










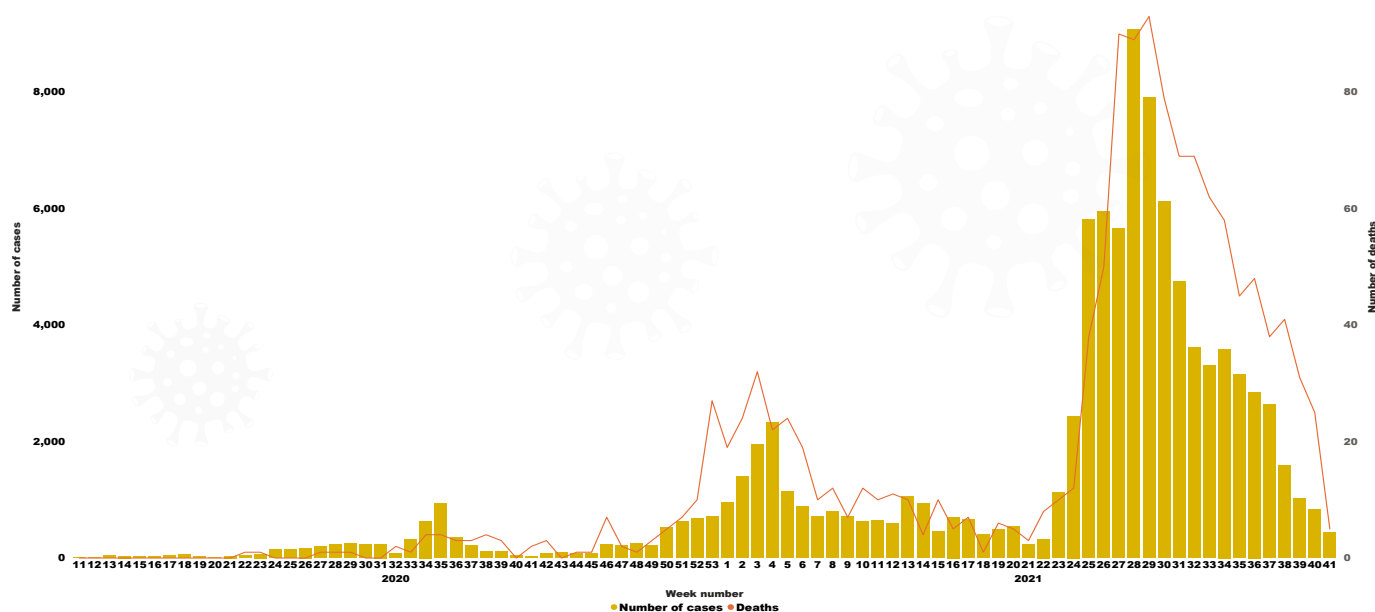
COVID19 Weekly Epidemiological Bulletin

EPI WEEK 41: From 11th to 17th October, 2021

1. Epidemiological Summary as of 17th October 2021

	Number of tests: 2,997,671		Active cases: 1,357
	Average tests per day: 5,141		Number of cases in critical condition: 4
	Number of positive cases: 99,143		Number of vaccinated people
	Positivity rate: 3.30%		With at least one dose: 3,033,940
	Number of deaths: 1,313		With two doses: 1,725,362
	Case fatality ratio: 1.32 %		
	Number of recoveries: 96,474		
	Recovery rate: 97.3%		

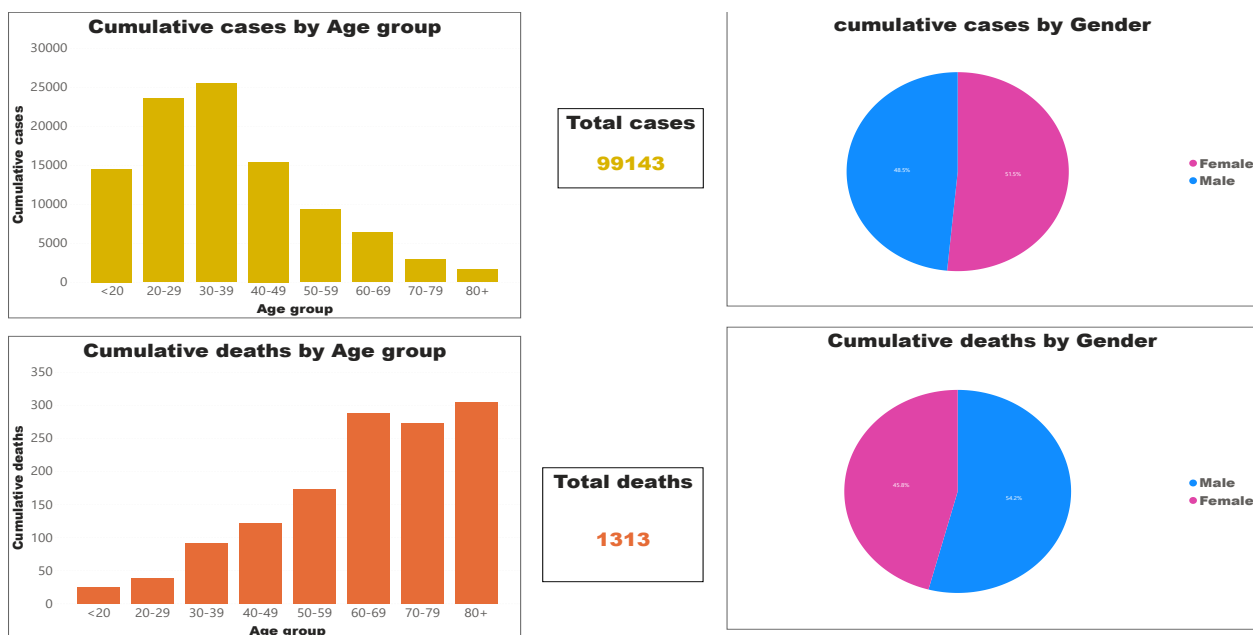
2. Weekly trend in number of new cases and deaths



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

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

Distribution of cases and deaths by age group and gender as of October 17 ,2021



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 40: From 4 th to 10 th October ,2021	EPI WEEK 40: From 11 th to 17 th October, 2021
Number of new tests	77,066	67,390
New cases	827	446
Positivity rate	1.07 %	0.66%
New deaths	25	5
New recoveries	1,577	1531
New cases in Kigali	68	64
New cases outside Kigali	759	382
New deaths in Kigali	2	0
New deaths outside Kigali	23	5
Weekly Incidence rate (cases by 100,000 people)	6/100,000	3/100,000

5. Highlight of the week: resolutions of cabinet meeting of 21st 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 October 14th through November 14th, 2021

- Movements are prohibited between midnight (12 AM) -4 AM. All businesses must close by 9 PM.
- Fully vaccinated travelers will no longer be required to quarantine at hotels upon arrival. COVID-19 PCR test will be required for all arriving passengers.
- 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.
- Public offices will continue with essential staff at no more than 75% capacity while other employees continue working from home on rotational basis.
- Private businesses will continue at full capacity and must comply with Covid-19 preventive measures.
- Physical conferences and meetings will continue at 50% occupancy. All participants must present a 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 proper 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 50% occupancy limit. Restaurants with outdoor seating service may operate at 75% of revue capacity.
- Bars shall continue to resume gradually. Recreation/entertainment venues shall resume gradually at 50% maximum capacity. Customers must fully be vaccinated and should possess negative COVID-19 test results taken within 72 hours. RDB will provide detailed guidelines.
- All services held at places of worship should exceed 50% maximum occupancy. MINALOC will provide detailed guidelines.
- Tourism activity will continue in strict adherence with COVID-19 health guidelines. This includes hotels, tour operators and transport services facilitating guests.
- Individual and non-contact outdoor sports activities are permitted.
- Gyms and fitness centers will continue to re-open progressively.
- Swimming pools, massage parlors, saunas, shall re-open gradually. Customers must be fully vaccinated (except persons under 18 years of age) and should possess negative COVID-19 test results taken within 72 hours. RDB will provide detailed guidelines.

- Attendance at awake / vigil (ikiriyo) should not exceed 30 persons at any one time. Funeral gatherings at graveside services should not exceed 50 persons.
- Civil, religious and traditional marriage ceremonies are permitted. All events conducted in homes should not exceed 50 persons and local authorities must be informed. Guests must test negative for COVID-19 72 hours prior to the event and must comply with Covid-19 preventive measures. The Ministry of Local Government will provide detailed guidelines.
- Events held in designated/approved venue including outdoor tents should not exceed

50% of venue capacity. All guests 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 continue for vaccinated and tested participants accordance with RDB guidelines.
- Gaming activities shall resume gradually in accordance with detailed guidelines by the Ministry of trade and Industry

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 cases and deaths by district

Cumulative number of cases and deaths by district as of October 17, 2021

