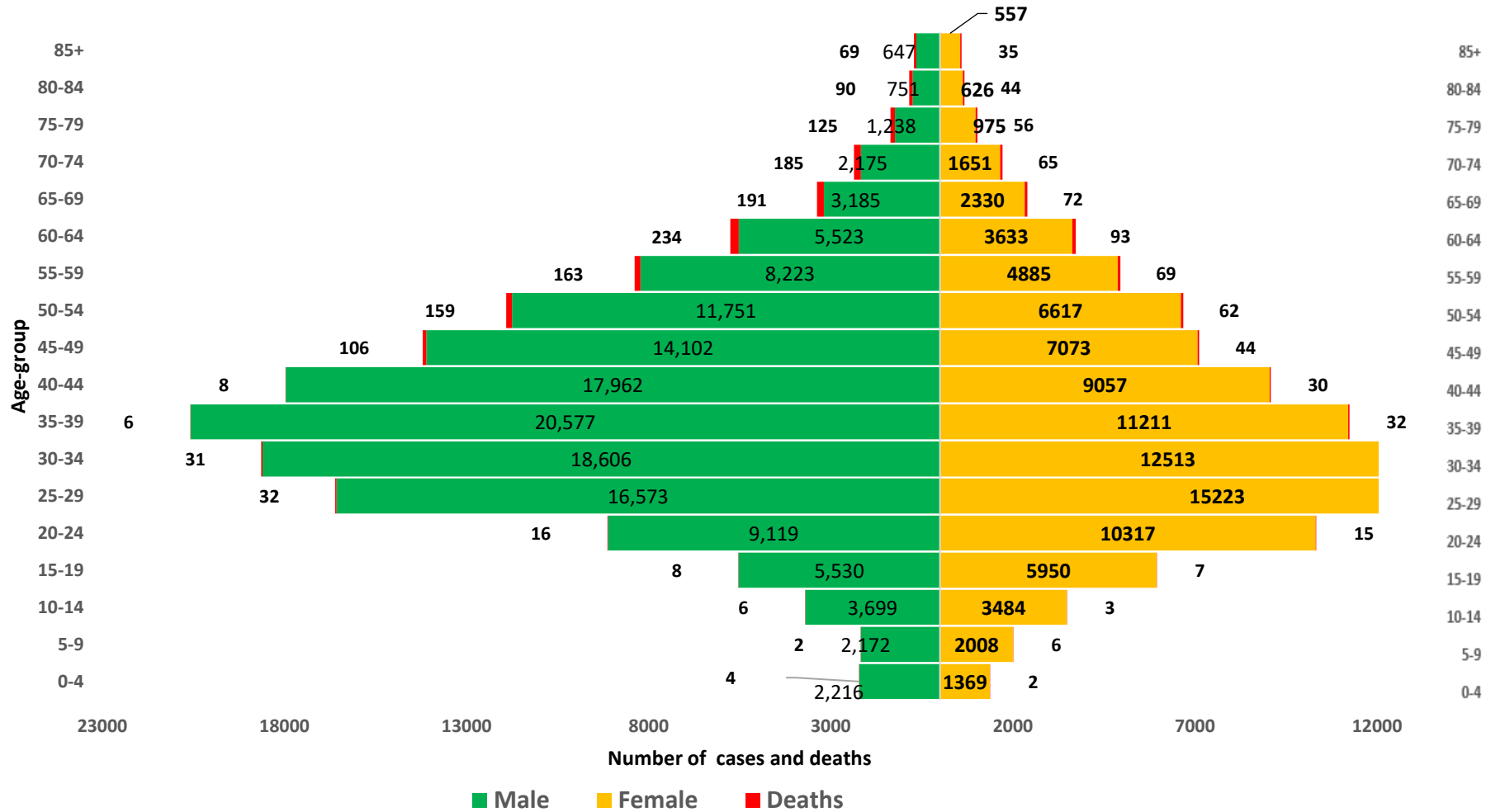


Figure 9: Age and gender distribution of cases and deaths (WK10, 2020 – WK15, 2022)

IN FOCUS: Joint External Evaluation for Health Security

The COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted the importance of building on lessons learned to better respond to and prepare for public health emergencies. The Nigeria Centre for Disease Control (NCDC), in collaboration with ministries, departments, and agencies (MDAs) and partners has implemented several strategies to monitor and evaluate Nigeria's response to infectious diseases. This includes the Joint External Evaluation (JEE), a voluntary peer review of countries' International Health Regulations (IHR) 2005 core capacities conducted every 5 years.

In June 2017, Nigeria conducted its maiden JEE of IHR core capacities and subsequently developed a framework for a midterm internal assessment using the updated World Health Organization (WHO) Joint External Evaluation and Benchmarks Tool. A country-led Midterm JEE was conducted in 2019 alongside a team of external evaluators from public health institutions including the WHO, Public Health England (PHE), and Resolve to Save Lives (RTSL). This JEE is planned to hold annually to assess progress in technical areas including antimicrobial resistance, zoonotic diseases, immunisation, surveillance, and risk communications amongst others.

The IHR provides guidance for state parties to prevent, detect and respond to public health events of international concern using a One Health approach. Understanding competency levels and gaps in pandemic preparedness helps countries develop multi-sectoral action plans for the detection, prevention, and response to disease outbreaks. An example of this is the establishment of a National Risk Communication Technical Working Group based on recommendations from the 2017 JEE assessment report. The risk communication team with support from partners has developed the capacity for risk communication for sub-national risk communication officers, security agencies, etc.

There is a continued need for IHR stakeholders including State Governments to invest in activities to respond effectively to COVID-19 and other infectious disease outbreaks. We commend the commitment of MDAs and partners to strengthening the health security capacities of Nigeria through the implementation of JEE recommendations.

RESPONSE

On 28th February 2020, a multi-sectoral Emergency Operations Centre EOC was activated at Level 3 which is the highest emergency level in Nigeria. This is led by the NCDC in close coordination with the State Public Health Emergency Operations Centres and through the deployment of **62** Rapid Response Teams to states. The EOC presently operates at response level 2 and current response activities include:

- **Disseminated messages to health facility management ahead of the World Hand Hygiene Day celebration**
- **Reviewed IPC COVID-19 online training modules to incorporate other IPC issues**
- **Ongoing integration of COVID-19 packages into other disease specific trainings and community sensitization**
- **Supported Ekiti and Kwara States Ministry of Health with RDT kits for increased testing**
- **Supported AIDS Prevention Initiative in Nigeria, FCT with laboratory diagnostic tools and consumables**
- **Supported Akwa Ibom and Gombe States' Ministry of Health with RDT kits for increased testing**

- **Supported Molecular Diagnostic Laboratory, Gombe; Defense Reference Laboratory, Abuja, and General Hospital, Kubwa with laboratory diagnostic tools and consumables**
- **Completed nationwide PPE and other commodities prepositioning to treatment and sample collection centres and other health facilities in Adamawa, Gombe, Jigawa, and Zamfara States**
- **Reviewed and disseminated the Frequently Asked Questions on travel protocol for COVID-19 response**
- Conducted risk assessment on the ongoing response activities
- Ongoing analysis of the COVID-19 response checklist that was deployed to states
- Continued engagement with states to ensure regular reporting and response continuity
- Continued roll out of antigen based rapid diagnostic test kits in collaboration with partners
- Continued tracking and collation of data from states for strategic coordination
- Ongoing data collection for the Burden of COVID-19 on Healthcare Workers Study
- Ongoing data collection for COVID-19 vaccine effectiveness study in collaboration with National Primary Health Care Development Agency (NPHCDA) and the World Health Organisation
- Continued collation of reports on COVID-19 clinical management study
- Conducted oxygen assessment and advocacy visit to National Agency for Food Drug Administration and Control, Standard Organization of Nigeria, and Air Liquide in Lagos
- Conducted technical evaluation of synchronization issues on SORMAS mobile application in 18 states
- Ongoing active case finding and contact tracing in 15 states
- Continued follow up with states for daily reporting, contact tracing and key challenges
- Ongoing enhanced surveillance at points of entry
- Ongoing monitoring and supervision of healthcare activities across health facilities
- Ongoing collaboration with Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nigeria and College of Medicine University of Lagos in the delivery of the IPC intermediate course for healthcare workers across the country
- Ongoing COVID-19 laboratory audit across the laboratory network in the country
- Suspension of the addition of labs to the network (optimization/activation) in general although requests are still considered on a case-by-case basis
- Ongoing COVID-19 surge testing scale-up project in Abia, Akwa Ibom, Edo, Ekiti, Kwara, Kebbi, Ondo and Sokoto States
- Ongoing review and update of the National COVID-19 testing strategy
- Ongoing sequencing of positive samples among travellers to Nigeria and positive cases detected in-country, at the National Reference Laboratory, Gaduwa
- Ongoing quarterly commodity monitoring and stock verification exercise to reconcile data across states, check available stock balance and utilisation records
- Ongoing prepositioning of PPE and commodities at the sub-national level for labs, treatment centres, sample collection centres and other relevant facilities as preparedness for surge in cases
- Continued offsite support to state health promotion officers
- Continued support to NPHCDA in the COVID-19 vaccination campaign
- Ongoing media appearances on radio and television

PREPAREDNESS

Since the confirmation of the first case on 27th February 2020, the NCDC has released advisories and statements to help Nigerians and affected groups to respond to the pandemic:

- Presidential Steering Committee on COVID-19 updated the Implementation Guidelines for Easing COVID-19 Restrictions: http://covid19.ncdc.gov.ng/media/files/F5_-_IMPLEMENTATION_GUIDELINES_Ako.pdf
- NCDC revised and updated the [Nigeria International Travel Portal \(NITP\)](#)
- Presidential Steering Committee on COVID-19 updated the international travel protocol: http://covid19.ncdc.gov.ng/media/files/Revised_Travel_protocol_revised_2nd_April_2022.pdf
- Celebrate Responsibly Campaign: [NCDC Intensifies COVID-19 Awareness ahead of the Yuletide](#)
- NCDC issued a press release on the [detection of the first confirmed cases of omicron variant of SARS-CoV-2 in Nigeria](#)
- NCDC revised and updated the [Nigeria International Travel Portal \(NITP\)](#)
- Presidential Steering Committee on COVID-19 released a press statement on [Revised International Travel Protocol into Nigeria](#)
- NCDC published [COVID-19 safety guidelines for Conferences and Events in Nigeria](#)
- NCDC issued a press release on the [detection of the first confirmed case of delta variant of SARS-CoV-2 in Nigeria](#)
- Presidential Steering Committee on COVID-19 reviewed and published [Travel advisory for passengers arriving Nigeria from Brazil, India and Turkey to include South Africa](#)
- Presidential Steering Committee on COVID-19 published [Travel advisory for passengers arriving Nigeria from Brazil, India and Turkey](#)
- Presidential Steering Committee on COVID-19 published [Implementation guidelines for phased restriction of movement](#)
- NCDC published [One year of COVID-19 response in Nigeria](#)
- NCDC and NIMR publish [findings of COVID-19 household seroprevalence surveys in four states of Nigeria](#)
- NCDC published a [Statement on variants of SARS-CoV-2 in Nigeria](#)
- The Federal Ministry of Education (FME) and partners, PTF and NCDC have developed: [Guidance for integrated safe school re-opening 26th January 2021](#)
- COVID-19 Health Protection Regulation signed by President Muhammadu Buhari on 26th January 2021: [Coronavirus Disease \(COVID-19\) Health Protection Regulations 2021](#)
- NCDC published an updated [community case definitions for coronavirus disease 2019](#)
- The Federal Ministry of Health and NCDC published [COVID-19 Patient's handbook for home-based care in Nigeria](#)
- NCDC published an updated [case definitions for coronavirus disease](#)
- NCDC published [Guidance for the use of approved COVID-19 antigen-based rapid diagnostic tests in Nigeria](#)
- Update of [travel protocols](#) for all travellers into Nigeria from [UK and South Africa](#)
- NCDC recently launched the [Celebrate Responsibly](#) campaign in response to the increase in cases of coronavirus disease (COVID-19) and poor adherence to public health and social measures across the country: [Celebrate Responsibly and Save Lives – New Awareness Campaign for the Yuletide Season](#)
- Ahead of the Christmas and end of year festivity, NCDC published the [End-of-Year Travel Advisory on COVID-19](#)
- NCDC recently launched the [COVID-19 blog](#) for telling the stories of Nigeria's response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

- NCDC published guidelines on 2020 National Youth Service Corps (NYSC) Orientation Camp activities in conjunction with PTF and NYSC: [Guidelines on 2020 National Youth Service Corps \(NYSC\) Orientation Camp activities](#)
- NCDC published guidance on the use of antigen RDTs: [Guidance on the use of Antigen Rapid Diagnostic Kits for diagnosis of SARS-CoV-2 infection in Nigeria](#)
- NCDC published guidance on safe school re-opening: [Public Health guidance for Safe School re-opening in Nigeria](#)
- NCDC published second interim guidance – Infection Prevention and Control: [Recommendations during health care provision for suspected and confirmed cases of COVID-19](#)
- NCDC recently published the first edition of a quick reference guide on setting up sample collection centre - [A step by step guide on setting up a sample collection centre](#)
- NCDC has launched an online course on [Infection, Prevention and Control \(IPC\) for COVID-19](#) NCDC eLearning platform
- Ahead of forthcoming elections in the country, NCDC has issued [Guidelines for Conducting Elections During the COVID-19 Outbreak in Nigeria](#).
- To protect our elders, and those with pre-existing medical conditions, NCDC has issued an [Advisory for Vulnerable Groups](#).
- NCDC has released [guidelines on the re-opening of places for worship](#).
- NCDC has released [Strategies to Improve Surveillance for COVID-19 Guidance for States](#)
- The Nigeria Police Force has released COVID-19 operational guidelines for the [Police and other Law Enforcement Agencies in Nigeria](#)
- Guidelines have been issued for the [safe transportation of remains of persons suspected or confirmed to have died of COVID-19](#)
- Information on diagnostics of the COVID-19 virus can be found in our [detailed FAQ document](#).
- To increase our testing capacity, NCDC has issued guidelines for the [integration of private labs](#).
- Guidelines for [businesses and employers](#) have been updated.
- NCDC has updated its [case definition](#) , [community case definition](#) and [case management guide](#).
- NCDC releases periodic [public health advisories](#) to Nigerians on the COVID-19 disease.
- To adhere to post-lockdown measures, NCDC has released an [advisory on the use of face masks](#), as well as information on the [Use of Cloth face masks](#) and [how to make your cloth face masks](#).
- NCDC has released guidelines for the [management of pregnant women and nursing mothers](#) during the pandemic.
- To address burials of loved ones who die from COVID-19, guidelines have been issued to advise on the [safe burials](#)
- For health centres managing cases, the following documents have been released- a guideline for the [Rational Use of Personal Protective Equipment in the care of COVID-19 cases](#).
- As part of plans to increase the testing capacity of the country, the NCDC published a [National Strategy to Scale Up Access to Coronavirus Disease Testing in Nigeria](#) document.
- The Presidential Task Force has published policies and announcements on COVID-19 [available on the website of the Presidency](#) – including presidential addresses, task force updates and information on livelihood and economic support.

INFORMATION RESOURCES

- Nigeria Centre for Disease Control: www.covid19.ncdc.gov.ng | www.ncdc.gov.ng
- Nigerian Presidency Website on COVID-19: www.statehouse.gov.ng/COVID19
- WHO Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Dashboard (**source for global updates**) <https://covid19.who.int/>