



COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT

WEEKLY EPIDEMIOLOGICAL REPORT 47

Epi Week 35: 30th August – 5th September 2021

DATA AS REPORTED AND ACCURATE BY NCDC AS AT MIDNIGHT 5TH September 2021

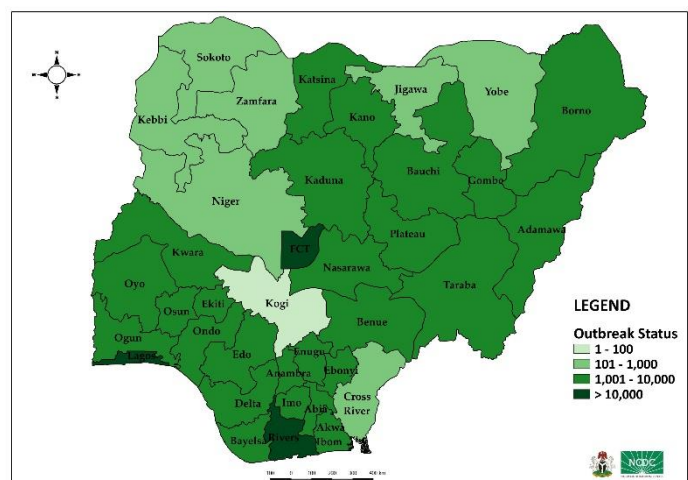
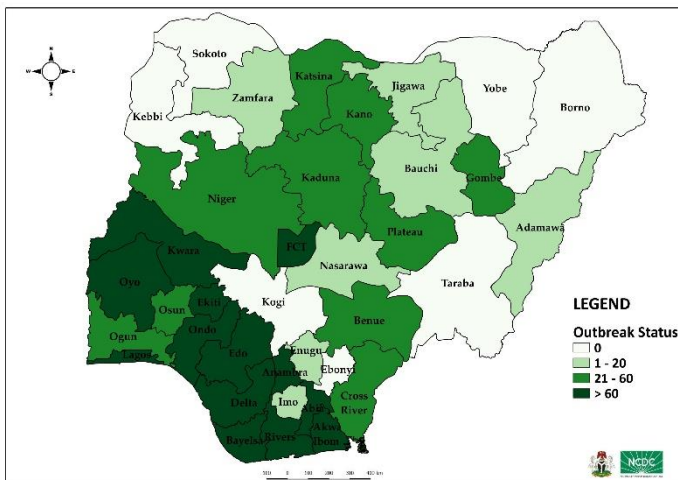


Fig 1. Distribution of cases (Epi Week 35 only)

Fig 2. Distribution of cumulative cases

HIGHLIGHTS

- In Week 35, the number of new confirmed cases decreased to **4,166** from **4,322** reported in week 34. These were reported in **28** states and FCT (Tables 1 & 2). (This includes backlog reported from Delta and Lagos States)
- In Week 35, the number of discharged cases decreased to **6,246** from **9,823** in week 34. These were reported in **21** states and FCT (Tables 1 & 3) (This includes cases managed via home-based care)
- There were **98** deaths reported in the last one week (Tables 1 & 4). (This includes backlog reported from Lagos)
- Cumulatively, since the outbreak began in Week 9, 2020 there have been **195,511** cases and **2,552** deaths reported with a case fatality rate (CFR) of **1.3%** (Tables 1 & 4).
- In Week 35, the number of in-bound international travellers tested were **5,129** of which **149** were positive compared to **161** (out of **4,539** tested) from week 34.
- In Week 35, the number of out-bound international travellers tested were **7,738** of which **305** were positive compared to **305** (out of **7,964** tested) from week 34.
- Globally, the count for confirmed COVID-19 cases is **220,383,954** with **4,561,446** deaths resulting in a case fatality rate of **2.1%**.

GENERAL FACT SHEET – DATA AS AT 5TH SEPTEMBER 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	1,858	64	1,767	7	25	1	66	31,813	1,466
Adamawa	1,136	0	1,098	0	32	0	6	26,223	1,071
Akwa Ibom	4,135	151	3,355	155	42	0	738	37,510	2,631
Anambra	2,108	62	2,057	89	19	0	32	38,669	1,900
Bauchi	1,568	15	1,538	4	17	0	13	31,716	1,180
Bayelsa	1,103	74	961	31	27	1	115	24,309	1,639
Benue	1,465	52	1,398	9	24	0	43	32,293	3,665
Borno	1,344	0	1,306	1	38	0	0	22,585	310
Cross River	516	41	459	17	21	0	36	13,974	1,362
Delta	3,027	113	2,556	0	85	10	386	53,575	2,102
Ebonyi	2,048	0	2,003	0	32	0	13	33,139	967
Edo	5,671	330	4,949	58	200	5	522	78,471	1,657
Ekiti	1,549	102	1,260	141	21	6	268	37,104	2,612
Enugu	2,563	7	2,527	0	29	0	7	47,533	1,510
FCT	20,684	150	20,017	81	176	1	491	378,371	9,059
Gombe	2,267	28	2,191	0	44	0	32	74,409	4,185
Imo	1,721	11	1,650	0	38	0	33	57,287	1,569
Jigawa	573	11	545	24	16	0	12	16,811	1,167
Kaduna	9,280	55	9,147	15	66	0	67	146,161	2,748
Kano	4,101	57	3,926	5	111	1	64	120,910	2,035
Katsina	2,214	50	2,129	29	35	0	50	49,643	2,514
Kebbi	458	0	433	0	16	0	9	21,516	871
Kogi	5	0	3	0	2	0	0	8,544	1,216
Kwara	3,647	91	3,207	95	59	2	381	34,655	1,791
Lagos	73,906	1,461	70,618	4,057	645	41	2,643	743,522	22,037
Nasarawa	2,424	10	2,345	0	39	0	40	31,812	1,517
Niger	994	28	914	0	20	0	60	22,450	810
Ogun	5,300	56	5,122	121	78	2	100	92,424	3,110
Ondo	4,148	180	3,800	225	76	5	272	33,868	1,594

STATE	CONFIRMED		RECOVERIES		DEATHS		ACTIVE CASES	TESTING	
	Total	Last Week	Total	Last Week	Total	Last Week		Total	Last Week
Osun	2,749	58	2,585	12	84	5	80	26,782	1,936
Oyo	8,358	276	7,440	193	168	6	750	91,167	3,923
Plateau	9,214	35	9,080	22	61	2	73	76,063	596
Rivers	10,765	596	9,628	855	137	10	1,000	281,935	9,286
Sokoto	796	0	766	0	28	0	2	29,155	1,875
Taraba	1,062	0	1,011	0	24	0	27	16,342	243
Yobe	501	0	490	0	9	0	2	28,200	1,584
Zamfara	253	2	243	0	8	0	2	15,738	799
Total	195,511	4,166	184,524	6,246	2,552	98	8,435	2,906,679	100,537

NB: ^a Confirmed cases reported for Delta include backlog of 15 cases on 26th (2), 27th (4), and 28th (9) August 2021

^b Discharged cases and deaths reported for Lagos include backlog from 4th August 2021

Test type disaggregation (last one week)

Type	Number of tests done	Percentage of tests done
PCR	45,928	45.7%
RDT	54,609	54.3%
TOTAL	100,537	

Test type disaggregation (cumulative)

Type	Number of tests done	Percentage of tests done
PCR	2,457,166	84.5%
RDT	449,513	15.5%
TOTAL	2,906,679	

RETURNING PASSENGERS TESTS

Laboratories and COVID-19 tests for returning Persons of Interest

LABORATORY	INBOUND
54Gene Abuja, (FCT)	382
ACCOUNS (Lagos)	204
Afriglobal (Lagos)	290
Arab Labs (FCT)	37
Arrive Alive (Lagos)	101
BIOLOGIX (Lagos)	105
Biosensors Medical Diagnostics (FCT)	117
Cedarcrest Abuja (FCT)	94
CLINA-LANCET Laboratories (Lagos)	901
CLINA-LANCET Laboratories Abuja (FCT)	29
CLINIX Healthcare (Lagos)	140
CoolSpring (Lagos)	8
DemyHealth (FCT)	28
Dexmian medical laboratory (Delta)	17
DNA Labs Abuja (FCT)	351
DNA Labs Kaduna (Kaduna)	24
E-clinic & Diagnostics (FCT)	58
Edo Specialist Hospital (Edo)	48
EHA Clinics (FCT)	174
Evercare (Lagos)	108
Everight diagnostics (Abuja) (FCT)	119
Everight diagnostics (IMO)	140
Genequest Diagnostics (Lagos)	18
Grandville (Lagos)	11
Harley And Rainbow (Lagos)	25
Ibom Molecular Laboratory (Akwa Ibom)	4
IFAIN (FCT)	44
LASUCOM (Lagos)	9
Lifebridge (Lagos)	11
Me Cure (Lagos)	52
Medbury (Lagos)	330
Medbury Medical Services (Rivers)	206

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)
BML, (Bauchi)	NASIDARC (Nasarawa)
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)	161 NAF Centre
USUMH (Borno)	UMTH (Borno)
PLASVIREC (Plateau)	Warri Lab (Delta)
GH Kagarko (Kaduna)	FTH (Gombe)

Medicaid Abuja (FCT)	90
MEDILAG (Lagos)	1
NIZAMIYE (Lagos)	53
SYNLAB (Lagos)	161
The Specialist Lab (Lagos)	8
TOBIS MDL (Bayelsa)	2
Total (Lagos)	51
Vcare (Lagos)	142
Wellmed (Lagos)	15
Westend Hospital Molecular Laboratory (Delta)	67
ZAINE Lab (Lagos)	202
Life Center (Lagos)	151
Capitol Hill Molecular Lab (Delta)	1
Grand Total	5,129

DAILY CONFIRMED CASES – DATA AS AT 5TH SEPTEMBER 2021

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

CONFIRMED CASES	WEEK 35	30 th August	31 st August	1 st September	2 nd September	3 rd September	4 th September	5 th September
	TOTAL	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Abia	64	0	0	0	26	0	0	38
Adamawa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Akwa Ibom	151	0	18	26	0	49	25	33
Anambra	62	4	0	25	16	17	0	0
Bauchi	15	0	0	0	0	14	1	0
Bayelsa	74	20	8	14	20	9	2	1
Benue	52	4	1	5	6	9	12	15
Borno	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cross River	41	1	0	0	0	7	0	33
Delta	113	20	10	27	16	16	14	10
Ebonyi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Edo	330	61	0	60	63	71	66	9
Ekiti	102	0	7	12	18	20	22	23
Enugu	7	2	0	0	4	1	0	0
FCT	150	37	41	12	23	19	8	10
Gombe	28	0	0	19	0	0	9	0
Imo	11	0	0	0	11	0	0	0
Jigawa	11	0	0	2	2	2	5	0
Kaduna	55	1	0	11	0	21	17	5
Kano	57	0	0	6	23	16	0	12
Katsina	50	0	0	10	22	16	0	2
Kebbi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kogi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kwara	91	0	6	0	0	49	22	14
Lagos	1,461	139	334	175	172	237	219	185
Nasarawa	10	0	0	0	1	5	2	2
Niger	28	0	0	0	2	0	26	0
Ogun	56	6	9	3	20	11	4	3
Ondo	180	0	0	0	0	0	180	0

CONFIRMED CASES	WEEK 35	30 th August	31 st August	1 st September	2 nd September	3 rd September	4 th September	5 th September
	TOTAL	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Osun	58	0	20	0	14	0	0	24
Oyo	276	14	60	0	93	49	22	38
Plateau	35	7	14	5	0	2	7	0
Rivers	596	164	134	124	72	38	62	2
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	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
Total	4,166	480	662	536	624	680	725	459

DAILY RECOVERIES – DATA AS AT 5TH SEPTEMBER 2021

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

CONFIRMED RECOVERIES	WEEK 35	30 th August	31 st August	1 st September	2 nd September	3 rd September	4 th September	5 th September
	TOTAL	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Abia	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
Adamawa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Akwa Ibom	155	0	0	0	0	62	82	11
Anambra	89	0	0	28	0	61	0	0
Bauchi	4	0	0	0	0	4	0	0
Bayelsa	31	0	0	11	5	15	0	0
Benue	9	3	1	5	0	0	0	0
Borno ^a	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cross River	17	0	0	0	0	2	0	15
Delta	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ebonyi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Edo	58	0	0	4	4	2	0	48
Ekiti	141	10	21	15	25	15	35	20
Enugu	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FCT	81	0	64	6	0	2	0	9
Gombe	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Imo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jigawa	24	0	0	24	0	0	0	0
Kaduna	15	1	4	0	0	6	0	4
Kano	5	0	0	0	5	0	0	0
Katsina	29	0	0	0	29	0	0	0
Kebbi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kogi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kwara	95	0	0	0	0	0	95	0
Lagos ^b	4,057	0	0	0	0	0	2,246	1,811
Nasarawa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Niger	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ogun	121	0	20	35	33	10	20	3
Ondo	225	0	0	0	0	0	225	0

CONFIRMED RECOVERIES	WEEK 35	30 th August	31 st August	1 st September	2 nd September	3 rd September	4 th September	5 th September
	TOTAL	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Osun	12	0	12	0	0	0	0	0
Oyo	193	40	13	0	72	29	3	36
Plateau	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	22
Rivers	855	154	132	113	120	177	78	81
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	6,246	209	267	241	293	385	2,784	2,067

NB: ^a Errata – 1 case erroneously included in number of discharged cases for Borno State

^b Discharged cases reported for Lagos include cases managed via home-based care

DAILY FATALITIES – DATA AS AT 5TH SEPTEMBER 2021

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

CONFIRMED FATALITIES	WEEK 35	30 th August	31 st August	1 st September	2 nd September	3 rd September	4 th September	5 th September
	TOTAL	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Abia	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Adamawa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Akwa Ibom	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Anambra	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bauchi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bayelsa	1	1	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	10	0	0	8	0	2	0	0
Ebonyi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Edo	5	0	0	1	1	1	2	0
Ekiti	6	0	4	0	2	0	0	0
Enugu	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FCT	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Gombe	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Imo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jigawa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kaduna	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kano	1	0	0	0	1	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	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Lagos	41	0	0	0	0	0	18	23
Nasarawa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Niger	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ogun	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Ondo	5	0	0	0	0	0	5	0

CONFIRMED FATALITIES	WEEK 35	30 th August	31 st August	1 st September	2 nd September	3 rd September	4 th September	5 th September
	TOTAL	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Osun	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Oyo	6	0	2	0	2	1	1	0
Plateau	2	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
Rivers	10	0	5	0	2	3	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	98	1	14	11	8	7	27	30

DAILY EPICURVE

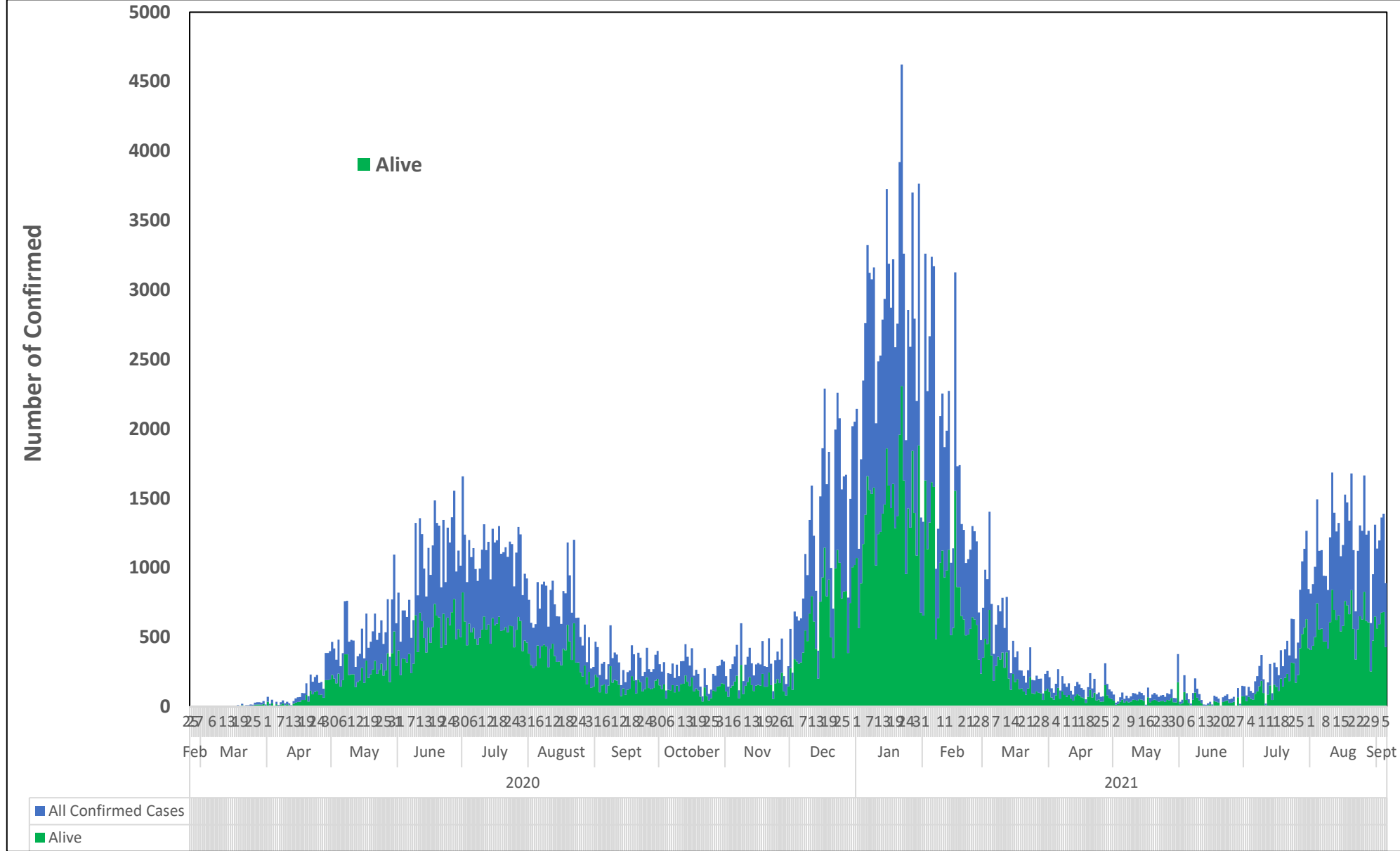


Figure 3: Daily epidemic curve of confirmed cases as reported per day as of 5th September 2021

AGE-GENDER BREAKDOWN

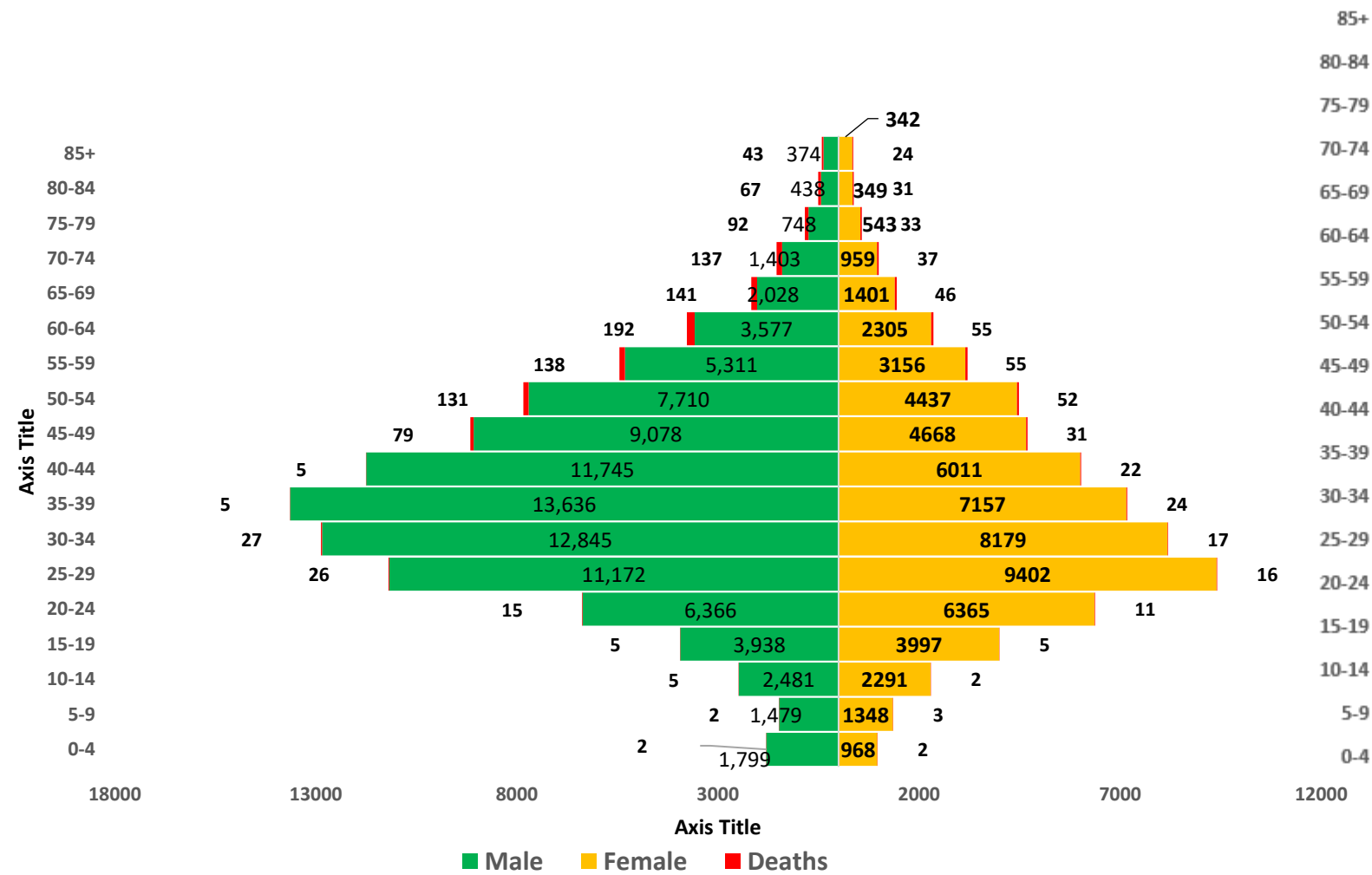


Figure 4: Chart with age and gender breakdown of cases and deaths (WK10, 2020 – WK35, 2021)

RESPONSE COMMODITIES DISTRIBUTION

Table 5: Prepositioning of IPC commodities to states and tertiary treatment facilities for week 35

S/N	Item Description	U.o.M	Kano State Ministry of Health	Aminu Kano Teaching Hospital	Kebbi State Ministry of Health	Federal Medical Center, Birnin-Kebbi	Jigawa State Ministry of Health	Federal Medical Center, Birnin-Kudu	Abia State Ministry of Health	Federal Medical Center, Umuahia
1	Gown	Piece	650	800	550	600	550	600	550	600
2	N95/KN95 Face Masks	Piece	1,200	1,200	900	800	900	800	900	800
3	Face Shield	Piece	500	600	300	400	300	400	300	400
4	Surgical Face Mask	Piece	2,500	2,000	2,500	2,000	2,500	2,000	2,500	2,000
5	Goggles	Piece	300	500	200	300	200	300	200	300
6	Bio-Hazard Bag	Piece	500	600	400	400	400	400	400	400
7	Digital Thermometer	Piece	100	0	50	0	50	0	50	0
8	Sharps Container (Plastic)	Piece	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50
9	Hand Sanitizer 100ml	Piece	140	200	70	100	70	100	70	100
10	Hand Sanitizer 500ml	Piece	20	0	10	0	10	0	10	0
11	Shoe Cover	Pair	150	120	150	120	150	120	150	120
12	Dexamethasone tablets	Pack	50	50	50	50	55	55	65	65
13	Scrubs set (Reusable)	Piece	200	500	200	500	200	500	200	500
14	Coverall PPE	Piece	50	59	50	59	50	59	50	59
15	Chlorine solution	Piece	172	100	172	100	172	100	172	100
16	Examination Gloves	Pack	268	230	268	230	268	230	268	230

Table 6: Prepositioning of IPC commodities to states and tertiary treatment facilities for week 35

S/N	Item Description	U.o.M	Anambra State Ministry of Health	Nnamdi Azikiwe University Teaching Hospital, Nnewi	Ebonyi State Ministry of Health	Federal Univ. Teaching Hospital, Abakaliki	Bauchi State Ministry of Health	Abubakar Tafawa Balewa UTH, Bauchi	Borno State Ministry of Health
1	Gown	Piece	550	600	550	600	550	600	550
2	N95/KN95 Face Masks	Piece	900	800	900	800	900	800	900
3	Face Shield	Piece	300	400	300	400	300	400	300
4	Surgical Face Mask	Piece	2,500	2,000	2,500	2,000	2,500	2,000	2,500
5	Goggles	Piece	200	300	200	300	200	300	200
6	Bio-Hazard Bag	Piece	400	400	400	400	400	400	500
7	Digital Thermometer	Piece	50	0	50	0	50	0	100
8	Sharps Container (Plastic)	Piece	50	50	50	50	50	50	50
9	Hand Sanitizer 100ml	Piece	70	100	70	100	70	100	140
10	Hand Sanitizer 500ml	Piece	10	0	10	0	10	0	20
11	Shoe Cover	Pair	150	120	150	120	150	120	150
12	Dexamethasone Tablets	Pack	65	65	65	65	65	65	65
13	Scrubs set (Reusable)	Piece	200	500	200	500	200	500	200
14	Coverall PPE	Piece	50	59	50	59	50	59	50
15	Chlorine solution	Piece	172	100	172	100	172	100	172
16	Examination Gloves	Pack	268	230	268	230	268	230	268

Table 7: Prepositioning of IPC commodities to states and tertiary treatment facilities for week 35

S/N	Item Description	U.o.M	University of Maiduguri Teaching Hospital	Gombe State Ministry of Health	Federal Teaching Hospital, Gombe	Oyo State Ministry of Health	University College Hospital, Ibadan	Benue State Ministry of Health	Federal Medical Center, Makurdi
1	Gown	Piece	600	550	600	900	1,000	550	600
2	N95/KN95 Face Masks	Piece	1,000	900	800	1,200	1,500	900	800
3	Face Shield	Piece	600	300	400	500	600	300	400
4	Surgical Face Mask	Piece	2,000	2,500	2,000	2,500	2,000	2,500	2,000
5	Goggles	Piece	300	200	300	300	400	200	300
6	Bio-Hazard Bag	Piece	600	400	400	700	700	400	400
7	Digital Thermometer	Piece	0	50	0	100	0	50	0
8	Sharps Container (Plastic)	Piece	50	50	50	50	50	50	50
9	Hand Sanitizer 100ml	Piece	200	70	100	115	150	70	100
10	Hand Sanitizer 500ml	Piece	0	10	0	20	0	10	0
11	Shoe Cover	Pair	120	150	120	150	120	150	120
12	Dexamethasone Tablets	Pack	65	65	65	65	65	65	65
13	Scrubs set (Reusable)	Piece	500	200	500	400	600	200	500
14	Coverall PPE	Piece	59	50	59	0	0	50	59
15	Chlorine solution	Piece	100	172	100	0	0	172	100
16	Examination Gloves	Pack	230	268	230	0	0	268	230

Table 8: Prepositioning of IPC commodities to states and tertiary treatment facilities for week 35

S/N	Item Description	U.o.M	Kogi State Ministry of Health	Federal Medical Center, Lokoja	Plateau State Ministry of Health	Jos University Teaching Hospital	Bayelsa State Ministry of Health	Federal Medical Center, Yenagoa
1	Gown	Piece	550	600	900	700	550	600
2	N95/KN95 Face Masks	Piece	900	800	1,200	1,000	900	800
3	Face Shield	Piece	300	400	400	600	300	400
4	Surgical Face Mask	Piece	2,500	2,000	2,500	2,000	2,500	2,000
5	Goggles	Piece	200	300	300	500	200	300
6	Bio-Hazard Bag	Piece	400	400	700	800	400	400
7	Digital Thermometer	Piece	50	0	100	0	50	0
8	Sharps Container (Plastic)	Piece	50	50	50	50	50	50
9	Hand Sanitizer 100ml	Piece	70	100	95	150	70	100
10	Hand Sanitizer 500ml	Piece	10	0	20	0	10	0
11	Shoe Cover	Pair	150	120	150	120	150	120
12	Dexamethasone Tablets	Pack	65	65	65	65	65	65
13	Scrubs set (Reusable)	Piece	200	500	200	500	200	500
14	Coverall PPE	Piece	50	59	50	59	50	59
15	Chlorine solution	Piece	172	100	172	100	172	100
16	Examination Gloves	Pack	268	230	268	300	268	230

IN FOCUS: Safe Reopening of Schools

Following the long holiday, schools across the country have begun to resume for a new academic session. Although this comes amidst the third wave of COVID-19 in Nigeria, school authorities can make the school environment safer by adhering to preventive measures instituted by the Federal Government of Nigeria.

In Nigeria, confirmed cases of Delta variant, a more transmissible variant of COVID-19, are being reported across the country. Therefore, schools have a critical role to play in the context of a more transmissible strain of the virus, to protect students, staff and their families. A fundamental aspect of this is creating awareness amongst students, parents, and staff on taking responsibility by observing preventive measures and adhering to strict non-pharmaceutical interventions to stay safe and remain protected. The following should be implemented in academic settings:

1. Daily temperature checks at points of entry. Those with a temperature above 38⁰ should not be allowed entry
2. Provision of handwashing facilities and hand sanitiser
3. Masks must be worn by all those over the age of six years in school premises
4. Ensure proper ventilation and physical distance of two metres between students in classrooms
5. Avoid sharing of items such as pen, rural, sharpener, etc
6. Surfaces including desks, door handles etc. should be disinfected at the end of the school day
7. Students and staff who feel ill should remain at home and seek treatment at a health facility immediately
8. Students and staff who have to remain in self-isolation following exposure or confirmed case should be supported by the school authority
9. Schools with boarding facilities can utilise approved Antigen-based Rapid Diagnostic Test (RDT) kits for regular testing. See [guidelines](#) for use
10. Provide reminders in strategic positions for the school community to adhere to physical distancing, proper use of face masks, regular handwashing, and other measures

The Nigeria Centre for Disease Control (NCDC) has published various school-related guidelines such as [Public Health Guidance for Safe School Re-opening in Nigeria](#) and other [information, education and communication materials](#) on safe school reopening. These will guide the efforts of school administrators in ensuring that students, staff, and families are safe within the school premises.

Furthermore, we urge school authorities to encourage members of staff to get vaccinated as it offers significant protection and reduces the risk of severe illness from COVID-19 infection. We also call on states to encourage compliance to COVID-19 preventive measures in schools and other public settings. NCDC continues to work with the Ministry of Education and other relevant stakeholders to ensure that schools at all levels are provided with the necessary guidance to ensure safe operations, and remain a safe space for learning.

RESPONSE

On 28th February 2020, a multi-sectoral Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) was activated at Level 3 which is the highest emergency level in Nigeria. This is led by NCDC in close coordination with the State Public Health EOCs (PHEOC) and through the deployment of **59** Rapid Response Teams (RRT) to states. Currently, response activities include:

- **Developed/mapped out strategic pillar activities to sustain the response**
- **Held bi-weekly engagement meeting with state teams on the ongoing response to the third wave**
- **Concluded update and development of training manual for Home Based Isolation and Care (HBIC) for the management of COVID-19**
- **Concluded the development and approval of version five of the national guideline for clinical management of COVID-19**
- **Ongoing meetings with Health Commissioners of Akwa Ibom, Bayelsa, Cross River, and Rivers states in the Niger Delta region to commence RDT testing at the waterfronts**
- **Reviewed surveillance data tools for effective data collection**
- **Developed IPC facility implementation plan for Enugu State health facilities**
- **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 supportive supervision and assessment of the National Youth Service Corps (NYSC) orientation camp activities to ensure adherence to COVID-19 protocols**
- **Conducted training in quarantine centres and for staff of private hospitals in Lagos State on IPC and standard precautions against COVID-19**
- **Inspected IPC activities in secondary health facilities in Lagos State**
- **Conducted Ag-RDT screening for members of staff of the Federal Ministry of Women Affairs and Federal Ministry of Mines and Steel Development**
- **Supported Federal Medical Centre (FMC) Benue Laboratory, FMC Keffi Laboratory, Molecular Diagnostic Laboratory (MDL) Ilorin, FMC Owo Laboratory, University of Ilorin Teaching Hospital Ilorin Laboratory, Nnamdi Azikiwe University Teaching Hospital Anambra Laboratory, FMC Owerri Laboratory, MDL Bauchi, University of Maiduguri Teaching Hospital Borno Laboratory, Bauchi Reference Molecular Laboratory (BRML), University of Benin Teaching Hospital Laboratory, Delta Mobile Laboratory, Dr. Lawrence Henshaw Memorial Hospital Calabar Laboratory, Bayelsa state Laboratory, University of Calabar Teaching Hospital Laboratory, NRL Research unit, Yobe State Specialist Hospital Damaturu Laboratory, Zamfara State Laboratory, Katsina State Laboratory, Federal Medical Centre (FMC) Katsina Lab, Central Public Health Laboratory Lagos, Lagos University Teaching Hospital (LUTH) Lagos, Kubwa General Hospital Abuja, Bayero University Teaching Hospital Kano Laboratory, and Jigawa State Laboratory, University College Hospital Oyo, Rivers State University Teaching Hospital, Usman Danfodio University Sokoto, FMC Kebbi and FMC Niger with laboratory consumables and personal protective equipment (PPE)**
- **Supported Abia, Akwa Ibom, Cross River and Kano State Ministry of Health (SMoH), National Hospital, Abuja as well as the 36 NYSC Camp sites and Federal Capital Territory (FCT) with rapid diagnostic test (RDT) kits for increase COVID-19 testing**
- **Concluded distribution of COVID-19 commodities to Ondo and Yobe States and the Federal Capital Territory (FCT) treatment centers**
- **Conducted infodemic management capacity need assessment for national risk communication stakeholders**
- **Conducted training of states health educators on social listening and community polling**
- **Held meeting to review COVID-19 guideline for the upcoming safe school reopening conference**
- **Developed tools to monitor risk communication activities by Caritas foundation**

- **Ongoing promotion of COVID-19 messages on testing, signs and symptoms, location of testing facilities, price of testing, and location of vaccination sites**
- Continued engagement with states to ensure regular reporting and response continuity
- Continued roll out of Ag-RDT in collaboration with partners
- Continued tracking and collation of data from states for strategic coordination
- Continued collation of reports on COVID-19 clinical management study
- Ongoing COVID-19 vaccine effectiveness study in collaboration with National Primary Health Care Development Agency (NPHCDA) and WHO
- Ongoing study on knowledge and compliance of health care workers to infection prevention and control (IPC) measures in the control of COVID-19 infection
- Rolled out SORMAS Case Management module in the Federal Capital Territory (FCT)
- Concluded intensivist training in South-South and South-East geopolitical zones
- 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, FCT, Kaduna, Kano, Lagos, Niger, Ogun, Oyo, Plateau, Rivers, & Yobe States
- Held meeting with relevant stakeholders from South-South region on the Delta variant and the response measures taken so far. This was convened by the Port Health Services (PHS) special task team on COVID-19 for Niger Delta and maritime borders.
- Supported testing of passengers at the ground crossing borders in Seme border, Lagos State and Idiroko border, Ogun State using Antigen-based Rapid Diagnostic Test Kits (Ag-RDT)
- Continued follow up with states for daily reporting, contact tracing and key challenges
- Ongoing enhanced surveillance at points of entry
- Ongoing review of IPC guidelines on management of suspected and confirmed cases of COVID-19
- Ongoing refresher workshop for IPC focal persons in health facilities
- Ongoing online classes for IPC Intermediate diploma course for IPC professionals
- Continued sensitisation of schools, hospitals, patients and relations and religious bodies on hand hygiene
- Concluded intra-state cascade training on the appropriate and safe use of approved Ag-RDT in Bayelsa, Benue and Osun States
- 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 the available stock balance and utilisation records
- Ongoing prepositioning 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
- Ongoing media appearances on radio and television

PREPAREDNESS

Since the confirmation of the first case on 27th February 2020, the NCDC has released advisories and statements to help Nigerians and affected groups to respond to the pandemic:

- NCDC 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](#)

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- 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/>