



NAMIBIA COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT NO. 271

Outbreak Name	COVID-19 outbreak	Country affected	Namibia
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HIGHLIGHTS/SITUATION UPDATE (14/12/2020)

TOTAL	TODAY
Tested 176623	Tested 928
Confirmed 16913	Confirmed 187
Active 1765	Active 1765
Recovered 14981	Recovered 144
Death 164	Death 1

- A total of **16913** cases have been recorded to-date, representing **0.7%** of the population.
- More male cases **9095 (53.8%)** were recorded compared to female cases **7818 (46.2%)**.
- Of the total confirmed cases, **702 (4.2%)** Health Workers (HWs) have tested positive for COVID-19 to-date.
 - 470 (67.0%) State; 228 (32.5%) Private, 4 (0.6%) Non-Governmental Organizations.
 - 530 (75.5%) recoveries and 3 (0.4%) deaths.
- The recovery rate now stands at **88.6%**.
- All fourteen (14) regions have reported confirmed cases; Khomas and Erongo regions reported the highest with **8003 (47.3%)** and **4342 (25.7%)** respectively.
- Of the total fatalities, **123 (75%)** are COVID-19 deaths while **41 (25%)** are COVID-19 related deaths.

Table 1: Distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases by region, 14 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	4342	218	4080	43	1	40	1	82
Hardap	785	3	775	7	0	5	0	23
//Kharas	857	255	596	6	0	4	0	34
Kavango East	238	27	208	3	0	2	0	24
Kavango West	8	0	7	1	0	1	0	1
Khomas	8003	916	7006	81	0	77	0	410
Kunene	103	55	46	2	0	1	0	8
Ohangwena	241	8	230	2	0	0	1	7
Omaheke	161	14	143	4	0	3	0	6
Omusati	96	10	85	1	0	0	0	6
Oshana	948	114	825	9	0	8	0	54
Oshikoto	490	33	456	0	0	0	1	12
Otjozondjupa	557	110	442	5	0	4	0	21
Zambezi	84	2	82	0	0	0	0	14
Total	16913	1756	14981	164	1	145	3	702

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Table 2: Number of people in mandatory quarantine facilities. 14 December 2020

Region	Newly quarantined 24 Hrs.	Cumulative number	Number discharged	Number in quarantine now	Truck Drivers quarantined in 24 hrs.
Erongo	0	4422	4251	171	0
Hardap	3	963	952	11	0
Kavango	18	875	819	56	0
Khomas	0	2982	2966	16	0
//Kharas	0	2928	2914	14	0
Kunene	4	1019	862	157	0
Ohangwena	0	575	570	5	0
Omaheke	2	1764	1735	29	2
Omusati	5	448	431	17	0
Oshana	0	365	365	0	0
Oshikoto	126	3228	2901	327	0
Otjozondjupa	0	981	980	1	0
Zambezi	6	1128	1087	41	0
Total	164	21678	20833	845	2

- Since March 2020, **21678** people have been placed into mandatory quarantine facilities around the country.
- A total of **845** people are currently in quarantine, with **164** new admissions in the last 24 hours.

- A highest peak of **2123 (12.6%)** cases was recorded during week 34 (Figure 1).
- The National Call center continues operation for 24 hours daily.

Today (14/12/2020) **1005** calls were answered including **89** alerts.

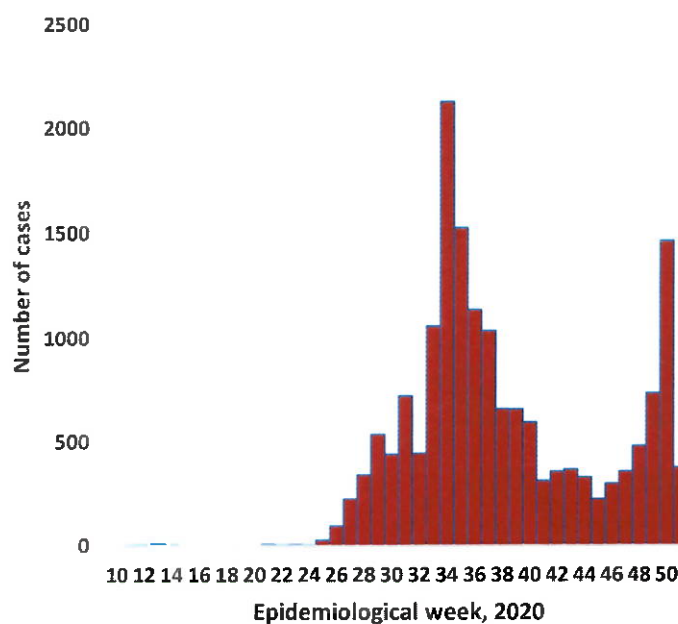


Figure 1: Epi-curve for confirmed COVID-19 cases As of 14 December 2020

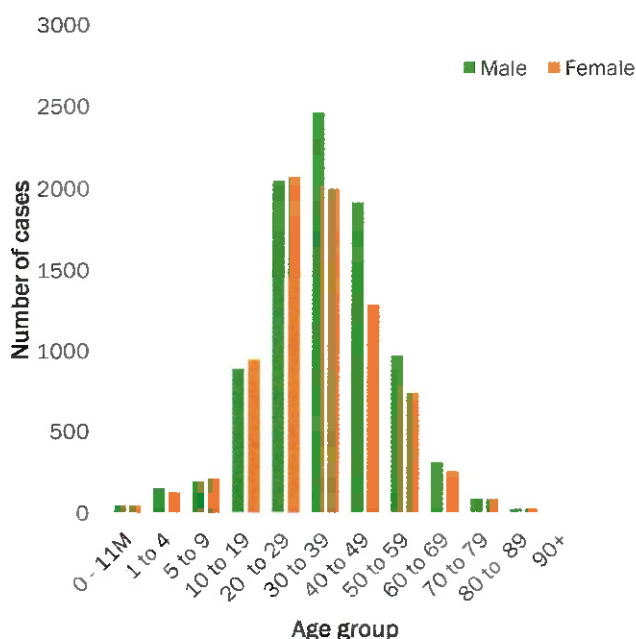


Figure 2: Age and Sex distribution of COVID-19 confirmed cases, as of 14 December 2020

- Of the total confirmed cases, **11786 (69.7%)** are in the 20-49 years age-brackets which constitutes the majority of the recorded cases.
- A total of **2239 (13.2%)** of the confirmed cases are among the 5-19 years category.
- The under 5 years age group make **384 (2.3%)** of the total cases whereas, **798 (4.7%)** are above 60 years of age.

Table 3: COVID-19 specimen recorded at the Laboratories, As of 14 December 2020

- To date, **176623** tests (including **7269** re-tests) have been conducted by NIP, Path-Care, NAMDEB, UNAM and Namib Poultry laboratories.
- Since the beginning of the outbreak, **40482** contacts of confirmed cases have been identified, **325** new contacts were identified within the last 24 hours from 11 regions.
- Cumulatively, **36914** contacts have completed their monitoring period, while a total of **4790 (28.3%)** contacts of confirmed cases have tested positive.
- Today, **3830 (100%)** out of **3830** active contacts monitored.

VARIABLES	TOTAL
Total samples received by the Laboratory	176741
Total samples tested	169354
Total samples re-tested	7269
Total positive results	16913
Total negative results	152389
Total samples discarded	117
Invalid results	1
Total pending results	0
Indeterminant/Inconclusive	52
Suspected cases in 24 hours (excludes re-tests)	915

PUBLIC HEALTH ACTION(S)

- 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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