



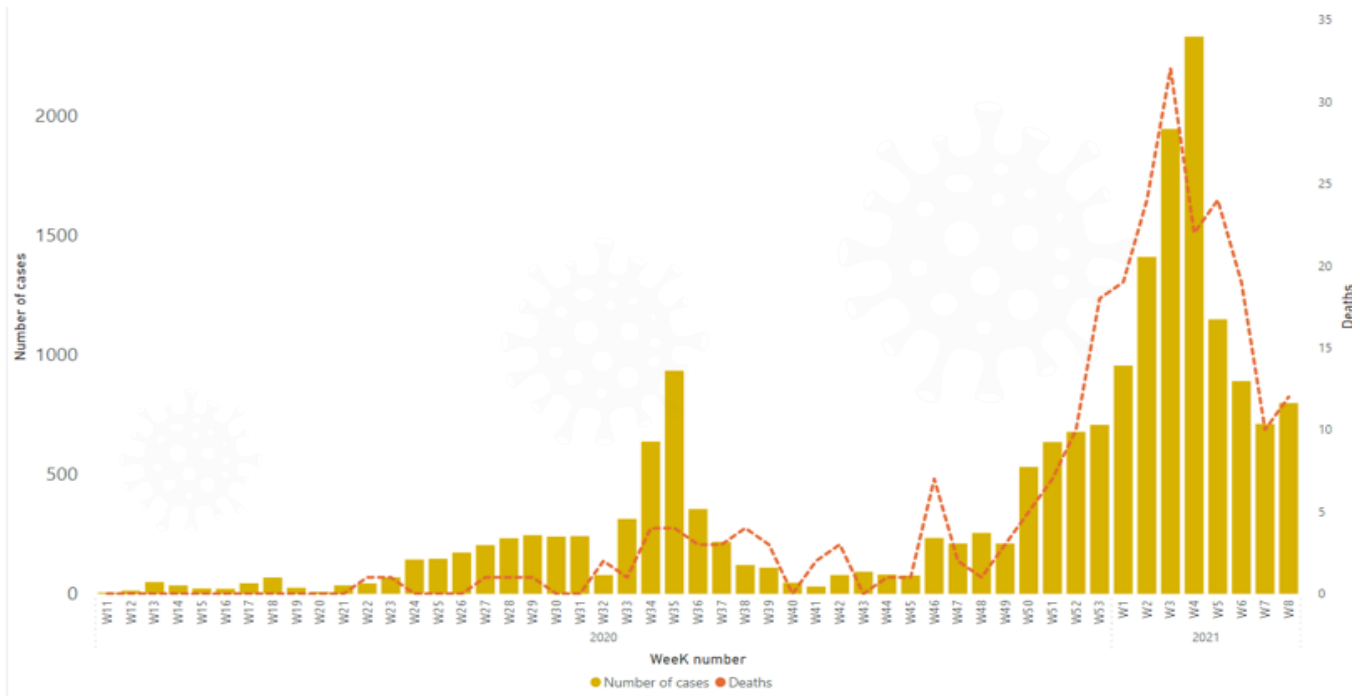
COVID19 Weekly Epidemiological Bulletin

From **22nd** to **28th** February 2021

1. Epidemiological Summary

Number of tests: **1,009,041**
Number of positive cases: **18,850**
Number of deaths: **261**
Case fatality ratio: **1.38 %**
Number of recovered cases: **17,313**
Active cases: **1,276**

2. Weekly trend in number of new cases and deaths



Source: Rwanda's Ministry of Health daily update

3. Weekly summary of numbers in comparison to the previous week

Indicator	Week 7 (15-21 Feb 2021)	Week 8 (22-28 Feb 2021)
Number of new tests	30,143	30,991
New cases	710	797
Positivity rate	2.35	2.57
New deaths	10	12
New recoveries	510	2011
New cases in Kigali	205	290
New cases outside Kigali	505	507
New deaths in Kigali	6	11
New deaths outside Kigali	1	1

4. Weekly COVID 19 response activities

SURVEILLANCE

Community survey in Kigali: from 14th to 26th February a total of 5,136 samples were collected in Kigali, and 92 of them were positive.

COVID19 active surveillance is regularly being conducted. This includes surveillance of cases at the community and health facility levels and all Points of Entry (PoEs) for early detection of COVID19 cases.

COVID-19 TESTING LABORATORIES

Testing sites are regularly conducting PCR Tests for COVID19:

Apart from National Reference Laboratory, other sites include: Rwanda Military Hospital, Kacyiru Hospital, Kibagabaga District Hospital, Centre Hospitalier et Universitaire de Kigali (CHUK), King Faisal Hospital (KFH), Gihundwe District Hospital, Gisenyi District Hospital, Ruhengeri Referral Hospital, Centre Hospitalier et Universitaire de Butare (CHUB), Kirehe District Hospital, Nyagatare District Hospital and Kigali International Airport sites that are conducting PCR test.

All Districts, Provincial and Referral hospitals, health centers and private clinics conduct Antigen Rapid Tests for all suspected cases, contacts as well as high risk group members.

WASH, IPC & CASE MANAGEMENT

Infection Prevention and Control include decontamination of households, transit hotels, other mass gathering areas and areas where confirmed COVID-19 cases are identified. All asymptomatic cases as well as those with mild symptoms are under Home Based Care.

RISK COMMUNICATION, COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & SOCIAL MOBILISATION

Countrywide regular awareness and community outreach campaign activities on COVID-19 prevention, using mobile loudspeakers, Radios in car parks and markets were conducted. In awareness campaigns Rwandans are always reminded to practice preventive measures including regular hand washing, social distancing and wearing masks.

COVID-19 prevention messages in a form of a short video and radio spots were Broadcasted. A daily media monitoring with focus on COVID-19 related information was conducted.

5. Case fatality ratio by district

