



**Ministry of Health and Social Services
Republic of Namibia**

NAMIBIA COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT NO. 101			
Outbreak Name	<i>COVID-19 outbreak</i>	Country affected	<i>Namibia</i>
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HIGHLIGHTS/SITUATION UPDATE (As of 27/06/2020)

- ⊙ The country (with exception of Walvis Bay, Swakopmund, and Arandis in Erongo region) will migrate to stage 4 of the lockdown (effective from midnight, 29 June 2020 -17 September 2020).
- ⊙ Erongo region is in Stage 3 with restrictions in Walvis Bay, Swakopmund, and Arandis Local Authority Areas (effective from 23h59 of 22 June 2020 until 23h59 of 06 July 2020).

Total	Today
Tested 7822	Tested 90
Confirmed 150	Confirmed 29
Active 128	Active 128
Recovered 22	Recovered 0
Death 0	Death 0

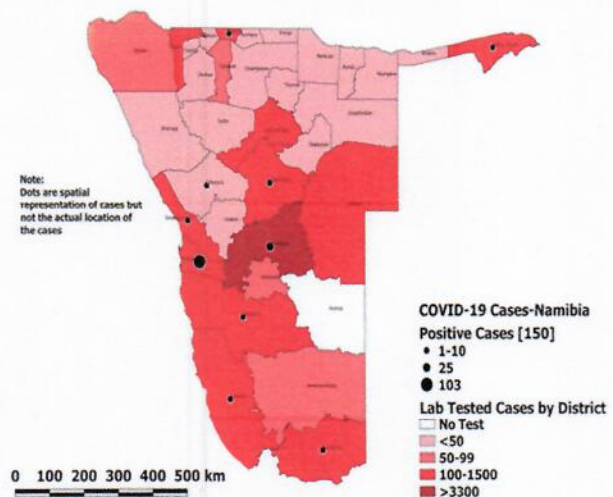


Figure 1. Distribution of suspected and confirmed COVID-19 cases in Namibia by District, 27 June 2020

- ⊙ Hundred-and-nine **109 (77.7%)** cases are local transmissions while **41 (27.3%)** are imported.
- ⊙ Cumulatively, thirty-eight (**38**) cases were identified during active case search.
- ⊙ Seven of the 14 regions have reported confirmed cases with Erongo region reporting the highest number of cases; **112 (74.7%)**.
- ⊙ More female cases **88 (58.7%)** were recorded compared to male cases **62 (41.3%)**.
- ⊙ Of the 29 cases reported today, **22** are symptomatic, while **7** are asymptomatic.

Dashboard information can be accessed at: <https://cutt.ly/Covid-19-situation-Namibia>

EPIDEMIOLOGICAL SITUATION IN NAMIBIA

Namibia has recorded a total of 150 confirmed cases since 13 March 2020. Most, **92 (61.3%)** of the cases were recorded during week 26 (Figure 2).

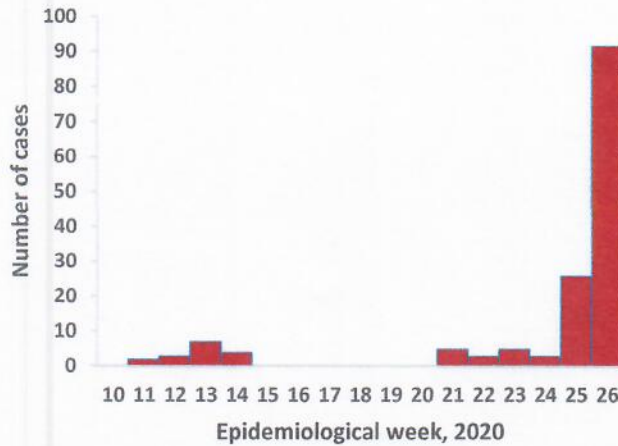


Figure 2. Epi-curve for confirmed COVID-19 cases as of 27 June 2020

- ⊙ A total of **7822** tests have been conducted by the two laboratories (NIP & PathCare) to date. The highest number of tests were from Khomas (3342) and the lowest was Kavango region (64).
- ⊙ Seven (7) regions have reported confirmed cases; Erongo has the highest number of confirmed cases **112 (74.7%)** followed by Khomas **25 (16.7%)**.
- ⊙ Zambezi and Ohangwena have each reported one confirmed case (**0.7%**).

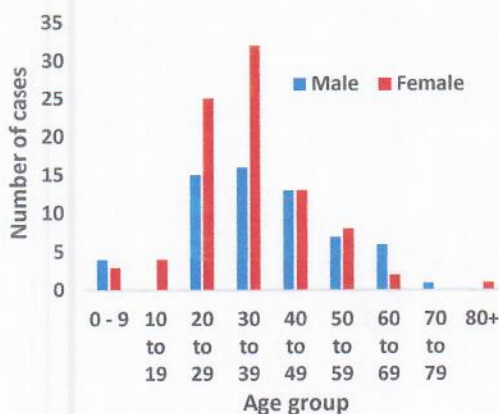


Figure 3: Age and sex distribution of COVID-19 confirmed cases as of 27 June 2020

- ⊙ A high number of cases were recorded in the past two weeks as a result of:
 - Spread of local transmission in Walvis bay district
 - Increased active case search and testing, averaging 300 daily in the past few days.
- ⊙ A total of **868** people are currently in quarantine with **19** new admissions. A total of **41** in quarantine have tested positive for COVID-19 since March 2020.
- ⊙ Call centre continue operations for 24 hours daily; **1884** calls were answered with **20** alerts investigated over the past 24hrs.

Table 1: Distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases by region as of 27 June 2020

Region	Total No of cases	Active cases	Recovered
Khomas	25	11	14
//Karas	6	5	1
Erongo	112	106	6
Hardap	3	2	1
Zambezi	1	1	0
Otjzondjupa	2	2	0
Ohangwena	1	1	0
Total	150	128	22

- ⊙ The most affected age is within 20 and 49 years (76.9%). Those aged 60 and above (10) constitute 6.7% of those affected.
- ⊙ In Namibia, more female **88(58.7%)** are affected.

- ⊙ As of 26 June 2020, a total of **1475** contacts of confirmed cases have been identified of which **2** were added within the last 24 hours. A total of **624** contacts have completed their 14 days of follow up, **93** out of a total of **812** active contacts were monitored today.
- ⊙ Since March 2020, a total of **3754** persons have been placed into supervised quarantine facilities around the country.
- ⊙ A total of **363** trucks entered the country through various ground crossing points in the last 24 hours. **46.8%** were heading to Khomas region, while **20.4%** were heading to Erongo region.

PUBLIC HEALTH ACTION

- ⊙ Integrated teams have been sent to Kavango and Zambezi regions to give technical support for a period of 7 days.
- ⊙ Regions have intensified surveillance on travellers from Erongo region early case detection.
- ⊙ Targeted testing in Walvis Bay is ongoing .

CHALLENGES

- ⊙ Inadequate isolation units at health facilities in the regions.
- ⊙ Inadequate PPE
- ⊙ Inadequate nasopharyngeal swabs and appropriate transport media.
- ⊙ Prologed turn-around time of results at two laboratories

RECOMMENDATIONS

- ⊙ Establish fully equipped isolation units at health facilities in the regions.
- ⊙ Logistics pillar to continue with the procurement and distribution of sufficient PPE to the regions to ensure that response is not interrupted.
- ⊙ NIP to continue sourcing for swabs and appropriate transport media.
- ⊙ Enhance laboratory testing capacity through out the country

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