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Outbreak Name	COVID-19 outbreak	Country affected	Namibia	
Date & Time	20.11.2020 17h00	Investigation start Date	13 March 2020	
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HIGHLIGHTS/SITUATION UPDATE (20/11/2020)

TOTAL	TODAY		
Tested 145142	Tested 962		
Confirmed 13811	Confirmed 99		
Active 457	Active 457		
Recovered 13209	Recovered 18		
Death 143	Death 0		
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- A total of 13811 cases have been recorded to-date, representing 0.6% of the population.
- More male cases 7580 (54.9%) were recorded compared to female cases 6231 (45.1%).
- Of the total confirmed cases, 539 (3.9%) Health Workers (HWs) have tested positive for COVID-19 to-date.
 - 353 (65.5%) State; 183 (34.0%) Private, 3 (0.6%) Non-Governmental Organizations.
 - 452 (83.9%) recoveries and 3 (0.6%) deaths.
- The recovery rate now stands at 95.6%.
- All fourteen (14) regions have reported confirmed cases; Khomas and Erongo regions reported the highest with 6164 (44.6%) and 4008 (29.0%) respectively.
- Of the total fatalities, 110 (76.9%) are COVID-19 deaths while 33 (23.1%) are COVID-19 related deaths.

Table 1: Distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases by region, 20 November 2020 Total No. Region Active Recoveries Deaths **Deaths** Cumulative Non-Health of cases cases in 24 deaths with COVID Workers hours co-morbidities deaths Erongo Hardap //Kharas **Kavango East Kavango West** Khomas Kunene Ohangwena **Omaheke** Omusati Oshana Oshikoto Otjozondjupa Zambezi Total

EPIDEMIOLOGICAL SITUATION IN NAMIBIA

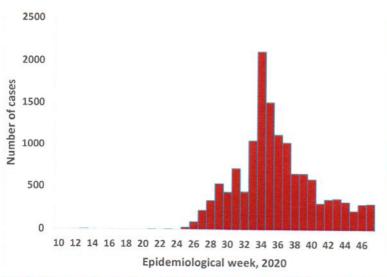


Figure 1: Epi-curve for confirmed COVID-19 cases, As of 20 November 2020

- Of the total confirmed cases, 9688 (70.1%) are in the 20-49 years age-brackets which constitutes the majority of the recorded cases.
- A total of 1754 (12.7%) of the confirmed cases are among the 5-19 years category.
- The under 5 years age group make up 338 (2.4%) of the total cases whereas, 642 (4.6%) are above 60 years of age.

Table 2: COVID-19 specimen recorded at the Laboratories
As of 20 November 2020

VARIABLES	TOTAL
Total samples received by the Laboratory	145260
Total samples tested	138478
Total samples re-tested	6664
Total positive results	13811
Total negative results	124617
Total samples discarded	117
Invalid results	1
Total pending results	0
Indeterminant/Inconclusive	50
Suspected cases in 24 hours (excludes re-tests)	952

- A highest peak of 2123 (15.4%) cases was recorded during week 34 (Figure 1).
- After a peak in epi-week 34, the country has seen a gradual reduction in the average number of confirmed cases to 42 in epi-week 46.
- The number of cases have plateaued in the last four weeks as seen in the graph.
- The National Call center continues operation for 24 hours daily.

Today (20/11/2020), 710 calls were answered including 51 alerts.

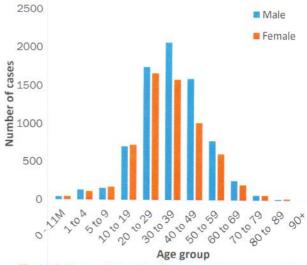


Figure 2: Age and Sex distribution of COVID-19 confirmed cases, as of 20 November 2020

- To date, 145142 tests (including (6664 re-tests) have been conducted by NIP, Path-Care, NAMDEB, UNAM and Namib Poultry laboratories.
- Since the beginning of the outbreak, 34894 contacts of confirmed cases have been identified, 156 new contacts were identified within the last 24 hours from 12 regions.
- Cumulatively, 32229 contacts have completed their monitoring period, while a total of 4282 (31.0%) contacts of confirmed cases have tested positive.
- Today, 1950 (69.4%) out of 2809 active contacts were monitored.

- Since March 2020, 19907 people have been placed into mandatory quarantine facilities around the country.
- A total of 518 people are currently in quarantine, with 33 new admissions in the last 24 hours.

Region	Newly quarantined 24 Hrs.	Cumulative number	Number discharged	Number in quarantine now	Truck Drivers quarantined in 24 hrs.
Erongo	0	4141	4000	141	0
Hardap	3	902	878	24	0
Kavango	0	794	777	17	0
Khomas	0	2868	2801	67	0
//Kharas	0	2919	2901	18	0
Kunene	0	826	795	31	0
Ohangwena	0	558	553	5	0
Omaheke	27	1611	1549	62	0
Omusati	3	413	390	23	0
Oshana	0	359	358	1	0
Oshikoto	0	2559	2449	110	0
Otjozondjupa	0	966	964	2	0
Zambezi	0	991	974	17	0
Total	33	19907	19389	518	0

PUBLIC HEALTH ACTION(S)

- Support visit and Intra action review on COVID-19 response is ongoing across all regions.
- Virtual training on Integrated Disease Surveillance Response (IDSR) is ongoing country-wide.
- Public awareness on COVID-19 prevention measures is ongoing.
- > The government and developmental partners continue to prioritise continuation of essential health services.

CHALLENGES

Lack of isolation units and facilities in the country for special cases in closed settings such as police holding cells and prisons.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Establish fully equipped isolation units and facilities for identified special cases throughout the country.

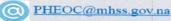
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