



NAMIBIA COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT NO. 255

Outbreak Name	COVID-19 outbreak	Country affected	Namibia
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HIGHLIGHTS/SITUATION UPDATE (28/11/2020)

TOTAL	TODAY
Tested 154190	Tested 1286
Confirmed 14345	Confirmed 60
Active 752	Active 752
Recovered 13439	Recovered 27
Death 151	Death 1

- The cases continue to flare up among the school premises and hostels.
- A total of **14345** cases have been recorded to-date, representing **0.6%** of the population.
- More male cases **7839 (54.6%)** were recorded compared to female cases **6506 (45.4%)**.
- Of the total confirmed cases, **554 (3.9%)** Health Workers (HWs) have tested positive for COVID-19 to-date.
 - 554 (66.1%) State; 185 (33.4%) Private, 3 (0.5%) Non-Governmental Organizations.
 - 530 (95.7%) recoveries and 3 (0.5%) deaths.
- The recovery rate now stands at **93.7%**.
- All fourteen (14) regions have reported confirmed cases; Khomas and Erongo regions reported the highest with **6435 (44.9%)** and **4049 (28.2%)** 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, 28 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	4049	45	3962	41	0	38	1	73
Hardap	757	91	659	7	0	5	0	23
//Kharas	600	157	438	5	0	4	0	17
Kavango East	218	7	208	3	0	2	0	21
Kavango West	8	0	7	1	0	1	0	1
Khomas	6435	332	6030	73	0	69	0	342
Kunene	37	1	35	1	0	1	0	0
Ohangwena	229	4	222	2	0	0	1	6
Omaheke	143	12	127	4	0	3	0	4
Omusati	81	3	77	1	0	0	0	6
Oshana	837	60	769	8	1	7	0	24
Oshikoto	452	16	435	0	0	0	1	7
Otjozondjupa	417	23	389	5	0	4	0	18
Zambezi	82	1	81	0	0	0	0	12
Total	14345	752	13439	151	1	134	3	554

EPIDEMIOLOGICAL SITUATION IN NAMIBIA

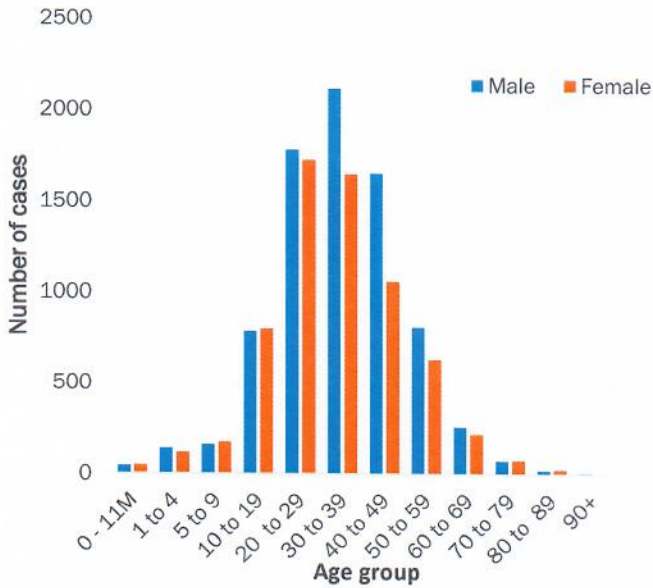


Figure 1: Age and Sex distribution of COVID-19 confirmed cases, as of 28 November 2020

- Of the total confirmed cases, **9967 (69.5%)** are in the 20-49 years age-brackets which constitutes the majority of the recorded cases.
- A total of **1922 (13.4%)** of the confirmed cases are among the 5-19 years category.
- The under 5 years age group make up **346 (2.4%)** of the total cases whereas, **674 (4.7%)** are above 60 years of age.

Table 2: COVID-19 specimen recorded at the Laboratories As of 28 November 2020

VARIABLES	TOTAL
Total samples received by the Laboratory	154308
Total samples tested	147368
Total samples re-tested	6822
Total positive results	14345
Total negative results	132972
Total samples discarded	117
Invalid results	1
Total pending results	0
Indeterminant/Inconclusive	51
Suspected cases in 24 hours (excludes re-tests)	1259

- To date, **154190** tests (including **6822** re-tests) have been conducted by NIP, Path-Care, NAMDEB, UNAM and Namib Poultry laboratories.
- Since the beginning of the outbreak, **36099** contacts of confirmed cases have been identified, **57** new contacts were identified within the last 24 hours from 10 regions.
- Cumulatively, **33265** contacts have completed their monitoring period, while a total of **4239 (29.6%)** contacts of confirmed cases have tested positive.
- Today, **3186 (97.3%)** out of **3276** active

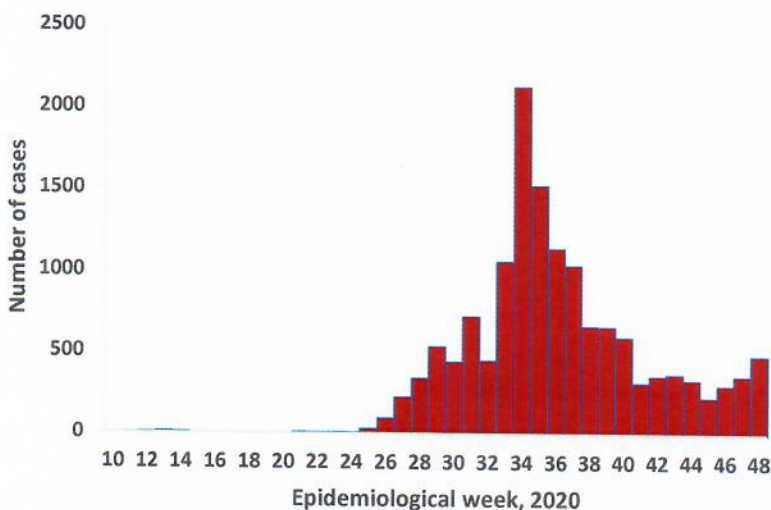


Figure 2: Epi-curve for confirmed COVID-19 cases, As of 28 November 2020

- A highest peak of **2123 (14.8%)** cases was recorded during week 34 (Figure 2).
- The National Call center continues operation for 24 hours daily. Today (28/11/2020) **753** calls were answered including **65** alerts.

Table 3: Number of people in mandatory quarantine facilities, 28 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	1	926	914	12	0
Kavango	1	802	798	4	0
Khomas	0	2926	2867	59	0
//Kharas	0	2928	2914	14	0
Kunene	0	834	833	1	0
Ohangwena	0	564	559	5	0
Omaheke	0	1671	1658	13	0
Omusati	0	416	408	8	0
Oshana	3	365	358	7	0
Oshikoto	0	2654	2545	109	0
Otjozondjupa	0	980	968	12	0
Zambezi	0	1050	999	51	0
Total	5	20279	19902	377	0

➤ Since March 2020, **20279** people have been placed into mandatory quarantine facilities around the country.

➤ A total of **377** people are currently in quarantine, with **5** 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.

Approved


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