



NAMIBIA COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT NO. 263

Outbreak Name	COVID-19 outbreak	Country affected	Namibia
Date & Time	06.12.2020 17h00	Investigation start Date	13 March 2020
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HIGHLIGHTS/SITUATION UPDATE (06/12/2020)

TOTAL
Tested 163861
Confirmed 15219
Active 1115
Recovered 13940
Death 152
TODAY
Tested 7049
Confirmed 141
Active 1115
Recovered 10
Death 0

- The cases continue to flare up among the school premises and hostels.
- A total of **15219** cases have been recorded to-date, representing **0.6%** of the population.
- More male cases **8262 (54.3%)** were recorded compared to female cases **6957 (45.7%)**.
- Of the total confirmed cases, **583 (3.8%)** Health Workers (HWs) have tested positive for COVID-19 to-date.
 - 392 (67.2%) State; 188 (32.2%) Private, 3 (0.5%) Non-Governmental Organizations.
 - 530 (90.9%) recoveries and 3 (0.5%) deaths.
- The recovery rate now stands at **91.6%**.
- All fourteen (14) regions have reported confirmed cases; Khomas and Erongo regions reported the highest with **6897 (45.3%)** and **4193 (27.6%)** 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, 06 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	4193	156	3995	41	0	38	1	74
Hardap	774	108	659	7	0	5	0	23
//Kharas	726	176	545	5	0	4	0	18
Kavango East	228	17	208	3	0	2	0	24
Kavango West	8	0	7	1	0	1	0	1
Khomas	6897	518	6305	74	0	70	0	355
Kunene	49	13	35	1	0	1	0	2
Ohangwena	232	4	225	2	0	0	1	6
Omaheke	149	3	142	4	0	3	0	4
Omusati	85	5	79	1	0	0	0	6
Oshana	860	27	825	8	0	7	0	29
Oshikoto	461	12	448	0	0	0	1	10
Otjozondjupa	473	74	394	5	0	4	0	19
Zambezi	84	2	82	0	0	0	0	12
Total	15219	1115	13949	152	0	135	3	583

EPIDEMIOLOGICAL SITUATION IN NAMIBIA

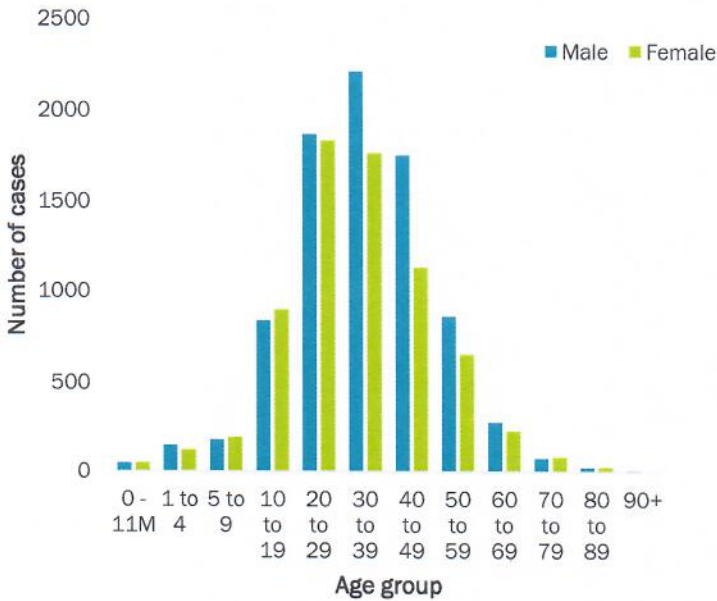


Figure 1: Age and Sex distribution of COVID-19 confirmed cases, as of 06 December 2020

- Of the total confirmed cases, **10548 (69.3%)** are in the 20-49 years age-brackets which constitutes the majority of the recorded cases.
- A total of **2098 (13.8%)** of the confirmed cases are among the 5-19 years category.
- The under 5 years age group make up **356 (2.3%)** of the total cases whereas, **703 (4.6%)** are above 60 years of age.

Table 2: COVID-19 specimen recorded at the Laboratories As of 06 December 2020

VARIABLES	TOTAL
Total samples received by the Laboratory	163979
Total samples tested	156812
Total samples re-tested	7049
Total positive results	15219
Total negative results	141541
Total samples discarded	117
Invalid results	1
Total pending results	0
Indeterminant/Inconclusive	52
Suspected cases in 24 hours (excludes re-tests)	388

- To date, **163861** tests (including **7049** re-tests) have been conducted by NIP, Path-Care, NAMDEB, UNAM and Namib Poultry laboratories.
- Since the beginning of the outbreak, **37542** contacts of confirmed cases have been identified, **291** new contacts were identified within the last 24 hours from 6 regions.
- Cumulatively, **34259** contacts have completed their monitoring period, while a total of **4345 (28.5%)** contacts of confirmed cases have tested positive.
- Today, **3464 (99.9%)** out of **3465** active contacts were monitored.

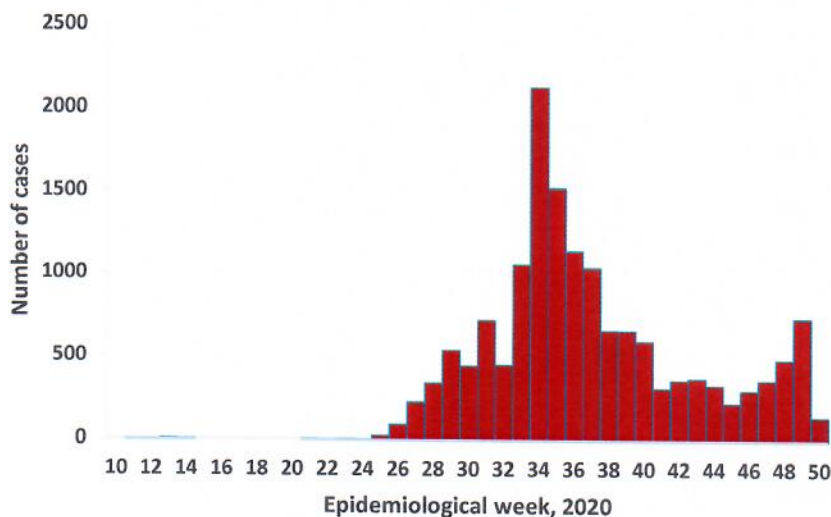


Figure 2: Epi-curve for confirmed COVID-19 cases, As of 06 December 2020

- A highest peak of **2123 (13.9%)** cases was recorded during week 34 (Figure 2).
 - The National Call center continues operation for 24 hours daily.
- Today (06/12/2020) **750** calls were answered including **52** alerts.

Table 3: Number of people in mandatory quarantine facilities, 06 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	1	943	928	15	0
Kavango	0	812	799	13	0
Khomas	6	2940	2930	10	0
//Kharas	0	2928	2914	14	0
Kunene	111	947	835	112	0
Ohangwena	0	566	564	2	0
Omaheke	0	1751	1693	58	0
Omusati	5	432	420	12	0
Oshana	0	365	365	0	0
Oshikoto	0	2958	2620	338	0
Otjozondjupa	0	980	980	0	0
Zambezi	6	1073	1018	55	0
Total	129	20969	20297	672	0

➤ Since March 2020, **20969** people have been placed into mandatory quarantine facilities around the country.

➤ A total of **672** people are currently in quarantine, with **129** 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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