



NAMIBIA COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT NO. 165			
Outbreak Name	COVID-19 outbreak	Country affected	Namibia
Date & Time of this report	30.08.2020 20:00 hrs	Investigation start Date	13 March 2020
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HIGHLIGHTS/SITUATION UPDATE (30/08/2020)

Total	Today
Tested 59230	Tested 1339
Confirmed 7550	Confirmed 185
Active 4148	Active 4148
Recovered 3327	Recovered 398
Death 75	Death 3

- The entire country will remain in Stage 3 of the State of Emergency (29 August 2020 - 12 September 2020).
- A curfew (20h00-05h00) is applicable nationwide as from 29 August 2020 - 12 September 2020.
- Windhoek, Rehoboth and Okahandja Local Authority Areas are under travel restrictions (29 August 2020 – 12 September 2020)
- The Hosea Kutako International Airport will open as from 01 September 2020.

- Cumulatively, **7461 (98.8%)** cases are local transmissions while **89 (1.2 %)** are imported.
- There is clustered community transmission in Erongo and Khomas regions.
- The other 12 regions are experiencing a sporadic transmission scenario. However, a rapid increase in confirmed cases was recorded in the last 3 weeks.
- More male cases **4145 (54.9%)** were recorded compared to female cases **3405 (45.1%)**.
- To-date, **316 (4.2%)** Health Care Workers have tested positive for COVID-19.
 - 212 (67.1%) State
 - 103 (32.6%) Private
 - 1 (0.3%) NGO
- Today (30/08/2020), **398** recoveries have been recorded; 387 Khomas and 11 Omaheke regions.
- Three (**3**) fatalities were recorded today from Erongo, Kavango West and Otjozondjupa regions.

Table 1: Distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases by region, 30 August 2020

Region	Total No. of cases	Active cases	Recovered	Death	Health Care Workers
Erongo	3461	1133	2299	29	50
Hardap	127	93	33	1	12
//Kharas	160	119	39	2	4
Kavango East	29	26	1	2	6
Kavango West	3	2	0	1	0
Khomas	3252	2476	741	35	212
Kunene	6	6	0	0	0
Ohangwena	69	51	17	1	4
Omaheke	37	13	23	1	1
Omusati	30	27	3	0	4
Oshana	142	80	60	2	6
Oshikoto	67	52	15	0	3
Otjozondjupa	125	44	80	1	9
Zambezi	42	26	16	0	5
Total	7550	4148	3327	75	316

- All fourteen (14) regions have reported confirmed cases; with Erongo reporting the highest **3461 (45.8%)** followed by Khomas **3252 (43.1%)**. Khomas region is the epicenter for COVID-19.
- Of the total confirmed cases, **3327 (44.1%)** have recovered.
- Cumulatively, **67 (89.3%)** of the fatalities were known to have multiple co-morbidities (Table 3 page 2).

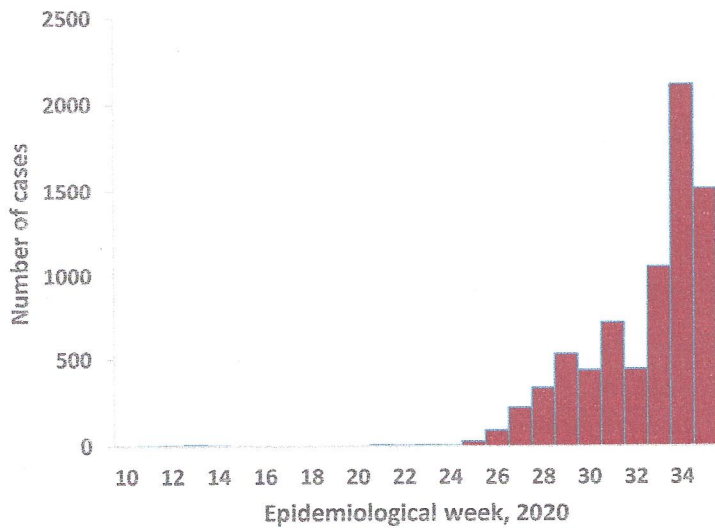


Figure 1: Epi-curve for confirmed COVID-19 cases 30 August 2020

Namibia has recorded **7550** COVID-19 cases since 13 March 2020. Up to **2123 (28.1%)** of the total cases were recorded during week 34 (Figure 1).

- A high number of cases were recorded in the past seven weeks as a result of:
 - Spread of local transmission in the country
 - Enhanced surveillance including active case search and targeted testing.
- Call center continues operation for 24 hours daily. Today, **1104** calls were answered including **35** alerts.

Table 2: COVID-19 specimen recorded at the Laboratories as of 30 August 2020

VARIABLES	TOTAL
Total samples received by the Laboratory	59348
Total samples tested	55565
Total samples re-tested	3665
Total positive results	7550
Total negative results	47993
Total samples discarded	76
Invalid results	1
Total pending results	41
Indeterminant/Inconclusive	22
Suspected cases in 24 hours (excludes re-tests)	1313

- To date, **59230** tests have been conducted by NIP, Path-Care, NAMDEB, and UNAM laboratories (including **3665** re-tests).
- Since the beginning of the outbreak, **14071** contacts of confirmed cases have been identified, **251** new contacts were identified within the last 24 hours from 8 regions.
- Cumulatively, **5500** contacts have completed their monitoring period, while a total **785 (8.7%)** of the contacts have tested positive
- Today, **4822 (57.0%)** out of **8465** active contacts were monitored.

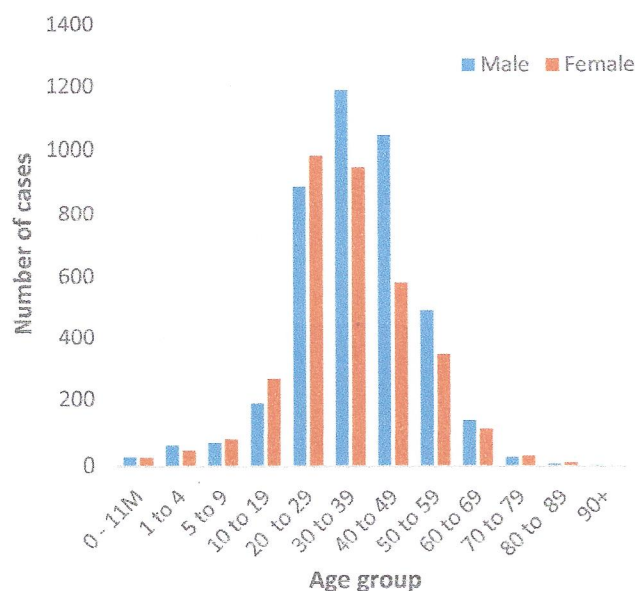


Figure 2: Age and sex distribution of COVID-19 confirmed cases As of 30 August 2020

- The 20-49 years age- brackets constitute **5627 (74.5%)** of the confirmed cases, while a sizable proportion of the 50-59 age group **840 (11.1%)**.
- Among those aged 30-39, a significant proportion of males **1188 (15.7%)** are infected more than females **946 (12.5%)**.
- The under 5 make up **159 (2.1%)** of the total cases.
- Aged 60 years and above constitute **320 (4.2%)** of the confirmed cases.

Table 3: Fatality summary as of 30 August 2020

Region	Cumulative no. of deaths	Death in 24 hours	Cumulative with co-morbidities
Erongo	29	1	26
Hardap	1	0	1
//Kharas	2	0	1
Kavango East	2	0	1
Kavango West	1	1	1
Khomas	35	0	33
Ohangwena	1	0	0
Omaheke	1	0	1
Otjozondjupa	1	1	1
Oshana	2	0	2
Total	75	3	67

Note:
Dots are spatial
representation of
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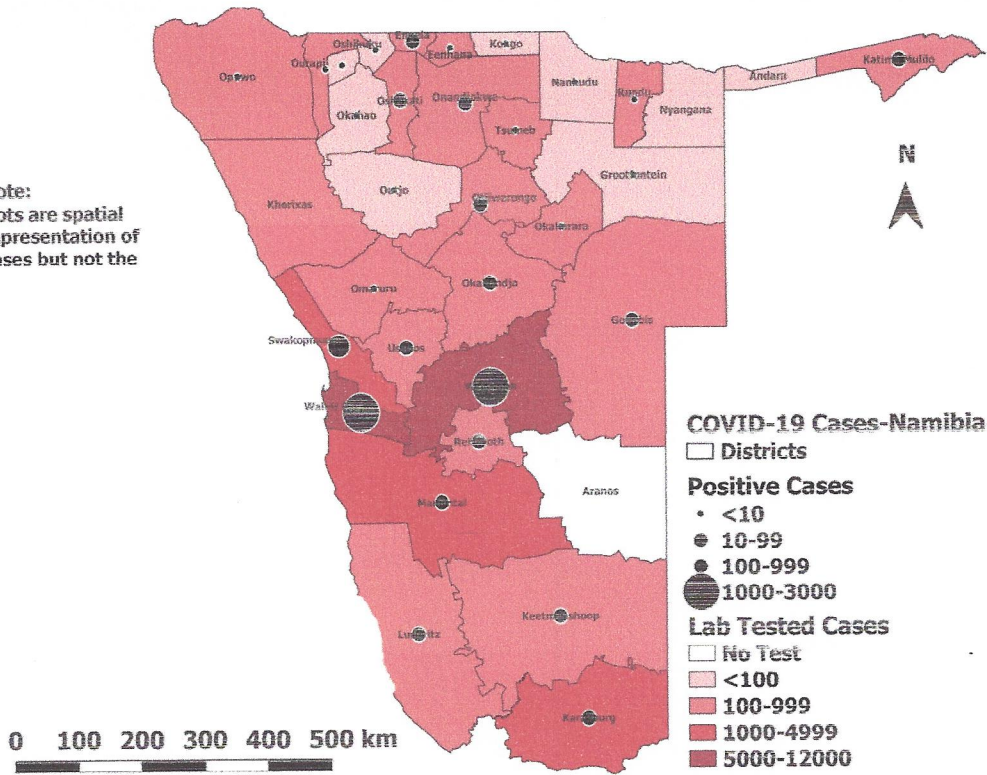


Figure 3: Distribution of suspected and confirmed COVID-19 cases in Namibia by District as of 30 August 2020

Table 4: Number of people in mandatory quarantine facilities, 30 August 2020

Region	Newly quarantined 24 hours	Cumulative number	Number discharged	Number in quarantine now	Truck Drivers (24 Hours)
Erongo	0	2298	1923	375	0
Hardap	3	492	424	68	0
Kavango	0	364	327	37	0
Khomas	0	1929	1614	315	0
//Kharas	0	1265	1020	245	0
Kunene	16	329	249	80	0
Ohangwena	0	428	399	29	0
Omaheke	0	600	491	109	0
Omusati	6	249	227	22	0
Oshana	2	263	246	17	0
Oshikoto	0	527	244	283	0
Otjozondjupa	4	696	620	76	0
Zambezi	7	717	648	69	0
Total	38	10157	8432	1725	0

- Since March 2020, **10157** people have been placed into supervise quarantine facilities around the country.
- A total of **1725** people are currently in quarantine with **38** new admissions in the past 24 hours.

Table 5: Distribution of truck drivers coming into Namibia from neighbouring countries and destination regions on 30 August 2020

Destination	Origin						Total
	RSA	Botswana	Angola	DRC	Tanzania	Zambia	
//Kharas	48	0	0	0	0	0	48
Khomas	94	5	4	0	0	0	103
Omusati	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Oshana	7	0	0	0	0	0	7
Otjozondjupa	6	4	3	0	0	0	13
Kavango	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Ohangwena	4	0	0	0	0	0	4
Hardap	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Kunene	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Omaheke	4	0	0	0	0	0	4
Oshikoto	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
Zambezi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Erongo	13	5	0	0	0	0	18
Total	182	14	7	0	0	0	203

- A total of **203** trucks entered the country through various ground crossing points in the last 24 hours.
- Of these trucks, **103 (50.7%)** were heading to Khomas, **48 (23.6%)** to //Kharas while **18 (8.9%)** were heading to Erongo region.
- The remaining **34 (16.7%)** were heading to the other 8 regions.

PUBLIC HEALTH ACTION

- Recruitment of local volunteers into the response in the districts and regions is ongoing.
- Continuous support to the regions by the national level.
- Public awareness on COVID-19 prevention measures is ongoing

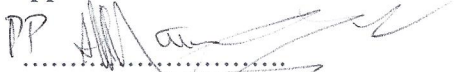
CHALLENGES

- Large data backlog - awaiting entry into excel data base and DHIS2.
- Inadequate ICU facilities and ICU equipment at referral hospitals and high care units in the districts.
- Inadequate ambulances in the regions.
- Inadequate isolation units, at health facilities in the regions.

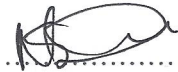
RECOMMENDATIONS

- Fast tracking of efforts to use GoData app and DHIS2.
- Provision of fully equipped ICU facilities at referral hospitals and high care units in the districts.
- Procurement of ambulances in the regions to ensure prompt response.
- Establish fully equipped isolation units at health facilities in the regions.

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