



COVID19 Weekly Epidemiological Bulletin

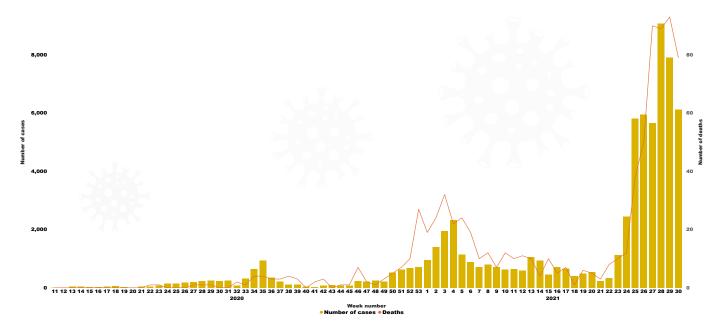
EPI WEEK 30: From 26th July to 1st August 2021

1. Epidemiological Summary as of 1st August 2021

III	Number of tests:	2,083,439
	Average tests per day:	4,117
	Number of positive cases:	71,346
	Positivity rate:	3.42%
	Number of deaths:	821
	Case fatality ratio:	1.15%
	Number of recoveries:	47,570
	Recovery rate:	66.67%

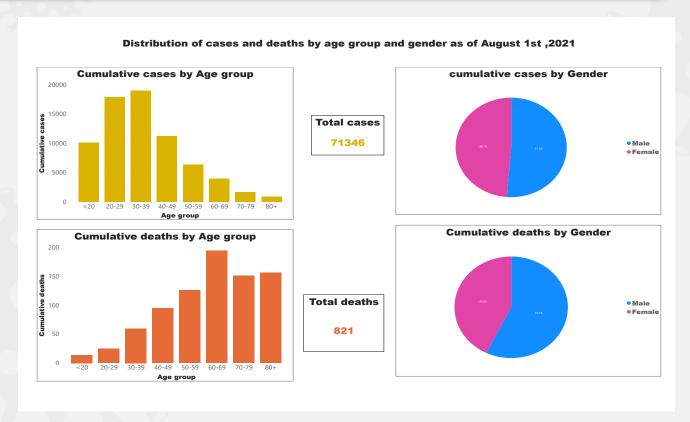
Active cases:	22,955
Number of cases in critical condition:	56
Total vaccinated:	460,837

2. Weekly trend in number of new cases and deaths



Graph 1: Weekly trends in number of new cases and deaths

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



Graph 2 Distribution of cases and deaths by age group and gender

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

Indicator	Week 29 From 19 th July to 25 th July, 2021	Week 30 From 26 th July to 1 st August, 2021
Number of new tests	132,319	63,858
New cases	7,905	6,119
Positivity rate	5,9%	9.5%
New deaths	93	79
New recoveries	5,949	1,580
New cases in Kigali	2,466	600
New cases outside Kigali	5,439	5,519
New deaths in Kigali	44	20
New deaths outside Kigali	49	59
Incidence rate (cases by 100,000 people)	61/100,000	47/100,000

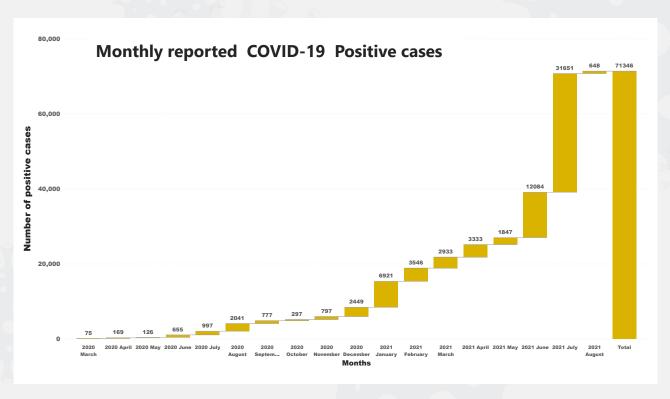
5. Weekly focus: July 2021, COVID-19 insight.

Since the first case was declared in Rwanda, July of 2021 was the month in which morbidity and mortality due to COVID-19 pandemic increased considerably compared to other months. This increase was mainly due to infiltration of new COVID-19 variants, including Delta. A total of 31,651 cases, about three times cases of the previous month, were reported; 46 % of all reported deaths since the outbreak declaration were recorded in July 2021. The surge in cases and deaths has necessitated a lockdown in the City of Kigali and the following districts: Burera, Gicumbi, Kamonyi, Musanze, Nyagatare, Rubavu, Rwamagana and Rutsiro; and tightening of Public Health and Social Measures (PHSMs) in

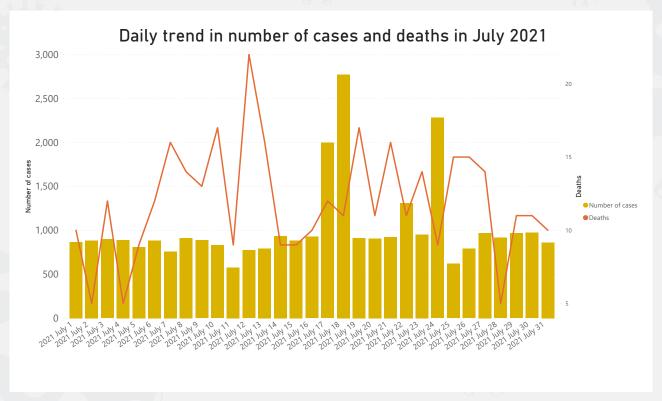
remaining districts starting from July 17th to July 31st,2021.

At the 505th day since the first positive case declaration in Rwanda (July 31st, 2021), a total of 455,673 people were fully vaccinated (received two vaccine doses).

As shown in graph no.3 the number of cases reported in July 2021 is higher compared to others, the graph no.4 shows the daily trend in number of cases and deaths in July 2021, The highest daily number cases (2,773) was reported on 18th July 2021.



Graph 3: Monthly reported cases



Graph 4: Daily number of cases and deaths in July 2021

6. Highlight of the week: Decisions of cabinet meeting of 30th July 2021 On COVID-19

Considering the current COVID-19 Epidemiological situation, the cabinet reviewed existing health measures to contain the spread of COVID-19; Measures will take effect nationwide, starting 1st - 15th August 2021.

- The lockdown measures is lifted in the in the city of Kigali and district of Burera, Gicumbi, Kamonyi, Musanze, Rubavu, Rutsiro, Rwamagana and Nyagatare.
- Movements are prohibited between 6 PM-4 AM. All businesses must close by 5 PM.
- All kinds of Social gatherings remain prohibited.
- Movements between Kigali and other provinces and districts of country shall resume except to and from sectors under localized lockdown.

- Offices (public and private) shall reopen at 15% capacity while other employees continue working from home.
- Private businesses will continue with essential staff at no more than 50% capacity.
- Meetings and conferences should not exceed 30% of venue capacity. Event organizers must comply with all COVID-19 preventive measures. Negative COVID-19 test will be required for participants
- Public transport should not exceed 50% of passenger capacity. Bus operators will ensure passengers maintain social distancing and passenger with masks will be allowed on board. Motos and bicycles are permitted to carry passengers and must observe strict hygiene.



- Restaurants and cafes shall resume. providing take away service only.
- All bars remain closed.
- Places of worship are 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.
- Domestic and international Tourism activities are allowed in strict adherence with COVID-19 health guidelines. This includes hotels, tour operators, and transport services assisting guests.
- Individual and non-contact outdoor sports activities are permitted.
- All swimming pools and spas will remain closed except for those at hotels hosting tested guests.

- Gyms and recreational centers remain closed
- Civil and religious weddings are permitted to a maximum of 10 people. All guests must present negative covid-19 test taken within 72 hours.
- Attendance at awake or vigil (ikiriyo) should not exceed 10 persons at any one time. Funeral gatherings should not exceed 20 persons.
- Gaming activities remain prohibited.
- Citizens are reminded of the critical importance of complying health measures including physical distancing, wearing face masks and hand hygiene. Penalties will be applied for non-compliance.

7. Cumulative case fatality ratio by District.

