










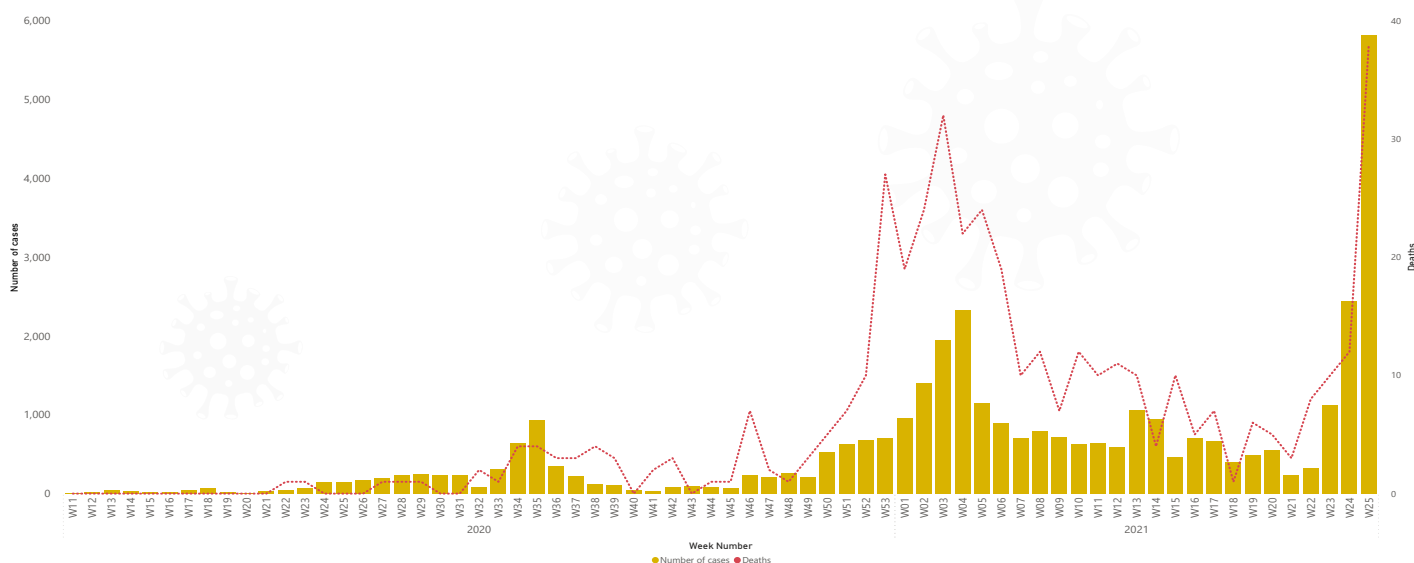
COVID19 Weekly Epidemiological Bulletin

EPI WEEK 25: From 21st to 27th June, 2021

1. Epidemiological Summary as of 27th June 2021

	Number of tests:	1,614,429		Active cases:	9,117
	Average tests per day:	3,427		Number of cases in critical condition:	26
	Number of positive cases:	36,627		Total vaccinated:	391,675
	Positivity rate:	2.26 %		Second dose:	248,718
	Number of deaths:	420			
	Case fatality ratio:	1.14 %			
	Number of recoveries:	27,090			
	Recovery rate:	73.9%			

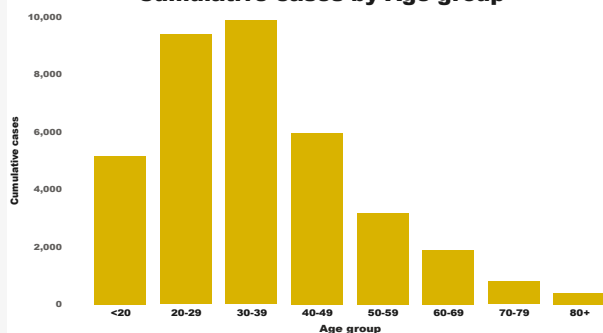
2. Weekly trend in number of new cases and deaths



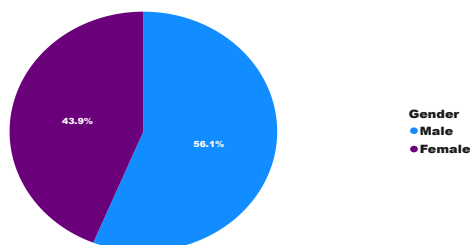
3. Distribution of cases and deaths by age group and gender.

Cases and deaths distribution by age group and gender as of June 27, 2021

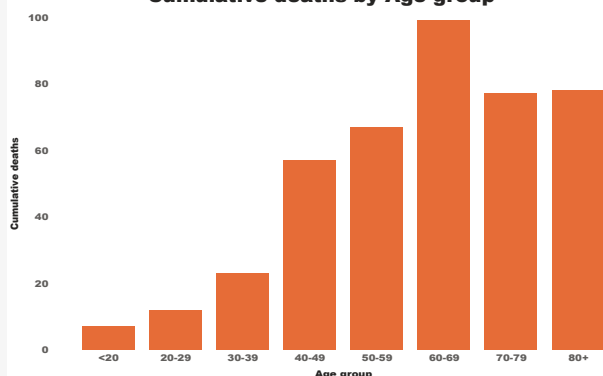
Cumulative cases by Age group



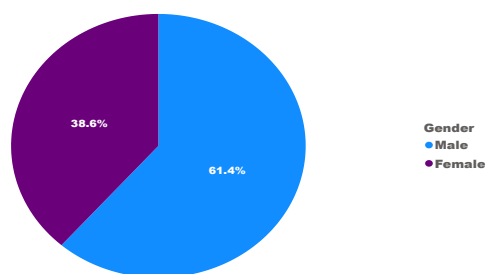
Cumulative cases by sex



Cumulative deaths by Age group



Cumulative deaths by Gender



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

Indicator	Week 24 From 14th to 20th June, 2021	Week 25 From 21st to 27th June, 2021
Number of new tests	45,809	62,909
New cases	2,440	5,814
Positivity rate	5.3 %	9.2%
New deaths	12	38
New recoveries	363	386
New cases in Kigali	1,018	2,044
New cases outside Kigali	1,422	3,770
New deaths in Kigali	10	20
New deaths outside Kigali	2	18
Incidence rate (cases by 100,000 people)	19/100,000	45/100,000

Notes:

In this week we there was the highest record in number of cases and deaths ever reported:

- 5,814 cases compared to 2,329 cases that were reported in epi week 4 (25th to 31st January, 2021)
- 38 deaths compared to 32 that were reported in epi week 3 (18th to 24th January 2021)

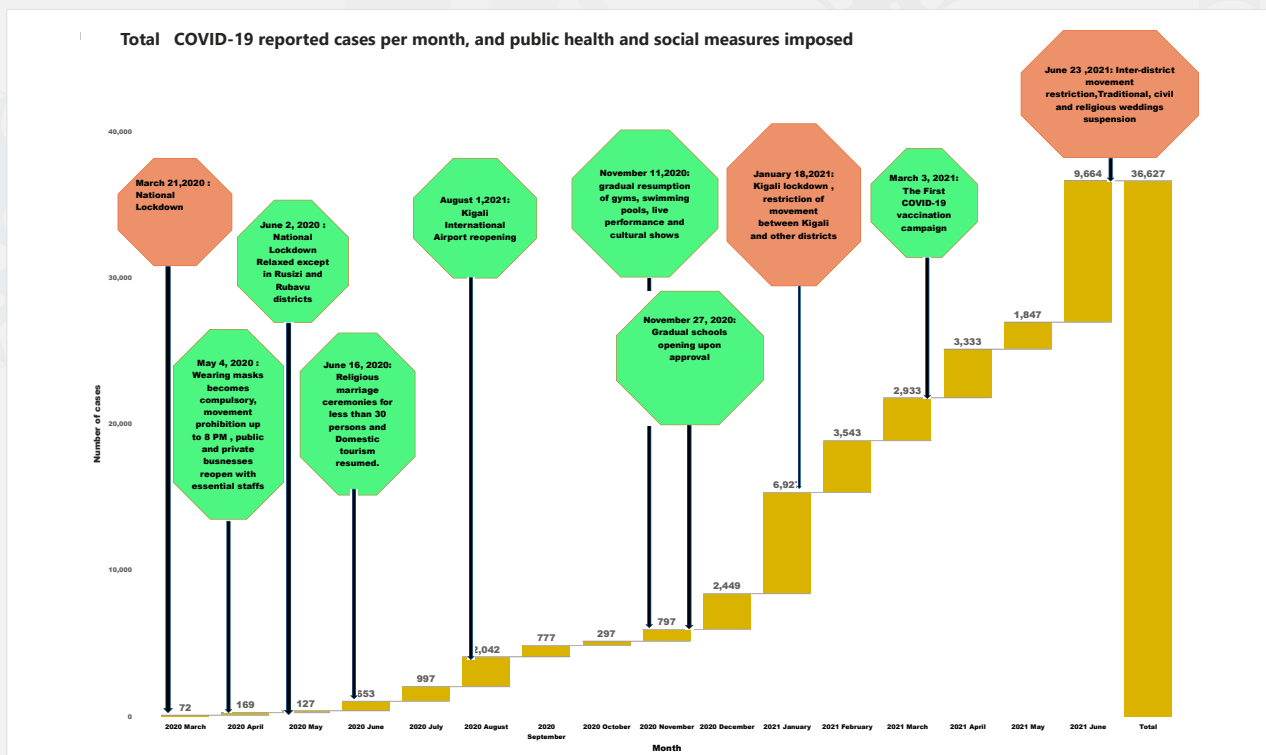
5. Weekly focus: Public Health and Social Measures

Public health and social measures (PHSMs) are measures or actions by individuals, institutions, communities, local and national governments and international bodies to slow or stop the spread of an infectious disease, such as COVID-19.

As the pandemic continues to evolve, PHSMs should be regularly reviewed and adjusted according to the local epidemiology. PHSMs have proven critical to limiting transmission of COVID-19 and reducing deaths (WHO,2021).

Based on the situational assessment of the pandemic situation in Rwanda, different measures were taken to reduce COVID-19 transmission, morbidity as well as mortality. Measures that have been taken have had a remarkable impact on mortality and morbidity reduction.

The graph (3) below shows key public health measures that were taken considering the number of cases that were being reported (monthly number of cases have been used). Note that the number of cases for the current month (June) is for the first 27 days.



6. Highlight of the week: Resolutions of Cabinet Meeting of 21st June 2021

Considering the recent rise in COVID-19 case and transmission rates in the community, the cabinet has reviewed the existing health measures to contain the further spread of the virus. The following measures will take effect starting Wednesday, June 23rd, 2021 and will be reviewed after 2 weeks upon a health assessment.

The public is 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

- Movement are prohibited between 7 PM- 4 AM. All businesses must close by 6 PM.
- Movements between Kigali and other provinces and movements between districts across of the country are prohibited except for medical reasons and other essential services will continue. However, vehicle transporting goods will continue to operate with no more than two people on board.
- Arriving and departing passengers at Kigali international Airport must present a negative COVID-19 PCR test taken within 72 hours before departure and should comply with other health guidelines.
- Public transport will continue to operate but should not exceed 50% capacity. Bus operators will ensure passengers maintain social distancing and only passengers with masks will be allowed on board.
- Motos and bicycles will continue to carry passengers but must comply with COVID-19 health measures.
- Physical meeting will continue and not exceeding 30% of venue capacity. Negative COVID-19 test results 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 offices 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 cafés shall operate at 30% capacity and shall receive clients until 6 PM. Negative COVID-19 test results will be required for designated restaurants. RDB will provide detailed guidelines.
- Individual and non-contact outdoor sports activities will continue and must comply with health preventive measures. Gyms will continue to operate at 15% of

venue capacity and clients must present negative COVID-19 test results. Ministry of sports will provide detailed guidelines.

- All swimming pools and spas will remain closed except for those at hotels hosting tested guests.
- All bars will remain closed
- 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.

- Places of worship adhering to health guidelines will continue to operate at 30% capacity.
- Attendance at awake/vigil (ikiriyo) should not exceed 10 persons at any one time. Funeral gatherings should not exceed 30 persons.
- Gaming operators may resume activities gradually, upon fulfilling COVID-19 preventive measures. The Ministry of Trade and Industry will provide detailed guidelines.