



NAMIBIA COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT NO. 286

Outbreak Name	COVID-19 outbreak	Country affected	Namibia
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HIGHLIGHTS/SITUATION UPDATE (29/12/2020)

- A total of **23333** cases have been recorded to-date, representing **0.9%** of the population.
- More male cases **12075 (51.8%)** were recorded compared to female cases **11258 (48.2%)**.
- Of the total confirmed cases, **1029 (4.4%)** Health Workers (HWs) have tested positive for COVID-19 to-date.
 - 752 (73.1%) State; 273 (26.5%) Private, 4 (0.4%) Non-Governmental Organizations.
 - 747 (72.6%) recoveries and 3 (0.3%) deaths.

TODAY

Tested 2236

Confirmed 482

Active 3479

Recovered 912

Death 1

TOTAL

Tested 204625

Confirmed 23333

Active 3479

Recovered 19655

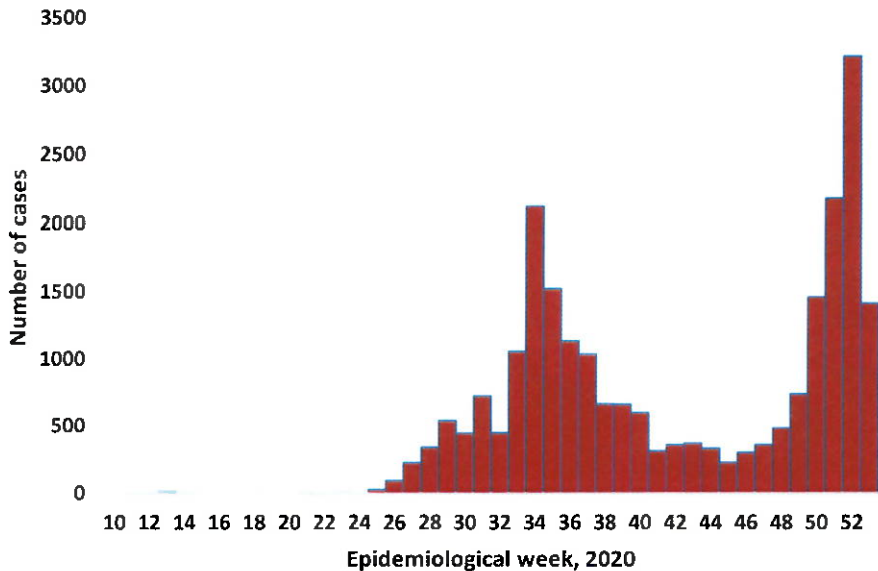
Death 196

- The recovery rate now stands at **84.2%**.
- All fourteen (14) regions have reported confirmed cases; Khomas and Erongo regions reported the highest with **11300 (48.4%)** and **5276 (22.6%)** respectively.
- Of the total fatalities, **152 (77.6%)** are COVID-19 deaths while **44 (22.4%)** are COVID-19 related

Table 1: Distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases by region, 29 December 2020

Region	Total No. of cases	Active cases	Recoveries	Cumulative Deaths	Deaths in 24 hours	Cumulative deaths with co-morbidities	Non-COVID deaths	Health Workers
Erongo	5276	583	4643	49	0	46	1	118
Hardap	986	106	873	7	0	5	0	28
//Kharas	1313	342	964	7	0	5	0	58
Kavango East	311	69	239	3	0	2	0	27
Kavango West	13	5	7	1	0	1	0	1
Khomas	11300	1251	9954	95	1	90	0	562
Kunene	431	314	114	3	0	3	0	27
Ohangwena	282	23	256	2	0	0	1	12
Omaheke	241	54	182	5	0	4	0	12
Omusati	187	50	134	3	0	2	0	11
Oshana	1270	311	948	11	0	9	0	94
Oshikoto	661	107	552	1	0	1	1	27
Otjozondjupa	949	236	705	8	0	5	0	37
Zambezi	113	28	84	1	0	1	0	15
Total	23333	3479	19655	196	1	174	3	1029

EPIDEMIOLOGICAL SITUATION IN NAMIBIA



- A highest peak of **3209 (13.8%)** cases was recorded during week 52 (Figure 1).
- The National Call center continues operation for 24 hours daily.

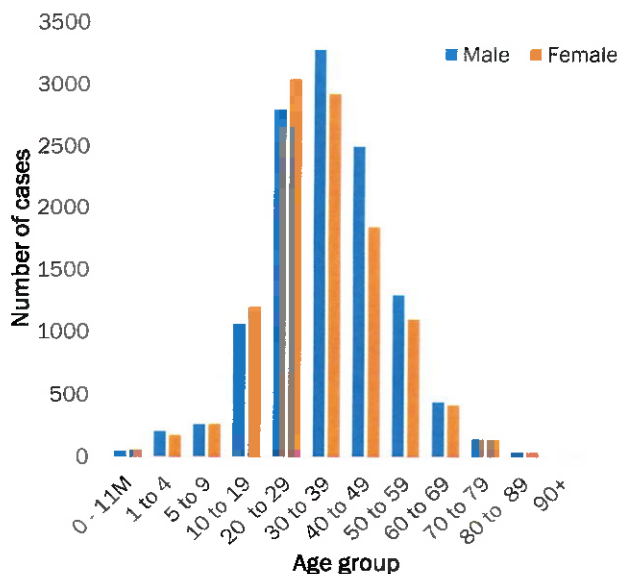
Today (29/12/2020) **1000** calls were answered including **72** alerts.

Figure 1: Epi-curve for confirmed COVID-19 cases, As of 29 December 2020

Table 2: COVID-19 specimen recorded at the Laboratories As of 29 December 2020

VARIABLES	TOTAL
Total samples received by the Laboratory	204743
Total samples tested	196128
Total samples re-tested	8497
Total positive results	23333
Total negative results	172738
Total samples discarded	117
Invalid results	1
Total pending results	0
Indeterminant/Inconclusive	57
Suspected cases in 24 hours (excludes re-tests)	2049

- To date, **204625** tests (including **8497** re-tests) have been conducted by NIP, Path-Care, NAMDEB, UNAM, Namib Poultry and Central Veterinary laboratories.
- Since the beginning of the outbreak, **46707** contacts of confirmed cases have been identified, **324** new contacts were identified within the last 24 hours from 10 regions.
- Cumulatively, **40359** contacts have completed their monitoring period, while a total of **5405 (23.2%)** contacts of confirmed cases have tested positive.
- Today, **4383 (72.4%)** out of **6054** active contacts monitored.



- Of the total confirmed cases, **16380 (70.2%)** are in the 20-49 years age-brackets which constitutes the majority of the recorded cases.
- A total of **2802 (12.0%)** of the confirmed cases are among the 5-19 years category.
- The under 5 years age group make **505 (2.2%)** of the total cases whereas, **1249 (5.4%)** are above 60 years of age.

Figure 2: Age and Sex distribution of COVID-19 confirmed cases, as of 29 December 2020

Table 3: Number of people in mandatory quarantine facilities, 29 December 2020

Region	Newly quarantined 24 Hrs.	Cumulative number	Number discharged	Number in quarantine now	Truck Drivers quarantined in 24 hrs.
Erongo	10	4501	4474	27	0
Hardap	1	1068	1015	53	0
Kavango	0	906	886	20	0
Khomas	3	3069	3045	24	0
//Kharas	0	3897	3791	106	0
Kunene	96	1754	1221	533	0
Ohangwena	0	575	570	5	0
Omaheke	51	2105	1929	176	0
Omusati	1	482	464	18	0
Oshana	0	378	371	7	0
Oshikoto	76	3904	3490	414	0
Otjozondjupa	0	1032	1032	0	0
Zambezi	3	1210	1177	33	0
Total	241	24881	23465	1416	0

- Since March 2020, **24881** people have been placed into mandatory quarantine facilities around the country.
- A total of **1416** people are currently in quarantine, with **241** new admissions.

PUBLIC HEALTH ACTION(S)

- 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 regions.
- Non-adherence to COVID-19 prevention measures by the general public.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Establish fully equipped isolation units and facilities throughout the country.
- Continue to give awareness on the importance of adhering to COVID -19 prevention measures; with the involvement of the Security Cluster.


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