



NAMIBIA COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT NO. 264

Outbreak Name	COVID-19 outbreak	Country affected	Namibia
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HIGHLIGHTS/SITUATION UPDATE (07/12/2020)

- A total of **15298** cases have been recorded to-date, representing **0.6%** of the population.
- More male cases **8295 (54.2%)** were recorded compared to female cases **7003 (45.8%)**.
- Of the total confirmed cases, **594 (3.9%)** Health Workers (HWs) have tested positive for COVID-19 to-date.
 - 397 (66.8%) State; 194 (32.7%) Private, 3 (0.5%) Non-Governmental Organizations.
 - 530 (89.2%) recoveries and 3 (0.5%) deaths.

TOTAL

Tested 166008

Confirmed 15298

Active 1138

Recovered 14004

Death 153

TODAY

Tested 2147

Confirmed 79

Active 1138

Recovered 55

Death 1

- The recovery rate now stands at **91.5%**.
- All fourteen (14) regions have reported confirmed cases; Khomas and Erongo regions reported the highest with **6935 (45.3%)** and **4197 (27.4%)** respectively.
- Of the total fatalities, **117 (76.5%)** are COVID-19 deaths while **36 (23.5%)** are COVID-19 related deaths.

Table 1: Distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases by region, 07 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	4197	160	3995	41	0	38	1	74
Hardap	774	108	659	7	0	5	0	23
//Kharas	738	188	545	5	0	4	0	19
Kavango East	228	17	208	3	0	2	0	24
Kavango West	8	0	7	1	0	1	0	1
Khomas	6935	515	6345	75	1	71	0	355
Kunene	49	13	35	1	0	1	0	2
Ohangwena	235	7	225	2	0	0	1	7
Omaheke	149	3	142	4	0	3	0	4
Omusati	85	5	79	1	0	0	0	6
Oshana	870	37	825	8	0	7	0	36
Oshikoto	467	18	448	0	0	0	1	10
Otjozondjupa	479	65	409	5	0	4	0	19
Zambezi	84	2	82	0	0	0	0	14
Total	15298	1138	14004	153	1	136	3	594

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Table 2: Number of people in mandatory quarantine facilities, 07 December 2020

Region	Newly quarantined 24 Hrs.	Cumulative number	Number discharged	Number in quarantine now	Truck Drivers quarantined in 24 hrs.
Erongo	0	4274	4231	43	0
Hardap	6	949	931	18	0
Kavango	3	815	812	3	0
Khomas	0	2940	2930	10	0
//Kharas	0	2928	2914	14	0
Kunene	5	952	835	117	0
Ohangwena	7	573	569	4	0
Omaheke	0	1751	1693	58	0
Omusati	0	432	420	12	0
Oshana	0	365	365	0	0
Oshikoto	23	2981	2620	361	0
Otjozondjupa	0	980	980	0	0
Zambezi	14	1087	1061	26	0
Total	58	21027	20361	666	0

- Since March 2020, **21027** people have been placed into mandatory quarantine facilities around the country.
- A total of **666** people are currently in quarantine, with **58** new admissions in the last 24 hours.

- A highest peak of **2123 (13.9%)** cases was recorded during week 34 (Figure 1).
 - The National Call center continues operation for 24 hours daily.
- Today (07/12/2020) **869** calls were answered including **75** alerts.

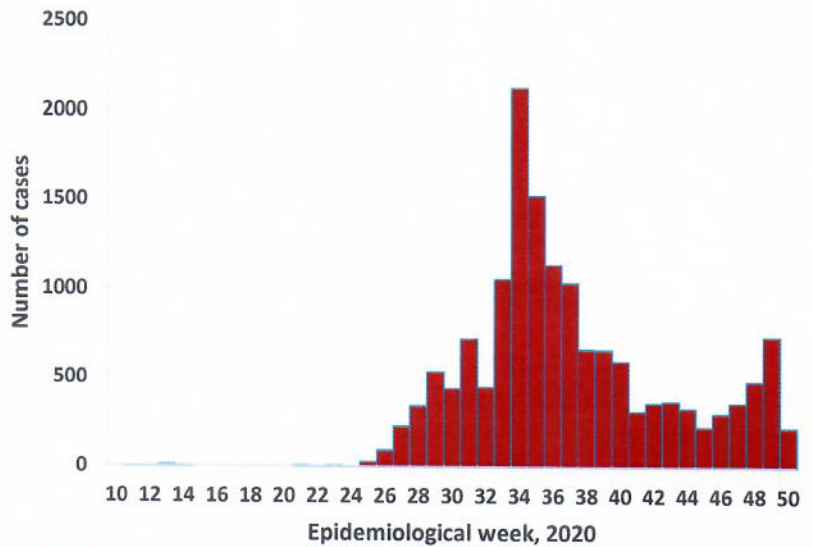


Figure 1: Epi-curve for confirmed COVID-19 cases, As of 07 December 2020

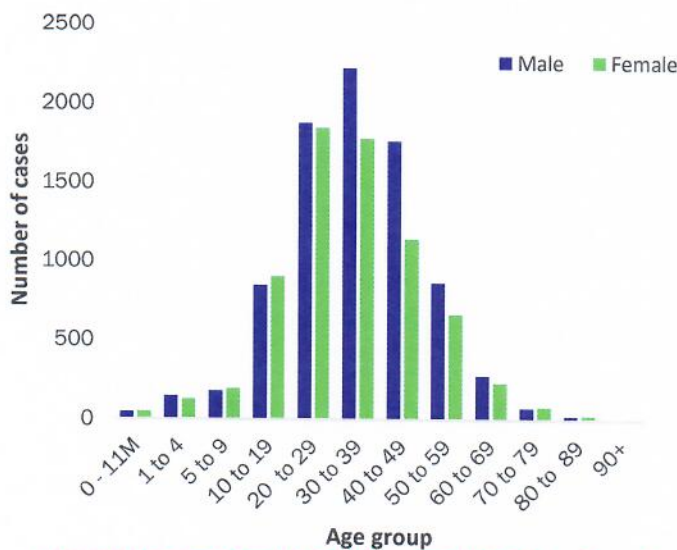


Figure 2: Age and Sex distribution of COVID-19 confirmed cases, as of 07 December 2020

- Of the total confirmed cases, **10598 (69.3%)** are in the 20-49 years age-brackets which constitutes the majority of the recorded cases.
- A total of **2112 (13.8%)** of the confirmed cases are among the 5-19 years category.
- The under 5 years age group make up **359 (2.3%)** of the total cases whereas, **710 (4.6%)** are above 60 years of age.

Table 3: COVID-19 specimen recorded at the Laboratories, As of 07 December 2020

VARIABLES	TOTAL
Total samples received by the Laboratory	166126
Total samples tested	158899
Total samples re-tested	7109
Total positive results	15298
Total negative results	143549
Total samples discarded	117
Invalid results	1
Total pending results	0
Indeterminant/Inconclusive	52
Suspected cases in 24 hours (excludes re-tests)	2087

- To date, **166008** tests (including **7109** re-tests) have been conducted by NIP, Path-Care, NAMDEB, UNAM and Namib Poultry laboratories.
- Since the beginning of the outbreak, **37734** contacts of confirmed cases have been identified, **192** new contacts were identified within the last 24 hours from 10 regions.
- Cumulatively, **34476** contacts have completed their monitoring period, while a total of **4376 (28.6%)** contacts of confirmed cases have tested positive.
- Today, **3446 (100%)** out of **3446** active contacts were monitored.

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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