



COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT

WEEKLY EPIDEMIOLOGICAL REPORT 24

Epi Week 12: 22nd – 28th March 2021

DATA AS REPORTED AND ACCURATE BY NCDC AS AT MIDNIGHT 28TH MARCH 2021

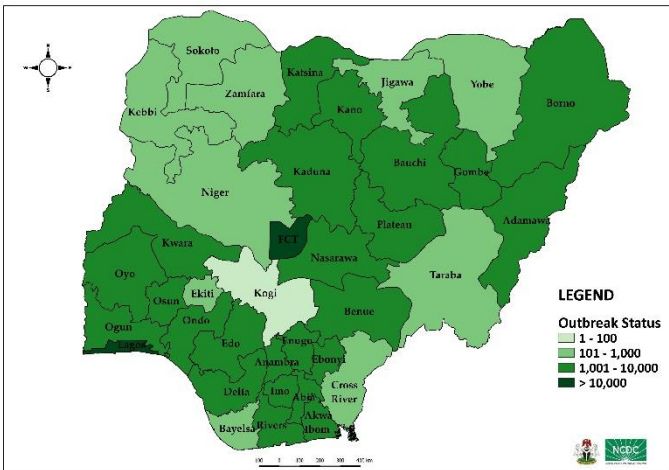
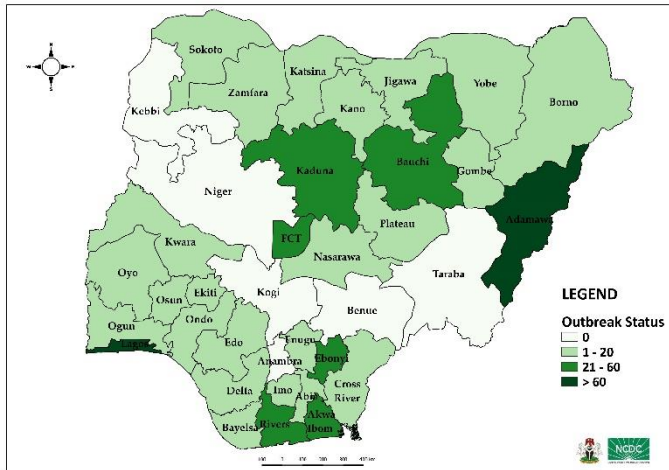


Fig 1. Distribution of cases (Epi Week 12 only)

Fig 2. Distribution of cumulative cases

HIGHLIGHTS

- In Week 12, the number of new confirmed cases decreased to **856** from **1,080** reported in week 11. These were reported in **29** states and FCT (Tables 1 & 2).
- In Week 12, the number of discharged cases decreased to **2,409** from **2,500** in week 11. These were reported in **23** states and FCT (Tables 1 & 3).
- The number of reported deaths in the last one week in **5** states and FCT was **18** (Tables 1 & 4).
- Cumulatively, since the outbreak began in Week **9**, 2020 there have been **2,048** deaths reported with a case fatality rate (CFR) of **1.3%** (Tables 1 & 4).
- In Week 12, the number of in-bound international travellers at Nigerian airports was **15,687** compared with **14,103** in Week 11.
- In Week 12, the number of international travellers with a positive result was **52** compared to **63** from week 11.
- Globally, the count for confirmed COVID-19 cases is **129,359,540** with **2,769,473** deaths resulting in a case fatality rate of **2.2%**

GENERAL FACT SHEET – DATA AS AT 28TH MARCH 2021

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

STATES	CONFIRMED		RECOVERIES		DEATHS		ACTIVE CASES	TESTING	
	Total	Last Week	Total	Last Week	Total	Last Week		Total	Last Week
Abia	1,665	16	1,643	24	21	0	1	21,141	235
Adamawa	1,051	109 ^a	274	4	32	1	745	18,255	13
Akwa Ibom	1,762	26	1,436	155	14	0	312	16,708	53
Anambra	1,909	0	1,826	0	19	0	64	23,999	406
Bauchi	1,521	33	1,501	234	17	0	3	24,498	645
Bayelsa	852	20	784	5	26	0	42	16,735	352
Benue	1,188	0	591	0	22	0	575	16,639	38
Borno	1,327	2	1,200	0	38	0	89	19,760	243
Cross River	366	9	341	7	17	0	8	6,871	55
Delta	2,599	0	1,744	0	71	0	784	34,499	387
Ebonyi	2,007	22	1,951	13	32	0	24	14,959	451
Edo	4,875	7	4,654	57	185	0	36	33,739	73
Ekiti	865	2	808	9	11	0	46	16,090	164
Enugu	2,237	16	1,923	58	29	0	285	22,183	1406
FCT	19,617	37	17,064	1,174	156	1	2,397	242,845	6831
Gombe	2,030	5	1,983	5	44	0	3	43,312	37
Imo	1,642	3	1,535	0	37	1	70	33,517	528
Jigawa	518	15	485	5	16	0	17	8,987	450
Kaduna	8,914	56	8,790	81	65	0	59	77,538	2892
Kano	3,902	13	3,767	15	110	0	25	91,948	928
Katsina	2,083	1	2,030	0	34	0	19	37,909	78
Kebbi	442	0	392	0	16	0	34	14,878	3
Kogi	5	0	3	0	2	0	0	4,600	1
Kwara	3,078	11	2,814	6	55	0	209	23,684	352
Lagos	57,581	308	56,990	203	439	13	152	428,499	10765
Nasarawa	2,318	2	373	0	13	0	1,932	22,546	153
Niger	930	0	417	0	17	0	496	17,505	25
Ogun	4,617	7	4,446	112	49	0	122	69,821	362
Ondo	3,168	11	2,080	0	62	1	1,026	23,566	11

STATES	CONFIRMED		RECOVERIES		DEATHS		ACTIVE CASES	TESTING	
	Total	Last Week	Total	Last Week	Total	Last Week		Total	Last Week
Osun	2,524	16	2,445	44	52	0	27	18,352	59
Oyo	6,838	15	6,221	17	123	0	494	56,286	669
Plateau	9,024	18	8,916	29	57	0	51	66,908	603
Rivers	6,909	54	6,767	123	100	1	42	160,199	3456
Sokoto	774	1	745	4	28	0	1	18,749	13
Taraba	910	0	864	0	22	0	24	12,578	59
Yobe	313	20	284	25	9	0	20	10,410	1143
Zamfara	232	1	221	0	8	0	3	7,392	60
Total	162,593	856	150,308	2,409	2,048	18	10,237	1,778,105	33,999

^aconfirmed cases reported are backlog of the previous week

Test type disaggregation (last one week)

Type	Number of tests done	Percentage of tests done
PCR	33,344	98.1%
RDT	655	1.9%
TOTAL	33,999	

Test type disaggregation (cumulative)

Type	Number of tests done	Percentage of tests done
PCR	1,608,186	90.4%
RDT	169,919	9.6%
TOTAL	1,778,105	

RETURNING PASSENGERS TESTS

Over the last week, the following laboratories carried out COVID-19 tests for returning passengers:

LABORATORY	IN-BOUND
54Gene, Abuja	272
ACOUNS laboratory Diagnostic Centre	85
AML, Ikeja, Lagos	200
Arab Labs	6
ARRIVE ALIVE, Ojuelegba, Lagos	66
BIOLOGIX	81
Cedarcrest, Abuja	107
CLINA-LANCET laboratories, Lagos	627
CLINA-LANCET laboratories, Abuja	19
CLINIX Healthcare	103
DNA labs, Abuja	17
E-clinic & Diagnostics	26
EHA Clinics	80
Everight diagnostics (Abuja)	25
Everight diagnostics (Imo)	104
Harley and Rainbow Specialized Laboratory	75
MEDBURY Medical Services	44
MEDBURY PCR laboratory	575
Medicaid, Abuja	91
SYNLAB	176
The Specialist Lab	14
TOTAL	33
UNION DIAGNOSTICS	24
VCARE	99
ZAINE LAB	85
Grand Total	3,034

Laboratories without reports on number of samples tested this week.

AKTH (Kano)	BML (Bauchi)
GH Onitsha (Anambra)	Amachara GX (Abia)
ACEGID (Osun)	FMC Owo (Ondo)
UNIOSUN (Osun)	UNTH GX (Enugu)
SPIYMH (Kaduna)	UN (IOM) (Abuja)
IFAIN	JUTH GX (Plateau)
Kaduna Mobile Truck GX (Kaduna)	ESH (Edo)
Lawrence Henshaw (Cross River)	UCTH GX (Cross River)
SSH (Kogi)	UNTH PCR (Enugu)
IFAIN (Kano)	O2 (Lagos)
CAMRET (Sokoto)	GH Takum (Taraba)
NVRI (Plateau)	Lily Hosp (Edo)
DNAlabs (Abuja)	Total Mol (Rivers)
BUK (Kano)	SMPL (Enugu)
UBTH (Edo)	FMC Birnin Kbbi (Kebbi)
FMC Yola (Adamawa)	RMLM MKD (Benue)
ACCUNALYSIS (Anambra)	PHL (Ondo)
SAHEL (Katsina)	GSU (Gombe)
OOUTH (Ogun)	

DAILY CONFIRMED CASES – DATA AS AT 28TH MARCH 2021

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

CONFIRMED CASES	WEEK 12	22 nd March	23 rd March	24 th March	25 th March	26 th March	27 th March	28 th March
	TOTAL	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Abia	16	0	0	0	0	0	16	0
Adamawa	109	0	109 ^a	0	0	0	0	0
Akwa Ibom	26	0	0	10	1	12	3	0
Anambra	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bauchi	33	0	26	0	2	0	5	0
Bayelsa	20	6	0	0	8	0	6	0
Benue	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Borno	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Cross River	9	0	0	9	0	0	0	0
Delta	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ebonyi	22	4	4	0	0	0	14	0
Edo	7	0	0	4	1	0	0	2
Ekiti	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Enugu	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	16
FCT	37	4	7	0	10	2	10	4
Gombe	5	0	5	0	0	0	0	0
Imo	3	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
Jigawa	15	8	0	2	0	1	4	0
Kaduna	56	11	9	6	12	12	0	6
Kano	13	1	0	5	1	1	0	5
Katsina	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Kebbi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kogi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kwara	11	0	0	0	3	0	0	8
Lagos	308	64	33	28	50	53	32	48
Nasarawa	2	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Niger	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ogun	7	1	1	0	1	0	0	4
Ondo	11	5	0	0	0	6	0	0

CONFIRMED CASES	WEEK 12	22 nd March	23 rd March	24 th March	25 th March	26 th March	27 th March	28 th March
	TOTAL	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Osun	16	4	3	2	2	3	2	0
Oyo	15	1	7	3	1	0	3	0
Plateau	18	9	0	3	1	0	0	5
Rivers	54	12	9	1	0	22	6	4
Sokoto	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Taraba	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Yobe	20	0	0	20	0	0	0	0
Zamfara	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Total	856	131	214	96	97	113	101	104

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DAILY RECOVERIES – DATA AS AT 28TH MARCH 2021

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

CONFIRMED RECOVERIES	WEEK 12	22 nd March	23 rd March	24 th March	25 th March	26 th March	27 th March	28 th March
	TOTAL	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Abia	24	0	0	0	0	0	24	0
Adamawa	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	0
Akwa Ibom	155	0	0	73	10	20	52	0
Anambra	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bauchi	234	0	157	0	0	0	77	0
Bayelsa	5	0	0	0	5	0	0	0
Benue	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Borno	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cross River	7	7	0	0	0	0	0	0
Delta	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ebonyi	13	0	0	0	0	0	13	0
Edo	57	0	0	27	10	10	5	5
Ekiti	9	8	0	0	0	0	1	0
Enugu	58	0	0	0	0	0	0	58
FCT	1,174	23	121	0	1,015	15	0	0
Gombe	5	0	2	0	3	0	0	0
Imo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jigawa	5	0	0	5	0	0	0	0
Kaduna	81	15	11	6	21	13	0	15
Kano	15	0	7	0	4	0	0	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	6	0	0	0	6	0	0	0
Lagos	203	102	55	20	26	0	0	0
Nasarawa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Niger	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ogun	112	36	16	0	22	19	15	4
Ondo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

CONFIRMED RECOVERIES	WEEK 12	22 nd March	23 rd March	24 th March	25 th March	26 th March	27 th March	28 th March
	TOTAL	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Osun	44	4	5	15	15	5	0	0
Oyo	17	0	1	12	4	0	0	0
Plateau	29	12	0	0	0	0	0	17
Rivers	123	19	26	13	15	22	19	9
Sokoto	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Taraba	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Yobe	25	0	0	25	0	0	0	0
Zamfara	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	2,409	226	405	196	1,156	104	206	116

DAILY FATALITIES – DATA AS AT 28TH MARCH 2021

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

CONFIRMED FATALITIES	WEEK 12	22 nd March	23 rd March	24 th March	25 th March	26 th March	27 th March	28 th March
	TOTAL	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Abia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adamawa	1	0	1	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	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Gombe	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Imo	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Jigawa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kaduna	0	0	0	0	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	13	0	0	0	2	2	2	7
Nasarawa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Niger	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

CONFIRMED FATALITIES	WEEK 12	22 nd March	23 rd March	24 th March	25 th March	26 th March	27 th March	28 th March
	TOTAL	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Ogun	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ondo	1	0	0	0	0	1	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	1	0	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	18	0	1	0	5	3	2	7

DAILY EPICURVE

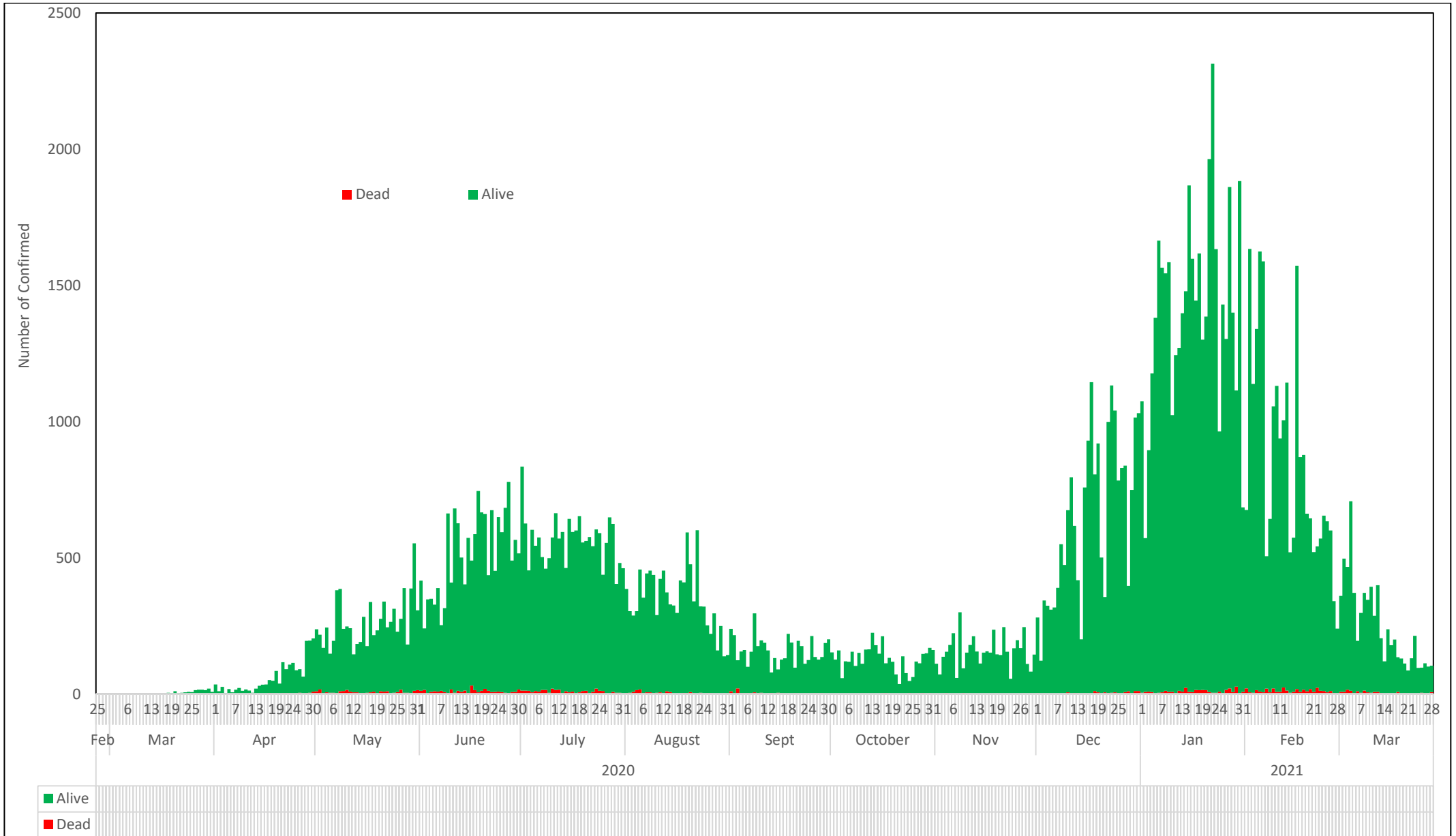


Figure 3: Daily epidemic curve of confirmed cases as reported per day as of 28th March 2021

AGE-GENDER BREAKDOWN

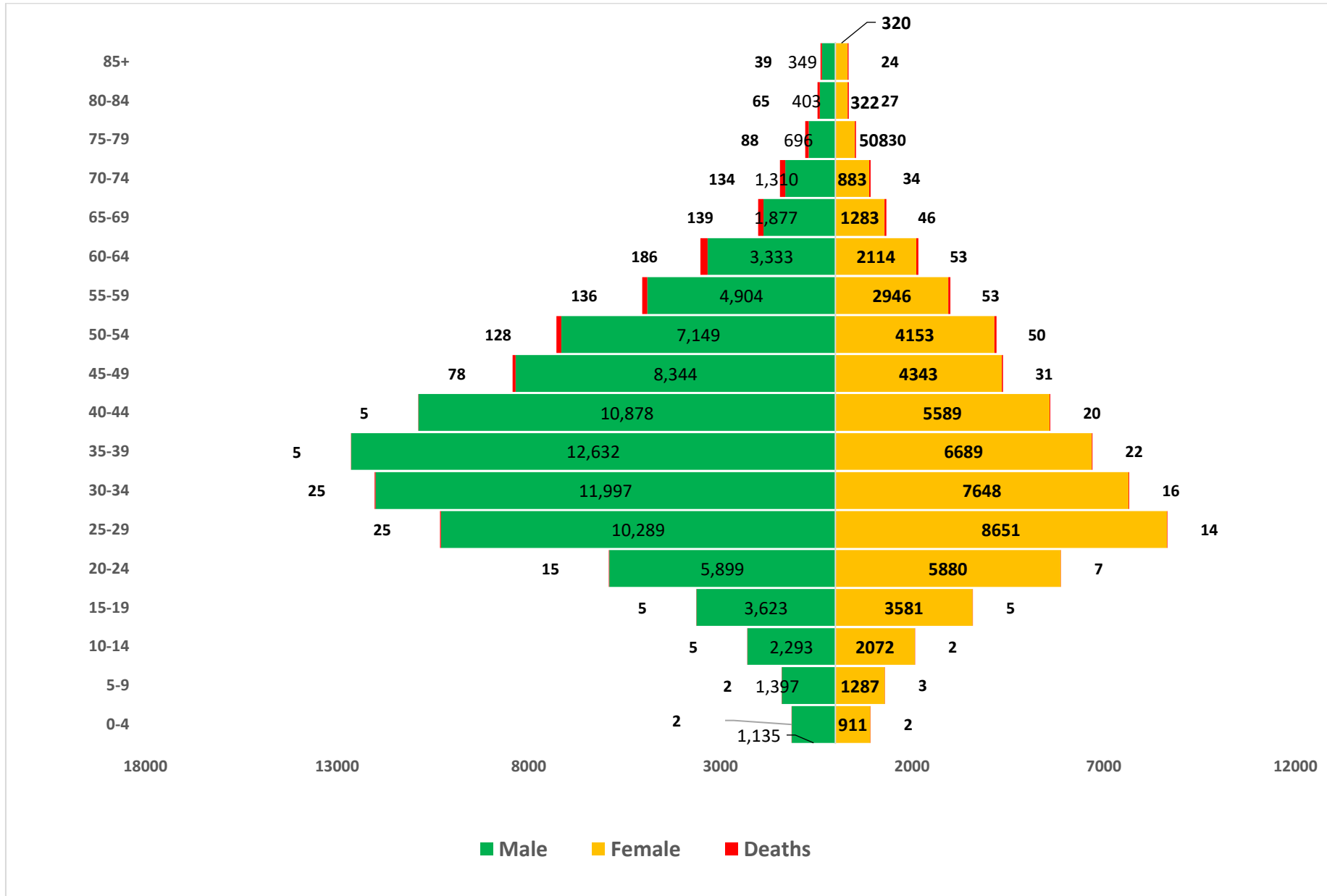


Figure 4: Chart with age and gender breakdown of cases and deaths (WK10, 2020 – WK12, 2021)

RESPONSE COMMODITIES DISTRIBUTION

Table 5: Response commodities distributed in week 12

Consumables	u.o.m.	Katsina State Ministry of Health	Kaduna State Ministry of Health	Sokoto State Ministry of Health	Plateau State Ministry of Health	Rivers State Ministry of Health
RDT kit	Pack x 25	400	400	400	400	400
Ziplock bag	Pack	10	10	10	10	10
Hand sanitiser	Bottle	50	50	50	50	50
Nasal swab	Pcs	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
VTM	Pcs	100	100	100	100	100
Disposable gown	Pcs	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000
Biohazard bag	Pcs	20	20	20	20	20
Waste bin	Pcs	5	5	5	5	5
Hypochlorite	Pcs	50	50	50	50	50
Absorbent bench pad	Pcs	50	50	50	50	50
Falcon tubes	Pcs	200	200	200	200	200

IN FOCUS: Sustaining testing during the COVID-19 pandemic

Effective public health response to COVID-19 is hinged on the ability to promptly detect, isolate, test and treat cases. One of the key components in this response is testing. The capacity for testing has increased in Nigeria since the outbreak began, from four laboratories to 129 functional laboratories. Of these, 48 are private laboratories and eight are corporate laboratories.

Each state and the FCT have several sample collection sites with at least one molecular laboratory to test. Samples are tested daily to ensure results are communicated to the clients, patients and/or managing team for optimum care. It is therefore important that Nigerians utilise these resources, to enable control of the spread of COVID-19.

The symptoms of COVID-19 include fever, cough, difficulty breathing, sore throat, sneezing, loss of smell and taste among many others (see [case definitions for health workers](#) and [the community](#)). It is important to get tested when you have any of the symptoms in the case definition or if you are a close contact to any confirmed case. If in doubt on how to get a test, call your state emergency line or call 6232, the NCDC Connect Centre toll free number.

Some individuals infected with SARS-CoV-2 which is the virus that causes COVID-19, may never develop symptoms (asymptomatic cases), others may have very mild disease (pauci-symptomatic), or they may develop moderate to severe COVID-19 disease. It is also important to note that co-infections of SARS-CoV-2 with other pathogens have been reported, thus a positive test for another pathogen does not rule out COVID-19 and vice versa.

The benefits of getting tested include ascertaining the incidence of COVID-19 in the community, opportunity to break the chain of transmission in the community and tracking of mutation of SARS-CoV-2 in the country. In the last two weeks, the number of samples collected and tested have reduced, despite the availability of sample collection sites and public health laboratories. Therefore, we urge people who meet the criteria to get tested.

As Nigerians plan to celebrate Easter and begin Ramadan, it is very important to remember the public health and social measures required to reduce the risk of spread of COVID-19.

It is important to note that in observing holidays, it is safer to gather virtually. If you are meeting with other people, this should be done outdoors and at least two metres apart from others.

Other important public health and safety measures include:

1. Wear a mask properly to cover your nose and mouth when outdoors or in public settings
2. Wash your hands regularly with soap and running water or use an alcohol-based hand sanitiser. This is always important, especially after you have been in a public place, after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing and before eating
3. As much as possible, avoid crowds and indoor spaces with poor ventilation
4. If you are sick or have been in contact with someone who has recently tested positive for COVID-19 (within 14 days), please self isolate, avoid gatherings
5. Stay at least two metres away from people, even if they do not appear to be sick. Avoid physical contact such as hugs, handshakes etc.

The NCDC re-emphasises to all Nigerians on the need to avoid non-essential travel during the Easter celebration.

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 **52** Rapid Response Teams (RRT) to states. Currently, response activities include:

- **Ongoing technical support to Lagos State team on COVID-19 response coordination**
- **Providing technical support for the National Sports Festival preparation**
- **Assessed infection prevention and control (IPC) measures and made recommendations at the Federal Medical Centre (FMC) Umuahia, Abia State**
- **Conducted a stepdown training on IPC for staff in FMC Umuahia, Abia State through the Orange Network facility IPC focal person**
- **Activated Tobis Molecular laboratory as a COVID-19 private fee-paying laboratory in Bayelsa State**
- **Supported the enforcement of the verification of travellers COVID-19 result, using the Presidential Task Force (PTF) electronic verification platform for outbound travels and on the Nigeria International Travel Portal (NITP)**
- **Currently deploying antigen rapid diagnostic test kit (Ag-RDT) and consumables to states**
- **Commenced implementation of the communication plan for safe schools re-opening**
- **Trained relevant stakeholders and partners on infodemic management**
- **Trained Local Government Area (LGA) staff on IPC protocols during vaccination activities in Niger State**
- **Assessed and supported the implementation of triage stations in health facilities in Niger State**
- **Trained Mission Hospitals on IPC measures in Anambra State**
- **Activated Osun State Molecular Laboratory for SARS-CoV-2 testing**
- **Ongoing preventive maintenance for COVID-19 network of laboratories in Lagos**
- **Supported safe opening of NYSC orientation camps in 36 States and FCT**
- **Ongoing monthly deployment of COVID-19 commodities across the States and Teaching Hospitals in the South-West, South-East, North Central, North-West and North-East zones**
- **Deployed personal protective equipment (PPE) and consumables to the laboratory network**
- **Continued 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 in particular to respond to the pandemic

- 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/>