

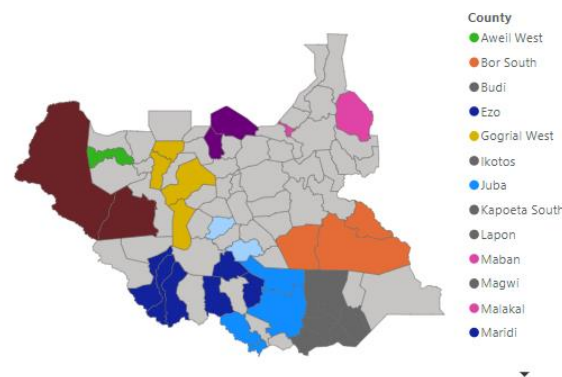


This report is produced by the Covid-19 vaccination TWG South Sudan in collaboration with Health partners. It covers the period from 4 June to 15 September 2021. The next report will be published on or around 15 October 2021.

Highlights

- South Sudan Received 132,000 doses of Covishield vaccines from the Covax facility on March 25th, 2021.
- 72,000 doses shipped back to COVAX due to low consumption vs expiry
- Honorable Minister of Health launched vaccinations on 6th April 2021
- Facilities that started vaccinations: Juba Teaching Hospital, Juba Military & Juba Police
- Priority target groups were: Health Care workers, Persons with Comorbidity and the elderly above 65years old.
- 60,000 more doses of AstraZeneca (Vaxzevria) from France through COVAX Facility arrived on 30th August and currently being rolled out.
- The United States through the African Union donated 152,950 doses of the J and J COVID-19 Vaccine to South Sudan on the 14th September, 2021.
- More AstraZeneca in the pipeline from France through COVAX for South Sudan.
- Vaccines are open to eligible adults 18 years and over.
- Vaccination taking place currently in 10 States, 32 Counties and 68 Health facilities.

Counties Started Vaccinations



Implementation and Roll-out plan

- Current implementation in 10 States and 32 Counties and 70 Health facilities
- Plans underway to deploy to all the 3 Administrative Areas and other 48 Counties.
- Plans to conduct training for staff on the use of J and J.
- ODK platform being used for reporting from the sites as the country prepares to deploy E-governance.

Supporting Partners

- WHO- Planning & Coordination, Vaccine safety, technical support including monitoring & Evaluation of the vaccination activity (data and tools)
- UNICEF- Vaccine, Cold Chain & Logistics incl social mobilization /Communication and service delivery through HPF supported partners in the States.
- JSI-Training and Supervision (All partners are involved in training and supervision)
- Two agencies (CORE GROUP WVI& CMMB) submitted micro-plans to MoH waiting for approval for the third round.

Recommendations

- Scale up risk communication/community engagement to enhance adherence to public health preventive measures and increase public acceptance to vaccine.
- Ensure quick response to any AEFI case
- Advocate for more funding to sustain vaccination exercise.
- Implementing partners to continue conducting awareness on availability of vaccines in the country
- Continue Social mobilization for the general public

Challenges

- Low vaccination coverage of health facilities providing vaccination services
- Vaccine misinformation among the population
- Inadequate resources to roll-out vaccinations to other States
- Inadequate medical response to AEFI in remote counties.

Priority groups for Vaccination

Category	Number
Health Care Workers	10,655
Persons above 65	52,563
Persons with Comorbidity	4,483
Females	74.5%
Males	25.5%

86,740
Persons
Vaccinated

73%
Vaccines
Consumed

234 Minor
4 Serious
AEFI

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