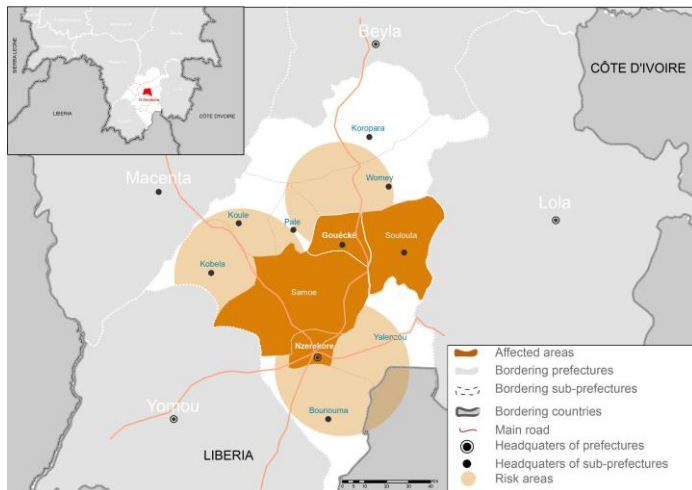


This situation report presents the latest updates on the reappearance of the Ebola virus Disease (EVD) notified since February 2021 in Guinea. The document contains the latest epidemiological data, the actions put in place by the national authorities and the humanitarian community actors to fight the spread of the EVD outbreak and provides recommendations on the way forward. Finally, the report describes the actions carried out by the International Organization for Migration (IOM) in response to this epidemic. These epidemiological data are updated as of 30th April, 2021.

AFFECTED AREAS



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CONTEXT

Since February 2021, Guinea has been facing the reappearance of the Ebola epidemic. For the first time since 2016, cases of haemorrhagic fever caused by the virus have been recorded in the county of N'Zérékoré, located in the south-east part of the country, leading to several deaths. The first victim, identified in the sub-county of Gouéké, was a nurse who died at the end of January 2021. All other cases are from people who attended the funeral on February 1, 2021. On 14th February 2021, the Guinean Ministry of Health (MoH) officially declared an outbreak of EVD.



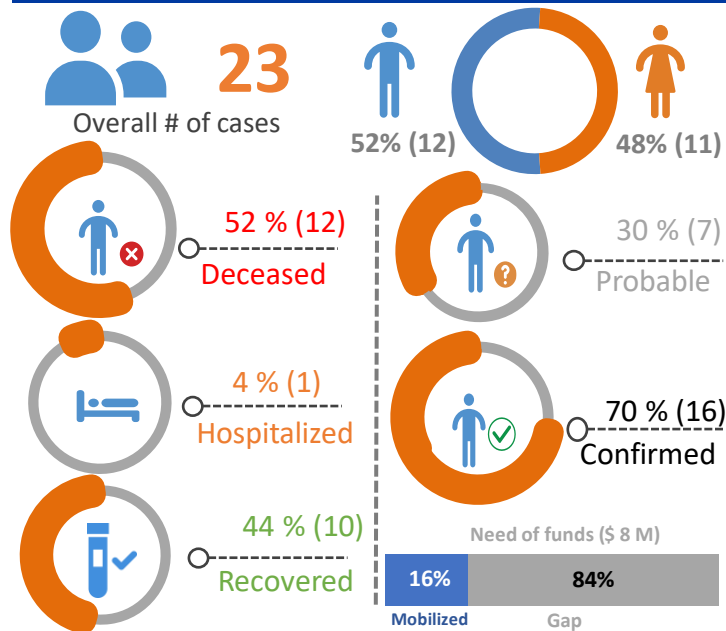
Training of Health control agents in N'Zérékoré region © IOM 2021

IOM'S CROSS-BORDER PREPAREDNESS ACTIVITIES

Liberia

- Carrying out a rapid assessment of PCI in the districts of Grand Bassa, Rivercess, Grand Gedeh and in parts of Montserrado;
- Active case finding in high-risk communities and border health structures;
- Continuation of community engagement with community leaders in high-risk districts;
- Training of health control agents in 54 PoEs in neighboring counties.

KEY FIGURES



HIGHLIGHTS

1. Epidemiological situation as of April 30, 2021

- Cumulatively, 23 cases of EVD had been notified, including 16 confirmed and 7 probable cases; 3 people (all are suspected cases) are currently hospitalized at the ETC of N'Zérékoré.
- To date, 2 new suspected cases have been notified in N'Zérékoré.
- There are 12 EVD deaths recorded in total, including 5 confirmed and 7 probable cases; overall, 5 healthcare workers (HCWs) have been infected by the Ebola virus leading to 2 deaths (1 confirmed and 1 probable cases), and 10 people have recovered from the EVD; no EVD contact to be followed up with in N'Zérékoré and 8,538 people have been vaccinated. The countdown to declare the end of the EVD epidemic is D-35.

2. EVD Response activities

- Start of construction activities of shelters at the 12 health control points (PoCs) installed at the main exits of the epicentres of the epidemic (Gouéké and Soulouta sub-counties, and the urban municipality of N'Zérékoré);
- Integration of 6 new entry points of the N'Zérékoré region into the EVD surveillance system;
- End of the mission to draw up specifications for the rehabilitation of PoEs, the setting up of isolation rooms and water points in the context of CERF funding;
- Identification of 24 alerts of which 20 have been validated at the 12 PoCs installed in Gouéké, N'Zérékoré centre and Soulouta, and at the 10 PoEs.

Sierra Leone

- IOM has supplied Infection Prevention materials and PPEs to three major PoEs: Freetown international Airport and two ground-crossing PoEs (Gbalamuya border with Guinea and Jendema bordering with Liberia);
- IOM supported the planning of national SIMEX for EVD.
- IOM always participates in the Incident Management coordination meetings for EVD preparedness/response and co-chairs the PoEs pillar with WHO.

IOM'S ROLE IN THE EBOLA VIRUS DISEASE RESPONSE

Coordination and cross-border collaboration

- Finalisation of the rehabilitation of the PHEOC of the N'Zérékoré Health district;
- Fuel support for the generator of the PHEOC of the N'Zérékoré Health district and for the coordination of the response;
- Participation in 24 daily coordination meetings of the EVD response at the national level (ANSS) and in the 2 affected regions (Conakry and N'Zérékoré) to adapt and harmonise field interventions;
- Participation in the weekly epidemiological information meeting held at ANSS and support for the county coordination of N'Zérékoré for remote participation through video-conference.

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Points of Entry

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- Integration of 6 new entry points of the N'Zérékoré region into the EVD surveillance system;
- End of the evaluation mission of the selected PoEs for the construction of isolation rooms and water points by the IOM engineer;
- Support for the reinforcement of the health control system in 4 border PoEs;
- End of the briefing of agents deployed to the PoEs and PoCs on the health control guide and Standard Operating Procedures;
- Participation in the meeting of the ANSS surveillance committee for the revision of the plan to strengthen epidemiological surveillance of EVD during the 42-day countdown period;
- Organisation of the meeting of the technical committee for the prevention and management of public health events at Conakry airport;
- Screening of 231,316 travellers, including 76,334 women, at the 12 PoCs installed at the main exits of Gouécké, Soulouta and N'Zérékoré centre, and at the 10 border active PoEs.

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Case Management

- Participation in facilitating the management of 3 patients (all suspected cases of EVD) at the Epidemic Treatment Centre (ETC) of N'Zérékoré;
- Support for maintaining security at the ETC of N'Zérékoré by 12 "USAGE" agents.

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Surveillance and Contact tracing

- Identification of 24 alerts at the 12 PoCs installed in Gouécké, Soulouta and N'Zérékoré centre, and at the 10 PoEs activated in the N'Zérékoré region, of which 20 have been validated.
- Daily dissemination of the list of Ebola contacts to the PoEs for active finding of mobile and migrant EVD contacts ;
- Support the elaboration of 7 regional SitReps on EVD in N'Zérékoré.

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Communication

- Sensitization of 231,316 travellers (76,334 women) at the 12 PoCs installed at the main exits of Gouécké, Soulouta and N'Zérékoré Centre, and at the 10 cross-border active PoEs on EVD preventive measures.

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Rehabilitation of the N'Zérékoré Health District Directorate Building

N'Zérékoré on April 29, 2021: *Rehabilitation of the N'Zérékoré Health District Directorate Building.* As part of the response to the EVD epidemic, IOM supported the rehabilitation of the Health District Directorate Building in N'Zérékoré that hosts the PHEOC. This support consists of : 1) *tiling of the meeting room;* 2) *interior and exterior painting of the entire building;* 3) *cleaning of the toilet facilities;* 4) *air conditioning and ventilation of the offices and meeting room;* 5) *provision of fuel for the generator for a period of 3 months;* and 6) *provision of furniture and computer equipment (very soon).* This support contributes to improving the working conditions of the various teams involved in the response to the MVE epidemic in N'Zérékoré.



Building of the Health District Directorate of N'Zérékoré, N'Zérékoré © IOM 2021

Thank you for viewing the below video and documents :

[Dashboard of Health Points of Control \(PoC\) in the health district of N'Zérékoré](#)

[IOM responds to the new Ebola Virus Disease outbreak in N'Zérékoré, Guinea](#)

[Document of the IOM Flash Appeal to raise funds for supporting the EVD response activities in Guinea](#)

BACKGROUND

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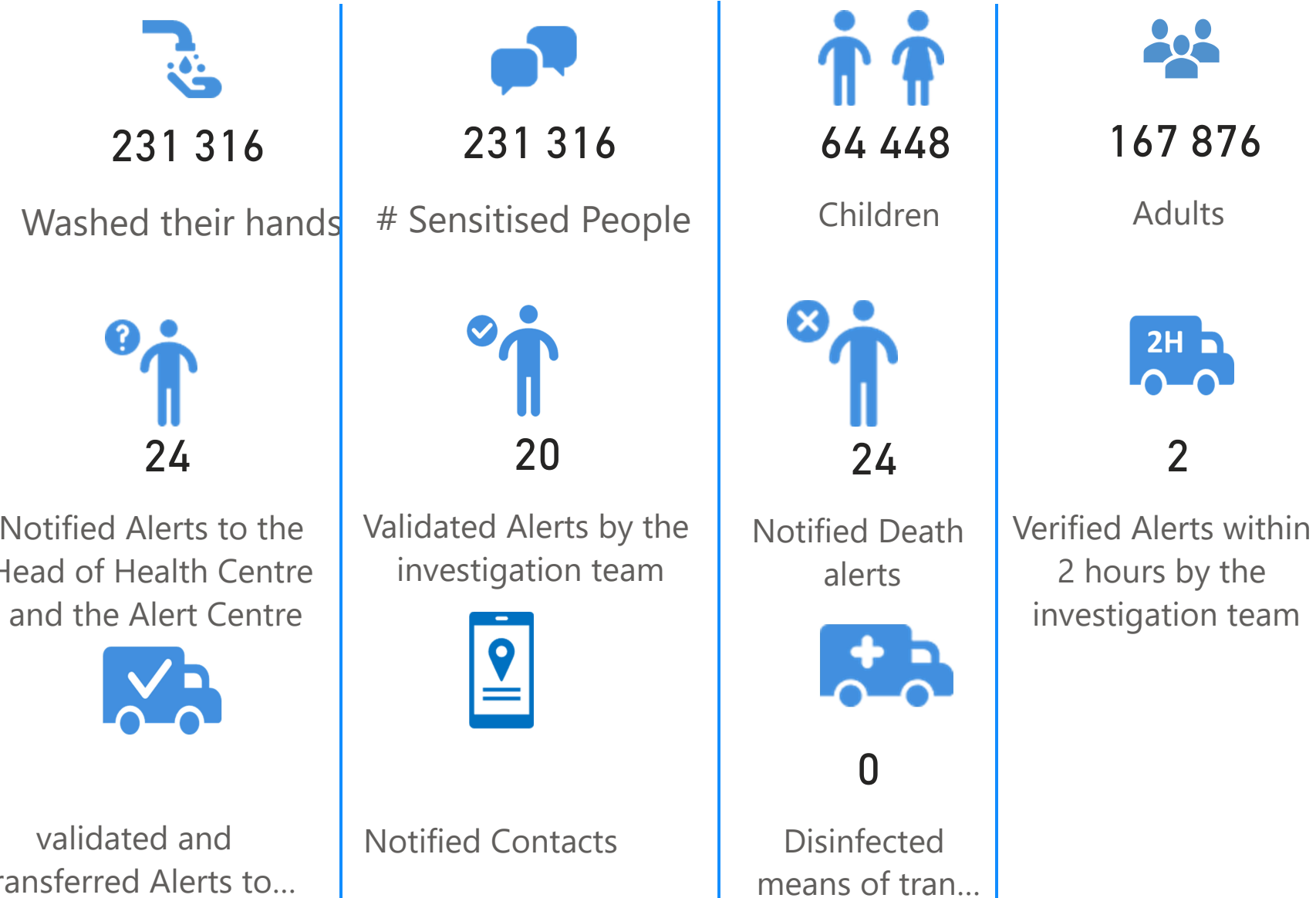
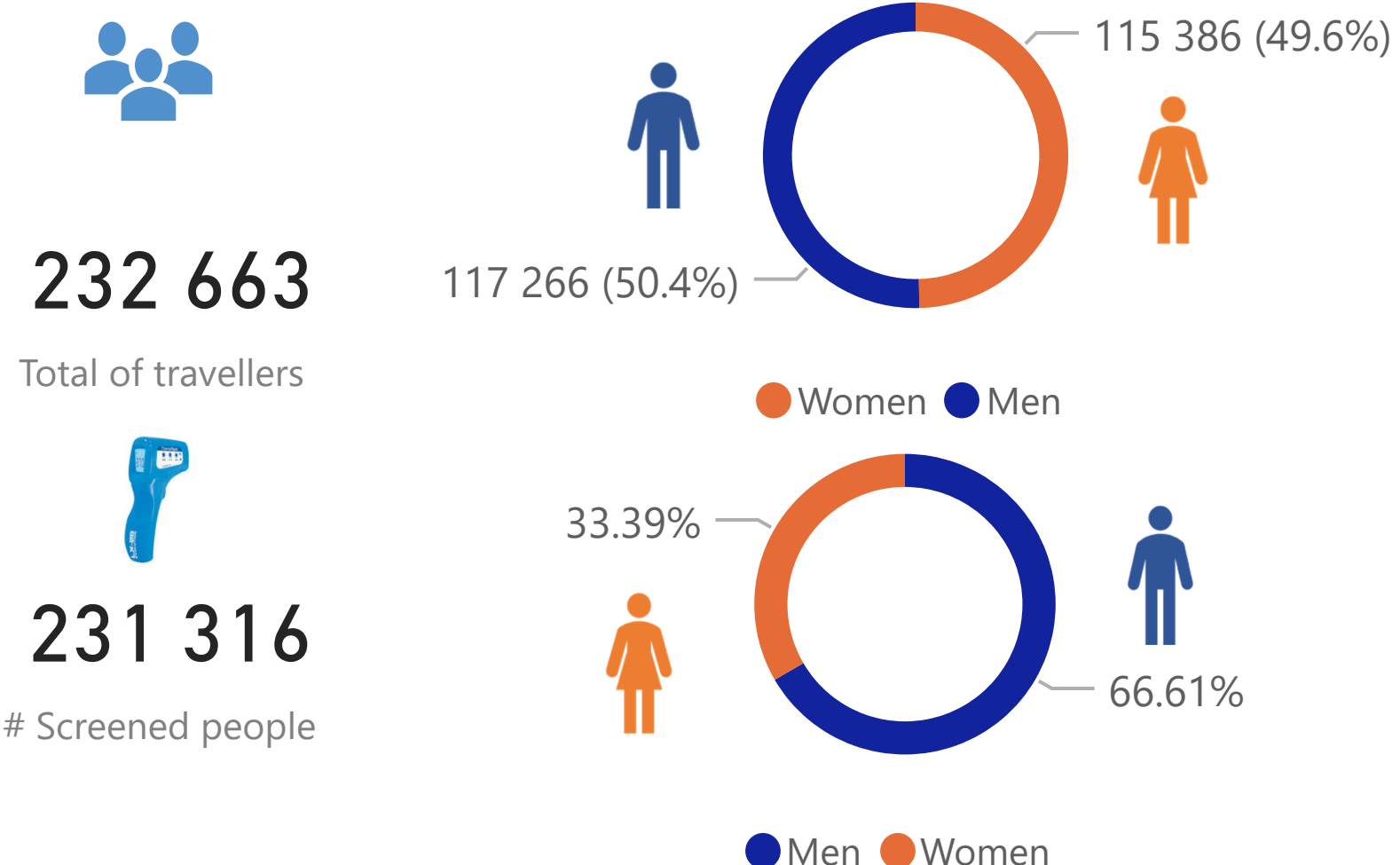
Key Terms:

Alert : People with visible symptoms with or without fever whose temperature is greater than or equal to 38°C.

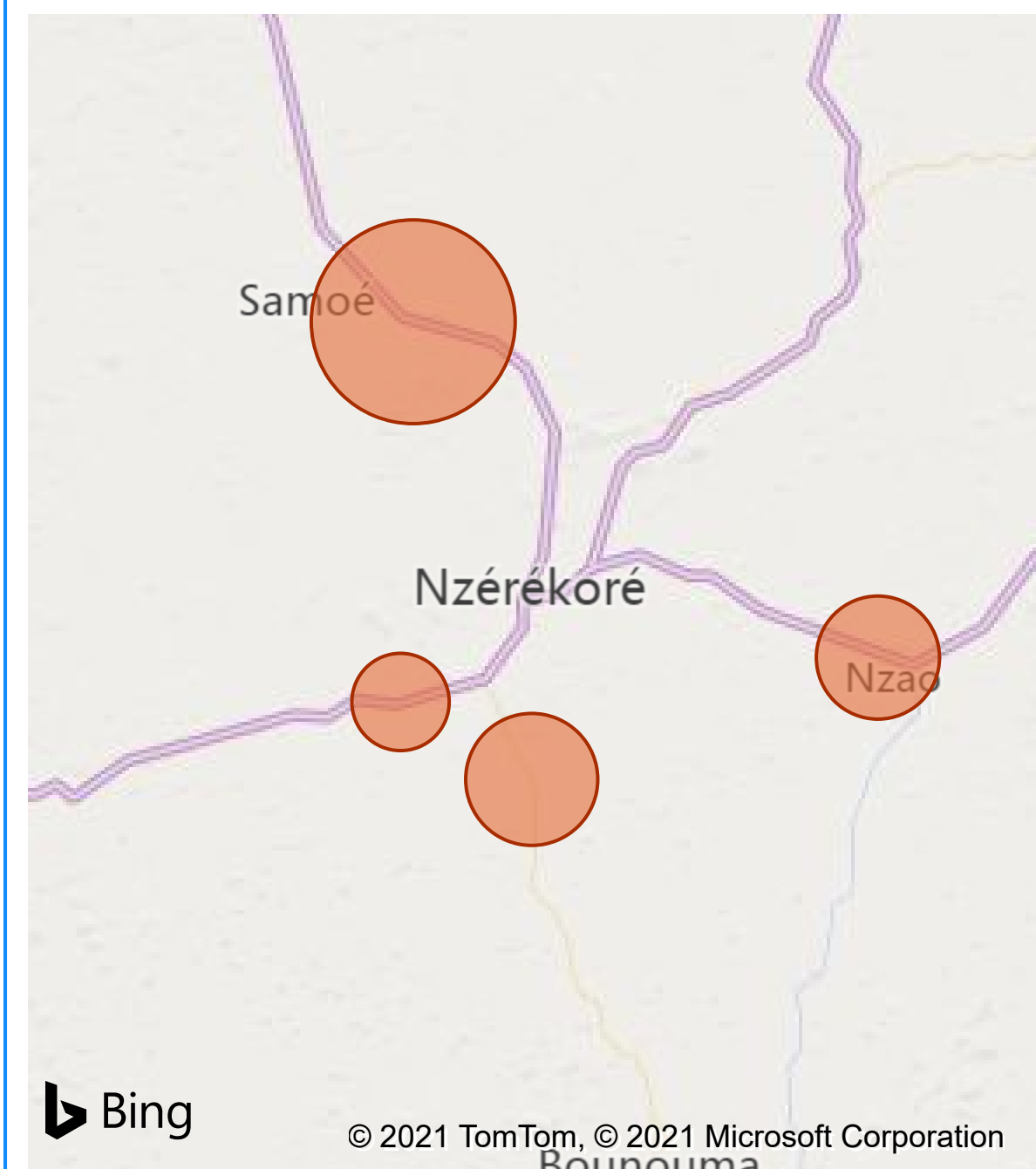
Death Alerts : All dead bodies identified at the Health PoCs.



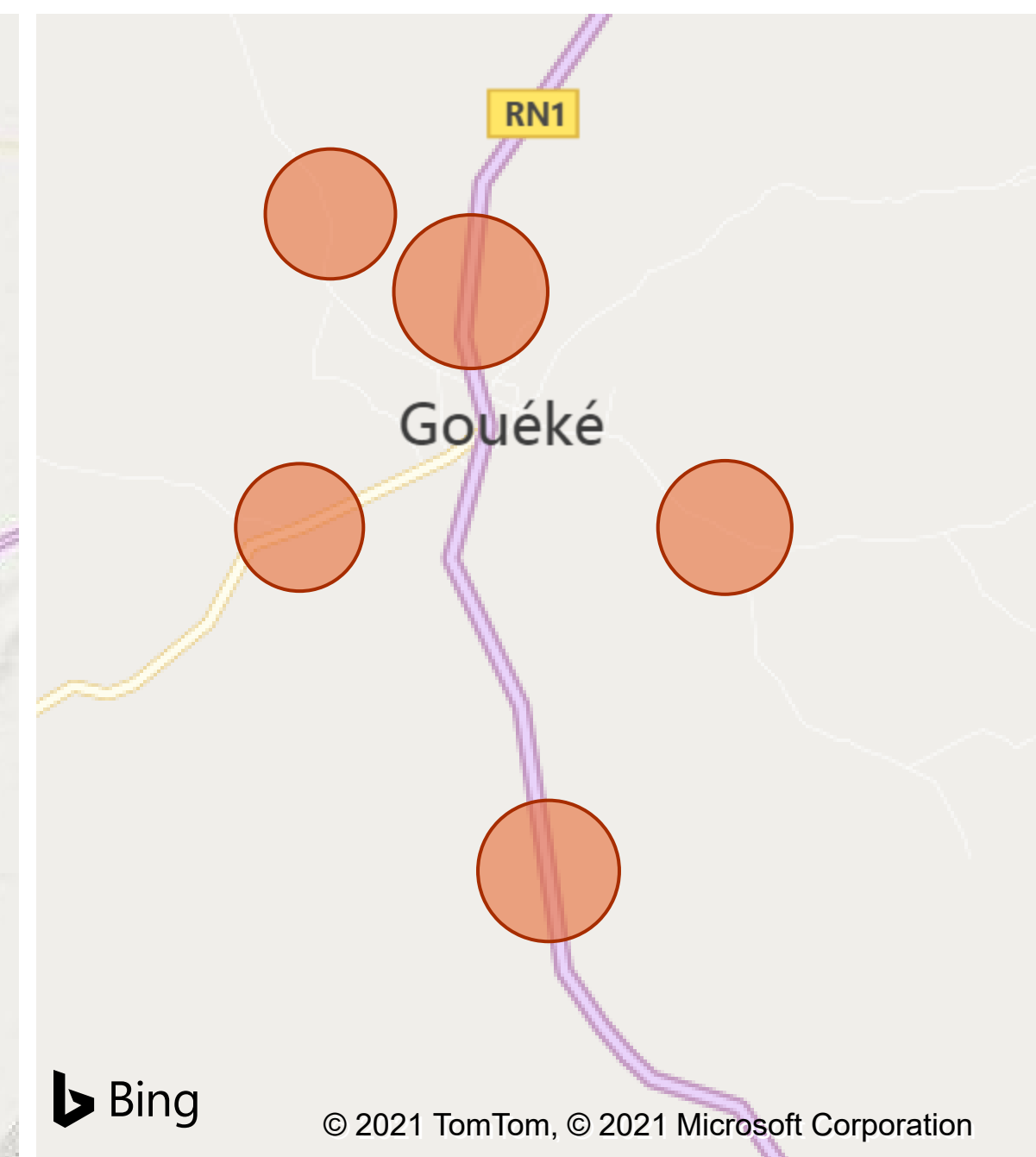
KEY FIGURES AT PoCs



Localisation of the PoCs in N'Zérékoré Centre



Localisation of the PoCs Gouecke Centre



DAILY TREND OF TRAVELLING AT PoCs

