

Epidemiological Situation of COVID-19 in Cabo Verde

Current Situation

At the end of the twenty-ninth epidemiological week of 2021, Cabo Verde registered 33577 accumulated cases of COVID-19. On that day, 25th of July, the country reported 520 active cases, 32739 cumulative recovered cases, and 298 cumulative deaths from COVID-19. In epidemiological week 29, the country registered three (3) deaths from COVID-19.

In the period corresponding to epidemiological weeks 28 and 29 (12/07/2021 to 25/07/2021), the country recorded 565 new cases of COVID-19 (*Table 1*).

Table 1. Number of cases and incidence rate of cases reported in the last 14 days of COVID-19 per 100 thousand inhabitants, 12/07/2021 to 25/07/2021

Island	Nº of cases notified	14-day incidence rate per 100 000 inhabitants
Santo Antão	59	168
São Vicente	50	58
São Nicolau	2	19
Sal	7	16
Boavista	35	167
Maio	36	465
Santiago	218	73
Fogo	132	417
Brava	26	486
Cabo Verde	565	100

Sources: SVIR, DNS, MSSS, as of 25/07/2021**

Between 12/07/2021 to 25/07/2021, the cumulative incidence rate of notified COVID-19 cases at the national level was 100 cases per 100 000 inhabitants. The island of Brava reported the

highest incidence rate of 486 cases per 100 000 inhabitants, followed by the islands of Maio (465) and Fogo with 417 per 100 000 inhabitants. The cumulative incidence rate was under 25 in Sal and São Nicolau (Table 1).

During epidemiological week 29, a total of 7344 samples were processed nationwide through RT-PCR and antigen tests (AG-RDT) diagnostic methods combined. In this week, the country registered a positivity rate of 3.7% and a testing rate of 1304 tests per 100 000 inhabitants. The islands of Boavista, Santo Antão, and Fogo reported the highest positivity rates during epidemiological week 29, with 23.2%, 6.9%, and 6.8%, respectively (Table 2).

Table 2. Number of tests performed, positivity rate, and testing rate per 100,000 populations in epidemiological week 29 (19/07/2021 to 25/07/2021) by island

Ilha	Number of testes performed *	Positivity rate (%)	Testing rate/100 000 inhabitants
Santo Antão	390	3,9%	880
São Vicente	1689	6,8%	2701
São Nicolau	403	4,8%	4321
Sal	380	6,9%	1050
Boavista	56	1,7%	1972
Maio	469	0,5%	894
Santiago	2791	0,0%	3370
Fogo	935	23,2%	267
Brava	231	4,5%	6054
Cabo Verde	7344	3,7%	1304

*Total number of RT-PCR and Ag-RDT tests performed

Sources: Virology laboratories of the National Institute of Public Health, Surveillance and Response Department, National Directorate of Health, Ministry of Health, as of 25/07/21

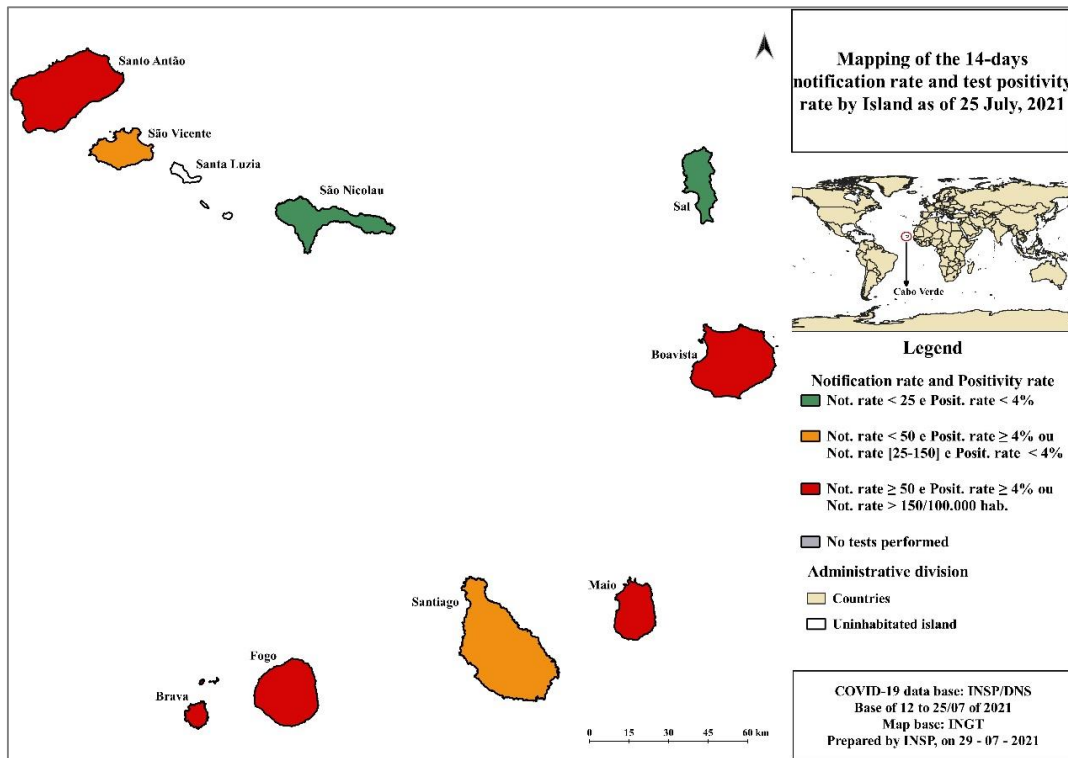


Figure 1. Incidence rate of cases reported in the last 14 days per 100 thousand inhabitants (12/07/2021 to 25/07/2021) and positivity rate in the previous week (19/07/2021 to 25/07/2021) by island¹.

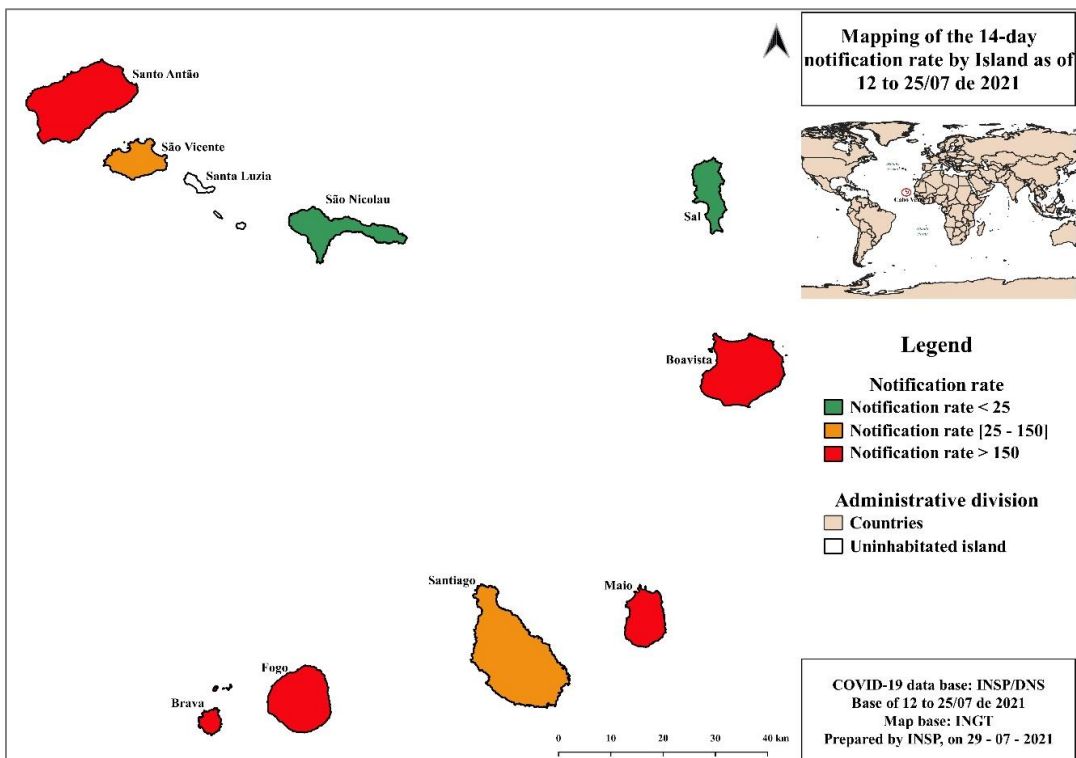


Figure 2. Incidence rate of cases reported in the last 14 days per 100 thousand inhabitants (12/07/2021 to 25/07/2021) by island²

¹ Map elaborated in accordance with resolution n° 169/2020. Cabo Verde, *BOLETIM OFICIAL*, Cabo Verde: Boletim Oficial I serie, numero 132 de 19 de novembro de 2020, 2020, p. 2945.

² Map elaborated in accordance with resolution n° 156/2020. Cabo Verde, *BOLETIM OFICIAL, SUPLEMENTO*. Cabo Verde: Boletim Oficial I serie, numero 135 de 14 de dezembro de 2020, 2020, p. 10.

Criteria for conducting inter-island tests



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Realização de testes para viagem interilhas (aéreas ou marítimas)*

Origem	Destino	Necessidade de realização de teste para viagem	
		Sim	Não
Santo Antão	Boa Vista, Santiago, Fogo, Sal, S. Nicolau, Maio e Brava	X	
Santo Antão	São Vicente		X
São Vicente	S. Nicolau, Sal, Boa Vista, Santiago, Maio, Fogo e Brava	X	
São Vicente	Santo Antão		X
São Nicolau	para qualquer ilha	X	
Sal	para qualquer ilha		X
Boa Vista	para qualquer ilha	X	
Maio	para qualquer ilha	X	
Santiago	para qualquer ilha	X	
Fogo	para qualquer ilha	X	
Brava	para qualquer ilha	X	

*informação será atualizada conforme evolução da situação epidemiológica da COVID-19 em cada ilha a cada 15 dias

- Taxa de incidência acumulada nos últimos 14 dias superior a 150 por 100 mil habitantes
- Taxa de incidência acumulada nos últimos 14 dias entre 25 e 150 por 100 mil habitantes
- Taxa de incidência acumulada nos últimos 14 dias inferior a 25 por 100 mil habitantes

- As crianças com idade inferior a 7 anos estão isentas da realização de teste para viagens entre as ilhas.

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