



# COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT

## WEEKLY EPIDEMIOLOGICAL REPORT 56

Epi Week 44: 1<sup>st</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> November 2021

DATA AS REPORTED AND ACCURATE BY NCDC AS AT MIDNIGHT 7<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2021

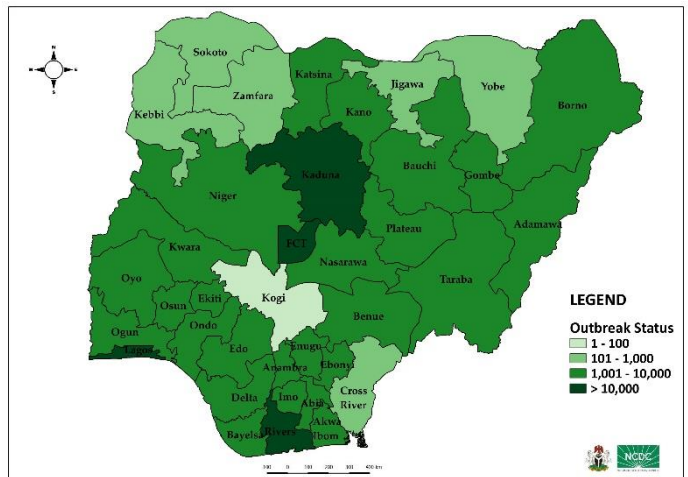
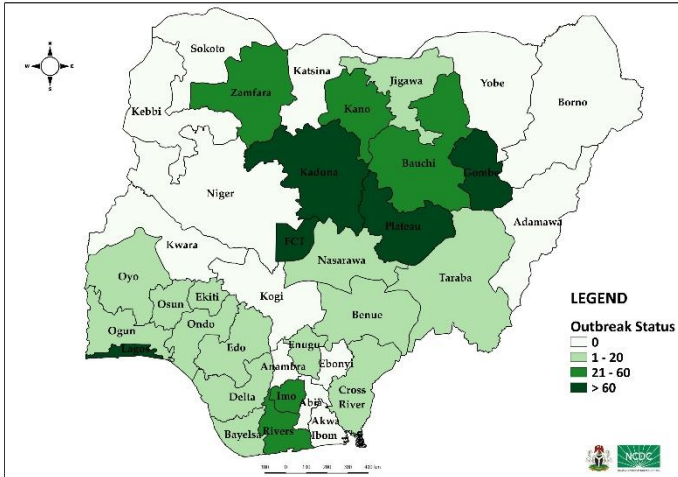


Fig 1. Distribution of cases (Epi Week 44 only)

Fig 2. Distribution of cumulative cases

### HIGHLIGHTS

- In Week 44, the number of new confirmed cases decreased to **752** from **1,501** reported in week 43. These were reported in **23** states and FCT (Tables 1 & 2).
- In Week 44, the number of discharged cases increased to **977** from **866** in week 43. These were reported in **19** states and FCT (Tables 1 & 3).
- There were **10** deaths reported in the last one week (Tables 1 & 4).
- Cumulatively, since the outbreak began in Week **9**, 2020 there have been **212,713** cases and **2,906** deaths reported with a case fatality rate (CFR) of **1.4%** (Tables 1 & 4).
- In Week 44, the number of in-bound international travellers tested was **5,517** of which **45** (0.8%) were positive compared to **35** (**0.8%**) (out of **4,631** tested) in week 43.
- In Week 44, the number of out-bound international travellers tested was **5,678** of which **55** (**1.0%**) were positive compared to **38** (**0.7%**) (out of **5,694** tested) in week 43.
- Worldwide, there has been **248,467,363** confirmed COVID-19 cases with **5,027,183** deaths resulting in a case fatality rate of **2.0%**.

## GENERAL FACT SHEET – DATA AS AT 1<sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER 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	2,019	0	1,989	0	30	0	0	35,024	204
Adamawa	1,157	0	1,098	0	32	0	27	28,007	17
Akwa Ibom	4,348	0	4,076	0	44	0	228	43,327	304
Anambra	2,387	0	2,333	0	19	0	35	46,984	3,699
Bauchi	1,753	50	1,694	61	22	3	37	34,863	789
Bayelsa	1,243	3	1,204	5	28	0	11	31,013	1,482
Benue	1,863	5	1,455	0	25	0	383	43,399	306
Borno	1,356	0	1,306	0	38	0	12	23,733	117
Cross River	645	11	600	3	25	0	20	15,907	44
Delta	4,144	2	2,556	0	110	0	1,478	67,536	1,229
Ebonyi	2,062	0	2,004	0	32	0	26	34,993	12
Edo	6,597	6	6,359	41	224	0	14	101,989	3,010
Ekiti	1,777	3	1,726	8	28	0	23	45,432	685
Enugu	2,768	7	2,728	119	29	0	11	57,850	862
FCT	23,363	102	21,083	99	222	1	2,058	461,327	9,672
Gombe <sup>a</sup>	2,705	123	2,589	88	58	1	58	88,752	1,691
Imo	2,131	53	1,951	31	41	0	139	66,769	778
Jigawa	606	2	588	3	17	0	1	20,499	278
Kaduna	10,100	74	9,951	81	81	2	68	160,150	944
Kano	4,379	25	4,194	32	119	2	66	134,286	435
Katsina	2,226	0	2,185	0	35	0	6	54,492	1,166
Kebbi	464	0	433	0	16	0	15	23,165	73
Kogi	5	0	3	0	2	0	0	10,152	4
Kwara	3,952	0	3,650	0	63	0	239	41,868	242
Lagos	77,896	88	76,918	0	752	0	226	889,192	14,833
Nasarawa	2,517	14	2,345	0	39	0	133	34,135	34
Niger	1,057	0	998	0	20	0	39	25,676	339
Ogun	5,374	1	5,293	2	80	0	1	102,219	627
Ondo	4,573	11	4,433	73	98	0	42	42,615	345

STATE	CONFIRMED		RECOVERIES		DEATHS		ACTIVE CASES	TESTING	
	Total	Last Week	Total	Last Week	Total	Last Week		Total	Last Week
Osun	3,016	10	2,877	0	86	0	53	30,666	93
Oyo	8,760	6	8,556	13	191	0	13	100,758	582
Plateau	9,829	63	9,744	217	71	1	14	81,976	725
Rivers	12,751	56	12,548	67	154	0	49	343,670	4,239
Sokoto	807	0	779	2	28	0	0	32,365	137
Taraba	1,250	8	1,216	30	30	0	4	18,574	905
Yobe	502	0	490	0	9	0	3	30,930	3
Zamfara	331	29	270	2	8	0	53	17,404	837
<b>Total</b>	<b>212,713</b>	<b>752</b>	<b>204,222</b>	<b>977</b>	<b>2,906</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>5,585</b>	<b>3,421,697</b>	<b>51,742</b>

NB – <sup>a</sup> Cases reported from Gombe State include backlog from October 16<sup>th</sup> in Week 41

### Test type disaggregation (last one week)

Type	Number of tests done	Percentage of tests done
PCR	39,620	76.6%
RDT	12,122	23.4%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>51,742</b>	

### Test type disaggregation (cumulative)

Type	Number of tests done	Percentage of tests done
PCR	2,829,844	82.7%
RDT	591,853	17.3%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,421,697</b>	

## PASSENGERS TESTS

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

LABORATORY	INBOUND
54Gene Abuja, FCT	570
54Gene, LAGOS	505
Medicaid Abuja, FCT	374
Afriglobal, Lagos	357
Clina-Lancet Laboratories, Lagos	325
DNA labs Abuja, FCT	321
Medbury, Lagos	295
Cedarcrest Abuja, FCT	213
Synlab, Lagos	206
Medbury Medical Services, Rivers	198
Life Center, Lagos	179
Clinix Healthcare, Lagos	173
Vcare, Lagos	153
Arrive Alive, Lagos	144
E-clinic & Diagnostics, FCT	132
Zaine Lab, Lagos	131
Biologix, Lagos	105
Everight diagnostics (Abuja), FCT	97
Lily Lab, Lagos	85
Capitol Hill Molecular Lab, Delta	84
Clina-Lancet Laboratories Abuja, FCT	81
Westend Hospital Molecular Laboratory, Delta	78
Total, Lagos	67
Me Cure, Lagos	64
Everight Diagnostics, IMO	57
Harley and Rainbow, Lagos	49
Lifebridge, Lagos	49
NIZAMIYE, FCT	47
IFAIN, FCT	45
Genequest, LAGOS	38

### Laboratories without reports on number of samples tested this week.

AKTH (Kano)	YDMH Genexpert (Kaduna)
UNIOSUN (Osun)	GH Takum (Taraba)
OOUTH (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)	YDMSH, (Kaduna)
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)

<b>LABORATORY</b>	<b>INBOUND</b>
Ibom Molecular Laboratory, Akwa Ibom	36
Dexmian medical laboratory, DELTA	35
DemyHealth, FCT	31
Edo Specialist Hospital, EDO	31
Biosensors Medical Diagnostics, FCT	30
Zankli Medical Centre (The Lovett Lawson Molecular Lab), FCT	30
The Specialist Lab, LAGOS	15
Arab Labs	14
Acouns, Lagos	13
Grandville, Lagos	13
MEDILAG, Lagos	13
LASUCOM, Lagos	11
SMPL, Enugu	9
Evercare, Lagos	8
CoolSpring, LAGOS	3
Landmark Medical Diagnostics, Anambra	2
Acouns Laboratory Diagnostic Center, Lagos	1
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>5,517</b>

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

LABORATORY	OUTBOUND
Life Center, Lagos	618
Medbury, Lagos	522
Medicaid Abuja, FCT	490
54Gene Abuja, FCT	403
E-clinic & Diagnostics, FCT	360
Clinix Healthcare, Lagos	315
Cedarcrest Abuja, FCT	274
Zaine Lab, Lagos	257
DNA labs Abuja, FCT	256
Medbury Medical Services, Rivers	253
Lily Lab, Lagos	222
DemyHealth, FCT	212
Arrive Alive, Lagos	169
Everight diagnostics (Abuja), FCT	133
Genequest, LAGOS	97
Harley and Rainbow, Lagos	84
Clina-Lancet Laboratories Abuja, FCT	83
Me Cure, Lagos	82
Acouns, Lagos	71
SMPL, Enugu	64
Edo Specialist Hospital, EDO	61
Arab Labs	56
Everight Diagnostics, IMO	53
IFAIN, FCT	49
Lifebridge, Lagos	45
Ibom Molecular Laboratory, Akwa Ibom	43
Westend Hospital Molecular Laboratory, Delta	42
Grandville, Lagos	42
Acouns Laboratory Diagnostic Center, Lagos	41
NIZAMIYE, FCT	40
Dexmian medical laboratory, DELTA	32
Evercare, Lagos	29

Biosensors Medical Diagnostics, FCT	27
The Specialist Lab, LAGOS	26
54Gene, LAGOS	21
Capitol Hill Molecular Lab, Delta	21
CoolSpring, Lagos	21
IML, Rivers	21
Zankli Medical Centre (The Lovett Lawson Molecular Lab), FCT	16
MEDILAG, Lagos	14
LASUCOM, Lagos	7
Afriglobal, Lagos	5
Total, Lagos	1
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>5,678</b>

## DAILY CONFIRMED CASES – DATA AS AT 1<sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER 2021

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

CONFIRMED CASES	WEEK 44	1 <sup>st</sup> November	2 <sup>nd</sup> November	3 <sup>rd</sup> November	4 <sup>th</sup> November	5 <sup>th</sup> November	6 <sup>th</sup> November	7 <sup>th</sup> November
	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	50	0	24	9	5	6	0	6
Bayelsa	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Benue	5	0	0	5	0	0	0	0
Borno	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cross River	11	11	0	0	0	0	0	0
Delta	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
Ebonyi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Edo	6	0	3	0	0	2	0	1
Ekiti	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
Enugu	7	0	0	7	0	0	0	0
FCT	102	15	22	21	25	9	10	0
Gombe <sup>a</sup>	123	0	0	109	4	10	0	0
Imo	53	0	0	0	0	0	53	0
Jigawa	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Kaduna	74	1	4	0	0	20	8	41
Kano	25	3	3	0	8	2	9	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	88	33	9	13	3	3	3	24
Nasarawa	14	14	0	0	0	0	0	0
Niger	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ogun	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Ondo	11	0	0	9	0	0	0	2



CONFIRMED CASES	WEEK 44	1 <sup>st</sup> November	2 <sup>nd</sup> November	3 <sup>rd</sup> November	4 <sup>th</sup> November	5 <sup>th</sup> November	6 <sup>th</sup> November	7 <sup>th</sup> November
	TOTAL	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
<b>Osun</b>	<b>10</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	10
<b>Oyo</b>	<b>6</b>	0	0	4	0	2	0	0
<b>Plateau</b>	<b>63</b>	0	24	9	0	0	30	0
<b>Rivers</b>	<b>56</b>	11	1	21	11	9	3	0
<b>Sokoto</b>	<b>0</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Taraba</b>	<b>8</b>	0	8	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Yobe</b>	<b>0</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Zamfara</b>	<b>29</b>	0	0	0	29	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>752</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>86</b>

NB – <sup>a</sup> Cases reported from Gombe State include backlog from October 16<sup>th</sup> in Week 41

## DAILY RECOVERIES – DATA AS AT 1<sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER 2021

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

CONFIRMED RECOVERIES	WEEK 44	1 <sup>st</sup> November	2 <sup>nd</sup> November	3 <sup>rd</sup> November	4 <sup>th</sup> November	5 <sup>th</sup> November	6 <sup>th</sup> November	7 <sup>th</sup> November
	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	61	0	10	10	14	14	0	13
Bayelsa	5	0	3	0	0	0	2	0
Benue	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Borno	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cross River	3	3	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	41	0	10	28	3	0	0	0
Ekiti	8	0	0	8	0	0	0	0
Enugu	119	0	0	119	0	0	0	0
FCT	99	89	1	1	0	4	4	0
Gombe	88	0	85	0	2	1	0	0
Imo	31	0	0	0	0	0	31	0
Jigawa	3	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
Kaduna	81	21	2	4	3	7	3	41
Kano	32	8	0	0	0	15	9	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	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
Ondo	73	0	0	73	0	0	0	0

CONFIRMED RECOVERIES	WEEK 44	1 <sup>st</sup> November	2 <sup>nd</sup> November	3 <sup>rd</sup> November	4 <sup>th</sup> November	5 <sup>th</sup> November	6 <sup>th</sup> November	7 <sup>th</sup> November
	TOTAL	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Osun	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oyo	13	0	0	8	0	2	0	3
Plateau	217	70	54	91	0	0	2	0
Rivers	67	3	5	15	14	9	13	8
Sokoto	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Taraba	30	0	15	0	0	0	0	15
Yobe	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Zamfara	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>977</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>359</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>81</b>

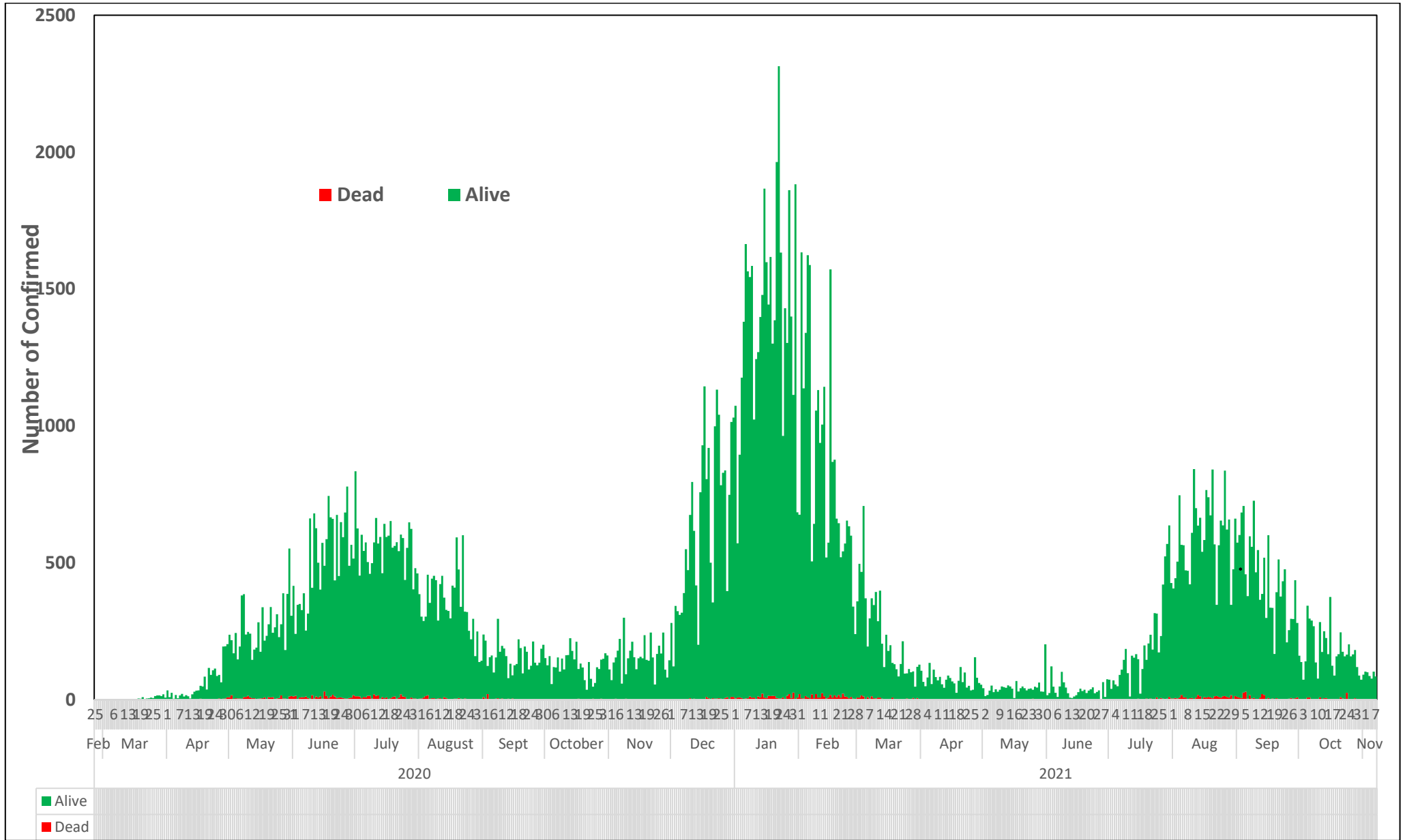
## DAILY FATALITIES – DATA AS AT 1<sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER 2021

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

CONFIRMED FATALITIES	WEEK 44	1 <sup>st</sup> November	2 <sup>nd</sup> November	3 <sup>rd</sup> November	4 <sup>th</sup> November	5 <sup>th</sup> November	6 <sup>th</sup> November	7 <sup>th</sup> November
	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	3	0	1	1	1	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	0	0	1	0
Gombe	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Imo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jigawa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kaduna	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
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
Ogun	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ondo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

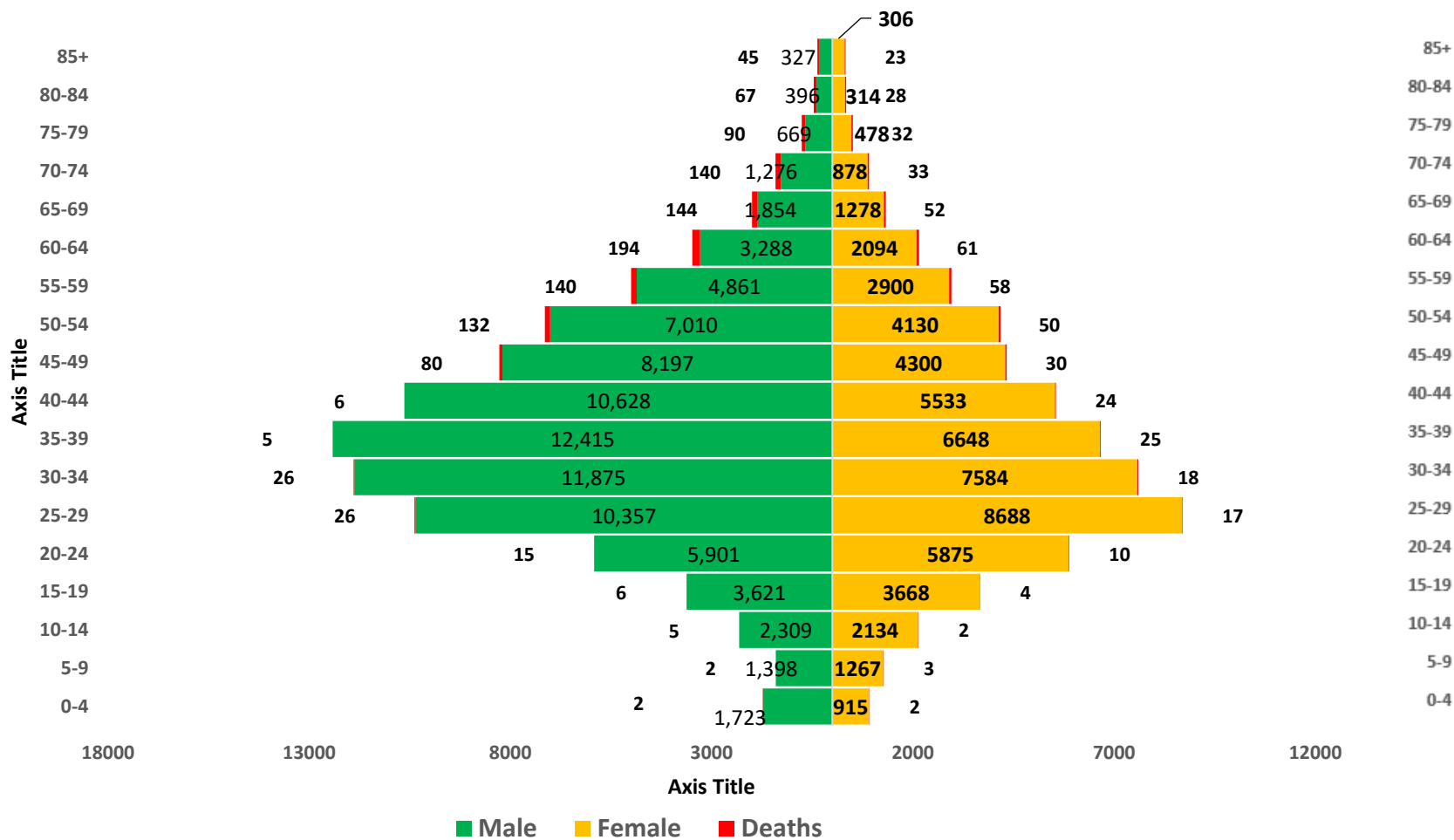
CONFIRMED FATALITIES	WEEK 44	1 <sup>st</sup> November	2 <sup>nd</sup> November	3 <sup>rd</sup> November	4 <sup>th</sup> November	5 <sup>th</sup> November	6 <sup>th</sup> November	7 <sup>th</sup> November
	TOTAL	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Osun	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oyo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Plateau	1	1	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>10</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>

# DAILY EPICURVE



**Figure 3:** Daily epidemic curve of confirmed cases as reported per day as of 7<sup>th</sup> November 2021

## AGE-GENDER BREAKDOWN



**Figure 7:** Chart with age and gender breakdown of cases and deaths (WK10, 2020 – WK44, 2021)

## IN FOCUS: Integrating Private Sector Laboratories in National COVID-19 Response

The prompt detection and reporting of COVID-19 cases is critical to the effective measurement of the burden of the disease and the isolating and treatment of positive cases to recovery. The NCDC coordinates a network of government-owned molecular laboratories which has been scaled up rapidly to cover all 36 states and the FCT since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic. This has contributed immensely to the availability and access to COVID-19 testing.

A key aspect of the expansion of COVID-19 testing in Nigeria is the integration of private sector laboratories in the national COVID-19 response. NCDC has delineated mechanisms and principles of engagement with private-sector laboratories as well as provided criteria for inclusion into the NCDC COVID-19 laboratory network. Read more [here](#).

Recently, NCDC in collaboration with the World Health Organization (WHO), trained private laboratories on the use of the upgraded Nigeria International Travel Portal (NITP) interface. The training also served to reorient participants on the role of private laboratories in the national COVID-19 response.

In line with the current travel protocol as instituted by the Government of Nigeria, international travelers arriving in Nigeria are required to register for a follow-up COVID-19 test 7 days on arrival (plus an additional test on day 2 of arrival for unvaccinated and partially vaccinated travelers), while the fully vaccinated are required to test on day 2 of arrival via the [NITP](#). Payment for these tests go directly to the private laboratories in exchange for their services.

The NCDC is committed to continuous assessment of molecular laboratories that offer COVID-19 testing across the country to ensure proper infrastructure, equipment, human resources requirements as well as quality assurance and supply chain management.

The following guidance documents have been developed to provide information for private laboratories interested in providing COVID-19 testing services:

1. [Guidance for Private Sector Medical Laboratories That Seek to Provide Testing Through Completely Private Arrangements](#)
2. [Guidance for set up of a Molecular Laboratory for COVID-19 Testing](#)
3. [COVID-19 Laboratory Assessment Checklist](#)



## 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:

- 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 COVID-19 vaccine effectiveness study in collaboration with National Primary Health Care Development Agency (NPHCDA) and the World Health Organisation (WHO)
- 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)
- Continued follow up with states for daily reporting, contact tracing and key challenges
- Ongoing enhanced surveillance at points of entry
- Conducted review of hospital acquired infection (HAI) investigation form with a view to target healthcare workers directly and to apply HAI tool for feedback and further information
- Ongoing sensitization lectures and monitoring of compliance in NYSC camps
- Ongoing COVID-19 training of health care workers under the Nigeria Armed Forces medical wing
- 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
- 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 distribution of African Society for Laboratory Medicine (ASLM)/Africa CDC supported External Quality Assessment EQA panels to 43 laboratories
- Ongoing nationwide workshop on the use of the upgraded Nigeria International Travel Portal (NITP)
- Ongoing validation of Abbott ID-NOW rapid molecular equipment and final stage of data analysis
- Completed the production and distribution of NCDC SARS-CoV-2 External Quality Assessment panels to 35 laboratories across Nigeria
- Concluded the online orientation of Enugu state frontline laboratory personnel on supervision and monitoring of Ag RDTs for COVID-19 diagnosis
- Concluded a 4-day training workshop on Biorisk management at the National Reference Laboratory
- Supported the Presidential Steering Committee in study for reopening of Nigeria-UAE flight route through protocol development
- Ongoing sequencing of positive samples among travellers to Nigeria and positive cases detected in-country, at the National Reference Laboratory (NRL), Gaduwa
- Ongoing Medical Counter Measure (MCM) forecasting and quantification workshop for all outbreaks including COVID-19 in collaboration with WHO to identify and estimate the health products and

consumables needed for investigation, prevention and response to public health emergencies and events for the year 2022

- Supported Defence Reference Laboratory (DRL); Abuja, FCT – PCR Laboratory and Kubwa General Hospital PCR Laboratories with laboratory consumables and personal protective equipment (PPE)
- Supported the 2021 National Tuberculosis Conference with IPC materials
- 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 assessment of Sheraton Hotel in collaboration with West African Health Organization (WAHO) for ECOWAS Ministerial Summit
- Supported the development of Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) for the Nigerian International Travel Portal (NITP)
- Attended the 4th International Conference on Safe Schools Declaration in FCT, Abuja
- Integrated COVID-19 messages by leveraging on the cholera RRT sent to Oyo, Kebbi, Adamawa, Sokoto, Gombe and Yobe States
- 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/>