



COVID19 Weekly Epidemiological Bulletin

EPI 35: From to 30th August to 5th September, 2021

1. Epidemiological Summary as of 5th September 2021

2,510,348

4,640

3.5 %

Number of tests: Average tests per day: Number of positive cases: 89,768 Positivity rate: Number of deaths:

1,123 Case fatality ratio: 1.2 %

Number of recoveries: 79,400

Recovery rate: 88.45%



Active cases: 9,244



Number of cases 23 in critical condition:

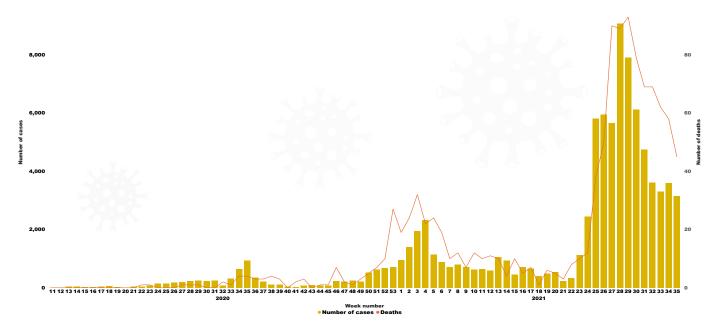


Number of vaccinated people

With at least one dose: **1,660,977**

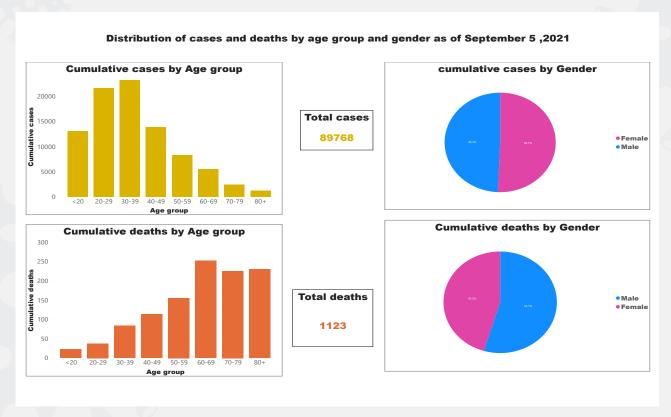
With two doses: 895,501

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 34 From 23 rd August to 29 th August, 2021	Week 35 From 30 th August to 5 th September, 2021
Number of new tests	112,284	70,861
New cases	3,590	3,155
Positivity rate	3.19%	4.45%
New deaths	58	45
New recoveries	1,743	4,569
New cases in Kigali	407	277
New cases outside Kigali	3,183	2,878
New deaths in Kigali	12	6
New deaths outside Kigali	46	39
Incidence rate (cases by 100,000 people)	28/100,000	24/100,000

5. Highlight of the week: resolutions of cabinet meeting of 1st September 2021

Considering existing COVID-19 situation in the country the cabinet reviewed COVID-19 spread prevention measures. The following measures will take effect nationwide, starting 2nd through September 22nd 2021.

- Movements in the city of Kigali are prohibited between 10 PM- 4 AM. All businesses must close by 9 PM.
- Movements are prohibited between 9 PM- 4 AM in the rest of the country (with businesses closing by 8 PM). However, the districts of Burera, Gicumbi, Kirehe, Ngoma, Nyagatare, Nyamasheke, Nyaruguru, and Rwamagana with high covid-19 incidence, curfew will apply between 8 PM-4 AM (with businesses closing by 7 PM).
- Public offices will continue with essential staff at no more than 50% capacity while other employees continue working from home on rotational basis.
- Private businesses will continue with essential staff at no more than 50% capacity while other employees continue working from home on rotational basis.
- Physical conferences and meeting will continue at 30% occupancy. All participants must present a PCR negative COVID-19 test results taken within 72 hours prior to the meeting.
- Public transport (buses) should not exceed 75% of seating capacity. Bus operators must ensure windows are open for ventilation and passengers maintain social distancing.
- Motos and bicycles are permitted to carry passengers and must comply with COVID-19 preventive measures.

- Restaurants shall continue to operate with a 30% occupancy limit. Restaurants with outdoor seating service may operate at 50% of revue capacity.
- All bars will remain closed.
- Places of worship will continue with no more than 30% maximum occupancy.
- Arriving and departing passengers at Kigali international Airport must present a negative COVID-19 PCR test taken 72 hours prior to departure and should comply with health guidelines.
- Tourism activity will continue in strict adherence with COVID-19 health guidelines. This includes hotels, tour operators and transport services facilitating guests. RDB will provide detailed guidelines.
- Individual and non-contact outdoor sports activities are permitted. The ministry of sport will provide detailed guidelines.
- Gyms and fitness centers will continue to re-open progressively. The ministry of sport will provide detailed guidelines.
- Attendance at awake / vigil (ikiriyo) should not exceed 10 persons at any one time. Funeral gatherings at graveside services should not exceed 30 persons.
- Civil, religious and traditional marriage ceremonies are permitted. Events in homes should not exceed 50 persons. Events held



in designated/approved revue including outdoor tents should not exceed 30% of venue capacity. All quests must possess negative COVID-19 test results taken within 72 hours before an event, and should comply with Covid-19 preventive measures (social distancing, hand washing, wearing face masks).

 Other events and gatherings (concerts, festivals, exhibitions, etc.) shall resume

- gradually for vaccinated and tested participants. RDB will provide detailed guidelines.
- Gaming activities shall resume gradually.
 The Ministry of trade and Industry will provide detailed guidelines

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

6. Cumulative number of cases and deaths by district.

