








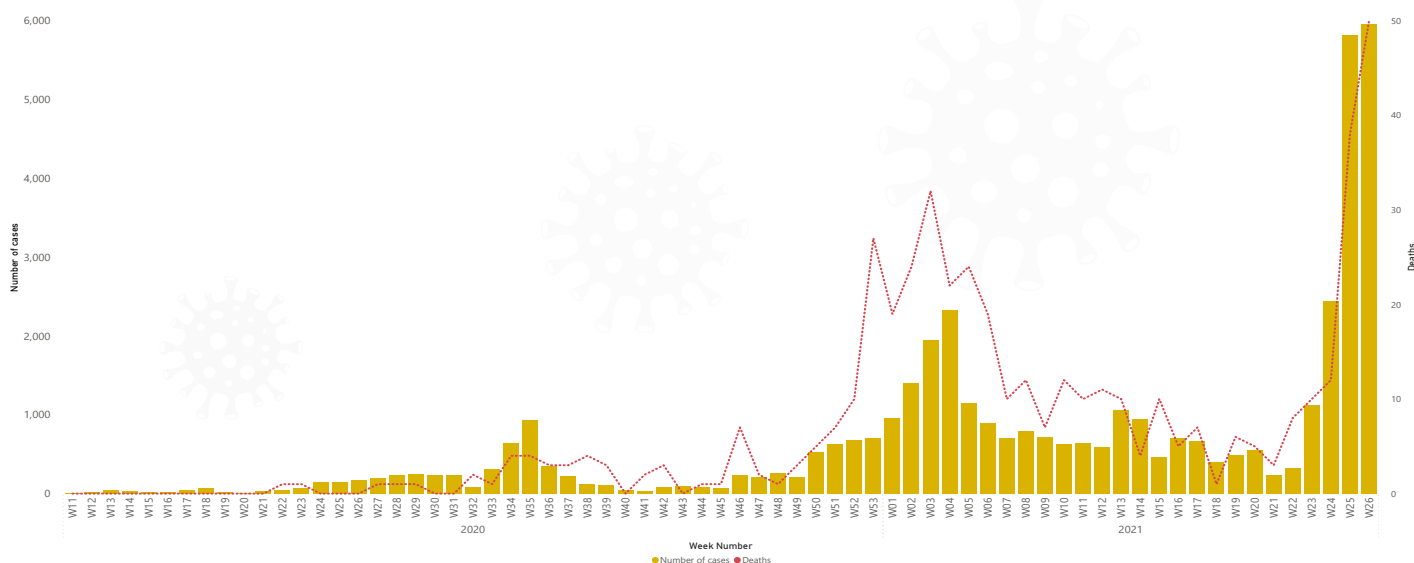
# COVID19 Weekly Epidemiological Bulletin

EPI WEEK 26: From 28<sup>th</sup> June to 4<sup>th</sup> July, 2021

## 1. Epidemiological Summary as of 4<sup>th</sup> July 2021

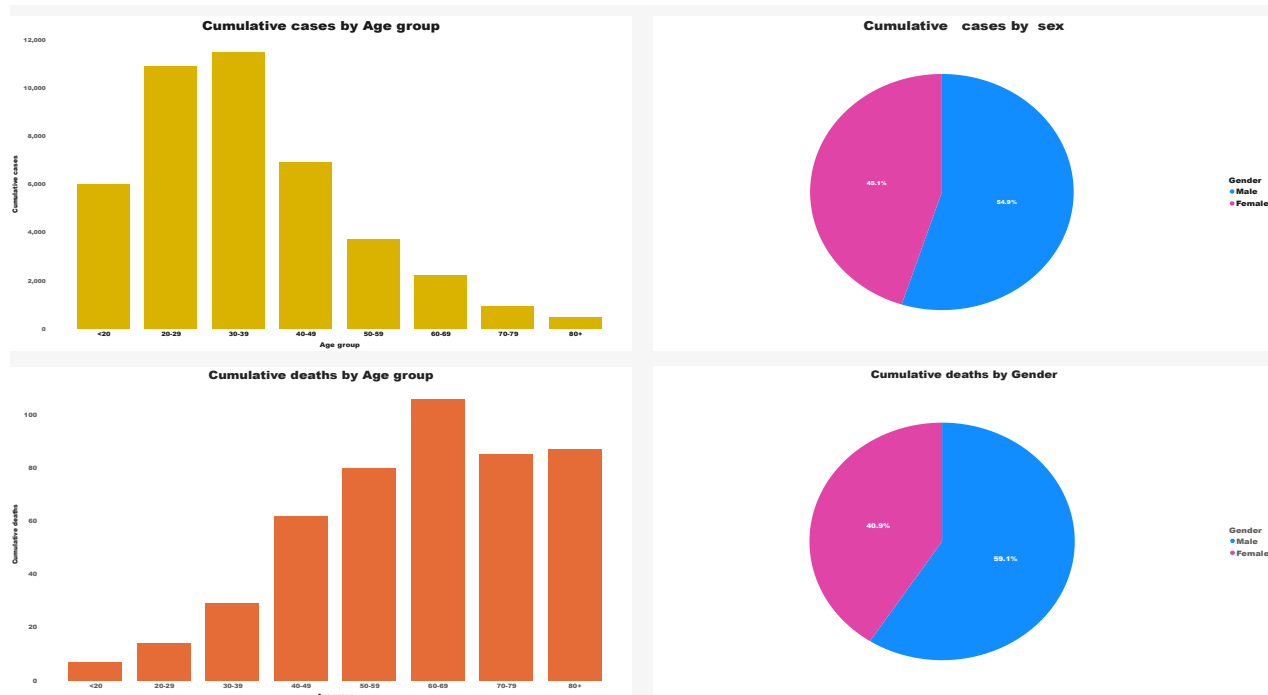
	Number of tests:	<b>1,672,746</b>		Active cases:	<b>14,509</b>
	Average tests per day:	<b>3,499</b>		Number of cases in critical condition:	<b>61</b>
	Number of positive cases:	<b>42,585</b>		Total vaccinated:	<b>391,954</b>
	Positivity rate:	<b>2.54%</b>		Second dose:	<b>251,475</b>
	Number of deaths:	<b>470</b>			
	Case fatality ratio:	<b>1.10%</b>			
	Number of recoveries:	<b>27,606</b>			
	Recovery rate:	<b>64.82%</b>			

## 2. Weekly trend in number of new cases and deaths



### 3. Distribution of cases and deaths by age group and gender.

Cases and deaths distribution by age group and gender as of July 4, 2021



### 4. Weekly summary in numbers: Comparison with the previous week

Indicator	Week 25 From 21st to 27th June, 2021	Week 26 From 28th June to 4th July, 2021
Number of new tests	62,909	58,317
New cases	5,814	5,958
Positivity rate	9.2%	10.21%
New deaths	38	50
New recoveries	386	516
New cases in Kigali	2,044	1,786
New cases outside Kigali	3,770	4,172
New deaths in Kigali	20	28
New deaths outside Kigali	18	22
Incidence rate (cases by 100,000 people)	45/100,000	46/100,000

For the first time since the outbreak declaration, two digit deaths number was reported in this week: on 1st and 3rd July 2021 10 and 12 deaths were respectively.

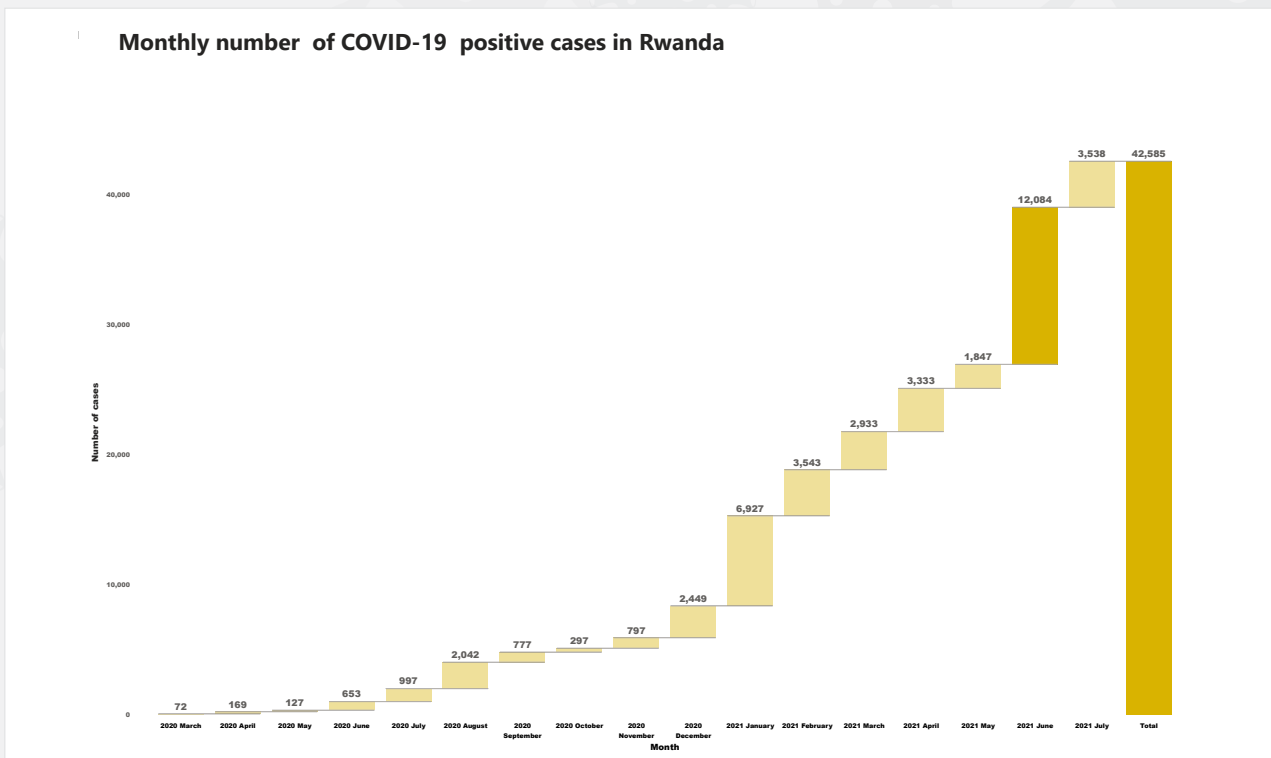
## 5. Weekly focus: June 2021 COVID-19 insight in Rwanda

On the 8th of June 2021, the number of cases reported double compared to cases reported the previous day (127 cases from 62 cases). From that day the number of daily reported cases increased dramatically up to 964 cases on 23rd June 2021 (the highest daily number of cases ever recorded since the outbreak declaration in Rwanda). The number of cases under critical conditions increased from 6 cases 1st of June to 39 cases on 30th June. A total of 12,084 cases (the highest monthly recorded cases since the declaration of the outbreak) and 85 deaths were recorded in June.

To slow the increase in number of cases and deaths diversified response activities have been intensified: The cabinet reviewed COVID-19 Prevention measures three times in June in which Public Health and Social Measures (PHSMs) were gradually tightened.

Case detection through increased remarkably up to an average of 6,565 test per day, compared to the overall average daily test number of 3,499. Closed treatment centers were reopened to take care of cases in need of treatment. Community Mobilization campaign on COVID-19 prevention measures were also intensified.

The graph (3) below shows the number of monthly reported cases in was higher in June 2021 compared to other months Rwanda.



## 6. Highlight of the week: Resolutions of Cabinet Meeting of 29<sup>th</sup> June 2021

Given the surge in COVID-19 case and the emergence of new variants globally, the government has decided to take the following additional measures to control the further spread of the virus.

**Citizens are reminded of the critical importance of complying with health measures including physical distancing, wearing face masks, and ensure hand hygiene. Penalties will be applied for non-compliance.**

The following measures will take effect in the city of Kigali, Burera, Gicumbi, Kamonyi, Musanze, Nyagatare, Rubavu, Rutsiro, and Rwamagana starting, July 1st, 2021 to be reviewed after two weeks upon a health assessment:

- Movement are prohibited between 6 PM- 4 AM. All businesses must close by 5 PM. People are encouraged to limit movement and do so when necessary.
- Social gatherings including gathering held in homes and family visits are prohibited.
- Offices (publics and private) are closed. Staff shall work from home, except for those providing essential services.
- All meetings are prohibited.
- Schools and higher education institutions are closed. Provisions for students sitting national exams in July 2021 will be communicated by the ministry of education.
- Restaurants shall offer only take-away service.
- Places of worship are closed.
- Vendors/traders in markets and trading centers shall operate at 50% capacity, selling only food and essential items.
- All bars remain closed.
- Arriving and departing passengers at Kigali international Airport must present a negative COVID-19 PCR test taken within 72 hours before departure and must comply with other health guidelines.
- Tourism activity will continue in strict adherence with COVID-19 health guidelines. This includes hotels, tour operators, and transport services serving guests.
- Public transport (buses) will continue to operate but should not exceed 50% capacity. Bus operators will ensure windows are open, and that passengers maintain social distancing and wear masks properly. Motos and bicycles are permitted to carry passengers but must comply with covid-19 health measures.
- Traditional, civil and religious weddings are suspended.
- Individual and non-contact outdoor sports activities will continue and must comply with health preventive measures. Gyms are closed
- All swimming pools and spas will remain closed except for those at hotels hosting tested guests.
- Attendance at awake or vigil (ikiriyo) must not exceed 10 persons at any one time. Funeral gatherings must not exceed 30 persons.
- Gaming activities are prohibited.

## In the remaining parts of the country the following measures shall be in force for two weeks:

- Movement are prohibited between 6 PM- 4 AM. All businesses must close by 5 PM.
- Movements between districts are not allowed, except for medical reasons and other essential services. Vehicle transporting goods will continue to operate with no more than two people on board.
- Physical meeting will continue but must not exceeding 30% of venue capacity. Negative COVID-19 test results taken within 72 hours will be required for all participants
- All social gatherings including celebrations of all kinds are prohibited both in public and private settings. Traditional, civil and religious weddings are suspended.
- Public businesses will continue with essential staff at no more than 15% of all employees, while other employees continue working from home on a rotational basis.
- Private businesses will continue with essential staff at no more than 50% capacity while other employees continue working from home on a rotational basis. Market and malls will continue for essential vendors and must not exceed 50% of registered traders.
- Restaurants and cafes shall operate at 30% capacity and shall receive clients until 5 PM. All bars remain closed.
- Places of worship adhering to health guidelines will continue to operate at 30% capacity.
- Attendance at awake or vigil (ikiriyo) must not exceed 10 persons at any one time. Funeral gatherings must not exceed 30 person

## 7. Cumulative Case Fatality Ratio by district as of July 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021

