



COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT

WEEKLY EPIDEMIOLOGICAL REPORT 55

Epi Week 43: 25th – 31st October 2021

DATA AS REPORTED AND ACCURATE BY NCDC AS AT MIDNIGHT 31ST OCTOBER 2021

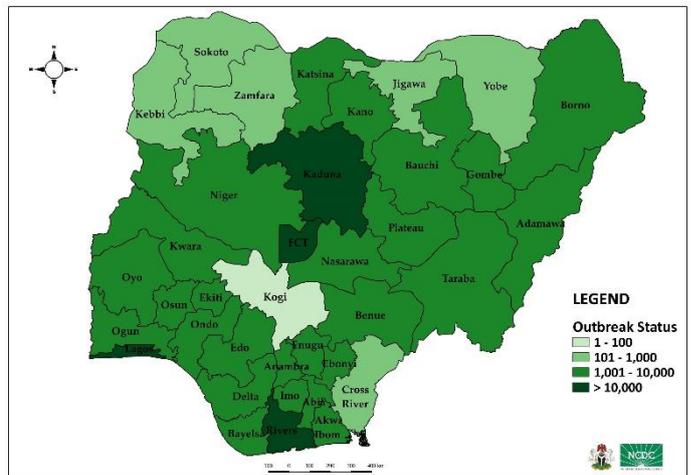
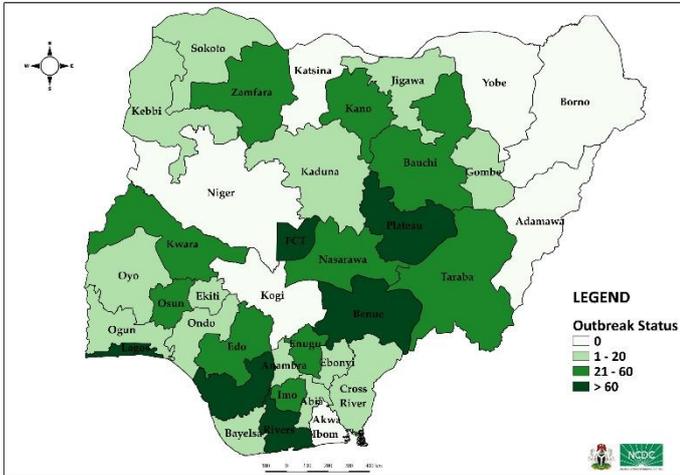


Fig 1. Distribution of cases (Epi Week 43 only)

Fig 2. Distribution of cumulative cases

HIGHLIGHTS

- In Week 43, the number of new confirmed cases increased to **1,501** from **1,162** reported in week 42. These were reported in **29** states and FCT (Tables 1 & 2). This includes backlog of cases reported from Abia (4), Benue (49), Delta (508), Enugu (24), Imo (16), and Lagos (10) States and FCT (8).
- In Week 43, the number of discharged cases decreased to **866** from **5,236** in week 42. These were reported in **20** states and FCT (Tables 1 & 3).
- There were **12** deaths reported in the last one week (Tables 1 & 4).
- Cumulatively, since the outbreak began in Week **9**, 2020 there have been **211,961** cases and **2,894** deaths reported with a case fatality rate (CFR) of **1.4%** (Tables 1 & 4).
- In Week 43, the number of in-bound international travellers tested was **4,631** of which **35** were positive compared to **25** (out of **2,894** tested) in week 42.
- In Week 43, the number of out-bound international travellers tested was **5,694** of which **38** were positive compared to **65** (out of **4,541** tested) in week 42.
- Worldwide, there has been **246,951,274** confirmed COVID-19 cases with **5,004,855** deaths resulting in a case fatality rate of **2.0%**.

GENERAL FACT SHEET – DATA AS AT 31ST OCTOBER 2021

Table 1: States with reported laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 cases, recoveries, deaths, samples tested and active cases.

STATE	CONFIRMED		RECOVERIES		DEATHS		ACTIVE CASES	TESTING	
	Total	Last Week	Total	Last Week	Total	Last Week		Total	Last Week
Abia ^a	2,019	6	1,989	43	30	0	0	34,820	161
Adamawa	1,157	0	1,098	0	32	0	27	27,990	201
Akwa Ibom	4,348	0	4,076	0	44	0	228	43,023	397
Anambra	2,387	18	2,333	0	19	0	35	43,285	202
Bauchi	1,703	26	1,633	24	19	1	51	34,074	432
Bayelsa	1,240	8	1,199	11	28	0	13	29,531	510
Benue ^b	1,858	73	1,455	0	25	0	378	43,093	267
Borno	1,356	0	1,306	0	38	0	12	23,616	125
Cross River	634	9	597	8	25	0	12	15,863	150
Delta ^c	4,142	554	2,556	0	110	0	1,476	66,307	1,001
Ebonyi	2,062	3	2,004	1	32	0	26	34,981	143
Edo	6,591	23	6,318	154	224	0	49	98,979	1,576
Ekiti	1,774	12	1,718	14	28	0	28	44,747	861
Enugu ^d	2,761	35	2,609	20	29	0	123	56,988	823
FCT ^d	23,261	144	20,984	83	220	3	2,057	451,655	9,896
Gombe	2,582	16	2,501	0	57	0	24	87,061	1,401
Imo ^d	2,078	41	1,920	32	41	0	117	65,991	679
Jigawa	604	6	585	14	17	0	2	20,221	399
Kaduna	10,026	17	9,870	52	79	1	77	159,206	1,196
Kano	4,354	26	4,162	25	116	0	76	133,851	416
Katsina	2,226	0	2,185	0	35	0	6	53,326	236
Kebbi	464	6	433	0	16	0	15	23,092	311
Kogi	5	0	3	0	2	0	0	10,148	79
Kwara	3,952	22	3,650	0	63	0	239	41,626	483
Lagos ^d	77,808	132	76,918	2	752	3	138	874,359	16,710
Nasarawa	2,503	25	2,345	0	39	0	119	34,101	142
Niger	1,057	0	998	0	20	0	39	25,337	263
Ogun	5,373	2	5,291	1	80	0	2	101,592	1,056
Ondo	4,562	17	4,360	0	98	0	104	42,270	568

STATE	CONFIRMED		RECOVERIES		DEATHS		ACTIVE CASES	TESTING	
	Total	Last Week	Total	Last Week	Total	Last Week		Total	Last Week
Osun	3,006	21	2,877	15	86	0	43	30,573	202
Oyo	8,754	12	8,543	36	191	0	20	100,176	869
Plateau	9,766	92	9,527	124	70	2	169	81,251	637
Rivers	12,695	88	12,481	134	154	0	60	339,431	5,539
Sokoto	807	1	777	3	28	0	2	32,228	132
Taraba ^e	1,242	41	1,186	70	30	2	26	17,669	333
Yobe	502	0	490	0	9	0	3	30,927	251
Zamfara	302	25	268	0	8	0	26	16,567	153
Total	211,961	1,501	203,245	866	2,894	12	5,822	3,369,955	48,800

NB – ^a Cases and discharges reported from Abia State include backlog from October 24th in Week 42

^b Cases reported from Benue State include backlog from APIN laboratory

^c Cases reported from Delta State include backlog from July 27th – October 13th 2021

^d Cases reported from Enugu, Lagos and Imo States and FCT include backlog from October 24th 2021

^e Discharge cases reported from Taraba State include community discharge

Test type disaggregation (last one week)

Type	Number of tests done	Percentage of tests done
PCR	36,856	75.5%
RDT	11,944	24.5%
TOTAL	48,800	

Test type disaggregation (cumulative)

Type	Number of tests done	Percentage of tests done
PCR	2,790,224	82.8%
RDT	579,731	17.2%
TOTAL	3,369,955	

RETURNING PASSENGERS TESTS

Laboratories and COVID-19 tests for returning Persons of Interest

LABORATORY	INBOUND
Medicaid Abuja (FCT)	611
54Gene Abuja (FCT)	473
CLINA-LANCET Laboratories (Lagos)	386
Medbury (Lagos)	369
AFRIGLOBAL (Lagos)	326
DNA Labs Abuja (FCT)	315
Medbury Medical Services (Rivers)	271
Cedarcrest Abuja (FCT)	206
SYNLAB (Lagos)	202
Zaine Lab (Lagos)	156
Clinix Healthcare (Lagos)	121
Everight Diagnostics (Abuja) (FCT)	110
Life Center (Lagos)	103
E-clinic & Diagnostics (FCT)	99
BIOLOGIX (Lagos)	95
Westend Hospital Molecular Laboratory (Delta)	74
Arrive Alive (Lagos)	72
Edo Specialist Hospital (Edo)	65
Total (Lagos)	53
Wellmed (Lagos)	50
CLINA-LANCET Laboratories Abuja (FCT)	43
Me Cure (Lagos)	43
IFAIN (FCT)	40
Capitol Hill Molecular Lab (Delta)	37
Ibom Molecular Laboratory (Akwa Ibom)	29
Lovett Lawson Molecular Lab (FCT)	29
Genequest (Lagos)	28
NIZAMIYE (FCT)	24
Harley and Rainbow (Lagos)	21
SMPL Enugu (Enugu)	21
Everight Diagnostics (Imo)	20
Grandville (Lagos)	20

Laboratories without reports on number of samples tested this week.

AKTH (Kano)	YDMH Genexpert (Kaduna)
UNIOSUN (Osun)	GH Takum (Taraba)
OOUTH (Ogun)	Kaduna Mobile Truck GX (Kaduna)
IFAIN (Kano)	GH Saminaka (Kaduna)
SSH (Kogi)	O2 (Lagos)
IFAIN (Kano)	FMC Bida (Niger)
PLASVREC (Plateau)	NVRI (Plateau)
BUK (Kano)	ABU, (Kaduna)
FMC Yola, (Adamawa)	JUTH (Plateau)
Everight (Imo)	MOGID, (Bauchi)
ZANKLI GX lab, (Nasarawa)	FMC Owo, (Ondo)
YSSH, (Yobe)	FMC Birnin Kebbi, (Kebbi)
UCTH (Cross River)	PHL (Ondo)
UPH (Rivers)	UNTH (Enugu)
ISTH (Edo)	Landmark (Anambra)
FMC Owo (Ondo)	BRML (Bauchi)
USUMH (Borno)	UMTH (Borno)
PLASVIREC (Plateau)	Warri Lab (Delta)
GH Kagarko (Kaduna)	ACEGID (Osun)
FMC (Owerri)	FMC (Katsina)
UBTH (Edo)	AE-FETHA (Ebonyi)
DLHMH (Cross River)	FMC Makurdi (Benue)
FMCG (Zamfara)	FMCJ (Taraba)
Sobi IDH (Kwara)	USUMH (Borno)

Lifebridge (Lagos)	20
TOBIS MDL (Bayelsa)	18
DemyHealth (FCT)	17
Funbell (Lagos)	17
Harley and Rainbow (Lagos)	17
Arab Labs (FCT)	16
The Specialist Lab (Lagos)	7
CoolSpring (Lagos)	2
LASUCOM (Lagos)	2
MEDILAG (Lagos)	2
Union Diagnostics (Lagos)	1
Grand Total	4,631

DAILY CONFIRMED CASES – DATA AS AT 31ST OCTOBER 2021

Table 2: States with reported laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 cases daily over the last week

CONFIRMED CASES	WEEK 43	25 th October	26 th October	27 th October	28 th October	29 th October	30 th October	31 st October
	TOTAL	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Abia ^a	6	4	0	2	0	0	0	0
Adamawa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Akwa Ibom	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Anambra	18	0	0	18	0	0	0	0
Bauchi	26	1	2	0	1	1	21	0
Bayelsa	8	1	2	1	1	1	1	1
Benue ^b	73	3	0	0	21	49	0	0
Borno	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cross River	9	9	0	0	0	0	0	0
Delta ^c	554	508	8	36	0	1	1	0
Ebonyi	3	0	0	3	0	0	0	0
Edo	23	0	2	0	2	2	17	0
Ekiti	12	9	0	1	0	2	0	0
Enugu ^d	35	24	5	0	0	6	0	0
FCT ^d	144	32	28	22	17	26	17	2
Gombe	16	0	0	0	13	3	0	0
Imo ^d	41	16	0	0	0	25	0	0
Jigawa	6	0	0	1	5	0	0	0
Kaduna	17	0	1	0	12	0	4	0
Kano	26	3	8	2	3	5	0	5
Katsina	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kebbi	6	0	6	0	0	0	0	0
Kogi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kwara	22	0	22	0	0	0	0	0
Lagos ^d	132	19	28	20	27	23	15	0
Nasarawa	25	0	25	0	0	0	0	0
Niger	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ogun	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Ondo	17	0	0	17	0	0	0	0

CONFIRMED CASES	WEEK 43	25 th October	26 th October	27 th October	28 th October	29 th October	30 th October	31 st October
	TOTAL	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Osun	21	0	0	0	0	15	0	6
Oyo	12	0	0	8	0	0	0	4
Plateau	92	41	24	5	12	0	10	0
Rivers	88	40	7	21	3	17	0	0
Sokoto	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Taraba	41	0	1	38	2	0	0	0
Yobe	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Zamfara	25	0	0	0	25	0	0	0
Total	1,501	711	170	195	144	176	86	19

NB – ^a Cases reported from Abia State include backlog from October 24th in Week 42

^b Cases reported from Benue State include backlog from APIN laboratory

^c Cases reported from Delta State include backlog from July 27th – October 13th 2021

^d Cases reported from Enugu, Lagos and Imo States and FCT include backlog from October 24th 2021

DAILY RECOVERIES – DATA AS AT 31ST OCTOBER 2021

Table 3: States with reported case management confirmed COVID-19 recoveries daily over the last week.

CONFIRMED RECOVERIES	WEEK 43	25 th October	26 th October	27 th October	28 th October	29 th October	30 th October	31 st October
	TOTAL	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Abia ^a	43	20	0	0	0	0	23	0
Adamawa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Akwa Ibom	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Anambra	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bauchi	24	14	0	0	0	5	5	0
Bayelsa	11	11	0	0	0	0	0	0
Benue	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Borno	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cross River	8	8	0	0	0	0	0	0
Delta	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ebonyi	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Edo	154	80	50	10	14	0	0	0
Ekiti	14	11	0	3	0	0	0	0
Enugu	20	0	20	0	0	0	0	0
FCT	83	67	3	2	5	4	0	2
Gombe	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Imo	32	11	0	0	0	21	0	0
Jigawa	14	0	0	7	7	0	0	0
Kaduna	52	0	16	0	20	7	9	0
Kano	25	6	0	0	11	0	8	0
Katsina	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kebbi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kogi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kwara	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lagos	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
Nasarawa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Niger	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ogun	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Ondo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

CONFIRMED RECOVERIES	WEEK 43	25 th October	26 th October	27 th October	28 th October	29 th October	30 th October	31 st October
	TOTAL	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Osun	15	0	0	0	0	13	0	2
Oyo	36	1	0	29	0	5	0	1
Plateau	124	39	33	32	0	0	20	0
Rivers	134	27	27	18	3	27	24	8
Sokoto	3	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
Taraba ^b	70	0	5	19	46	0	0	0
Yobe	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Zamfara	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	866	295	154	121	109	83	90	14

NB – ^a Discharged cases reported from Abia State include backlog from October 24th in Week 42

^b Discharged cases reported from Taraba State include community discharge

DAILY FATALITIES – DATA AS AT 31ST OCTOBER 2021

Table 4: States with reported COVID-19 fatalities daily over the last week

CONFIRMED FATALITIES	WEEK 43	25 th October	26 th October	27 th October	28 th October	29 th October	30 th October	31 st October
	TOTAL	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Abia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adamawa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Akwa Ibom	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Anambra	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bauchi	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Bayelsa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Benue	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Borno	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cross River	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Delta	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ebonyi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Edo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ekiti	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Enugu	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FCT	3	0	0	0	0	3	0	0
Gombe	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Imo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jigawa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kaduna	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Kano	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Katsina	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kebbi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kogi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kwara	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lagos	3	0	1	1	0	0	1	0
Nasarawa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Niger	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ogun	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ondo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

CONFIRMED FATALITIES	WEEK 43	25 th October	26 th October	27 th October	28 th October	29 th October	30 th October	31 st October
	TOTAL	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Osun	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oyo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Plateau	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Rivers	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sokoto	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Taraba	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Yobe	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Zamfara	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	12	0	1	1	6	3	1	0

AGE-GENDER BREAKDOWN

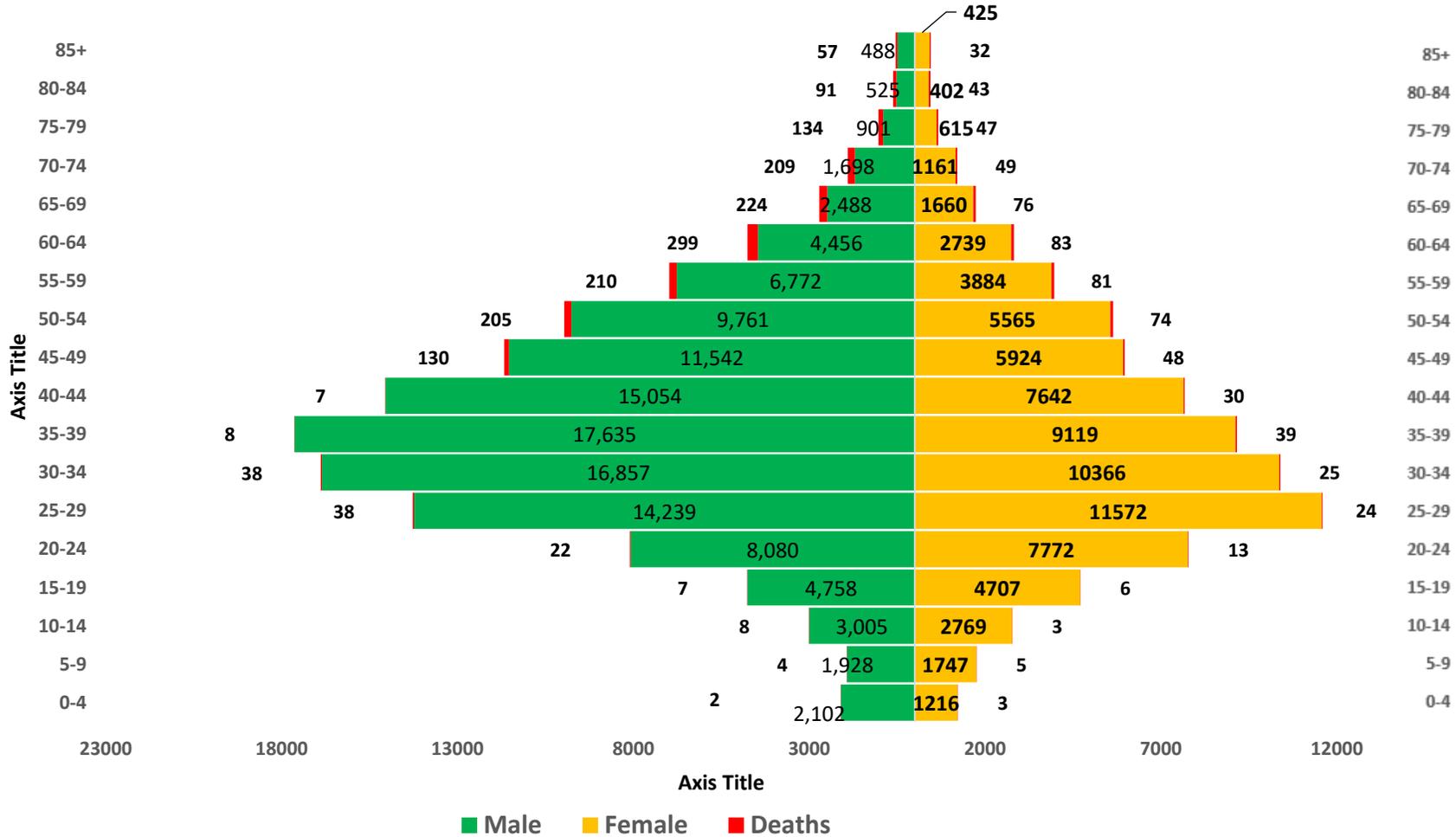


Figure 7: Chart with age and gender breakdown of cases and deaths (WK10, 2020 – WK43, 2021)

IN FOCUS: Ensuring Adherence to COVID-19 Protocol at Conferences and Events

In line with managing the outbreak and preventing an upsurge of COVID-19 cases in Nigeria, several protocols and guidelines have been put in place. These guidelines contain comprehensive steps on the prevention, detection, and management of COVID-19 cases in Nigeria, especially as activities resume following further ease of the lockdown. This is to ensure safety for all including the elderly and those with underlying conditions who are at a higher risk of death due to COVID-19.

Recently, the 4th International Conference on the Safe Schools Declaration was held at the ECOWAS Secretariat, Abuja co-hosted by Nigeria through the Federal Ministries of Education and Foreign Affairs. This marks the first time Nigeria has hosted the conference, and the first time the conference has held since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Nigeria Centre for Disease Control (NCDC), in collaboration with FCT Department of Public Health ensured adherence to COVID-19 safety protocol from the planning phase including the pre-event and the conference. In addition to assessing the venue, as part of activities to ensure strict compliance to the [COVID-19 Safety Guideline for Conferences and Events in Nigeria](#), NCDC coordinated the registration, verification, and screening of local and international participants at the event. Participants included co-hosts from the African Union Commission; the Governments of Argentina, Norway, and Spain; as well as the Global Coalition to Protect Education from Attack (GCPEA).

The NCDC remains committed to supporting the Federal Government of Nigeria, including its Ministries, Departments and Agencies in the safe implementation of conference activities and other events as the COVID-19 pandemic is managed.

RESPONSE

On 28th February 2020, a multi-sectoral Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) was activated at Level 3 which is the highest emergency level in Nigeria. This is led by NCDC in close coordination with the State Public Health EOCs (PHEOC) and through the deployment of **59** Rapid Response Teams (RRT) to states. Currently, response activities include:

- Continued engagement with states to ensure regular reporting and response continuity
- Continued roll out of antigen based rapid diagnostic test (Ag-RDT) kits in collaboration with partners
- Continued tracking and collation of data from states for strategic coordination
- Ongoing COVID-19 vaccine effectiveness study in collaboration with National Primary Health Care Development Agency (NPHCDA) and the World Health Organisation (WHO)
- Ongoing data collection on COVID-19 vaccine hesitancy study
- Continued collation of reports on COVID-19 clinical management study
- Ongoing study on knowledge and compliance of health care workers to infection prevention and control (IPC) measures in the control of COVID-19 infection
- Ongoing research on drivers of mortality prognostic factors and other health sector challenges associated with COVID-19 deaths in treatment centres in Abia, Delta, Edo, Kaduna, Kano, Lagos, Niger, Ogun, Oyo, Plateau, Rivers, & Yobe States and Federal Capital Territory (FCT)
- Pilot of approach to active case search and contact tracing in Kaduna State with plan to roll-out in other states across the country
- Continued follow up with states for daily reporting, contact tracing and key challenges
- Ongoing enhanced surveillance at points of entry
- Ongoing camp sensitization lectures and monitoring of compliance in NYSC camps

- Held discussions with Enugu State Honorable Commissioner of Health on waste management in State and functionality of Incinerators in Health facility
- Supported the Safe School Declaration Conference in collaboration with risk communication and FCT surveillance teams
- Ongoing COVID-19 training of health care workers under the Nigeria Armed Forces medical wing
- Ongoing investigation of cases of healthcare worker infection in collaboration with Federal Capital Territory Administration (FCTA) COVID-19 response team
- Ongoing Nigeria Capacity Development (NiCaDe) change agent training for Health facilities in FCT
- Ongoing process to establish State IPC programme
- Ongoing assessment of 30 health facilities in the Federal Capital Territory (FCT) and Nasarawa State for IPC implementation in collaboration with Institute of Human Virology Nigeria (IHVN)
- Ongoing nationwide workshop on the use of the upgraded Nigeria International Travel Portal (NITP)
- Ongoing validation of Abbott ID-NOW rapid molecular equipment and with data analysis at the final stage
- Supported the Presidential Steering Committee in study for reopening of Nigeria-UAE flight route through protocol development
- Supported Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) with RDT testing of members of staff at ECOWAS
- Ongoing sequencing of positive samples among travellers to Nigeria and positive cases detected in-country, at the National Reference Laboratory (NRL), Gaduwa
- Supported the 2021 National Tuberculosis Conference with IPC materials
- Supported Federal Medical Centre (FMC); Owo PCR and University of Uyo Teaching Hospital (UUTH) PCR Laboratories with laboratory consumables and personal protective equipment (PPE)
- Supported Niger & Edo States Ministry of Health (SMoH) and National Youth Service Corps (NYSC) Batch C Stream I Exercise with sample collection consumables and RDT kits for increase COVID-19 testing
- Ongoing quarterly commodity monitoring and stock verification exercise to reconcile data across states, check available stock balance and utilisation records
- Ongoing repositioning of PPE and commodities at the sub-national level for labs, treatment centres, sample collection centres and other relevant facilities as preparedness for surge in cases
- Attended the 4th International Conference on Safe Schools Declaration in FCT, Abuja
- Integrated COVID-19 messages by leveraging on the cholera RRT sent to Oyo, Kebbi, Adamawa, Sokoto, Gombe and Yobe States
- Disseminated safety guidelines for conducting events and conferences in Nigeria
- Continued support to National Primary Health Care Development Agency (NPHCDA) in COVID-19 vaccination campaign
- Ongoing media appearances on radio and television

PREPAREDNESS

Since the confirmation of the first case on 27th February 2020, the NCDC has released advisories and statements to help Nigerians and affected groups to respond to the pandemic:

- Presidential Steering Committee on COVID-19 released a press statement on [Revised International Travel Protocol into Nigeria](#)
- NCDC published [COVID-19 safety guidelines for Conferences and Events in Nigeria](#)

- NCDC issued a press release on the *detection of the [first confirmed case of delta variant of SARS-CoV-2 in Nigeria](#)*
- Presidential Steering Committee on COVID-19 reviewed and published [Travel advisory for passengers arriving Nigeria from Brazil, India and Turkey to include South Africa](#)
- Presidential Steering Committee on COVID-19 published [Travel advisory for passengers arriving Nigeria from Brazil, India and Turkey](#)
- Presidential Steering Committee on COVID-19 published [Implementation guidelines for phased restriction of movement](#)
- NCDC published [One year of COVID-19 response in Nigeria](#)
- NCDC and NIMR publish [findings of COVID-19 household seroprevalence surveys in four states of Nigeria](#)
- NCDC published a [Statement on variants of SARS-CoV-2 in Nigeria](#)
- The Federal Ministry of Education (FME) and partners, PTF and NCDC have developed: [Guidance for integrated safe school re-opening 26th January 2021](#)
- COVID-19 Health Protection Regulation signed by President Muhammadu Buhari on 26th January 2021: [Coronavirus Disease \(COVID-19\) Health Protection Regulations 2021](#)
- NCDC published an updated [community case definitions for coronavirus disease 2019](#)
- The Federal Ministry of Health and NCDC published [COVID-19 Patient's handbook for home-based care in Nigeria](#)
- NCDC published an updated [case definitions for coronavirus disease](#)
- NCDC published [Guidance for the use of approved COVID-19 antigen-based rapid diagnostic tests in Nigeria](#)
- Update of [travel protocols](#) for all travellers into Nigeria from [UK and South Africa](#)
- NCDC recently launched the [Celebrate Responsibly](#) campaign in response to the increase in cases of coronavirus disease (COVID-19) and poor adherence to public health and social measures across the country: [Celebrate Responsibly and Save Lives – New Awareness Campaign for the Yuletide Season](#)
- Ahead of the Christmas and end of year festivity, NCDC published the [End-of-Year Travel Advisory on COVID-19](#)
- NCDC recently launched the [COVID-19 blog](#) for telling the stories of Nigeria's response to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- NCDC published guidelines on 2020 National Youth Service Corps (NYSC) Orientation Camp activities in conjunction with PTF and NYSC: [Guidelines on 2020 National Youth Service Corps \(NYSC\) Orientation Camp activities](#)
- NCDC published guidance on the use of antigen RDTs: [Guidance on the use of Antigen Rapid Diagnostic Kits for diagnosis of SARS-CoV-2 infection in Nigeria](#)
- NCDC published guidance on safe school re-opening: [Public Health guidance for Safe School re-opening in Nigeria](#)
- NCDC published second interim guidance – Infection Prevention and Control: [Recommendations during health care provision for suspected and confirmed cases of COVID-19](#)
- NCDC recently published the first edition of a quick reference guide on setting up sample collection centre - [A step by step guide on setting up a sample collection centre](#)
- NCDC has launched an online course on [Infection, Prevention and Control \(IPC\) for COVID-19](#) NCDC eLearning platform
- Ahead of forthcoming elections in the country, NCDC has issued [Guidelines for Conducting Elections During the COVID-19 Outbreak in Nigeria](#).
- To protect our elders, and those with pre-existing medical conditions, NCDC has issued an [Advisory for Vulnerable Groups](#).
- NCDC has released [guidelines on the re-opening of places for worship](#).
- NCDC has released [Strategies to Improve Surveillance for COVID-19 Guidance for States](#)
- The Nigeria Police Force has released COVID-19 operational guidelines for the [Police and other Law Enforcement Agencies](#) in Nigeria

- Guidelines have been issued for the [safe transportation of remains of persons suspected or confirmed to have died of COVID-19](#)
- Information on diagnostics of the COVID-19 virus can be found in our [detailed FAQ document](#).
- To increase our testing capacity, NCDC has issued guidelines for the [integration of private labs](#).
- Guidelines for [businesses and employers](#) have been updated.
- NCDC has updated its [case definition](#) , [community case definition](#) and [case management guide](#).
- NCDC releases periodic [public health advisories](#) to Nigerians on the COVID-19 disease.
- To adhere to post-lockdown measures, NCDC has released an [advisory on the use of face masks](#), as well as information on the [Use of Cloth face masks](#) and [how to make your cloth face masks](#).
- NCDC has released guidelines for the [management of pregnant women and nursing mothers](#) during the pandemic.
- To address burials of loved ones who die from COVID-19, guidelines have been issued to advise on the [management of dead bodies](#).
- For health centres managing cases, the following documents have been released- a guideline for the [Rational Use of Personal Protective Equipment in the care of COVID-19 cases](#).
- As part of plans to increase the testing capacity of the country, the NCDC published a [National Strategy to Scale Up Access to Coronavirus Disease Testing in Nigeria](#) document.
- The Presidential Task Force has published policies and announcements on COVID-19 [available on the website of the Presidency](#) – including presidential addresses, task force updates and information on livelihood and economic support.

INFORMATION RESOURCES

- Nigeria Centre for Disease Control: www.covid19.ncdc.gov.ng | www.ncdc.gov.ng
- Nigerian Presidency Website on COVID-19: www.statehouse.gov.ng/COVID19
- WHO Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Dashboard (**source for global updates**) <https://covid19.who.int/>