



NAMIBIA COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT NO. 252

Outbreak Name	COVID-19 outbreak	Country affected	Namibia
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HIGHLIGHTS/SITUATION UPDATE (25/11/2020)

- There is an alarming increase of positive cases in schools (learners and staff members).
- A total of **14155** cases have been recorded to-date, representing **0.6%** of the population.
- More male cases **7752 (54.8%)** were recorded compared to female cases **6403 (45.2%)**.
- Of the total confirmed cases, **547 (3.9%)** Health Workers (HWs) have tested positive for COVID-19 to-date.
 - 359 (65.6%) State; 185 (33.8%) Private, 3 (0.5%) Non-Governmental Organizations.
 - 452 (82.6%) recoveries and 3 (0.5%) deaths.
- The recovery rate now stands at **94.3%**
- All fourteen (14) regions have reported confirmed cases; Khomas and Erongo regions reported the highest with **6356 (44.9%)** and **4037 (28.5%)** respectively.
- Of the total fatalities, **114 (77.7%)** are COVID-19 deaths while **33 (22.3%)** are COVID-19 related deaths.

TOTAL	TODAY
Tested 150368	Tested 1327
Confirmed 14155	Confirmed 149
Active 650	Active 650
Recovered 13355	Recovered 16
Death 147	Death 2

Table 1: Distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases by region, 25 November 2020

Region	Total No. of cases	Active cases	Recoveries	Deaths	Deaths in 24 hours	Cumulative deaths with co-morbidities	Non-COVID deaths	Health Workers
Erongo	4037	42	3953	41	0	38	1	73
Hardap	747	81	659	7	0	5	0	23
//Kharas	554	126	423	5	0	4	0	16
Kavango East	215	4	208	3	0	2	0	21
Kavango West	8	0	7	1	0	1	0	1
Khomas	6356	297	5986	73	2	69	0	342
Kunene	37	2	35	0	0	0	0	0
Ohangwena	224	2	219	2	0	0	1	6
Omaheke	136	9	124	3	0	2	0	4
Omusati	79	6	72	1	0	0	0	6
Oshana	827	52	769	6	0	5	0	20
Oshikoto	449	13	435	0	0	0	1	7
Otjozondjupa	404	15	384	5	0	4	0	15
Zambezi	82	1	81	0	0	0	0	12
Total	14155	650	13355	147	2	130	3	547

EPIDEMIOLOGICAL SITUATION IN NAMIBIA

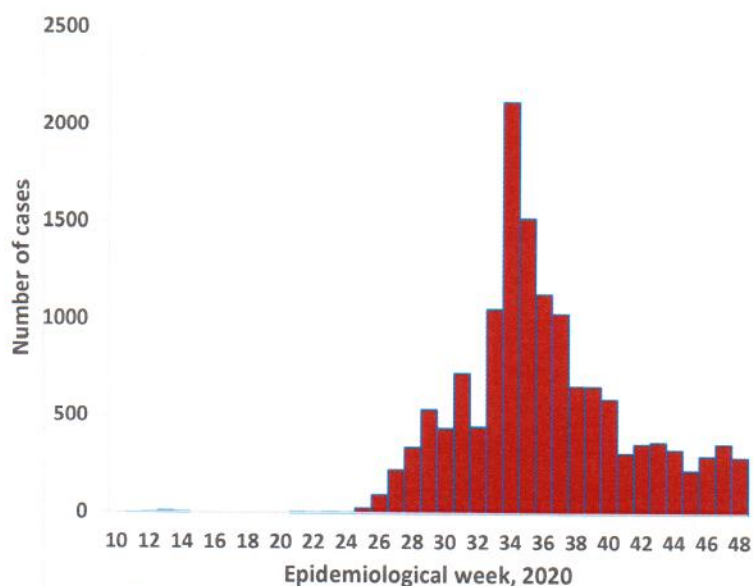


Figure 1: Epi-curve for confirmed COVID-19 cases As of 25 November 2020

- A highest peak of **2123 (15.0%)** cases was recorded during week 34 (Figure 1).
- After a peak in epi-week 34, the country saw a gradual reduction in the average number of confirmed cases up to week 44 after which a rise started again.
- The National Call center continues operation for 24 hours daily. Today (25/11/2020), **860** calls were answered including **71** alerts.

- Of the total confirmed cases, **9843 (69.5%)** are in the 20-49 years age-brackets which constitutes the majority of the recorded cases.
- A total of **1886 (13.3%)** of the confirmed cases are among the 5-19 years category.
- The under 5 years age group make up **344 (2.4%)** of the total cases whereas, **662 (4.7%)** are above 60 years of age.

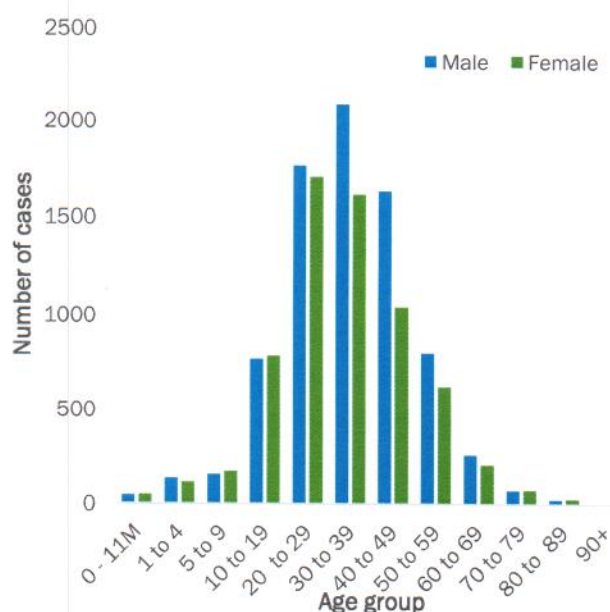


Figure 2: Age and Sex distribution of COVID-19 confirmed cases, as of 25 November 2020

Table 2: COVID-19 specimen recorded at the Laboratories As of 25 November 2020

VARIABLES	TOTAL
Total samples received by the Laboratory	150486
Total samples tested	143619
Total samples re-tested	6749
Total positive results	14155
Total negative results	129413
Total samples discarded	117
Invalid results	1
Total pending results	0
Indeterminant/Inconclusive	51
Suspected cases in 24 hours (excludes re-tests)	1299

- To date, **150368** tests (including **6749** re-tests) have been conducted by NIP, Path-Care, NAMDEB, UNAM and Namib Poultry laboratories.
- Since the beginning of the outbreak, **35544** contacts of confirmed cases have been identified, **75** new contacts were identified within the last 24 hours from 12 regions.
- Cumulatively, **32828** contacts have completed their monitoring period, while a total of **4333 (30.6%)** contacts of confirmed cases have tested positive.
- Today, **3022 (99.0%)** out of **3051** active contacts were monitored.

Table 3: Number of people in mandatory quarantine facilities, 25 November 2020

Region	Newly quarantined 24 Hrs.	Cumulative number	Number discharged	Number in quarantine now	Truck Drivers quarantined in 24 hrs.
Erongo	0	4163	4081	82	0
Hardap	5	921	906	15	0
Kavango	7	801	798	3	0
Khomas	0	2926	2867	59	0
//Kharas	0	2928	2914	14	0
Kunene	0	834	825	9	0
Ohangwena	0	564	559	5	0
Omaheke	4	1651	1588	63	0
Omusati	0	415	406	9	0
Oshana	0	359	358	1	0
Oshikoto	0	2589	2456	133	0
Otjozondjupa	0	968	968	0	0
Zambezi	11	1032	986	46	0
Total	27	20151	19712	439	0

➤ Since March 2020, **20151** people have been placed into mandatory quarantine facilities around the country.

➤ A total of **439** people are currently in quarantine, with **27** new admissions in the last 24 hours.

PUBLIC HEALTH ACTION(S)

- Expanded Targeted Testing is being conducted at institutions that have confirmed positive cases.
- 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.

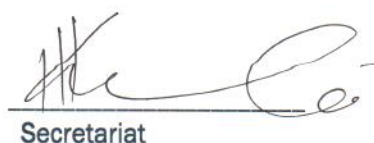
RECOMMENDATIONS

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

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