



## NAMIBIA COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT NO. 193

Outbreak Name	COVID-19 outbreak	Country affected	Namibia
Date & Time	27.09.2020 20h00	Investigation start Date	13 March 2020
Prepared by	Surveillance Team		

### HIGHLIGHTS/SITUATION UPDATE (27/09/2020)

#### TOTAL

Tested 95045

Confirmed 11121

Active 2213

Recovered 8787

Death 121

#### TODAY

Tested 147

Confirmed 88

Active 2213

Recovered 11

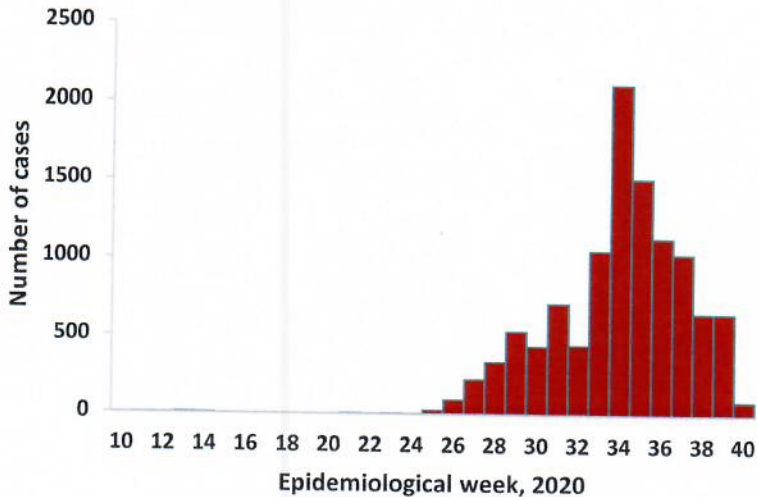
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- A total of **11121** cases have been recorded in a population of approximately 2.5 Million people, making it about 0.4% of the population infected.
- More male cases **5990 (53.9%)** were recorded compared to female cases **5131 (46.1%)**.
- Of the total confirmed cases, **455 (4.1%)** Health Care Workers (HCWs) have tested positive for COVID-19 to-date.
  - 300 (65.9%) State; 154 (33.8%) Private, 1 (0.2%) NGO
- Today (27/09/2020), **11** recoveries have been recorded from 3 regions; the recovery rate now stands at **79.0%**.
- All fourteen (14) regions have reported confirmed cases; Khomas and Erongo regions are reporting the highest with **5223 (47.0%)** and **3840 (34.5%)** respectively.
- Of the total fatalities, **95 (78.5%)** are COVID-19 deaths while **26 (21.5%)** are COVID-19 related deaths.
- Among the known contacts, **403 (4.3%)** new confirmed cases have been reported during the last 7 days.

Table 1: Distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases by region, 27 September 2020

Region	Total No. of cases	Active cases	Recovered	Deaths	Deaths in 24 hours	Cumulative death with co-morbidities	Health Care Workers
Erongo	3840	73	3730	37	0	34	61
Hardap	407	113	290	4	0	1	17
//Kharas	343	55	284	4	0	3	9
Kavango East	123	50	70	3	0	2	17
Kavango West	8	4	3	1	0	1	1
Khomas	5223	1622	3542	59	1	56	298
Kunene	14	2	12	0	0	0	0
Ohangwena	145	26	117	2	0	0	6
Omaheke	74	3	69	2	0	1	1
Omusati	49	3	45	1	0	0	5
Oshana	275	24	248	3	0	2	12
Oshikoto	243	173	70	0	0	0	4
Otjozondjupa	303	59	239	5	0	4	13
Zambezi	74	6	68	0	0	0	11
<b>Total</b>	<b>11121</b>	<b>2213</b>	<b>8787</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>455</b>

## EPIDEMIOLOGICAL SITUATION IN NAMIBIA



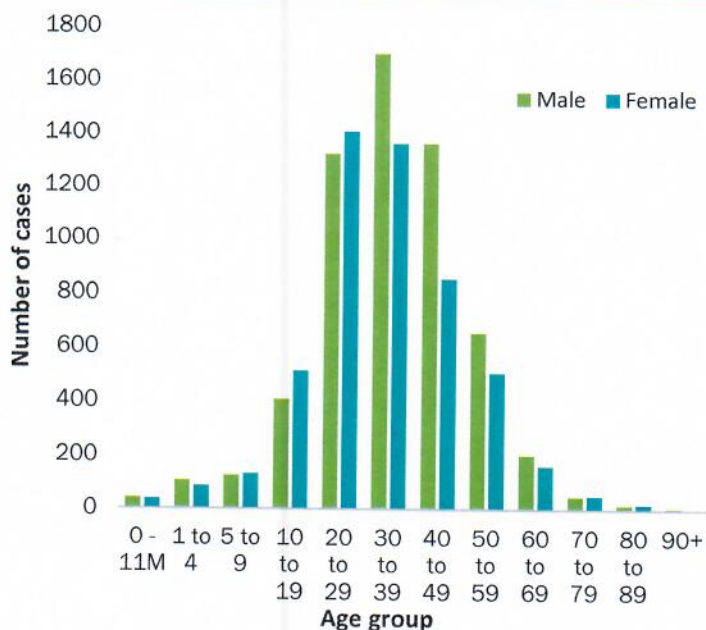
**Figure 1: Epi-curve for confirmed COVID-19 cases 27 September 2020**

- To date, **95045** tests (including **5354** re-tests) have been conducted by NIP, Path-Care, NAMDEB, and UNAM laboratories.
- Since the beginning of the outbreak, **24032** contacts of confirmed cases have been identified, **82** new contacts were identified within the last 24 hours from 12 regions.
- Cumulatively, **14485** contacts have completed their monitoring period, while a total of **2105 (22.3%)** contacts of confirmed cases have tested positive.
- Today, **7628 (80.6%)** out of **9459** active contacts were monitored.

- Up to **2123 (19.1%)** of the total cases were recorded during week 34 (Figure 1).
- After a peak in epi-week 34, the country has seen a gradual reduction in the mean number of confirmed cases from 303 to 94 in epi-week 39.
- Call center continues operation for 24 hours daily. Today, **1292** calls were answered including **5** alerts.
- **86** alerts were received in the last 7 days.

**Table 2: COVID-19 specimen recorded at the Laboratories as of 27 September 2020**

VARIABLES	TOTAL
Total samples received by the Laboratory	95163
Total samples tested	89693
Total samples re-tested	5354
Total positive results	11123
Total negative results	78540
Total samples discarded	76
Invalid results	1
Total pending results	41
Indeterminant/Inconclusive	30
Suspected cases in 24 hours (excludes re-tests)	103



**Figure 2: Age and Sex distribution of COVID-19 confirmed cases As of 27 September 2020**

- The 20-49 years age-brackets constitute **8020 (72.1%)** of the confirmed cases, while a sizable proportion of the 50-59 age group is **1161 (10.4%)**.
- Among those aged 30-39 years, a significant proportion of males, **1699 (55.4%)** are infected more than females **1367 (44.6%)**.
- The under 5 years make up **263 (2.4%)** of the total cases.
- Aged 60 years and above constitute **502 (4.5%)** of the confirmed cases.

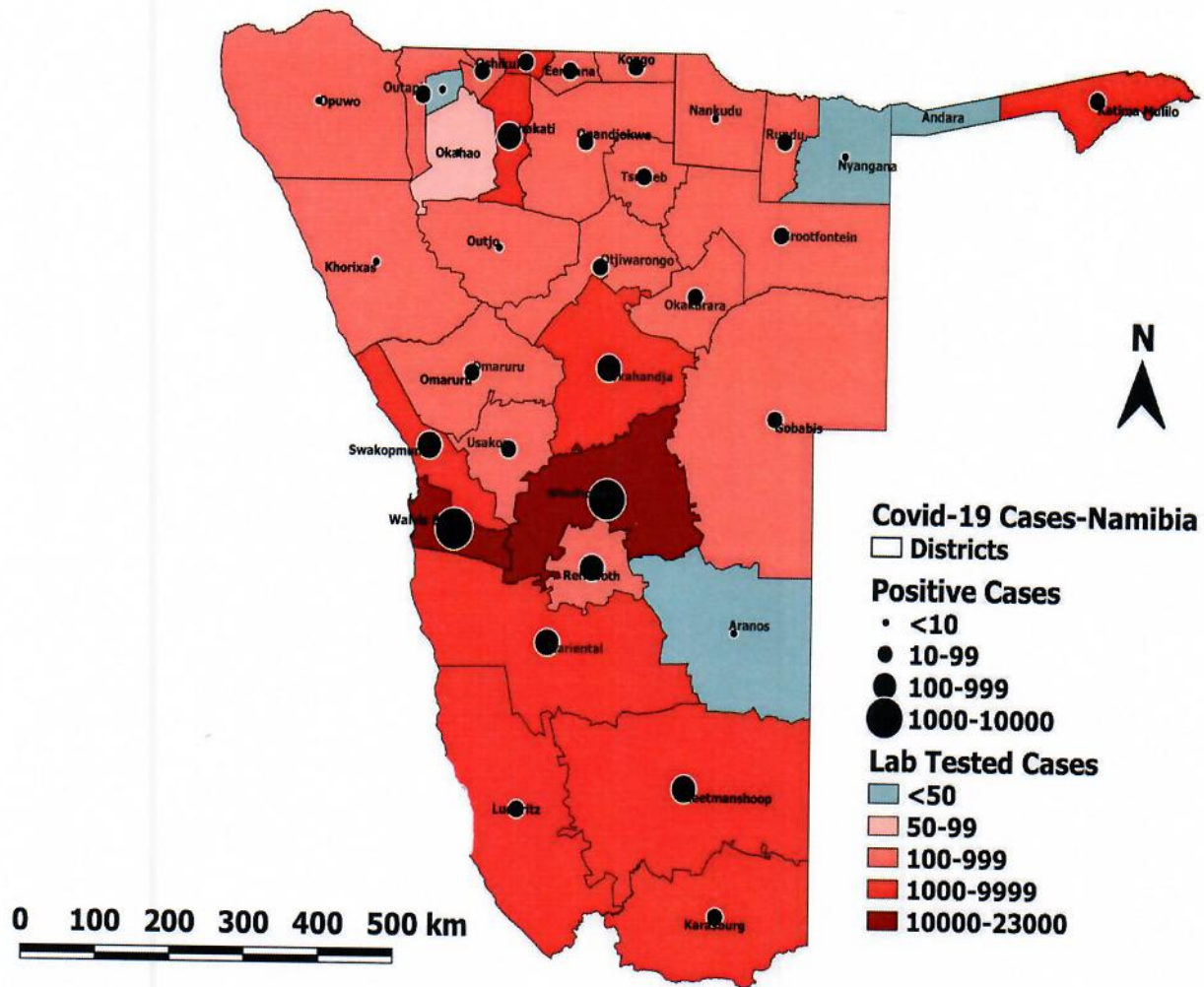


Figure 3: Distribution of suspected and confirmed COVID-19 cases in Namibia by District as of 27 September 2020

- A total of 211 trucks entered the country through various ground crossing points in the last 24 hours.
- Of these trucks, 76 (36.0%) were heading to Khomas, 58 (27.5%) to Erongo while 52 (24.6%) were heading to //Kharas region.
- The remaining 25 (11.8%) were heading to the other 8 regions.

Table 3: Number of people in mandatory quarantine facilities, 27 September 2020

Region	Newly quarantined 24 hours	Cumulative number	Number discharged	Number in quarantine now	Truck Drivers (24 Hours)
Erongo	0	3314	3210	104	0
Hardap	20	680	631	49	0
Kavango	0	602	555	47	0
Khomas	0	2338	2292	46	0
//Kharas	0	1680	1463	217	0
Kunene	0	447	438	9	0
Ohangwena	10	506	492	14	0
Omaheke	0	934	898	36	0
Omusati	2	299	294	5	0
Oshana	0	306	303	3	0
Oshikoto	0	1435	859	576	0
Otjozondjupa	0	841	840	1	0
Zambezi	0	816	789	27	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>14198</b>	<b>13064</b>	<b>1134</b>	<b>0</b>

- Since March 2020, 14198 people have been placed into mandatory quarantine facilities around the country.
- A total of 1134 people are currently in quarantine with 32 new admissions in the past 24 hours.

### PUBLIC HEALTH ACTION(S)

- Commencement of the IPC simulation sessions country-wide.
- Weekly engagements with regions to ensure readiness for effective response.
- Public awareness on COVID-19 prevention measures is ongoing.
- Efforts on expanding the National testing capacity are ongoing.
- Response strategies for post State of Emergency are underway.

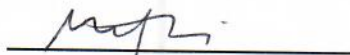
### CHALLENGES

- Large data backlog - awaiting entry into excel data base and DHIS2.
- Inadequate ICU facilities and ICU equipment at referral hospitals and high care units in the districts.

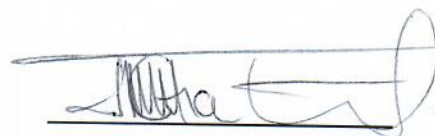
### RECOMMENDATIONS

- Fast tracking of efforts to use DHIS2 nation-wide.
- Provision of fully equipped ICU facilities at referral hospitals and high care units in the districts.

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