



STATUS REPORT ON COVID-19 – MID-SEPTEMBER 2021

FOCUS: AFRICA AND EAST & SOUTHERN AFRICA

1. Executive Summary

The East and Southern Africa region, as well as the continent, has continued with its journey of vaccinations against COVID-19. Sadly, the rates of vaccinations among Member countries remain considerable low, with a majority of the countries registering under 5% of vaccinations for the populations. In the region, countries like Seychelles and Mauritius have vaccinated over 70% and 60% of their populations respectively, while South Africa and Zimbabwe have continued their upward trajectory in their rates.

On the other hand, cases of mortalities and morbidities from COVID-19 have continued to rise in Africa, with over 100% rise in Mauritius and Benin. Comparatively, the rates of deaths have gone low in the last one month inasmuch as Mauritius registered a marked increase in deaths.

This is our monthly analysis of the COVID-19 statistics and status of vaccinations in Africa and East and Southern Africa region as at mid-September 2021. The report shares the statistics of the period mid-August and mid-September. It also summarizes the total number of cases, deaths, recoveries in the region and also the whole of Africa. It further gives the percentage increases in cases and deaths, active cases and critical cases between the months of August 2021 and September 2021.

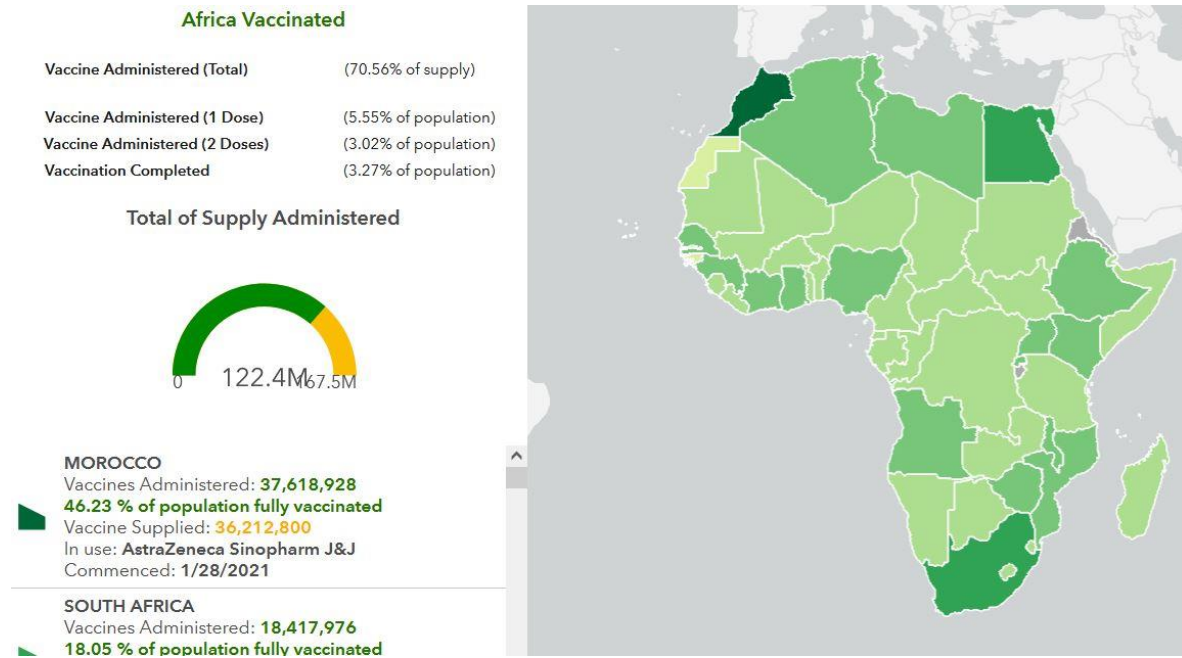
The status of vaccinates in the region, in 'partnership' with CDC Africa.

(see tables).

We have always brought forth updates and conducted research, which are available on our website

(<https://www.wcoesarocb.org/covid-19/>) and social media platforms.

STATUS OF VACCINATION IN ESA & AFRICA



In Africa, Morocco is leading with **37,618,928** vaccines administered (**46.23%** of population fully vaccinated), whereas South Africa is leading in ESA with **18,417,976** vaccines administered (**18.05%** of population fully vaccinated).

Highest number of vaccines administered in Africa (Top 5)

| No. | Country | No. of vaccines administered |
|-----|--------------|------------------------------|
| 1. | Morocco | 37,618,928 |
| 2. | South Africa | 18,417,976 |
| 3. | Egypt | 11,989,196 |
| 4. | Tunisia | 6,911,801 |
| 5. | Nigeria | 5,858,737 |

Percentage of population vaccinated & number of vaccines administered in ESA

Reports are available of vaccinations among 22 out of the 24 member states of the region. Herein, Seychelles is leading in the percentage of the population vaccinated, with 69.71% of the population already vaccinated. Mauritius is second in the region with over 60.25% of the population vaccinated, followed by South Africa (18.05%), Eswatini (15.25%) and Zimbabwe (12.93%).

| No. | Country | Percentage of Population Vaccinated (%) | Number of Vaccines Administered |
|-----|--------------|-----------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1. | South Africa | 18.05 | 18,417,976 |
| 2. | Zimbabwe | 12.93 | 4,800,140 |
| 3. | Mozambique | 4.99 | 3,427,486 |
| 4. | Kenya | 1.55 | 3,145,171 |
| 5. | Rwanda | 8.11 | 2,882,134 |
| 6. | Ethiopia | 0.04 | 2,389,141 |
| 7. | Angola | 2.43 | 2,218,054 |
| 8. | Mauritius | 60.25 | 1,625,865 |
| 9. | Uganda | 0 | 1,297,726 |
| 10. | Malawi | 3.57 | 1,176,388 |
| 11. | Zambia | 1.74 | 631,466 |
| 12. | Botswana | 9.25 | 587,595 |
| 13. | Namibia | 5.69 | 374,178 |
| 14. | Somalia | 0.59 | 286,423 |
| 15. | Eswatini | 15.25 | 279,133 |
| 16. | Lesotho | 9.42 | 274,415 |
| 17. | Seychelles | 69.71 | 209,338 |
| 18. | Tanzania | 0 | 209,271 |
| 19. | Madagascar | 0 | 197,001 |
| 20. | Comoros | 4.79 | 134,020 |
| 21. | Djibouti | 2.61 | 66,010 |
| 22. | South Sudan | 0.04 | 56,989 |
| 23. | Burundi | 0 | 0 |
| 24. | Eritrea | 0 | 0 |

2. Highest hit countries by cases in Africa and East and Southern Africa (ESA)

While cases have continued to increase, the last month (mid-August to mid-September) there was a decrease of **11.2%** in cases compared to **18.9%** the previous month.

For a second month, Mauritius was the hardest hit country in Africa and ESA in the period under review with **145.8%** increase in cases, that is, from **5,607** to **13,782** cases.

The ESA region had five countries among the top ten in Africa in terms of percentage increase in cases. These countries included Mauritius (145.8%), Burundi (47.5%), Uganda (25.3%), Eswatini (25.2%), Botswana (21.1%)

The table below shows the top five countries with the highest increase of cases for both Africa and East and Southern Africa over the comparative period. Notice that the ESA region members have been hardest hit by the pandemic in Africa over the comparative period.

| AFRICA | | ESA | |
|--------------|------------|--------------|------------|
| Country | % increase | Country | % increase |
| 1. Mauritius | 145.8 | 1. Mauritius | 145.8 |
| 2. Benin | 136.6 | 2. Burundi | 47.5 |
| 3. Burundi | 47.5 | 3. Uganda | 25.3 |
| 4. Togo | 33.0 | 4. Eswatini | 25.2 |
| 5. Uganda | 25.3 | 5. Botswana | 21.1 |

3. Highest hit countries by deaths in Africa and East and Southern Africa (ESA)

South Africa was the hardest hit in the period under review with an increase from **77,141** to **85,302** deaths. In terms of percentage increase, Mauritius had the highest increase of 114.3%, that was from **21** to **45** deaths.

The continent registered a **11.1%** increase in deaths over the last one month (mid-July to mid-August 2021).

The table below represents the top five countries with the highest increase of deaths for both Africa and East and Southern Africa over the comparative period.

| AFRICA | | ESA | |
|------------------|------------|--------------|------------|
| Country | % increase | Country | % increase |
| 1. Mauritius | 114.3 | 1. Mauritius | 114.3 |
| 2. Liberia | 91.2 | 2. Eswatini | 27.0 |
| 3. Ivory Coast | 48.7 | 3. Angola | 23.5 |
| 4. Guinea-Bissau | 41.1 | 4. Rwanda | 23.0 |
| 5. Benin | 29.2 | 5. Botswana | 18.4 |

4. COVID-19 numbers in Africa

Reported new cases in Africa have increased by **11.2%** whereas in the deaths have increased by **11.1%**. Cases in Africa stand at **8,082,718** from **7,271,477** and deaths at **203,977** from **183,655** over the period under review

The table below outlines the COVID-19 statistics.

Take note of the percentage change in cases and deaths recorded over the last month. Take note that the ESA countries are shaded light blue.

| No. | Country | Cases mid-August | Cases mid-July | % Change | Deaths mid-August | Deaths mid-July | % Change | Total Recovered | Active Cases | Serious Critical |
|-----|------------------------------|------------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|-----------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------|------------------|
| 1. | Mauritius | 13,782 | 5,607 | 145.8 | 45 | 21 | 114.3 | 1,854 | 11,883 | |
| 2. | Benin | 21,450 | 9,065 | 136.6 | 146 | 113 | 29.2 | 17,294 | 4,010 | 5 |
| 3. | Burundi | 14,189 | 9,620 | 47.5 | 38 | 38 | 0.0 | 773 | 13,378 | |
| 4. | Togo | 23,947 | 18,000 | 33.0 | 208 | 165 | 26.1 | 18,944 | 4,795 | |
| 5. | Uganda | 121,687 | 97,124 | 25.3 | 3,106 | 2,893 | 7.4 | 95,814 | 22,767 | 429 |
| 6. | Eswatini | 45,084 | 36,008 | 25.2 | 1,186 | 934 | 27.0 | 42,741 | 1,157 | 10 |
| 7. | Botswana | 165,644 | 136,758 | 21.1 | 2,337 | 1,973 | 18.4 | 160,221 | 3,086 | 1 |
| 8. | Morocco | 908,349 | 759,456 | 19.6 | 13,683 | 11,017 | 24.2 | 866,064 | 28,602 | 882 |
| 9. | Guinea-Bissau | 6,031 | 5,123 | 17.7 | 127 | 90 | 41.1 | 5,160 | 744 | 4 |
| 10. | Rwanda | 93,567 | 79,702 | 17.4 | 1,180 | 959 | 23.0 | 45,406 | 46,981 | 24 |
| 11. | Mauritania | 35,042 | 30,121 | 16.3 | 760 | 640 | 18.8 | 33,158 | 1,124 | 22 |
| 12. | Sao Tome and Principe | 2,877 | 2,488 | 15.6 | 42 | 37 | 13.5 | 2,532 | 303 | |
| 13. | Libya | 327,803 | 284,618 | 15.2 | 4,469 | 3,933 | 13.6 | 242,267 | 81,067 | |
| 14. | Angola | 51,047 | 44,617 | 14.4 | 1,358 | 1,100 | 23.5 | 45,413 | 4,276 | 8 |
| 15. | Somalia | 18,568 | 16,319 | 13.8 | 1,032 | 883 | 16.9 | 9,066 | 8,470 | |
| 16. | Ethiopia | 325,379 | 289,274 | 12.5 | 5,001 | 4,478 | 11.7 | 293,092 | 27,286 | 783 |
| 17. | Ivory Coast | 58,226 | 52,202 | 11.5 | 534 | 359 | 48.7 | 56,144 | 1,548 | |
| 18. | Tunisia | 695,406 | 623,940 | 11.5 | 24,274 | 21,827 | 11.2 | 667,201 | 3,931 | 454 |
| 19. | Ghana | 123,874 | 111,232 | 11.4 | 1,098 | 930 | 18.1 | 117,892 | 4,884 | 51 |
| 20. | Kenya | 244,380 | 220,727 | 10.7 | 4,928 | 4,340 | 13.5 | 234,737 | 4,715 | 148 |
| 21. | South Africa | 2,864,534 | 2,605,586 | 9.9 | 85,302 | 77,141 | 10.6 | 2,688,692 | 90,540 | 546 |
| 22. | Seychelles | 20,748 | 18,895 | 9.8 | 110 | 98 | 12.2 | 20,103 | 535 | |
| 23. | Nigeria | 200,057 | 182,503 | 9.6 | 2,637 | 2,219 | 18.8 | 188,719 | 8,701 | 11 |
| 24. | Mozambique | 149,480 | 138,749 | 7.7 | 1,895 | 1,716 | 10.4 | 142,381 | 5,204 | 32 |
| 25. | Guinea | 30,085 | 28,020 | 7.4 | 368 | 287 | 28.2 | 28,179 | 1,538 | 24 |
| 26. | Gambia | 9,867 | 9,195 | 7.3 | 330 | 271 | 21.8 | 9,504 | 33 | 3 |
| 27. | Algeria | 200,528 | 187,258 | 7.1 | 5,614 | 4,794 | 17.1 | 137,052 | 57,862 | 31 |
| 28. | Cabo Verde | 36,694 | 34,397 | 6.7 | 323 | 300 | 7.7 | 35,419 | 952 | 23 |

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|-----|--------------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------|----------------|----------------|-------------|------------------|----------------|--------------|
| 29. | Zimbabwe | 126,817 | 120,088 | 5.6 | 4,550 | 4,109 | 10.7 | 119,216 | 3,051 | 12 |
| 30. | Liberia | 5,761 | 5,459 | 5.5 | 283 | 148 | 91.2 | 5,428 | 50 | 2 |
| 31. | DRC | 56,215 | 53,346 | 5.4 | 1,068 | 1,050 | 1.7 | 30,858 | 24,289 | |
| 32. | Malawi | 61,171 | 58,083 | 5.3 | 2,244 | 1,968 | 14.0 | 50,642 | 8,285 | 285 |
| 33. | Gabon | 26,903 | 25,564 | 5.2 | 173 | 165 | 4.8 | 25,928 | 802 | 18 |
| 34. | South Sudan | 11,755 | 11,172 | 5.2 | 121 | 120 | 0.8 | 11,195 | 439 | |
| 35. | Senegal | 73,539 | 70,854 | 3.8 | 1,838 | 1,614 | 13.9 | 68,106 | 3,595 | 19 |
| 36. | Niger | 5,932 | 5,724 | 3.6 | 201 | 196 | 2.6 | 5,663 | 68 | |
| 37. | Namibia | 126,430 | 122,469 | 3.2 | 3,437 | 3,277 | 4.9 | 121,647 | 1,346 | 19 |
| 38. | Egypt | 293,951 | 285,358 | 3.0 | 16,895 | 16,619 | 1.7 | 247,450 | 29,606 | 90 |
| 39. | Zambia | 208,049 | 202,429 | 2.8 | 3,635 | 3,538 | 2.7 | 203,545 | 869 | 61 |
| 40. | Congo | 13,701 | 13,356 | 2.6 | 183 | 179 | 2.2 | 12,421 | 1,097 | |
| 41. | Cameroon | 84,210 | 82,454 | 2.1 | 1,357 | 1,338 | 1.4 | 80,433 | 2,420 | 152 |
| 42. | Mali | 14,991 | 14,695 | 2.0 | 543 | 535 | 1.5 | 14,188 | 260 | |
| 43. | Djibouti | 11,897 | 11,682 | 1.8 | 157 | 156 | 0.6 | 11,656 | 84 | |
| 44. | Comoros | 4,100 | 4,038 | 1.5 | 147 | 147 | 0.0 | 3,934 | 19 | |
| 45. | Sudan | 37,995 | 37,556 | 1.2 | 2,873 | 2,813 | 2.1 | 31,916 | 3,206 | |
| 46. | Lesotho | 14,395 | 14,243 | 1.1 | 403 | 397 | 1.5 | 6,830 | 7,162 | |
| 47. | Eritrea | 6,661 | 6,601 | 0.9 | 40 | 37 | 8.1 | 6,615 | 6 | |
| 48. | Chad | 5,019 | 4,982 | 0.7 | 174 | 174 | 0.0 | 4,820 | 25 | |
| 49. | Sierra Leone | 6,386 | 6,342 | 0.7 | 121 | 121 | 0.0 | 4,374 | 1,891 | |
| 50. | CAR | 11,309 | 11,251 | 0.5 | 100 | 99 | 1.0 | 6,859 | 4,350 | 2 |
| 51. | Madagascar | 42,898 | 42,819 | 0.2 | 958 | 954 | 0.4 | 41,322 | 618 | 3 |
| 52. | Burkina Faso | 13,959 | 13,959 | 0.0 | 171 | 171 | 0.0 | 13,645 | 143 | |
| 53. | Equatorial Guinea | 8,972 | 8,972 | 0.0 | 123 | 123 | 0.0 | 8,768 | 81 | 2 |
| 54. | Tanzania | 1,367 | 1,367 | 0.0 | 50 | 50 | 0.0 | 183 | 1,134 | 7 |
| 55. | Western Sahara | 10 | 10 | 0.0 | 1 | 1 | 0.0 | 8 | 1 | |
| | TOTAL | 8,082,718 | 7,271,477 | 11.2 | 203,977 | 183,655 | 11.1 | 7,343,472 | 535,269 | 4,163 |

5. COVID-19 numbers in ESA

The table below highlights the status of ESA as at mid-July 2021 compared to mid-August 2021.

| No | Country | Cases mid-August | Cases mid-July | % Change | Deaths mid-August | Deaths mid-July | % Change | Total Recovered | Active Cases | Serious Critical |
|-----|--------------|------------------|------------------|-------------|-------------------|-----------------|-------------|------------------|----------------|------------------|
| 1. | South Africa | 2,864,534 | 2,605,586 | 9.9 | 85,302 | 77,141 | 10.6 | 2,688,692 | 90,540 | 546 |
| 2. | Ethiopia | 325,379 | 289,274 | 12.5 | 5,001 | 4,478 | 11.7 | 293,092 | 27,286 | 783 |
| 3. | Kenya | 244,380 | 220,727 | 10.7 | 4,928 | 4,340 | 13.5 | 234,737 | 4,715 | 148 |
| 4. | Zambia | 208,049 | 202,429 | 2.8 | 3,635 | 3,538 | 2.7 | 203,545 | 869 | 61 |
| 5. | Botswana | 165,644 | 136,758 | 21.1 | 2,337 | 1,973 | 18.4 | 160,221 | 3,086 | 1 |
| 6. | Mozambique | 149,480 | 138,749 | 7.7 | 1,895 | 1,716 | 10.4 | 142,381 | 5,204 | 32 |
| 7. | Zimbabwe | 126,817 | 120,088 | 5.6 | 4,550 | 4,109 | 10.7 | 119,216 | 3,051 | 12 |
| 8. | Namibia | 126,430 | 122,469 | 3.2 | 3,437 | 3,277 | 4.9 | 121,647 | 1,346 | 19 |
| 9. | Uganda | 121,687 | 97,124 | 25.3 | 3,106 | 2,893 | 7.4 | 95,814 | 22,767 | 429 |
| 10. | Rwanda | 93,567 | 79,702 | 17.4 | 1,180 | 959 | 23.0 | 45,406 | 46,981 | 24 |
| 11. | Malawi | 61,171 | 58,083 | 5.3 | 2,244 | 1,968 | 14.0 | 50,642 | 8,285 | 285 |
| 12. | Angola | 51,047 | 44,617 | 14.4 | 1,358 | 1,100 | 23.5 | 45,413 | 4,276 | 8 |
| 13. | Eswatini | 45,084 | 36,008 | 25.2 | 1,186 | 934 | 27.0 | 42,741 | 1,157 | 10 |
| 14. | Madagascar | 42,898 | 42,819 | 0.2 | 958 | 954 | 0.4 | 41,322 | 618 | 3 |
| 15. | Seychelles | 20,748 | 18,895 | 9.8 | 110 | 98 | 12.2 | 20,103 | 535 | |
| 16. | Somalia | 18,568 | 16,319 | 13.8 | 1,032 | 883 | 16.9 | 9,066 | 8,470 | |
| 17. | Lesotho | 14,395 | 14,243 | 1.1 | 403 | 397 | 1.5 | 6,830 | 7,162 | |
| 18. | Burundi | 14,189 | 9,620 | 47.5 | 38 | 38 | 0.0 | 773 | 13,378 | |
| 19. | Mauritius | 13,782 | 5,607 | 145.8 | 45 | 21 | 114.3 | 1,854 | 11,883 | |
| 20. | Djibouti | 11,897 | 11,682 | 1.8 | 157 | 156 | 0.6 | 11,656 | 84 | |
| 21. | South Sudan | 11,755 | 11,172 | 5.2 | 121 | 120 | 0.8 | 11,195 | 439 | |
| 22. | Eritrea | 6,661 | 6,601 | 0.9 | 40 | 37 | 8.1 | 6,615 | 6 | |
| 23. | Comoros | 4,100 | 4,038 | 1.5 | 147 | 147 | 0.0 | 3,934 | 19 | |
| 24. | Tanzania | 1,367 | 1,367 | 0.0 | 50 | 50 | 0.0 | 183 | 1,134 | 7 |
| | TOTAL | 4,743,629 | 4,293,977 | 10.5 | 123,260 | 111,327 | 10.7 | 4,357,078 | 263,291 | 2368 |

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