



NAMIBIA COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT NO. 283					
Outbreak Name	COVID-19 outbreak	Country affected	Namibia		
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HIGHLIGHTS/SITUATION UPDATE (26/12/2020)

- A total of 21923 cases have been recorded to-date, representing 0.9% of the population.
- More male cases 11452 (52.2%) were recorded compared to female cases 10471 (47.8%).
- Of the total confirmed cases, 945 (4.3%) Health Workers (HWs) have tested positive for COVID-19 to-date.
 - 671 (71%) State; 270 (28.6%) Private, 4 (0.4%) Non-Governmental Organizations.
 - 747 (79.0%) recoveries and 3 (0.3%) deaths.
- The recovery rate now stands at 82.3%.
- All fourteen (14) regions have reported confirmed cases; Khomas and Erongo regions reported the highest with 10632 (48.5%) and 5034 (23%) respectively.
- Of the total fatalities, 147 (77%) are COVID-19 deaths while 44 (23%) are COVID-19 related deaths.



Table 1: Distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases by region, 26 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	5034	666	4319	48	2	45	1	108
Hardap	932	105	820	7	0	5	0	27
//Kharas	1211	326	878	7	0	5	0	50
Kavango East	287	45	239	3	0	2	0	25
Kavango West	11	3	7	1	0	1	0	1
Khomas	10632	1479	9062	91	2	86	0	519
Kunene	363	246	114	3	0	3	0	26
Ohangwena	278	34	241	2	0	0	1	9
Omaheke	221	34	182	5	0	4	0	10
Omusati	173	49	121	3	0	2	0	11
Oshana	1193	285	897	11	0	9	0	86
Oshikoto	612	111	499	1	0	1	1	24
Otjozondjupa	871	287	576	8	0	5	0	34
Zambezi	105	20	84	1.	0	1	0	15
Total	21923	3690	18039	191	4	169	3	945

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Table 2: COVID-19 specimen recorded at the Laboratories
As of 25 December 2020

VARIABLES	TOTAL		
Total samples received by the Laboratory	198424		
Total samples tested	190344		
Total samples re-tested	7962		
Total positive results	21923		
Total negative results	168365		
Total samples discarded	117		
Invalid results	1		
Total pending results	0		
Indeterminant/Inconclusive	56		
Suspected cases in 24 hours (excludes re-tests)	1435		

- To date, 198306 tests (including 7962 retests) have been conducted by NIP, Path-Care, NAMDEB, UNAM, Namib Poultry and Central Veterinary laboratories.
- Since the beginning of the outbreak, 45571 contacts of confirmed cases have been identified, 322 new contacts were identified within the last 24 hours from 11 regions.
- Cumulatively, 39143 contacts have completed their monitoring period, while a total of 5191 (23.7%) contacts of confirmed cases have tested positive.
- Today, 5822 (94.1%) out of 6188 active contacts monitored.

- A highest peak of 3209 (14.6%) cases was recorded during week 52 (Figure 1).
- The National Call center continues operation for 24 hours daily.

Today (26/12/2020) 929 calls were answered including 83 alerts.

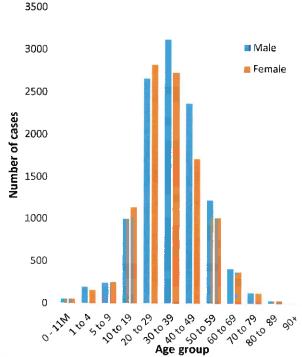


Figure 2: Age and Sex distribution of COVID-19 confirmed cases, as of 26 December 2020

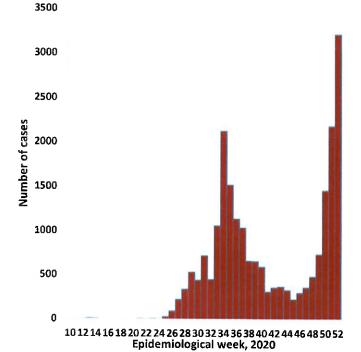


Figure 1: Epi-curve for confirmed COVID-19 cases
As of 26 December 2020

- Of the total confirmed cases, 15436 (70.4%) are in the 20-49 years age-brackets which constitutes the majority of the recorded cases.
- A total of 2641 (12.0%) of the confirmed cases are among the 5-19 years category.
- The under 5 years age group make 465 (2.1%) of the total cases whereas, 1137 (5.2%) are above 60 years of age.

Table 3: Number of people in mandatory quarantine facilities, 26 December 2020

Region	Newly quarantine d 24 Hrs.	Cumulative number	Number discharged	Number in quarantine now	Truck Drivers quarantined in 24 hrs.
Erongo	0	4477	4418	59	0
Hardap	2	1054	1012	42	0
Kavango	0	905	872	33	0
Khomas	0	3063	3031	32	0
//Kharas	0	3897	3640	257	0
Kunene	69	1596	1119	477	0
Ohangwena	0	575	570	5	0
Omaheke	10	2008	1843	165	0
Omusati	0	480	454	26	0
Oshana	0	378	371	7	0
Oshikoto	0	3698	3206	492	0
Otjozondjupa	0	1032	981	51	0
Zambezi	1	1188	1159	29	0
Total	82	24351	22676	1675	0

- Since March 2020, 24351 people have been placed into mandatory quarantine facilities around the country.
- A total of 1675 people are currently in quarantine, with 82 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.

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