



### NAMIBIA COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT NO. 246

Outbreak Name	COVID-19 outbreak	Country affected	Namibia
Date & Time	19.11.2020 17h00	Investigation start Date	13 March 2020
Prepared by	Surveillance Team		

#### HIGHLIGHTS/SITUATION UPDATE (19/11/2020)

TOTAL	TODAY
Tested 144180	Tested 1105
Confirmed 13712	Confirmed 50
Active 376	Active 376
Recovered 13191	Recovered 9
Death 143	Death 2

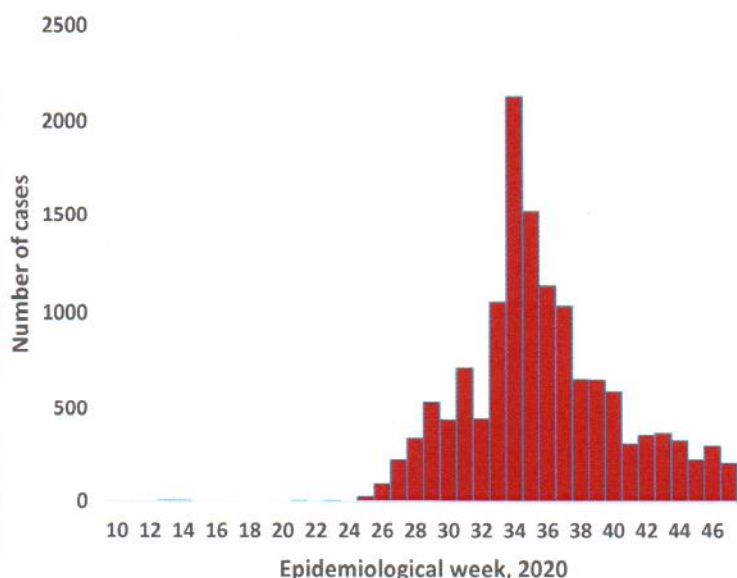
- A total of **13712** cases have been recorded to-date, representing **0.5%** of the population.
- More male cases **7534 (54.9%)** were recorded compared to female cases **6178 (45.1%)**.
- Of the total confirmed cases, **536 (3.9%)** Health Workers (HWs) have tested positive for COVID-19 to-date.
  - 350 (65.3%) State; 183 (34.2%) Private, 3 (0.6%) Non-Government Organisations.
  - 452 (84.3%) recoveries and 3 (0.6%) deaths.
- The recovery rate now stands at **96.2%**.
- All fourteen (14) regions have reported confirmed cases; Khomas and Erongo regions reported the highest with **6112 (44.6%)** and **4000 (29.2%)** respectively.
- Of the total fatalities, **110 (76.9%)** are COVID-19 deaths while **33 (23.1%)** are COVID-19 related deaths.

**Table 1: Distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases by region, 19 November 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	4000	34	3924	41	0	38	1	70
Hardap	725	72	647	6	1	4	0	23
//Karas	465	49	411	5	0	4	0	15
Kavango East	214	27	184	3	0	2	0	21
Kavango West	8	0	7	1	0	1	0	1
Khomas	6112	101	5940	71	1	69	0	341
Kunene	37	2	35	0	0	0	0	0
Ohangwena	222	3	216	2	0	0	1	6
Omaheke	128	11	114	3	0	2	0	4
Omusati	77	7	69	1	0	0	0	6
Oshana	807	54	748	5	0	4	0	16
Oshikoto	444	9	435	0	0	0	0	7
Otjzondjupa	392	7	380	5	0	4	0	14
Zambezi	81	0	81	0	0	0	0	12
<b>Total</b>	<b>13712</b>	<b>376</b>	<b>13191</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>536</b>



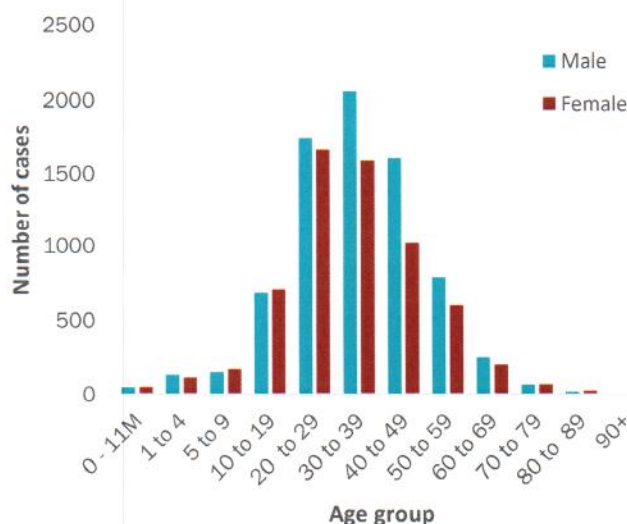
## EPIDEMIOLOGICAL SITUATION IN NAMIBIA



**Figure 1: Epi-curve for confirmed COVID-19 cases, As of 19 November 2020**

- A highest peak of **2123 (15.5%)** cases was recorded during week 34 (Figure 1).
- After a peak in epi-week 34, the country has seen a gradual reduction in the average number of confirmed cases to 42 in epi-week 46.
- The number of cases have plateaued in the last four weeks as seen in the graph.
- The National Call center continues operation for 24 hours daily. Today (19/11/2020), **728** calls were answered including **57** alerts.

- Of the total confirmed cases, **9646 (70.3%)** are in the 20-49 years age-brackets which constitutes the majority of the recorded cases.
- A total of **1709 (12.5%)** of the confirmed cases are among the 5-19 years category.
- The under 5 years age group make up **336 (2.5%)** of the total cases whereas, **638 (4.7%)** are above 60 years of age.



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

**Table 2: COVID-19 specimen recorded at the Laboratories As of 19 November 2020**

VARIABLES	TOTAL
Total samples received by the Laboratory	144298
Total samples tested	137526
Total samples re-tested	6654
Total positive results	13712
Total negative results	123764
Total samples discarded	117
Invalid results	1
Total pending results	0
Indeterminant/Inconclusive	50
Suspected cases in 24 hours (excludes re-tests)	1079

- To date, **144180** tests (including (**6654** re-tests) have been conducted by NIP, Path-Care, NAMDEB, UNAM and Namib Poultry laboratories.
- Since the beginning of the outbreak, **34738** contacts of confirmed cases have been identified, **16** new contacts were identified within the last 24 hours from 11 regions.
- Cumulatively, **32131** contacts have completed their monitoring period, while a total of **4277 (31.2%)** contacts of confirmed cases have tested positive.
- Today, **1937 (71.0%)** out of **2727** active contacts were monitored.



**Table 3: Number of people in mandatory quarantine facilities, 19 November 2020**

Region	Newly quarantined 24 Hrs.	Cumulative number	Number discharged	Number in quarantine now	Truck Drivers quarantined in 24 hrs.
Erongo	18	4141	4000	141	0
Hardap	1	899	870	29	0
Kavango	71	794	777	17	0
Khomas	0	2868	2801	67	0
//Kharas	0	2919	2901	18	0
Kunene	2	826	793	33	0
Ohangwena	0	558	553	5	0
Omaheke	0	1584	1515	69	0
Omusati	2	410	390	20	0
Oshana	0	359	358	1	0
Oshikoto	108	2559	2449	110	0
Otjozondjupa	2	966	964	2	0
Zambezi	0	991	973	18	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>19874</b>	<b>19344</b>	<b>530</b>	<b>0</b>

- Since March 2020, **19874** people have been placed into mandatory quarantine facilities around the country.
- A total of **530** people are currently in quarantine, with **204** new admissions in the last 24 hours.

**PUBLIC HEALTH ACTION(S)**

- Support visit and Intra action review on COVID-19 response is ongoing across all regions.
- 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 police holding cells and prisons.

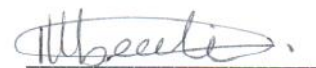
**RECOMMENDATIONS**

- Establish fully equipped isolation units and facilities for identified special cases throughout the country.

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