



COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT

WEEKLY EPIDEMIOLOGICAL REPORT 64

Epi Week 52: 27th December 2021 – 2nd January 2022

DATA AS REPORTED AND ACCURATE BY NCDC AS AT MIDNIGHT 2ND JANUARY 2022

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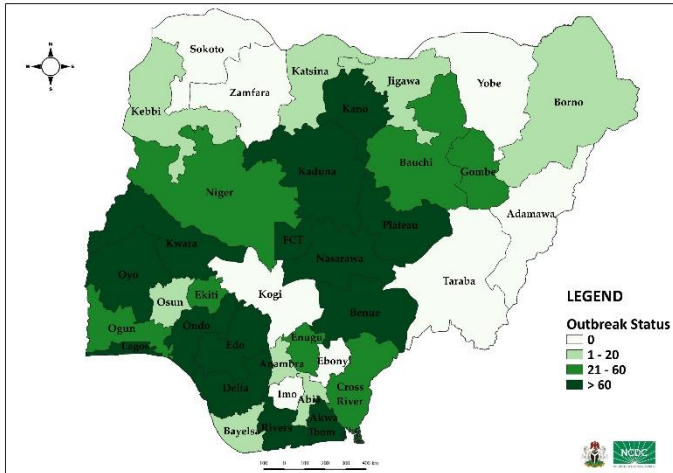


Fig 1. Distribution of cases (Epi Week 52 only)

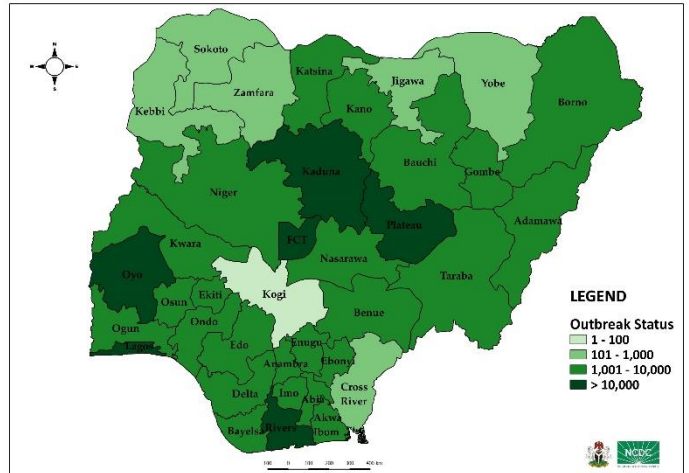


Fig 2. Distribution of cumulative cases

HIGHLIGHTS

- In Week 52, the number of samples tested decreased to **56,788** from **58,288** reported in week 51. These were reported in **36** states and FCT (Tables 1).
- In Week 52, the number of new confirmed cases decreased to **5,889 (10.4%)** from **13,674 (23.5%)** reported in week 51. These were reported in **28** states and FCT (Tables 1 & 2) and includes backlog of confirmed cases reported from Delta (191), Plateau (26) and Rivers (321).
- In Week 52, the number of discharged cases increased to **2,802** from **1,013** in week 51.
- There were **17** deaths reported in the last one week (Tables 1 & 4). This includes backlogs of deaths reported from Borno State (6)
- Cumulatively, since the outbreak began in Week **9**, 2020 there have been **243,450** cases and **3,039** deaths reported with a case fatality rate (CFR) of **1.2%** (Tables 1 & 4).
- In Week 52, the number of in-bound international travellers tested was **9,226** of which **545 (5.9%)** were positive compared to **668 (7.1%)** (out of **9,398** tested) in week 51.
- In Week 52, the number of out-bound international travellers tested was **13,124** of which **1,529 (11.7%)** were positive compared to **1,864 (18.2%)** (out of **10,233** tested) in week 51.
- Worldwide, there has been **281,808,270** confirmed COVID-19 cases with **5,411,759** deaths resulting in a case fatality rate of **1.9%**.

GENERAL FACT SHEET – DATA AS AT 2ND JANUARY 2022

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

STATE	CONFIRMED		RECOVERIES		DEATHS		ACTIVE CASES	TESTING	
	Total	Last Week	Total	Last Week	Total	Last Week		Total	Last Week
Abia	2,129	8	2,010	0	33	0	86	41,217	337
Adamawa	1,157	0	1,098	0	32	0	27	30,361	51
Akwa Ibom	4,550	63	4,349	0	44	0	157	49,329	350
Anambra	2,492	3	2,412	7	19	0	61	51,764	173
Bauchi	1,876	25	1,826	35	24	1	26	37,585	89
Bayelsa	1,298	8	1,226	0	28	0	44	36,792	234
Benue	2,109	202	1,764	252	25	0	320	48,592	218
Borno ^a	1,552	20	1,500	194	44	6	8	25,881	172
Cross River	725	29	690	25	25	0	10	18,551	43
Delta ^b	4,991	286	2,556	0	110	0	2,325	79,211	1,029
Ebonyi	2,062	0	2,004	0	32	0	26	37,128	42
Edo	7,535	239	6,660	250	281	0	594	113,572	3,053
Ekiti	1,928	30	1,780	33	28	0	120	52,627	544
Enugu	2,913	23	2,865	30	29	0	19	64,158	148
FCT	27,227	317	24,151	558	235	3	2,841	539,521	5,575
Gombe	2,836	52	2,706	23	60	0	70	95,671	187
Imo	2,310	0	1,999	0	57	0	254	73,800	161
Jigawa	635	8	602	0	18	1	15	24,677	323
Kaduna	10,579	123	10,240	142	86	0	253	177,433	2,189
Kano	4,768	140	4,405	52	122	0	241	145,466	576
Katsina	2,378	1	2,330	3	37	0	11	62,912	91
Kebbi	478	8	454	0	16	0	8	24,691	9
Kogi	5	0	3	0	2	0	0	11,891	8
Kwara	4,259	74	3,709	0	64	0	486	47,003	636
Lagos	95,168	3,040	80,063	0	761	4	14,344	1,055,864	32,053
Nasarawa	2,624	107	2,345	0	39	0	240	37,736	423
Niger	1,113	36	998	0	20	0	95	28,882	207
Ogun	5,716	56	5,441	102	81	0	194	112,981	1,724
Ondo	4,909	92	4,545	37	100	2	264	49,284	505
Osun	3,113	6	2,959	8	89	0	65	35,738	155
Oyo	10,001	231	8,927	228	193	0	881	110,740	1,568

STATE	CONFIRMED		RECOVERIES		DEATHS		ACTIVE CASES	TESTING	
	Total	Last Week	Total	Last Week	Total	Last Week		Total	Last Week
Plateau ^c	10,198	63	10,054	93	73	0	71	91,565	200
Rivers ^d	14,860	599	13,833	730	154	0	873	391,677	3,659
Sokoto	810	0	782	0	28	0	0	34,595	52
Taraba	1,269	0	1,222	0	32	0	15	20,569	2
Yobe	502	0	490	0	9	0	3	31,780	-
Zamfara	375	0	354	0	9	0	12	18,532	2
Total	243,450	5,889	215,352	2,802	3,039	17	25,059	3,909,776	56,788

NB:

^a6 deaths reported from Borno State are backlogs from 25th – 28th December 2021

^b286 cases reported from Delta State include 191 backlogs from 13th – 26th December 2021

^c63 cases reported from Plateau include 26 backlogs from 23rd December 2021

^d599 cases reported from Rivers State include backlogs from 17th – 29th December 2021

Test type disaggregation (last one week)

Type	Number of tests done	Percentage of tests done
PCR	50,958	89.7%
RDT	5,830	10.3%
TOTAL	56,788	

Test type disaggregation (cumulative)

Type	Number of tests done	Percentage of tests done
PCR	3,181,935	81.4%
RDT	727,841	18.6%
TOTAL	3,909,776	

PASSENGERS TESTS

Laboratories and COVID-19 tests for returning Persons of Interest

LABORATORY	INBOUND
MEDBURY	710
CLINA-LANCET LABORATORIES	679
AFRIGLOBAL	650
54Gene Lagos	560
54Gene Abuja	531
ARRIVE ALIVE	523
ZAINELAB	424
DNA labs Abuja	370
ACOUNS	335
MEDBURY MEDICAL SERVICES	309
LIFE CENTER	308
SYNLAB	301
CLINIX HEALTHCARE	265
EVERCARE	243
MEDICAID	199
FUNBELL	191
ME CURE	174
BIOLOGIX	159
Edo Specialist Hospital	132
VCARE	132
E-clinic & Diagnostics	129
UNION DIAGNOSTICS	126
BIOSENSORS MEDICAL DIAGNOSTICS	72
HARLEY AND RAINBOW	70
Everight diagnostics (Abuja)	52
IBOM MOLECULAR LABORATORY	50
DNA LABS KADUNA	48
THE LOVETT LAWSON MOLECULAR LAB	47
CLINA-LANCET LABORATORIES ABUJA	45
WESTEND HOSPITAL MOLECULAR LABORATORY	42
CAPITOL HILL MOLECULAR LAB	38
Arab Labs	35

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)
TSSHJ (Taraba)	FTH (Gombe)
FMC Owo (Ondo)	BML (Bayelsa)
USUMH (Borno)	GH Ikara (Kaduna)
FMCK (Katsina)	Warri Lab (Delta)
GH Kagarko (Kaduna)	Delta Mobile Lab (Delta)
FMC (Owerri)	GAGH (Kaduna)
UBTH (Edo)	AE-FETHA (Ebonyi)
DLHMH (Cross River)	FMC Makurdi (Benue)
FMCG (Zamfara)	FMCJ (Taraba)
Sobi IDH (Kwara)	BDTH (Kaduna)

LABORATORY	INBOUND
DemyHealth	33
WellMed	28
TOTAL	25
CoolSpring	22
Cedarcrest Abuja	20
NIZAMIYE	20
IFAIN	19
54Gene Ogun	17
Genequest	17
The Specialist Lab	15
CENTOLAB	12
LASUCOM	11
MEDILAG	10
TOBIS MDL	6
MEDI-COM LABORATORY	6
GRANDVILE	5
Grand Total	8,215

Laboratories and COVID-19 tests for outbound Persons of Interest

LABORATORY	OUTBOUND
LIFE CENTER	1,835
MEDBURY	1,832
SYNLAB	1,124
54Gene Lagos	840
ZAINELAB	741
ARRIVE ALIVE	736
DNA labs Abuja	566
MEDBURY MEDICAL SERVICES	525
CLINIX HEALTHCARE	416
MEDICAID	403
DemyHealth	395
54Gene Abuja	290
ACOUNS	284

LABORATORY	OUTBOUND
BIOLOGIX	269
Genequest	261
VCARE	248
ZAINE LAB	225
EVERCARE	193
HARLEY AND RAINBOW	169
E-clinic & Diagnostics	162
ME CURE	145
UNION DIAGNOSTICS IBADAN	137
54Gene Ogun	122
IBOM MOLECULAR LABORATORY	119
FUNBELL	111
CLINA-LANCET LABORATORIES ABUJA	103
CoolSpring	90
Edo Specialist Hospital	85
DNA LABS KADUNA	78
Everight diagnostics (Abuja)	77
WESTEND HOSPITAL MOLECULAR LABORATORY	61
GRANDVILE	42
THE LOVETT LAWSON MOLECULAR LAB	40
TOTAL	37
Arab Labs	36
The Specialist Lab	34
NIZAMIYE	31
CAPITOL HILL MOLECULAR LAB	31
AFRIGLOBAL	30
Cedarcrest Abuja	26
54Gene Kano	25
BIOSENSORS MEDICAL DIAGNOSTICS	23
LASUCOM	20
The GeneLab	17
CENTOLAB	17
IML	16
MEDILAG	15

LABORATORY	OUTBOUND
TCHLAB	12
IFAIN	11
TOBIS MDL	8
WellMed	4
ABUAD MSH	4
MEDI-COM LABORATORY	3
Grand Total	13,124

DAILY CONFIRMED CASES – DATA AS AT 2ND JANUARY 2022

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

CONFIRMED CASES	WEEK 52	27 th December	28 th December	29 th December	30 th December	31 st December	1 st January	2 nd January
	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	63	12	15	14	0	22	0	0
Anambra	3	0	0	0	0	3	0	0
Bauchi	25	3	3	0	0	19	0	0
Bayelsa	8	3	0	3	0	2	0	0
Benue	202	0	0	0	0	0	0	202
Borno	20	0	4	4	9	3	0	0
Cross River	29	0	8	8	1	0	12	0
Delta ^a	286	5	194	58	23	6	0	0
Ebonyi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Edo	239	41	94	44	15	0	43	2
Ekiti	30	0	6	0	8	16	0	0
Enugu	23	11	0	11	1	0	0	0
FCT	317	57	80	57	29	69	25	0
Gombe	52	0	0	0	47	0	5	0
Imo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jigawa	8	0	0	0	1	1	1	5
Kaduna	123	0	48	0	36	10	29	0
Kano	140	18	21	23	12	27	5	34
Katsina	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Kebbi	8	0	0	0	8	0	0	0
Kogi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kwara	74	23	20	0	0	31	0	0
Lagos	3,040	555	564	507	324	550	259	281
Nasarawa	107	0	0	92	4	1	10	0
Niger	36	0	0	0	36	0	0	0
Ogun	56	16	18	0	14	3	5	0
Ondo	92	34	23	0	35	0	0	0

CONFIRMED CASES	WEEK 52	27 th December	28 th December	29 th December	30 th December	31 st December	1 st January	2 nd January
	TOTAL	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Osun	6	0	0	0	0	0	6	0
Oyo	231	6	9	0	81	87	46	2
Plateau^b	63	43	12	6	0	2	0	0
Rivers^c	599	44	20	25	420	58	32	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	5,889	871	1,147	852	1,104	911	478	526

NB:

^a286 cases reported from Delta State include 191 backlogs from 13th – 26th December 2021

^b63 cases reported from Plateau include 26 backlogs from 23rd December 2021

^c599 cases reported from Rivers State include 321 backlogs from 17th – 29th December 2021

DAILY RECOVERIES – DATA AS AT 2ND JANUARY 2022

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

CONFIRMED RECOVERIES	WEEK 52	27 th December	28 th December	29 th December	30 th December	31 st December	1 st January	2 nd January
	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	7	7	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bauchi	35	0	0	0	0	35	0	0
Bayelsa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Benue	252	0	0	0	0	0	0	252
Borno	194	0	0	0	0	0	0	194
Cross River	25	0	0	0	0	0	25	0
Delta	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ebonyi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Edo	250	0	130	120	0	0	0	0
Ekiti	33	0	0	0	8	25	0	0
Enugu	30	14	0	16	0	0	0	0
FCT ^c	558	14	5	14	227	154	144	0
Gombe	23	0	0	0	23	0	0	0
Imo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jigawa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kaduna	142	0	50	0	32	50	10	0
Kano	52	0	0	17	21	0	0	14
Katsina	3	0	0	0	0	3	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	102	34	32	0	16	16	4	0
Ondo	37	6	0	0	31	0	0	0

CONFIRMED RECOVERIES	WEEK 52	27 th December	28 th December	29 th December	30 th December	31 st December	1 st January	2 nd January
	TOTAL	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Osun	8	0	0	0	0	0	8	0
Oyo	228	46	38	0	79	10	0	55
Plateau	93	0	0	0	0	0	93	0
Rivers	730	99	155	144	75	130	68	59
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	2,802	220	410	311	512	423	352	574

DAILY FATALITIES – DATA AS AT 2ND JANUARY 2022

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

CONFIRMED FATALITIES	WEEK 52	27 th December	28 th December	29 th December	30 th December	31 st December	1 st January	2 nd January
	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	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Bayelsa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Benue	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Borno ^a	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
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	3	2	0	0	0	1	0	0
Gombe	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Imo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jigawa	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	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	4	0	3	1	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	0	2	0	0	0

CONFIRMED FATALITIES	WEEK 52	27 th December	28 th December	29 th December	30 th December	31 st December	1 st January	2 nd January
	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	17	2	3	1	2	1	2	6

NB: ^a6 deaths reported from Borno State are backlogs from 25th – 28th December 2021

DAILY EPICURVE

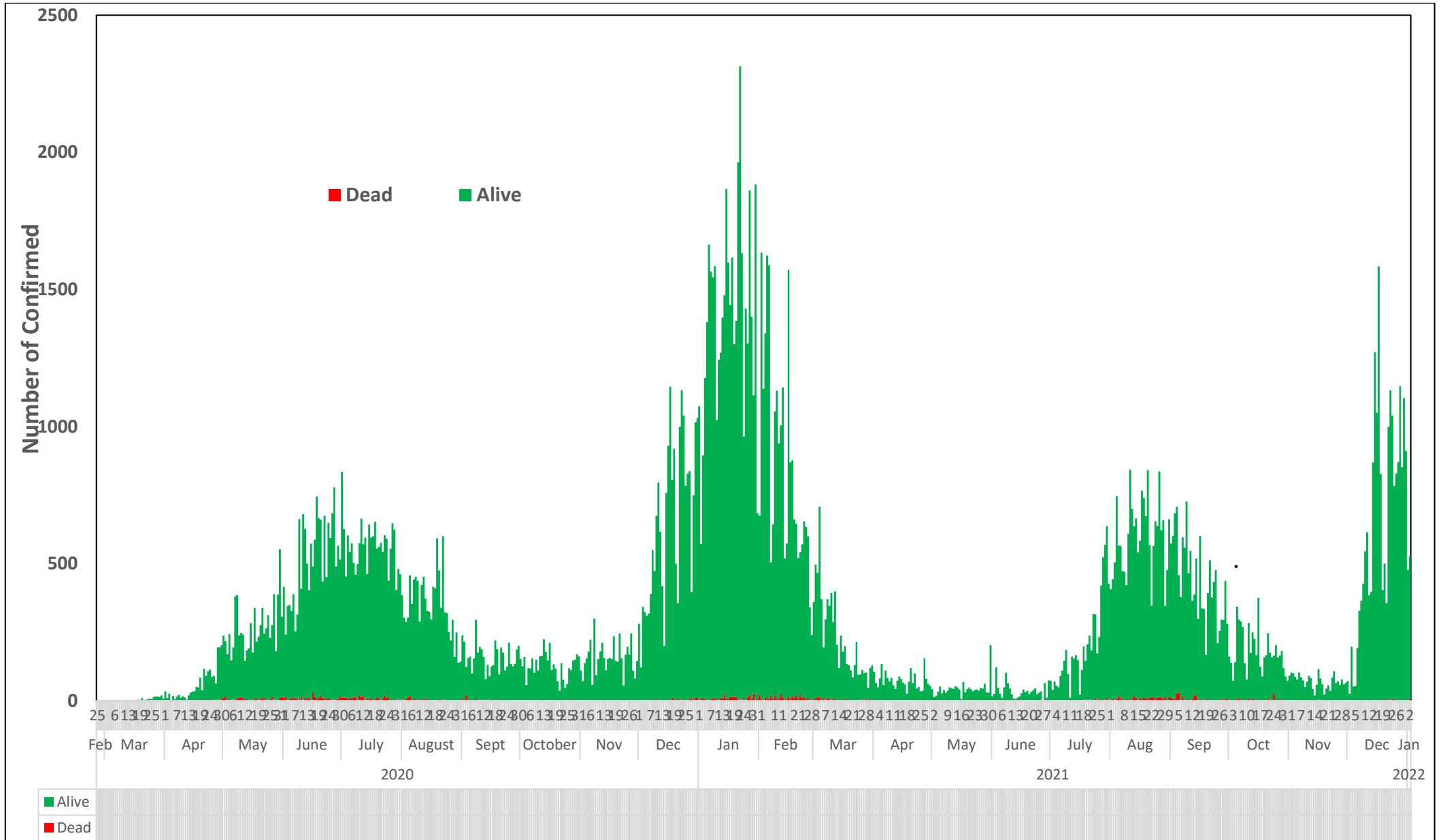


Figure 3: Daily epidemic curve of confirmed cases as reported per day as of 2nd January 2022

AGE-GENDER BREAKDOWN

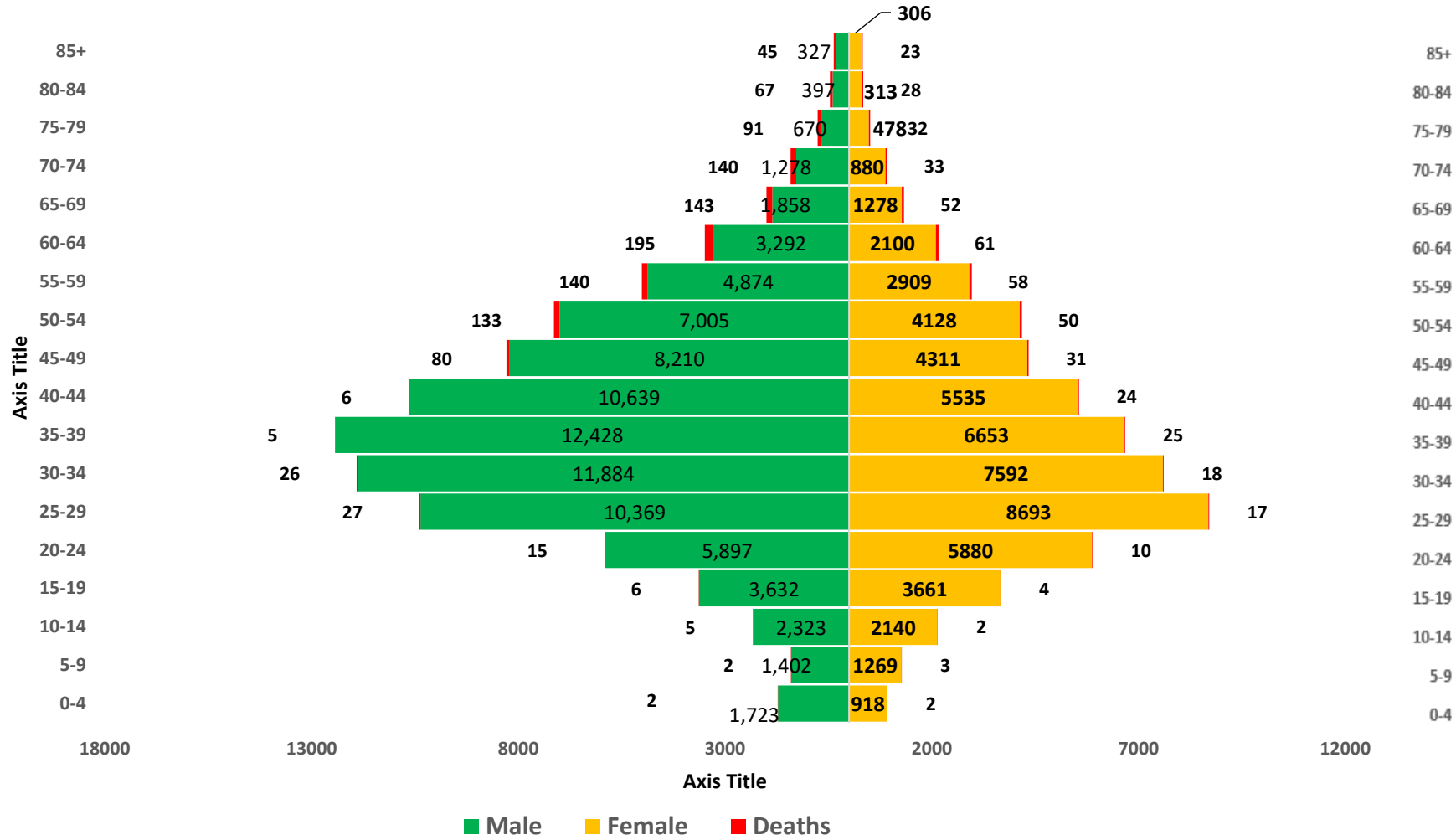


Figure 4: Chart with age and gender breakdown of cases and deaths (WK10, 2020 – WK52, 2021)

IN FOCUS: Safe School Resumption

The detection of the Omicron variant which has been found to be more transmissible, has intensified the need to ensure the implementation and adherence to public health measures against COVID-19. The SARS-CoV-2 virus and its variants spread easily when people gather and/or come in close contact with one another. Therefore, as schools prepare to reopen amidst a fourth wave of the COVID-19 outbreak in Nigeria, the Nigeria Centre for Disease Control (NCDC) strongly urges schools to take adequate precautions to prevent a surge in the number of students and staff infected.

School administrators should ensure the following to reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission within schools:

1. Daily temperature checks at points of entry. Those with a temperature above 38°C should not be allowed entry
2. Provision of handwashing facilities and hand sanitizers for hand hygiene
3. Masks must be worn by all those over the age of 6 years on school premises
4. Always ensure proper ventilation and minimum of one metre sitting distance between students in classrooms
5. Surfaces including desks, door handles etc. should be disinfected at least twice; at break time and at the end of the school day
6. Avoid sharing of items such as pencils, biros, erasers, rulers, textbooks, etc.
7. Staff at sick bay should be trained and provided with required Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
8. Students and staff who feel ill should remain at home and seek treatment at a health facility immediately
9. All eligible persons should get vaccinated against COVID-19 at one of the nearby vaccination sites. Those who are vaccinated must still adhere to public health measures

Additionally, NCDC recommends the use of approved rapid diagnostic test kits in secondary school hostels and university campuses for testing of student and staff upon school resumption and for those experiencing symptoms of COVID-19 during the school session. Guidelines and instructional materials for schools can be accessed via https://covid19.ncdc.gov.ng/media/files/Public_Health_Guidance_on_Safe_School_Re-opening_in_Nigeria.pdf

We urge States to enhance risk communication and community engagement activities to spread awareness on COVID-19, the Omicron variant and vaccination during this school resumption period. We all have a part to play in managing the outbreak to protect the health of Nigerians.

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

COORDINATION

- Developed plans for the fourth wave
- Ongoing engagement with high burden states on response to the fourth wave
- 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

RESEARCH

- 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

CASE MANAGEMENT – Led by Department of Hospital Services, Federal Ministry of Health

- Ongoing training of Biomedical Engineers on repair and maintenance of Oxygen equipment in collaboration with Clinton Health Access Initiative (CHAI)
- Conducted case management training on Home Base Isolation Care in South-South and South-East Zones

EPIDEMIOLOGY/SURVEILLANCE AND POINT OF ENTRY

- **Concluded supportive supervision for trained contact tracers in Akwa Ibom, Kaduna, Kano, and Oyo states**
- **Ongoing case finding and contact tracing in 15 states**
- Ongoing training of Port Health Services (PHS) staff on handling of VIPs, diplomats, cranks etc with support from WHO, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA) and ProHealth International (PHI) in all international airports.
- Continued follow up with states for daily reporting, contact tracing and key challenges
- Ongoing enhanced surveillance at points of entry

INFECTION PREVENTION AND CONTROL (IPC)

- **Conducted review of Infection Prevention & Control Assessment Framework (IPCAF) tool for targeted intervention in high burden health facilities**
- **Continue follow up with University College Hospital (UCH), Ibadan and FCT on infection rise in the respective health facilities**
- **Ongoing dissemination of key messaging to focal persons across all States on 4th wave presence and issues regarding intervention prioritisation**
- Conducted refresher trainings and compliance monitoring across NYSC camps in the country
- Ongoing support for the implementation of Hand Hygiene practices and mentoring in Edo, Ebonyi, Ondo states and the FCT Secondary Health facilities

LABORATORY

- Ongoing review and update of the National COVID-19 testing strategy
- Conducted SARS CoV-2 Reference Standard Review in collaboration with WHO & African Society for Laboratory Medicine (ASLM).
- Concluded the online orientation of Enugu State frontline laboratory personnel on supervision and monitoring of Ag RDTs for COVID-19 diagnosis
- Ongoing sequencing of positive samples among travellers to Nigeria and positive cases detected in-country, at the National Reference Laboratory (NRL), Gaduwa

LOGISTICS

- Ongoing distribution of 400,000 RDT Kits to the 36 States for increased testing
- Donated 1,250 and 1,000 RDT Kits to the National Assembly clinic and National Primary Health Care Development Agency respectively
- On-going distribution of RDT kits to Lagos State Biobank Laboratory and Central Public Health Laboratory (CPHL), Yaba
- Distributed Laboratory consumables, PPE, and IPC commodities to all 36 States Ministries of Health and Tertiary Health Care Facilities including the FCT in the month of December
- 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

RISK COMMUNICATION

- Ongoing plans for safe school reopening
- Facilitated media appearances as well as dissemination of Short Messaging Services (SMS) through the Telecommunications Operator (TELCOS)
- Ongoing media monitoring and social listening for COVID-19 updates and misinformation
- Developed and published a press release on the Celebrate responsibly campaign
- Developed and disseminated FAQs on the Omicron variant
- Held Social and Behavior Change (SBC) material review workshop in collaboration with our partners and MDAs supported by Breakthrough Action Nigeria (BA-N)
- SBC materials for the fourth wave developed and ready to be pretested
- Stakeholders' engagement meeting with persons with disabilities
- Launched celebrate responsibly campaign for the yuletide season
- Trained media and spokespersons in Bauchi and Oyo state by BA-N
- Trained Oyo, Sokoto and Bauchi state team on using social media for public health response
- Concluded leaderships and strategic communication workshop for pillar members
- Continued support to National Primary Health Care Development Agency (NPHCDA) in COVID-19 vaccination campaign
- Ongoing media appearances on radio and television

NEXT STEPS

- Conduct evaluation of Celebrate responsibly campaign
- Conduct targeted assessments and fact finding in top health facilities having surge in Healthcare Workers presenting with COVID-19 Infection
- Begin implementation of the testing strategy to increase RDT uptake
- Conduct National Logistics and Supply Chain Management Step Down Training in the 6 Geo-Political Zones
- Roll out of HCW Hospital Acquired Infection feedback form
- Conduct supervisory visits to public and private laboratories in the NCDC's COVID-19 laboratory network nationwide
- Conduct Home-based isolation care training for the Northeast zone

- Conduct prospective IPC training of healthcare workers under the Nigeria Armed Forces (Southeast)
- Conduct refresher trainings/ webinars on healthcare worker safety and standard/transmission-based precautions
- Link state networks to support healthcare worker (HCW) infection investigations and monitoring activities
- Support Jigawa and Bayelsa States on infodemic management to improve compliance to Non-Pharmaceutical Interventions and address rumors, myths, and misconceptions
- Conduct media engagement meeting/training of journalist and media professionals
- Intensify genomic surveillance activities across the country

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:

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

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