



NAMIBIA COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT NO. 259						
Outbreak Name	COVID-19 outbreak	Country affected	Namibia			
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# HIGHLIGHTS/SITUATION UPDATE (02/12/2020)

TOTAL	TODAY
Tested 158562	Tested 1333
Confirmed 14599	Confirmed 122
Active 671	Active 671
Recovered 13774	Recovered 77
Death 151	Death 0

- The cases continue to flare up among the school premises and hostels.
- A total of 14599 cases have been recorded to-date, representing 0.6% of the population.
- More male cases 7965 (54.6%) were recorded compared to female cases 6634 (45.4%).
- Of the total confirmed cases, 563 (3.9%) Health Workers (HWs) have tested positive for COVID-19 to-date.
  - 373 (66.3%) State; 187 (33.2%) Private, 3 (0.5%) Non-Governmental Organizations.
  - 530 (94.1%) 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 6567 (45.0%) and 4079 (27.9%) respectively.
- Of the total fatalities, 116 (76.8%) are COVID-19 deaths while 35 (23.2%) are COVID-19 related deaths.

Table 1: Distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases by region, 02 December 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	4079	51	3986	41	0	38	1	74
Hardap	769	103	659	7	0	5	0	23
//Kharas	642	97	540	5	0	4	0	17
Kavango East	220	9	208	3	0	2	0	21
Kavango West	8	0	7	1	0	1	0	1
Khomas	6567	334	6160	73	0	69	0	345
Kunene	37	1	35	1	0	1	0	0
Ohangwena	230	2	225	2	0	0	1	6
Omaheke	148	10	134	4	0	3	0	4
Omusati	82	4	77	1	0	0	0	6
Oshana	855	22	825	8	0	7	0	28
Oshikoto	454	5	448	0	0	0	1	8
Otjozondjupa	426	32	389	5	0	4	0	18
Zambezi	82	1	81	0	0	0	0	12
Total	14599	671	13774	151	0	134	3	563

#### **EPIDEMIOLOGICAL SITUATION IN NAMIBIA**

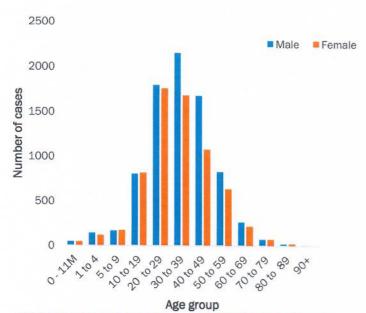


Figure 1: Age and Sex distribution of COVID-19 confirmed cases, as of 02 December 2020

- To date, 158562 tests (including 6935 retests) have been conducted by NIP, Path-Care, NAMDEB, UNAM and Namib Poultry laboratories.
- Since the beginning of the outbreak, 36495 contacts of confirmed cases have been identified, 24 new contacts were identified within the last 24 hours from 9 regions.
- Cumulatively, 33686 contacts have completed their monitoring period, while a total of 4288 (29.4%) contacts of confirmed cases have tested positive.
- Today, 3253 (99.9%) out of 3257 active

- Of the total confirmed cases, 10145 (69.5%) are in the 20-49 years agebrackets which constitutes the majority of the recorded cases.
- A total of 1959 (13.4%) of the confirmed cases are among the 5-19 years category.
- The under 5 years age group make up 351 (2.4%) of the total cases whereas, 684 (4.7%) are above 60 years of age.

Table 2: COVID-19 specimen recorded at the Laboratories
As of 02 December 2020

VARIABLES	TOTAL	
Total samples received by the Laboratory	158680	
Total samples tested	151627	
Total samples re-tested	6935	
Total positive results	14599	
Total negative results	136976	
Total samples discarded	117	
Invalid results	1	
Total pending results	0	
Indeterminant/Inconclusive	52	
Suspected cases in 24 hours (excludes re-tests)	1291	

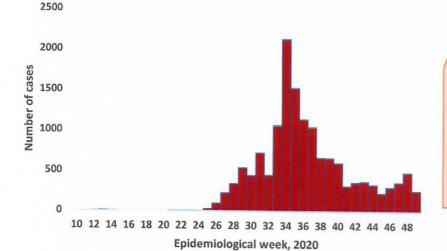


Figure 2: Epi-curve for confirmed COVID-19 cases, As of 02 December 2020

- A highest peak of 2123 (14.5%) cases was recorded during week 34 (Figure 2).
- The National Call center continues operation for 24 hours daily.
   Today (02/12/2020) 753 calls were answered including 78 alerts.

Table 3: Number of people in mandatory quarantine facilities, 02 December 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	4	938	923	15	0
Kavango	0	812	799	13	0
Khomas	0	2934	2903	31	0
//Kharas	0	2928	2914	14	0
Kunene	0	836	834	2	0
Ohangwena	0	564	562	2	0
Omaheke	0	1747	1670	77	0
Omusati	1	427	420	7	0
Oshana	0	365	365	0	0
Oshikoto	69	2861	2590	271	0
Otjozondjupa	0	980	968	12	0
Zambezi	0	1065	1018	47	0
Total	74	20620	20047	573	0

- Since March 2020, 20620 people have been placed into mandatory quarantine facilities around the country.
- A total of 573 people are currently in quarantine, with 74 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 schools, police holding cells and prisons.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

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

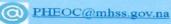
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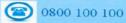
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