










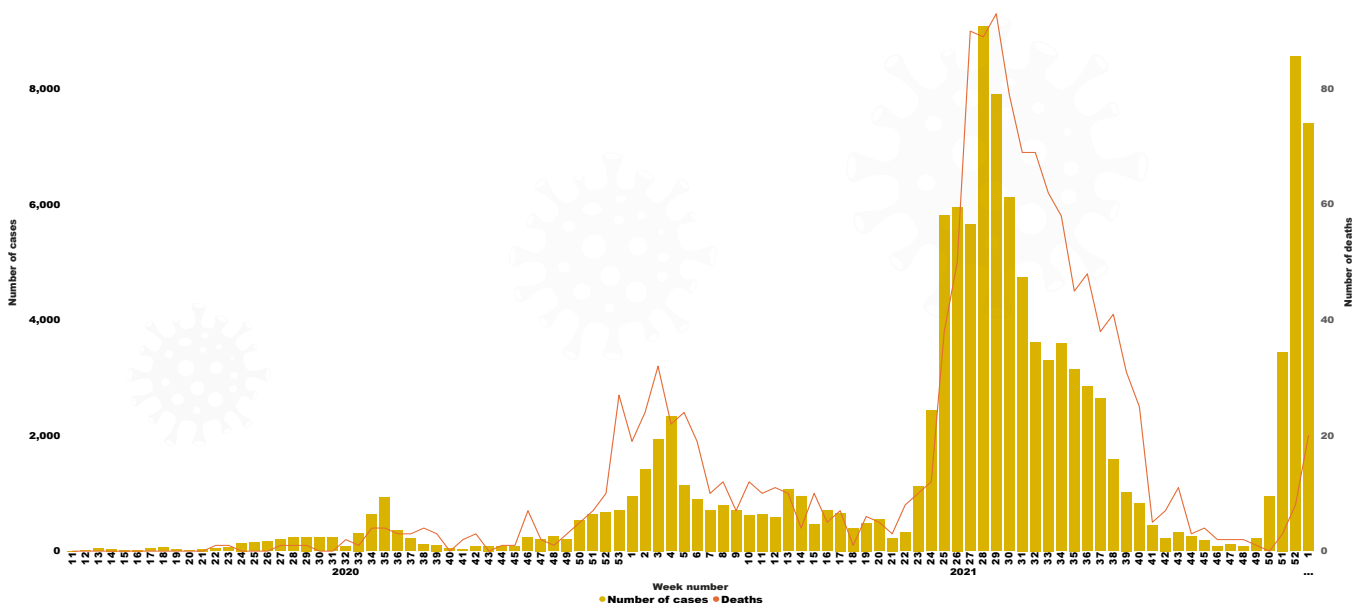
COVID19 Weekly Epidemiological Bulletin

EPI WEEK 1: From 3rd to 9th January 2022

1. Epidemiological summary as of 9th January ,2022

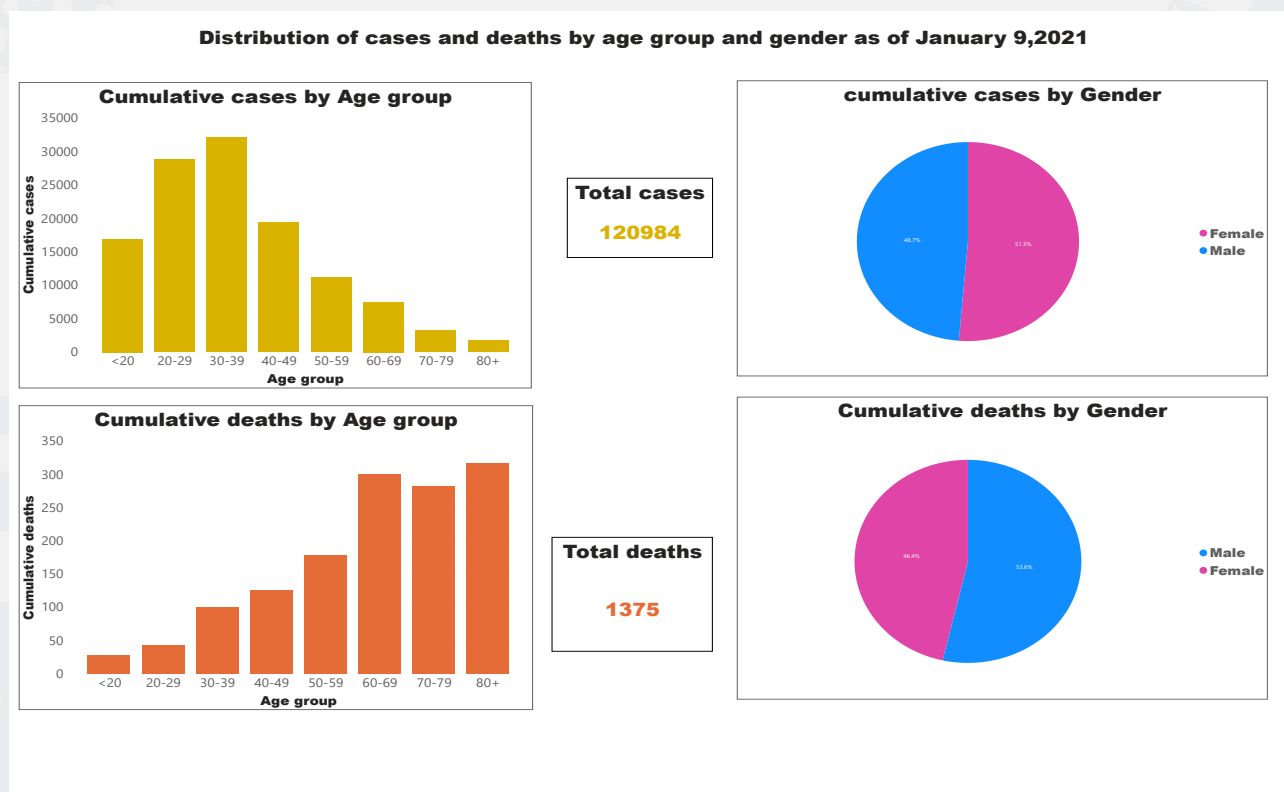
	Number of tests: 4,180,494		Active cases: 14,908
	Average tests per day: 6,267		Number of cases in critical condition: 5
	Number of positive cases: 120,984		Number of vaccinated people
	Positivity rate: 2.89%		With at least one dose: 7,793,141
	Number of deaths: 1,375		With two doses: 5,658,177
	Case fatality ratio: 1.13%		With three doses: 360,477
	Number of recoveries: 104,701		
	Recovery rate: 86.54%		

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	EPI WEEK 52: From 27 th December, 2021 to 2 nd January 2022	EPI WEEK 1: From 3 rd to 9 th January 2022
Number of new tests	116,446	142,482
New cases	8,555	7,404
Positivity rate	7.34%	5.19 %
New deaths	8	20
New recoveries	2,515	2,226
New cases in Kigali	4,925	2,494
New cases outside Kigali	3,630	4,908
New deaths in Kigali	2	11
New deaths outside Kigali	6	9
Weekly Incidence rate (cases by 100,000 people)	66/100,000	57/100,000

5. Highlight of the week: Cabinet communique of 7th January, 2022 on COVID-19 prevention .

Given the continued increase in number of COVID-19 cases, the Government of Rwanda has updated measures to mitigate the spread of the covid-19 virus. The following measures will take effect nationwide, starting on Monday, January 10th, 2022, and be reviewed after two weeks upon a health assessment

All citizens and Rwanda residents are urged to get full vaccinated and, when eligible, get booster shots. Vaccination increases protection against infection, serious illness and hospitalization caused by COVID-19. In addition, the public is urged to get frequently tested and encouraged to work remotely, if and when possible, while continuing to observe preventive measures.

Movements are prohibited between 10PM-4AM. All businesses must close by 9 PM

Arriving and departing passengers at Kigali international airport must present negative COVID-19 PCR test taken 72 hours prior to departure and must comply with health guideline.

All arriving passengers must quarantine for 24 hours at a designated hotel at their own cost. A COVID-19 PCR test will be taken upon arrival and an additional mandatory PCR test performed on day 3 at own cost, from the arrival date, at a designated testing site.

Schools will resume in line with the current school calendar. The Ministry of Education will provide detailed guidelines.

Public offices will continue with essential staff at no more than 15% capacity. Employees shall work from home, except for those providing essential services.

Private offices will continue with essential staff at no more than 30% capacity. While other employees continue working from home on rotational basis.

Business owners nationwide must ensure employees are fully vaccinated. The Ministry of Health may temporarily close public or private premises with identified clusters of people infected with COVID-19.

Public transport will continue with buses operating at full capacity with Seated passengers only, and windows must be open for proper ventilation. Bus operators must ensure all passengers are vaccinated. Penalties will be applied for non-compliance.

Motorbike and bicycle taxis are permitted to carry passengers and must comply with COVID-19 preventive measures. Operators and passengers must be vaccinated. Penalties will be applied for non-compliance.

Tourism activity will continue in strict adherence with covid-19 health guidelines. This includes hotels, tour operators and transport services facilitating guests.

Physical conferences and meeting will continue at 50% occupancy. All participants must be fully vaccinated and present a negative covid-19 PCR test result taken with 24 hours prior to the meeting.

All services held at place of worship must not exceed 50% maximum occupancy. For city of Kigali, places of worship must not exceed 30% maximum occupancy. Attendees must be vaccinated, and this applies nationwide

Wedding-related receptions are prohibited. Traditional, civil and religious weddings should not exceed 40 persons. This applies nationwide. Ceremonies conducted in homes should not exceed 20 persons. Local authorities must be informed 7 days before the event. All guests must be fully vaccinated and test negative for COVID-19 within 24 hours prior to the event. As much as possible, gatherings should take place outdoors or in well-ventilated spaces.

Event organizers will be penalized for non-compliance with health measures. The Ministry of Local Government will issue detailed guidelines.

Parties and any other kind of celebration or receptions are prohibited.

Night clubs are suspended, as is live band entertainment in other venues. Organized concerts will be approved on a case-by-case basis by RDB.

Restaurants shall continue to operate with 50% occupancy limit. Restaurants with outdoor seating service may operate at 75% of venue capacity. Clients must be fully vaccinated. Bars shall continue to operate with 50% occupancy limit, in adherence with COVID-19 preventive measures. Bars must close by 8 PM. This applies nationwide. Clients must be fully vaccinated.

Individual and non-contact outdoor sports activities are permitted. The Ministry of Sports will provide detailed guidelines for professional sports teams.

Gyms and fitness centers will continue to re-open progressively. Customers must be fully vaccinated (except persons under 12 years of age) and should possess negative COVID-19 test results taken within 24 hours.

Swimming pools, massage parlors, saunas, shall continue to open gradually. Customers must be fully vaccinated (except persons under 12 years of age) and should possess negative covid-19 test results taken within 24 hours in accordance with RDB guidelines.

Attendance at a wake/vigil (ikiriyo) should not exceed 20 persons at any one time. Funeral gatherings at gravesides should not exceed 50 persons. Attendees must present proof of negative covid-19 test results taken within 24 hours.

Gaming activities shall resume gradually in accordance with guidelines provided by the Ministry of Trade and Industry. `

6. Cumulative cases and deaths by district

Cumulative number of cases and deaths by district as of January 9, 2021

