



COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT

WEEKLY EPIDEMIOLOGICAL REPORT 52

Epi Week 40: 4th – 10th October 2021

DATA AS REPORTED AND ACCURATE BY NCDC AS AT MIDNIGHT 10TH OCTOBER 2021

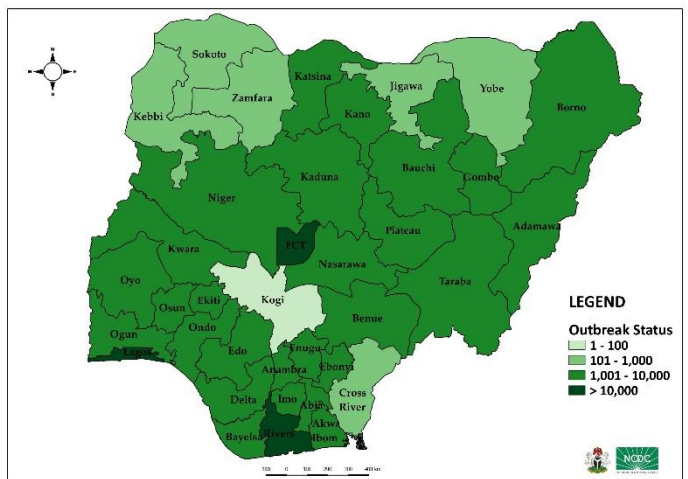
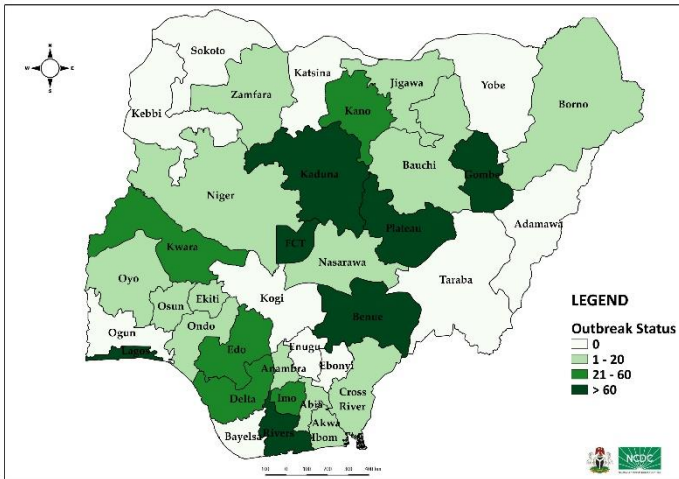


Fig 1. Distribution of cases (Epi Week 40 only)

Fig 2. Distribution of cumulative cases

HIGHLIGHTS

- In Week 40, the number of new confirmed cases decreased to **1,556** from **1,682** reported in week 39. These were reported in **25** states and FCT (Tables 1 & 2).
- In Week 40, the number of discharged cases decreased to **1,177** from **1,483** in week 39. These were reported in **19** states and FCT (Tables 1 & 3).
- There were **24** deaths reported in the last one week (Tables 1 & 4).
- Cumulatively, since the outbreak began in Week **9**, 2020 there have been **207,694** cases and **2,747** deaths reported with a case fatality rate (CFR) of **1.3%** (Tables 1 & 4).
- In Week 40, the number of in-bound international travellers tested was **4,152** of which **53** were positive compared to **30** (out of **3,475** tested) in week 39.
- In Week 40, the number of out-bound international travellers tested was **6,241** of which **102** were positive compared to **126** (out of **6,317** tested) in week 39.
- Globally, the count for confirmed COVID-19 cases is **237,383,711** with **4,842,716** deaths resulting in a case fatality rate of **2.0%**.

GENERAL FACT SHEET – DATA AS AT 10TH OCTOBER 2021

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	1,975	8	1,892	0	26	0	57	32,621	236
Adamawa	1,157	0	1,098	0	32	0	27	26,460	34
Akwa Ibom	4,342	7	3,940	76	44	0	358	40,429	512
Anambra	2,346	9	2,313	15	19	0	14	40,973	388
Bauchi	1,626	13	1,596	2	17	0	13	31,993	133
Bayelsa	1,227	0	1,168	80	28	0	31	27,209	492
Benue	1,737	76	1,430	12	25	1	282	39,717	1,522
Borno	1,356	4	1,306	0	38	0	12	23,269	179
Cross River	587	11	546	8	24	2	17	14,267	71
Delta	3,535	53	2,556	0	106	0	873	61,214	2,872
Ebonyi	2,059	0	2,003	0	32	0	24	33,549	84
Edo	6,521	35	5,751	44	223	0	547	94,279	8,593
Ekiti	1,744	12	1,657	10	27	0	60	40,531	567
Enugu	2,682	0	2,589	0	29	0	64	53,785	5,489
FCT	22,505	444	20,751	167	204	15	1,550	422,855	9,371
Gombe	2,517	73	2,370	43	50	1	97	81,529	2,555
Imo	1,984	47	1,875	46	41	0	68	60,585	1,271
Jigawa	591	11	567	4	16	0	8	17,758	325
Kaduna	9,791	106	9,573	154	75	2	143	154,487	1,482
Kano	4,239	54	4,061	27	114	1	64	129,569	2,047
Katsina	2,220	0	2,182	0	35	0	3	50,486	114
Kebbi	458	0	433	0	16	0	9	21,604	1
Kogi	5	0	3	0	2	0	0	8,634	5
Kwara	3,899	32	3,650	0	62	0	187	38,148	746
Lagos	77,137	298	72,350	0	664	0	4,123	828,803	15,767
Nasarawa	2,464	7	2,345	0	39	0	80	32,180	80
Niger	1,034	7	998	0	20	0	16	23,502	367
Ogun	5,369	0	5,274	14	80	0	15	97,022	871
Ondo	4,501	9	4,275	25	95	2	131	39,125	361

STATE	CONFIRMED		RECOVERIES		DEATHS		ACTIVE CASES	TESTING	
	Total	Last Week	Total	Last Week	Total	Last Week		Total	Last Week
Osun	2,926	10	2,823	31	85	0	18	28,111	213
Oyo	8,711	12	7,989	26	191	0	531	96,256	758
Plateau	9,488	74	9,338	108	65	0	85	77,877	779
Rivers	12,289	134	12,013	285	154	0	122	317,147	7,218
Sokoto	802	0	768	0	28	0	6	30,731	36
Taraba	1,092	0	1,054	0	24	0	14	17,172	58
Yobe	502	0	490	0	9	0	3	29,897	6
Zamfara	276	10	247	0	8	0	21	16,126	6
Total	207,694	1,556	195,274	1,177	2,747	24	9,673	3,179,900	65,609

Test type disaggregation (last one week)

Type	Number of tests done	Percentage of tests done
PCR	53,695	81.8%
RDT	11,914	18.2%
TOTAL	65,609	

Test type disaggregation (cumulative)

Type	Number of tests done	Percentage of tests done
PCR	2,682,212	84.3%
RDT	497,688	15.7%
TOTAL	3,179,900	

RETURNING PASSENGERS TESTS

Laboratories and COVID-19 tests for returning Persons of Interest

LABORATORY	INBOUND
54Gene Abuja (FCT)	422
ACCOUNS (Lagos)	8
AFRIGLOBAL (Lagos)	243
Arab Labs (FCT)	30
Arrive Alive (Lagos)	76
BIOLOGIX (Lagos)	104
Biosensors Medical Diagnostics (FCT)	25
Cedarcrest Abuja (FCT)	128
CLINA-LANCET Laboratories (Lagos)	496
CLINA-LANCET Laboratories Abuja (FCT)	30
Clinix Healthcare (Lagos)	133
CoolSpring (Lagos)	15
DemyHealth (FCT)	26
DNA labs Abuja (FCT)	321
DNA Labs Kaduna (Kaduna)	26
E-clinic & Diagnostics (FCT)	54
Edo Specialist Hospital (Edo)	36
Evercare (Lagos)	6
Everight diagnostics (Abuja) (FCT)	99
Everight diagnostics (Imo)	43
Grandville (Lagos)	13
Harley And Rainbow (Lagos)	35
Ibom Molecular Laboratory (Akwa Ibom)	25
IFAIN (FCT)	28
LASUCOM (Lagos)	7
Lifebridge (Lagos)	16
Me Cure (Lagos)	60
Medbury (Lagos)	364
Medbury Medical Services (Rivers)	117
Medicaid Abuja (FCT)	129
MEDILAG (Lagos)	8
NIZAMIYE (FCT)	37

Laboratories without reports on number of samples tested this week.

AKTH (Kano)	YDMH Genexpert (Kaduna)
UNIOSUN (Osun)	GH Takum (Taraba)
OOOUTH (Ogun)	Kaduna Mobile Truck GX (Kaduna)
IFAIN (Kano)	GH Saminaka (Kaduna)
SSH (Kogi)	O2 (Lagos)
IFAIN (Kano)	FMC Bida (Niger)
PLASVREC (Plateau)	NVRI (Plateau)
BUK (Kano)	ABU, (Kaduna)
FMC Yola, (Adamawa)	JUTH (Plateau)
Everight (Imo)	MOGID, (Bauchi)
ZANKLI GX lab, (Nasarawa)	FMC Owo, (Ondo)
YSSH, (Yobe)	FMC Birnin Kebbi, (Kebbi)
UCTH (Cross River)	PHL (Ondo)
UPH (Rivers)	UNTH (Enugu)
ISTH (Edo)	Landmark (Anambra)
FMC Owo (Ondo)	BRML (Bauchi)
USUMH (Borno)	UMTH (Borno)
PLASVIREC (Plateau)	Warri Lab (Delta)
GH Kagarko (Kaduna)	ACEGID (Osun)
FMC (Owerri)	FMC (Katsina)
UBTH (Edo)	AE-FETHA (Ebonyi)
DLHMH (Cross River)	FMC Makurdi (Benue)
FMCG (Zamfara)	FMCJ (Taraba)
Sobi IDH (Kwara)	USUMH (Borno)

SMPL Enugu (Enugu)	24
SYNLAB (Lagos)	223
The Specialist Lab (Lagos)	16
TOBIS MDL (Bayelsa)	11
Total (Lagos)	50
Vcare (Lagos)	185
Wellmed (Lagos)	33
Westend Hospital Molecular Laboratory (Delta)	74
Zaine Lab (Lagos)	177
Life Center (Lagos)	153
Genequest (Lagos)	24
Funbell (Lagos)	22
Grand Total	4,152

DAILY CONFIRMED CASES – DATA AS AT 10TH OCTOBER 2021

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

CONFIRMED CASES	WEEK 40	4 th October	5 th October	6 th October	7 th October	8 th October	9 th October	10 th October
	TOTAL	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Abia	8	0	8	0	0	0	0	0
Adamawa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Akwa Ibom	7	0	1	0	2	0	0	4
Anambra	9	0	9	0	0	0	0	0
Bauchi	13	0	4	0	0	9	0	0
Bayelsa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Benue	76	5	13	12	0	24	13	9
Borno	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cross River	11	0	11	0	0	0	0	0
Delta	53	1	11	2	18	17	0	4
Ebonyi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Edo	35	0	16	14	3	2	0	0
Ekiti	12	0	4	1	5	1	1	0
Enugu	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FCT	444	0	79	104	127	89	35	10
Gombe	73	32	0	28	0	13	0	0
Imo	47	25	0	5	6	3	0	8
Jigawa	11	0	7	0	0	1	0	3
Kaduna	106	0	33	13	28	0	20	12
Kano	54	3	12	14	0	15	6	4
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	32	0	4	0	17	11	0	0
Lagos	298	29	62	40	45	54	46	22
Nasarawa	7	0	1	0	4	1	1	0
Niger	7	0	0	0	0	7	0	0
Ogun	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ondo	9	0	0	6	3	0	0	0

CONFIRMED CASES	WEEK 40	4 th October	5 th October	6 th October	7 th October	8 th October	9 th October	10 th October
	TOTAL	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Osun	10	0	0	10	0	0	0	0
Oyo	12	0	2	0	1	0	9	0
Plateau	74	9	22	21	13	8	0	1
Rivers	134	33	45	27	8	14	6	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	10	0	0	0	10	0	0	0
Total	1,556	141	344	297	290	269	137	78

DAILY RECOVERIES – DATA AS AT 10TH OCTOBER 2021

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

CONFIRMED RECOVERIES	WEEK 40	4 th October	5 th October	6 th October	7 th October	8 th October	9 th October	10 th October
	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	76	0	18	0	15	0	0	43
Anambra	15	0	15	0	0	0	0	0
Bauchi	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Bayelsa	80	0	0	0	20	60	0	0
Benue	12	0	12	0	0	0	0	0
Borno ^a	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cross River	8	0	8	0	0	0	0	0
Delta	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ebonyi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Edo	44	0	10	0	0	0	0	34
Ekiti	10	0	10	0	0	0	0	0
Enugu	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FCT	167	0	91	13	0	52	7	4
Gombe	43	0	0	0	0	43	0	0
Imo	46	14	0	0	21	11	0	0
Jigawa	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	0
Kaduna	154	0	59	10	10	0	42	33
Kano	27	0	0	7	0	20	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
Ogun	14	0	10	0	3	1	0	0
Ondo	25	0	0	0	25	0	0	0

CONFIRMED RECOVERIES	WEEK 40	4 th October	5 th October	6 th October	7 th October	8 th October	9 th October	10 th October
	TOTAL	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Osun	31	0	0	31	0	0	0	0
Oyo	26	0	13	10	0	0	3	0
Plateau	108	0	40	42	0	26	0	0
Rivers	285	56	16	63	51	43	28	28
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	1,177	70	308	176	145	256	80	142

DAILY FATALITIES – DATA AS AT 10TH OCTOBER 2021

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

CONFIRMED FATALITIES	WEEK 40	4 th October	5 th October	6 th October	7 th October	8 th October	9 th October	10 th October
	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	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Borno	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cross River	2	0	2	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	15	0	3	6	2	1	1	2
Gombe	1	0	0	1	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	2	0	0	0	0	0
Kano	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	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
Ogun	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ondo	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0

CONFIRMED FATALITIES	WEEK 40	4 th October	5 th October	6 th October	7 th October	8 th October	9 th October	10 th October
	TOTAL	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
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	24	0	8	9	2	1	2	2

DAILY EPICURVE

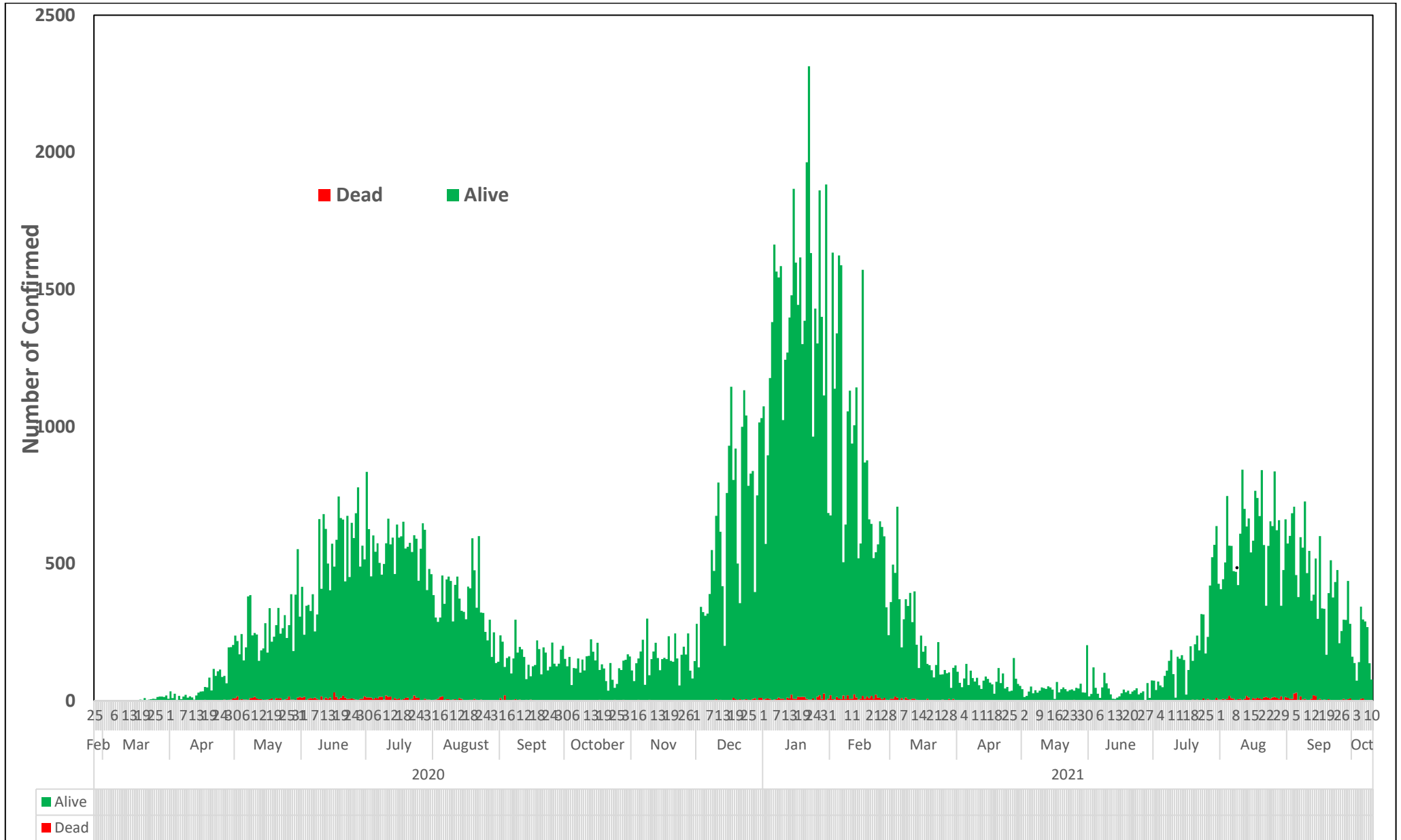


Figure 3: Daily epidemic curve of confirmed cases as reported per day as of 10th October 2021

AGE-GENDER BREAKDOWN

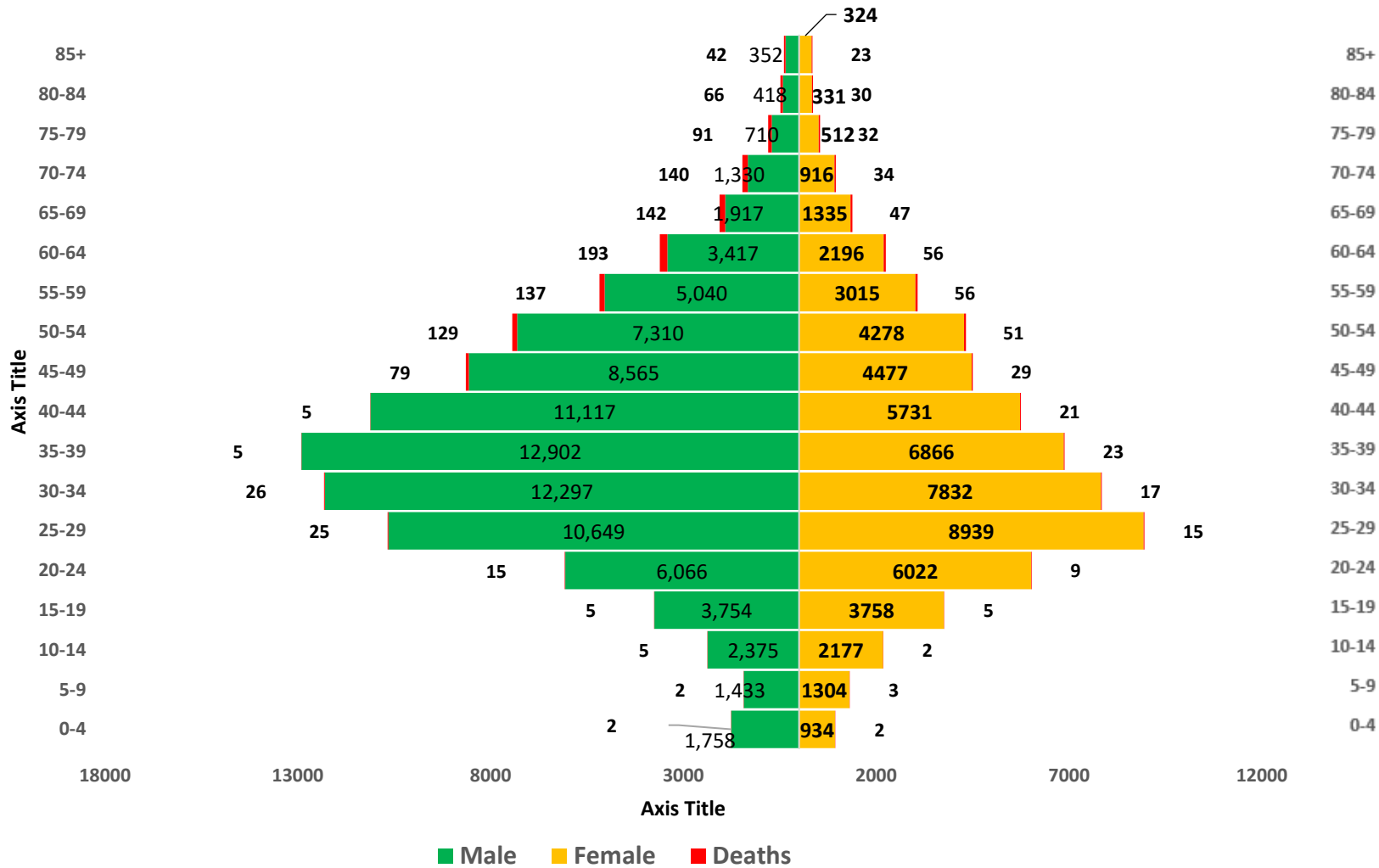


Figure 7: Chart with age and gender breakdown of cases and deaths (WK10, 2020 – WK40, 2021)

IN FOCUS: The Role of Telecommunication in COVID-19 Response

The response to the COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted the importance of technology in the prevention and response to infectious disease outbreaks. With the increasing availability of and accessibility to mobile devices, life-saving information can be shared widely and rapidly between public health officers, decision-makers and to members of the public.

The Nigeria Centre for Disease Control (NCDC) has leveraged telecommunications in various areas of work to disseminate verified information on COVID-19 and other infectious diseases. The NCDC Connect Centre utilises among other structures of communication, hotlines, SMS, and WhatsApp for early detection of potential outbreaks as well as establish a two-way communication channel with the public. For the national public health response, NCDC has also leveraged other telecommunication structures such as SMS broadcasts, interactive voice messaging and a COVID-19 self-assessment tool accessible via USSD and so on.

Since the start of the COVID-19 outbreak in Nigeria, NCDC has worked collaboratively with partners, ministries, departments and agencies, and the private sector to enhance the response. Accordingly, NCDC is working with the Nigeria Communications Commission (NCC), and Nigerian telecommunications companies to strengthen the public health response to COVID-19 using telecommunications infrastructures. Some of the support that NCDC has received include:

1. Provision of closed user group (CUG) lines and mifi devices in each state for field epidemiologists, disease surveillance notification officers and community informants for COVID-19 case reporting and contact tracing
2. Providing additional call agents for the NCDC Connect Centre
3. Zero-rating the NCDC COVID-19 microsite and Connect Centre line to mobile subscribers
4. Amplifying the #TakeResponsibility communications campaign through SMS

Recently, NCDC held a meeting with NCC, Nigerian telecommunications companies, and other relevant stakeholders to review the impact of the support received so far as part of the COVID-19 response. The meeting facilitated discussion for continued collaboration among all parties.

The NCDC recognises the importance of telecommunications in outbreak response and is committed to strengthening partnerships and innovations that enable this.

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 NCDC in close coordination with the State Public Health EOCs (PHEOC) and through the deployment of **59** Rapid Response Teams (RRT) to states. Currently, response activities include:

- **Held meeting with state team with focus on increase in healthcare worker infection and way forward in resolving the challenges**
- **Ongoing data collection on COVID-19 vaccine hesitancy study**
- **Concluded training of community volunteers in 15 states to support case finding and contact tracing**
- **Pilot of approach to active case search and contact tracing in Kaduna State with plan to roll-out in other states across the country**
- **Attended a pre-conference on safe school declaration organised by the National Human Right Commission**
- **Supported FCT Molecular Laboratory, Kubwa General Hospital and 161 Nigeria Airforce Abuja, Bayero University, Kano; Kaduna State Ministry of Health (SMoH) and National Reference Laboratory (NRL), Gaduwa with laboratory consumables and personal protective equipment (PPE)**
- **Disseminated safety guidelines for conducting events and conferences in Nigeria**
- Developed/mapped out strategic pillar activities to sustain the response
- Continued engagement with states to ensure regular reporting and response continuity
- Continued roll out of antigen based rapid diagnostic test (Ag-RDT) kits in collaboration with partners
- Continued tracking and collation of data from states for strategic coordination
- Continued collation of reports on COVID-19 clinical management study
- Ongoing COVID-19 vaccine effectiveness study in collaboration with National Primary Health Care Development Agency (NPHCDA) and WHO
- Ongoing study on knowledge and compliance of health care workers to infection prevention and control (IPC) measures in the control of COVID-19 infection
- Ongoing research on drivers of mortality prognostic factors and other health sector challenges associated with COVID-19 deaths in treatment centres in Abia, Delta, Edo, Kaduna, Kano, Lagos, Niger, Ogun, Oyo, Plateau, Rivers, & Yobe States and Federal Capital Territory (FCT)
- Continued follow up with states for daily reporting, contact tracing and key challenges
- Ongoing enhanced surveillance at points of entry
- Ongoing process to establish State IPC programme
- Ongoing IPC monitoring and supervision activities in Kaduna State
- Conducted IPC refresher training for healthcare workers at the University of Uyo Teaching Hospital
- Ongoing assessment of 30 health facilities in the Federal Capital Territory (FCT) and Nasarawa State for IPC implementation in collaboration with Institute of Human Virology Nigeria (IHVN)
- Ongoing online classes for IPC Intermediate diploma course for IPC professionals
- Continued sensitisation of schools, hospitals, patients and relations and religious bodies on hand hygiene
- Ongoing sequencing of positive samples among travellers to Nigeria and positive cases detected in-country, at the National Reference Laboratory (NRL), Gaduwa
- Supported Rivers SMoH and Federal Teaching Hospital Abakaliki and Kaduna SMoH with RDT kits for increase COVID-19 testing
- Ongoing quarterly commodity monitoring and stock verification exercise to reconcile data across states, check available stock balance and utilisation records

- Ongoing repositioning 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
- Conducted meeting with telecommunication executives to acknowledge their support to Nigeria's COVID-19 response and discuss further collaboration
- Concluded One Health Risk Communication Training of public health professionals and the media
- Ongoing promotion of COVID-19 messages on testing, signs and symptoms, location of testing facilities, price of testing, and location of vaccination sites
- Continued support to National Primary Health Care Development Agency (NPHCDA) in 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:

- 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 [management of dead bodies](#).
- 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/>