



NAMIBIA COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT NO. 262

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| Outbreak Name | COVID-19 outbreak | Country affected | Namibia |
| Date & Time | 05.12.2020 17h00 | Investigation start Date | 13 March 2020 |
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HIGHLIGHTS/SITUATION UPDATE (05/12/2020)

| TOTAL | TODAY |
|-----------------|---------------|
| Tested 163462 | Tested 1680 |
| Confirmed 15078 | Confirmed 128 |
| Active 984 | Active 984 |
| Recovered 13939 | Recovered 31 |
| Death 152 | Death 0 |

- The cases continue to flare up among the school premises and hostels.
- A total of **15078** cases have been recorded to-date, representing **0.6%** of the population.
- More male cases **8187 (54.3%)** were recorded compared to female cases **6891 (45.7%)**.
- Of the total confirmed cases, **577 (3.8%)** Health Workers (HWs) have tested positive for COVID-19 to-date.
 - 386 (66.9%) State; 188 (32.6%) Private, 3 (0.5%) Non-Governmental Organizations.
 - 530 (91.9%) recoveries and 3 (0.5%) deaths.
- The recovery rate now stands at **92.4%**.
- All fourteen (14) regions have reported confirmed cases; Khomas and Erongo regions reported the highest with **6819 (45.2%)** and **4179 (27.7%)** respectively.
- Of the total fatalities, **116 (76.3%)** are COVID-19 deaths while **36 (23.7%)** are COVID-19 related deaths.

Table 1: Distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases by region, 05 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 | 4179 | 142 | 3995 | 41 | 0 | 38 | 1 | 74 |
| Hardap | 772 | 106 | 659 | 7 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 23 |
| //Kharas | 707 | 157 | 545 | 5 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 17 |
| Kavango East | 223 | 12 | 208 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 22 |
| Kavango West | 8 | 0 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Khomas | 6819 | 444 | 6301 | 74 | 0 | 70 | 0 | 353 |
| Kunene | 48 | 12 | 35 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Ohangwena | 232 | 4 | 225 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 6 |
| Omaheke | 149 | 9 | 136 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 4 |
| Omusati | 85 | 5 | 79 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| Oshana | 859 | 26 | 825 | 8 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 29 |
| Oshikoto | 461 | 12 | 448 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 10 |
| Otjozondjupa | 452 | 53 | 394 | 5 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 19 |
| Zambezi | 84 | 2 | 82 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12 |
| Total | 15078 | 984 | 13939 | 152 | 0 | 135 | 3 | 577 |

EPIDEMIOLOGICAL SITUATION IN NAMIBIA

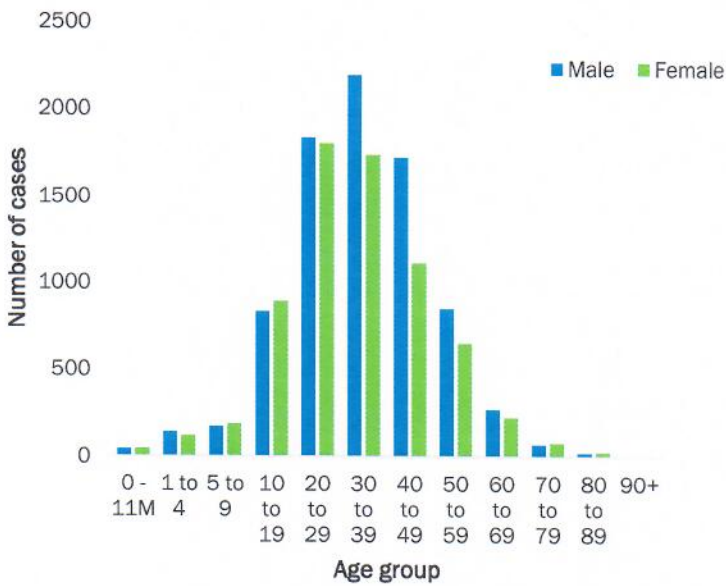


Figure 1: Age and Sex distribution of COVID-19 confirmed cases, as of 05 December 2020

- Of the total confirmed cases, **10432 (69.2%)** are in the 20-49 years age-brackets which constitutes the majority of the recorded cases.
- A total of **2089 (13.9%)** of the confirmed cases are among the 5-19 years category.
- The under 5 years age group make up **355 (2.4%)** of the total cases whereas, **699 (4.6%)** are above 60 years of age.

Table 2: COVID-19 specimen recorded at the Laboratories As of 05 December 2020

| VARIABLES | TOTAL |
|---|--------|
| Total samples received by the Laboratory | 163580 |
| Total samples tested | 156424 |
| Total samples re-tested | 7038 |
| Total positive results | 15078 |
| Total negative results | 141294 |
| Total samples discarded | 117 |
| Invalid results | 1 |
| Total pending results | 0 |
| Indeterminant/Inconclusive | 52 |
| Suspected cases in 24 hours (excludes re-tests) | 1631 |

- To date, **163462** tests (including **7038** re-tests) have been conducted by NIP, Path-Care, NAMDEB, UNAM and Namib Poultry laboratories.
- Since the beginning of the outbreak, **37433** contacts of confirmed cases have been identified, **291** new contacts were identified within the last 24 hours from 6 regions.
- Cumulatively, **34250** contacts have completed their monitoring period, while a total of **4335 (28.8%)** contacts of confirmed cases have tested positive.
- Today, **3359 (99.9%)** out of **3360** active contacts were monitored.

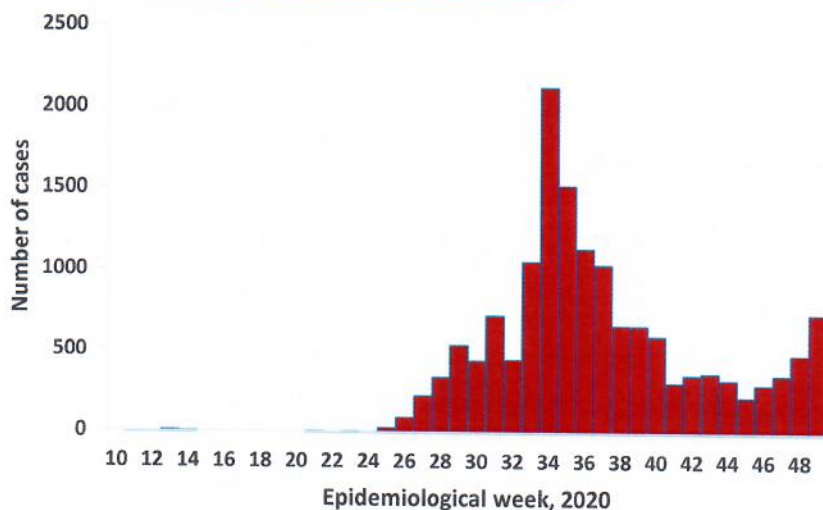


Figure 2: Epi-curve for confirmed COVID-19 cases, As of 05 December 2020

- A highest peak of **2123 (14.1%)** cases was recorded during week 34 (Figure 2).
- The National Call center continues operation for 24 hours daily.

Table 3: Number of people in mandatory quarantine facilities, 05 December 2020

| Region | Newly quarantined 24 Hrs. | Cumulative number | Number discharged | Number in quarantine now | Truck Drivers quarantined in 24 hrs. |
|--------------|---------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Erongo | 1 | 4274 | 4227 | 47 | 5 |
| Hardap | 3 | 942 | 928 | 14 | 0 |
| Kavango | 0 | 812 | 799 | 13 | 0 |
| Khomas | 0 | 2934 | 2903 | 31 | 0 |
| //Kharas | 0 | 2928 | 2914 | 14 | 0 |
| Kunene | 0 | 836 | 835 | 1 | 0 |
| Ohangwena | 0 | 566 | 564 | 2 | 0 |
| Omaheke | 0 | 1751 | 1693 | 58 | 0 |
| Omusati | 0 | 427 | 420 | 7 | 0 |
| Oshana | 0 | 365 | 365 | 0 | 0 |
| Oshikoto | 0 | 2958 | 2620 | 338 | 0 |
| Otjozondjupa | 0 | 980 | 980 | 0 | 0 |
| Zambezi | 0 | 1067 | 1018 | 49 | 0 |
| Total | 4 | 20840 | 20266 | 574 | 5 |

➤ Since March 2020, **20840** people have been placed into mandatory quarantine facilities around the country.

➤ A total of **574** people are currently in quarantine, with **4** 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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