



# COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT

## WEEKLY EPIDEMIOLOGICAL REPORT 53

Epi Week 41: 11<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> October 2021

DATA AS REPORTED AND ACCURATE BY NCDC AS AT MIDNIGHT 17<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2021

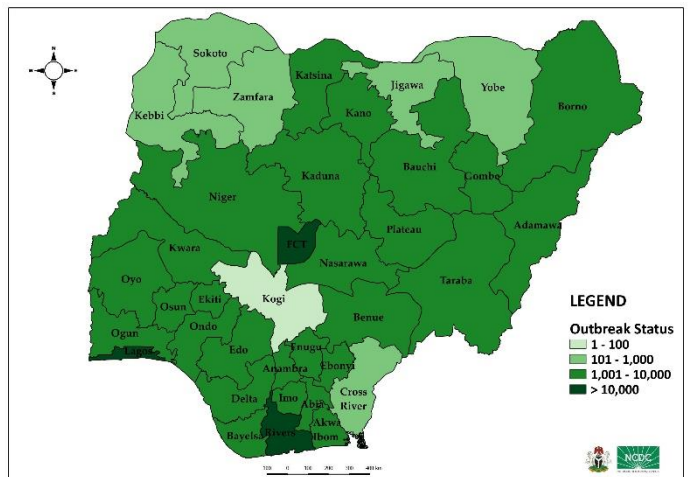
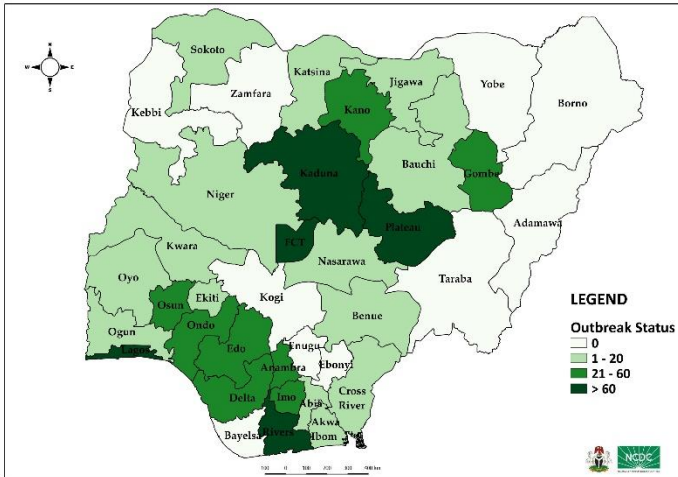


Fig 1. Distribution of cases (Epi Week 41 only)

Fig 2. Distribution of cumulative cases

### HIGHLIGHTS

- In Week 41, the number of new confirmed cases increased to **1,604** from **1,556** reported in week 40. These were reported in **26** states and FCT (Tables 1 & 2). This includes backlog of cases reported from Lagos State.
- In Week 41, the number of discharged cases increased to **1,869** from **1,177** in week 40. These were reported in **22** states and FCT (Tables 1 & 3). This includes community discharges reported from Edo and Lagos States.
- There were **90** deaths reported in the last one week (Tables 1 & 4). This includes backlog (45 deaths) reported from Lagos State.
- Cumulatively, since the outbreak began in Week **9**, 2020 there have been **209,298** cases and **2,837** deaths reported with a case fatality rate (CFR) of **1.4%** (Tables 1 & 4).
- In Week 41, the number of in-bound international travellers tested was **3,673** of which **34** were positive compared to **53** (out of **4,152** tested) in week 40.
- In Week 41, the number of out-bound international travellers tested was **5,923** of which **77** were positive compared to **102** (out of **6,241** tested) in week 40.
- Worldwide, there has been **240,940,937** confirmed COVID-19 cases with **4,903,911** deaths resulting in a case fatality rate of **2.0%**.

## GENERAL FACT SHEET – DATA AS AT 17<sup>TH</sup> 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	1,991	16	1,924	32	29	3	38	32,949	328
Adamawa	1,157	0	1,098	0	32	0	27	26,497	37
Akwa Ibom	4,346	4	3,986	46	44	0	316	40,807	378
Anambra	2,369	23	2,333	20	19	0	17	41,164	191
Bauchi	1,640	14	1,596	0	18	1	26	32,151	158
Bayelsa	1,227	0	1,188	20	28	0	11	27,328	119
Benue	1,749	12	1,455	25	25	0	269	40,750	1,033
Borno	1,356	0	1,306	0	38	0	12	23,273	4
Cross River	605	18	565	19	25	1	15	14,317	50
Delta	3,562	27	2,556	0	110	4	896	62,320	1,106
Ebonyi	2,059	0	2,003	0	32	0	24	33,593	44
Edo <sup>a</sup>	6,562	41	6,159	408	224	1	179	95,267	988
Ekiti	1,755	11	1,692	35	28	1	35	41,491	960
Enugu	2,682	0	2,589	0	29	0	64	54,333	548
FCT	22,884	379	20,869	118	208	4	1,807	432,714	9,859
Gombe	2,552	35	2,429	59	54	4	69	83,270	1,741
Imo	2,018	34	1,884	9	41	0	93	61,944	1,359
Jigawa	596	5	571	4	16	0	9	18,126	368
Kaduna	9,901	110	9,723	150	78	3	100	155,645	1,158
Kano	4,264	25	4,092	31	115	1	57	129,940	371
Katsina	2,226	6	2,185	3	35	0	6	50,539	53
Kebbi	458	0	433	0	16	0	9	21,715	111
Kogi	5	0	3	0	2	0	0	8,638	4
Kwara	3,919	20	3,650	0	63	1	206	39,268	1,120
Lagos <sup>b</sup>	77,513	376	72,947	597	726	62	3,840	843,672	14,869
Nasarawa	2,476	12	2,345	0	39	0	92	32,235	55
Niger	1,051	17	998	0	20	0	33	23,877	375
Ogun	5,370	1	5,289	15	80	0	1	98,084	1,062
Ondo	4,530	29	4,360	85	98	3	72	39,488	363

STATE	CONFIRMED		RECOVERIES		DEATHS		ACTIVE CASES	TESTING	
	Total	Last Week	Total	Last Week	Total	Last Week		Total	Last Week
Osun	2,971	45	2,848	25	86	1	37	28,165	54
Oyo	8,730	19	8,011	22	191	0	528	96,910	654
Plateau	9,575	87	9,351	13	65	0	159	78,769	892
Rivers	12,524	235	12,140	127	154	0	230	325,304	8,157
Sokoto	805	3	774	6	28	0	3	30,809	78
Taraba	1,092	0	1,054	0	24	0	14	17,333	161
Yobe	502	0	490	0	9	0	3	29,902	5
Zamfara	276	0	247	0	8	0	21	16,414	288
<b>Total</b>	<b>209,298</b>	<b>1,604</b>	<b>197,143</b>	<b>1,869</b>	<b>2,837</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>9,318</b>	<b>3,229,001</b>	<b>49,101</b>

NB – <sup>a</sup> Discharges reported from Edo state include community discharge

<sup>b</sup> Cases, Discharges and Deaths reported from Lagos include backlog Cases from 36 to week 40, 2021

### Test type disaggregation (last one week)

Type	Number of tests done	Percentage of tests done
PCR	38,558	78.5%
RDT	10,543	21.5%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>49,101</b>	

### Test type disaggregation (cumulative)

Type	Number of tests done	Percentage of tests done
PCR	2,720,770	84.3%
RDT	508,231	15.7%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,229,001</b>	

## RETURNING PASSENGERS TESTS

### Laboratories and COVID-19 tests for returning Persons of Interest

LABORATORY	INBOUND
54Gene Abuja, (FCT)	408
Medbury (Lagos)	345
CLINA-LANCET LABORATORIES (Lagos)	259
DNA labs Abuja (FCT)	242
AFRIGLOBAL (Lagos)	234
Medbury Medical Services (Rivers)	227
Zaine Lab (Lagos)	168
SYNLAB (Lagos)	155
Life Center (Lagos)	154
Medicaid Abuja (FCT)	150
Vcare (Lagos)	147
Clinix Healthcare (Lagos)	121
Cedarcrest Abuja (Lagos)	114
BIOLOGIX (Lagos)	101
Arrive Alive (Lagos)	90
Everight diagnostics (Abuja) (FCT)	80
Me Cure (Lagos)	68
Westend Hospital Molecular Laboratory (Delta)	65
E-clinic & Diagnostics (FCT)	51
Wellmed (Lagos)	45
Total (Lagos)	39
Capitol Hill Molecular Lab (Delta)	38
CLINA-LANCET LABORATORIES ABUJA (Lagos)	36
Everight diagnostics (Imo)	35
IFAIN (FCT)	32
NIZAMIYE (FCT)	28
DNA Labs Kaduna (Kaduna)	22
Arab Labs (FCT)	21
Lifebridge (Lagos)	20
DemyHealth (FCT)	18
Ibom Molecular Laboratory (Akwa Ibom)	18
Biosensors Medical Diagnostics (FCT)	16

### 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)

Funbell (Lagos)	16
Lovett Lawson Molecular Lab (FCT)	15
Grandville (Lagos)	14
Dexmian medical laboratory (FCT)	11
Harley And Rainbow (Lagos)	11
Genequest (Lagos)	10
CoolSpring (Lagos)	9
SMPL Enugu (Enugu)	9
LASUCOM (Lagos)	7
The Specialist Lab (Lagos)	7
MEDILAG (Lagos)	5
TOBIS MDL (Bayelsa)	5
Genequest (Lagos)	5
Evercare (Lagos)	2
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>3,673</b>

## DAILY CONFIRMED CASES – DATA AS AT 17<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2021

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

CONFIRMED CASES	WEEK 41	11 <sup>th</sup> October	12 <sup>th</sup> October	13 <sup>th</sup> October	14 <sup>th</sup> October	15 <sup>th</sup> October	16 <sup>th</sup> October	17 <sup>th</sup> October
	TOTAL	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Abia	16	0	0	0	16	0	0	0
Adamawa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Akwa Ibom	4	0	0	4	0	0	0	0
Anambra	23	23	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bauchi	14	0	5	6	0	0	3	0
Bayelsa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Benue	12	3	4	3	0	2	0	0
Borno	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cross River	18	18	0	0	0	0	0	0
Delta	27	1	5	12	5	1	3	0
Ebonyi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Edo	41	18	0	13	3	5	0	2
Ekiti	11	1	0	0	6	0	4	0
Enugu	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FCT	379	67	73	78	73	43	27	18
Gombe	35	0	13	0	22	0	0	0
Imo	34	4	0	16	0	0	14	0
Jigawa	5	1	0	0	2	0	0	2
Kaduna	110	33	0	27	6	0	10	34
Kano	25	0	10	0	7	4	3	1
Katsina	6	0	6	0	0	0	0	0
Kebbi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kogi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kwara	20	5	0	6	0	0	9	0
Lagos <sup>a</sup>	376	22	34	46	25	24	215	10
Nasarawa	12	6	2	2	1	0	1	0
Niger	17	2	0	7	0	8	0	0
Ogun	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ondo	29	13	0	0	0	0	16	0

CONFIRMED CASES	WEEK 41	11 <sup>th</sup> October	12 <sup>th</sup> October	13 <sup>th</sup> October	14 <sup>th</sup> October	15 <sup>th</sup> October	16 <sup>th</sup> October	17 <sup>th</sup> October
	TOTAL	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
<b>Osun</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Oyo</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>Plateau</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Rivers</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>Sokoto</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Taraba</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Yobe</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Zamfara</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,604</b>	<b>284</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>251</b>	<b>226</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>403</b>	<b>98</b>

**NB** – <sup>a</sup> Cases reported from Lagos include backlog Cases from week 36 to week 40, 2021

## DAILY RECOVERIES – DATA AS AT 17<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2021

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

CONFIRMED RECOVERIES	WEEK 41	11 <sup>th</sup> October	12 <sup>th</sup> October	13 <sup>th</sup> October	14 <sup>th</sup> October	15 <sup>th</sup> October	16 <sup>th</sup> October	17 <sup>th</sup> October
	TOTAL	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Abia	32	0	0	0	32	0	0	0
Adamawa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Akwa Ibom	46	0	0	46	0	0	0	0
Anambra	20	20	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bauchi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bayelsa	20	20	0	0	0	0	0	0
Benue	25	25	0	0	0	0	0	0
Borno <sup>a</sup>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cross River	19	19	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 <sup>a</sup>	408	101	120	87	75	20	5	0
Ekiti	35	0	15	0	10	10	0	0
Enugu	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FCT	118	0	71	6	3	33	0	5
Gombe	59	0	50	0	0	9	0	0
Imo	9	0	0	9	0	0	0	0
Jigawa	4	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
Kaduna	150	31	0	20	24	0	45	30
Kano	31	0	12	0	15	0	0	4
Katsina	3	0	3	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 <sup>b</sup>	597	0	0	0	0	0	597	0
Nasarawa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Niger	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ogun	15	0	11	0	4	0	0	0
Ondo	85	77	0	0	0	0	0	8



CONFIRMED RECOVERIES	WEEK 41	11 <sup>th</sup> October	12 <sup>th</sup> October	13 <sup>th</sup> October	14 <sup>th</sup> October	15 <sup>th</sup> October	16 <sup>th</sup> October	17 <sup>th</sup> October
	TOTAL	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Osun	25	20	0	0	5	0	0	0
Oyo	22	7	0	0	11	4	0	0
Plateau	13	0	0	0	10	0	0	3
Rivers	127	26	28	19	12	23	12	7
Sokoto	6	6	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
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,869</b>	<b>352</b>	<b>310</b>	<b>187</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>659</b>	<b>59</b>

**NB –** <sup>a</sup> Discharges reported from Edo state include community discharge

<sup>b</sup> Discharges reported from Lagos state include backlog Community discharge from week 36 to week 40, 2021

## DAILY FATALITIES – DATA AS AT 17<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2021

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

CONFIRMED FATALITIES	WEEK 41	11 <sup>th</sup> October	12 <sup>th</sup> October	13 <sup>th</sup> October	14 <sup>th</sup> October	15 <sup>th</sup> October	16 <sup>th</sup> October	17 <sup>th</sup> October
	TOTAL	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Abia	3	0	0	0	3	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	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
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	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Delta	4	2	0	2	0	0	0	0
Ebonyi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Edo	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Ekiti	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Enugu	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FCT	4	1	0	2	0	1	0	0
Gombe	4	2	0	0	2	0	0	0
Imo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jigawa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kaduna	3	0	0	1	0	0	2	0
Kano	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
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	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Lagos <sup>a</sup>	62	0	0	0	0	0	32	30
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	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0

CONFIRMED FATALITIES	WEEK 41	11 <sup>th</sup> October	12 <sup>th</sup> October	13 <sup>th</sup> October	14 <sup>th</sup> October	15 <sup>th</sup> October	16 <sup>th</sup> October	17 <sup>th</sup> October
	TOTAL	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Osun	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
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
<b>Total</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>

NB – <sup>a</sup> Deaths reported from Lagos include backlog Deaths from week 36 to week 40, 2021

# DAILY EPICURVE

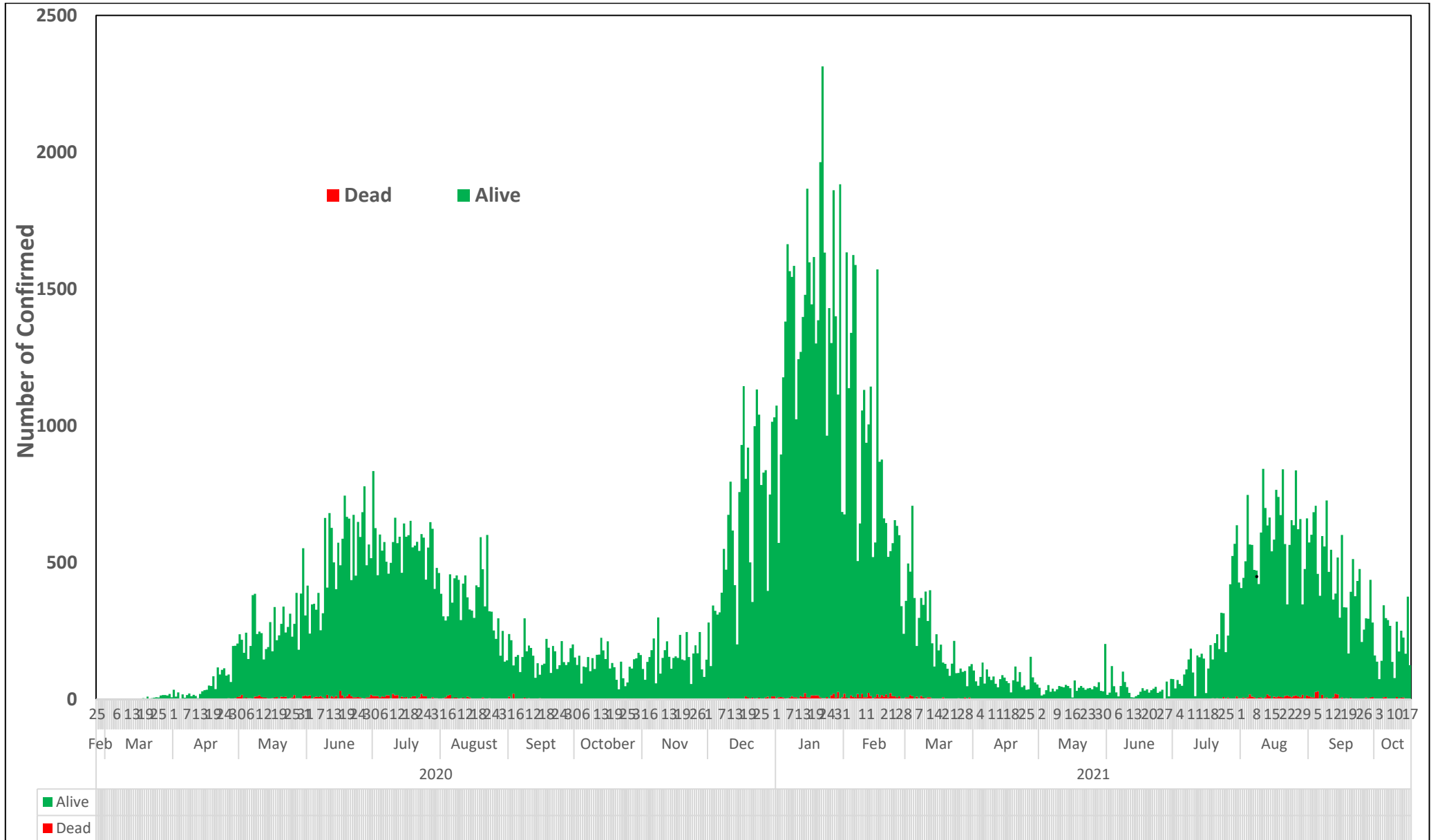
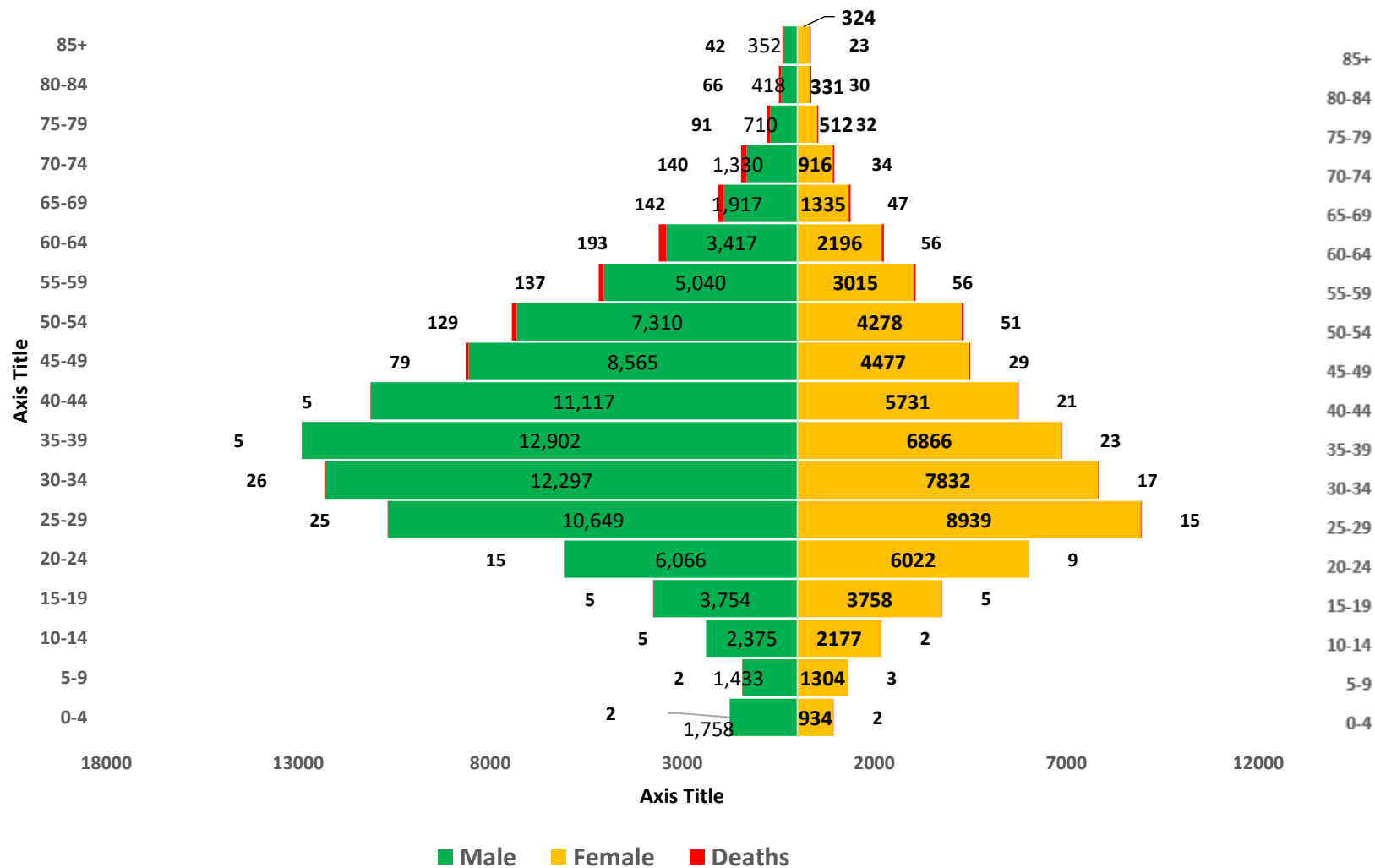


Figure 3: Daily epidemic curve of confirmed cases as reported per day as of 17<sup>th</sup> October 2021

## AGE-GENDER BREAKDOWN



**Figure 7:** Chart with age and gender breakdown of cases and deaths (WK10, 2020 – WK41, 2021)

## IN FOCUS: Protecting the Health of our Health Workers

As Nigeria records more cases of COVID-19, the Nigeria Centre for Disease Control (NCDC) continues to assess the situation, develop new guidelines and protocols, and modify existing ones based on evolving knowledge of the disease. This is to ensure the effective management of the current and future infectious disease outbreaks. Guidelines are essential not only for the public, but for healthcare workers and health facilities. The implementation of guidelines on infection prevention and control (IPC) within healthcare facilities is critical for breaking the chain of transmission of diseases and ensuring that Nigerians receive safe care and healthcare workers are protected as they provide care. In line with this, NCDC has published [The Nigerian Manual of Infection Prevention and Control](#), a comprehensive document based on scientific evidence and international best practice, for the Nigerian context.

This manual was developed as a resource for healthcare workers to reduce the risk of transmission of infectious diseases during the administration of treatment for COVID-19 and other infectious diseases. It contains guidelines on how to establish IPC programmes, implement standard and transmission-based precautions, how to apply administrative controls in IPC and other essential aspects of infection control in healthcare settings.

The SARS-CoV-2 virus is primarily spread through contact with the respiratory secretions of an infected person. Healthcare workers, who regularly have contact with confirmed cases of COVID-19, are at an increased risk of exposure to COVID-19. Therefore, mitigating transmission of COVID-19 among healthcare workers through IPC measures is critical to protecting the entire population.

Infection prevention and control remains a top priority for the strengthening of national health security. Therefore, NCDC continues to enhance the capacity of its IPC Unit to effectively support health facilities across the country in setting up IPC programmes. In 2019, NCDC launched the Turn Nigeria Orange programme. This aims to establish an Orange Network with an IPC hub in every state which will coordinate IPC training and resources as well as a National Healthcare-Associated Infection Surveillance programme.

We are grateful to our technical and supporting partners, for their strong support and commitment to improving IPC practice in Nigeria. NCDC is committed to working with states and healthcare institutions across Nigeria to ensure facilities are equipped and empowered to safeguard all healthcare workers and the health of Nigerians.

## RESPONSE

On 28<sup>th</sup> 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:

- **Ongoing COVID-19 vaccine effectiveness study in collaboration with National Primary Health Care Development Agency (NPHCDA) and the World Health Organisation (WHO)**
- **Developed and disseminated the NCDC IPC manual to health facilities**
- **Ongoing investigation of cases of healthcare worker infection in collaboration with Federal Capital Territory Administration (FCTA) COVID-19 response team**
- **Ongoing Nigeria Capacity Development (NiCaDe) change agent training for Health facilities in FCT**
- **Supported Ministry of Labour and Employment with Ag-RDT testing at the sensitisation workshop to mitigate the spread of COVID-19**
- **Supported Federal Medical Centre (FMC); Jalingo, Defense Reference Laboratory; FCT and Yusuf Dantsoho Memorial Hospital; Kaduna with laboratory consumables and personal protective equipment (PPE)**
- **Supported Niger & Edo States Ministry of Health (SMoH) and National Youth Service Corps (NYSC) Batch C Stream I Exercise with sample collection consumables and RDT kits for increase COVID-19 testing**
- Held meeting with state teams with focus on increase in healthcare worker infection and way forward in resolving the challenges
- 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
- Ongoing data collection on COVID-19 vaccine hesitancy study
- Continued collation of reports on COVID-19 clinical management study
- 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)
- 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
- Continued follow up with states for daily reporting, contact tracing and key challenges
- Ongoing enhanced surveillance at points of entry
- Attended a pre-conference on safe school declaration organised by the National Human Right Commission
- Ongoing process to establish State IPC programme
- Ongoing IPC monitoring and supervision activities in Kaduna State
- 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 sequencing of positive samples among travellers to Nigeria and positive cases detected in-country, at the National Reference Laboratory (NRL), Gaduwa
- 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
- Disseminated safety guidelines for conducting events and conferences in Nigeria
- 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 27<sup>th</sup> 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 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 26<sup>th</sup> January 2021](#)
- COVID-19 Health Protection Regulation signed by President Muhammadu Buhari on 26<sup>th</sup> 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](http://www.covid19.ncdc.gov.ng) | [www.ncdc.gov.ng](http://www.ncdc.gov.ng)
- Nigerian Presidency Website on COVID-19: [www.statehouse.gov.ng/COVID19](http://www.statehouse.gov.ng/COVID19)
- WHO Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Dashboard (**source for global updates**)  
<https://covid19.who.int/>