



NAMIBIA COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT NO. 266

Outbreak Name	COVID-19 outbreak	Country affected	Namibia
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HIGHLIGHTS/SITUATION UPDATE (09/12/2020)

- A total of **15773** cases have been recorded to-date, representing **0.6%** of the population.
- More male cases **8530 (54.1%)** were recorded compared to female cases **7243 (45.9%)**.
- Of the total confirmed cases, **621 (3.9%)** Health Workers (HWs) have tested positive for COVID-19 to-date.
 - 411 (66.2%) State; 207 (33.3%) Private, 3 (0.5%) Non-Governmental Organizations.
 - 530 (85.3%) recoveries and 3 (0.5%) deaths.

TOTAL

Tested 169464

Confirmed 15773

Active 1394

Recovered 14218

Death 158

TODAY

Tested 2012

Confirmed 301

Active 1394

Recovered 23

Death 3

- The recovery rate now stands at **90.1%**.
- All fourteen (14) regions have reported confirmed cases; Khomas and Erongo regions reported the highest with **7257 (46.0%)** and **4243 (26.9%)** respectively.
- Of the total fatalities, **118 (74.7%)** are COVID-19 deaths while **40 (25.3%)** are COVID-19 related deaths.

Table 1: Distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases by region, 09 December 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	4243	165	4035	42	0	39	1	76
Hardap	777	25	745	7	0	5	0	23
//Kharas	770	185	580	5	0	4	0	21
Kavango East	231	20	208	3	0	2	0	24
Kavango West	8	0	7	1	0	1	0	1
Khomas	7257	797	6382	78	2	74	0	367
Kunene	56	20	35	1	0	1	0	2
Ohangwena	235	7	225	2	0	0	1	7
Omaheke	152	6	142	4	0	3	0	4
Omusati	89	9	79	1	0	0	0	6
Oshana	893	59	825	9	1	8	0	45
Oshikoto	473	16	456	0	0	0	1	11
Otjozondjupa	505	83	417	5	0	4	0	20
Zambezi	84	2	82	0	0	0	0	14
Total	15773	1394	14218	158	3	141	3	621

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Table 2: Number of people in mandatory quarantine facilities, 09 December 2020

Region	Newly quarantined 24 Hrs.	Cumulative number	Number discharged	Number in quarantine now	Truck Drivers quarantined in 24 hrs.
Erongo	55	4329	4248	81	0
Hardap	3	957	933	24	0
Kavango	19	834	815	19	0
Khomas	0	2940	2930	10	0
//Karas	0	2928	2914	14	0
Kunene	3	955	847	108	0
Ohangwena	0	573	569	4	0
Omaheke	0	1761	1731	30	0
Omusati	3	435	426	9	0
Oshana	0	365	365	0	0
Oshikoto	0	3015	2649	366	0
Otjozondjupa	1	981	980	1	0
Zambezi	2	1089	1073	16	0
Total	86	21162	20480	682	0

➤ Since March 2020, **21162** people have been placed into mandatory quarantine facilities around the country.

➤ A total of **682** people are currently in quarantine, with **86** new admissions in the last 24 hours.

➤ A highest peak of **2123 (13.5%)** cases was recorded during week 34 (Figure 1).

➤ The National Call center continues operation for 24 hours daily.

Today (09/12/2020) **921** calls were answered including **102** alerts.

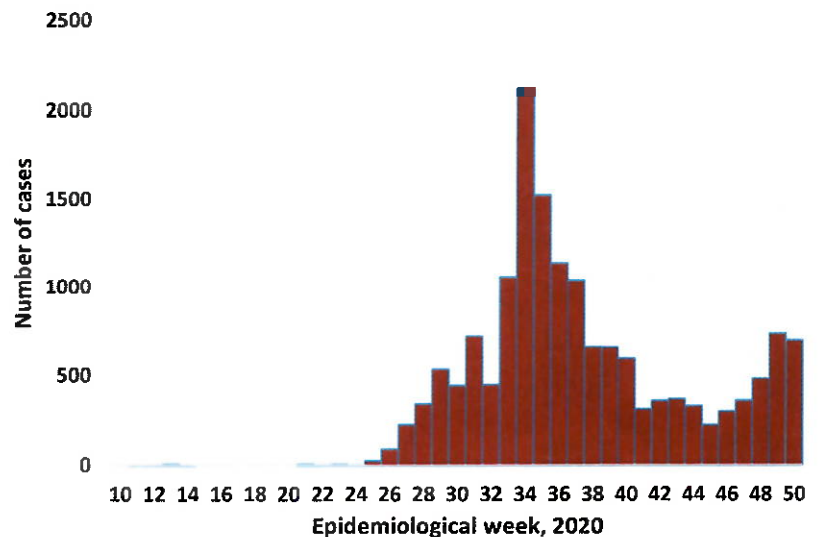


Figure 1: Epi-curve for confirmed COVID-19 cases, As of 09 December 2020

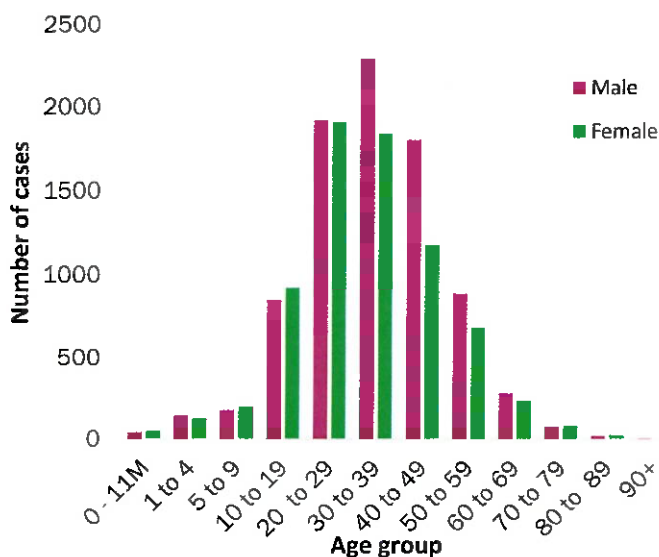


Figure 2: Age and Sex distribution of COVID-19 confirmed cases, as of 09 December 2020

➤ Of the total confirmed cases, **10938 (69.3%)** are in the 20-49 years age-brackets which constitutes the majority of the recorded cases.

➤ A total of **2158 (13.7%)** of the confirmed cases are among the 5-19 years category.

➤ The under 5 years age group make up **367 (2.3%)** of the total cases whereas, **737 (4.8%)** are above 60 years of age.

Table 3: COVID-19 specimen recorded at the Laboratories
As of 09 December 2020

VARIABLES	TOTAL
Total samples received by the Laboratory	169582
Total samples tested	162314
Total samples re-tested	7150
Total positive results	15773
Total negative results	146489
Total samples discarded	117
Invalid results	1
Total pending results	0
Indeterminant/Inconclusive	52
Suspected cases in 24 hours (excludes re-tests)	1995

- To date, **169464** tests (including **7150** re-tests) have been conducted by NIP, Path-Care, NAMDEB, UNAM and Namib Poultry laboratories.
- Since the beginning of the outbreak, **38333** contacts of confirmed cases have been identified, **336** new contacts were identified within the last 24 hours from 11 regions.
- Cumulatively, **35356** contacts have completed their monitoring period, while a total of **4505 (28.6%)** contacts of confirmed cases have tested positive.
- Today, **3146 (97.8%)** out of **3217** active contacts were monitored.

PUBLIC HEALTH ACTION(S)

- Expanded Targeted Testing is being conducted at institutions that have confirmed positive cases.
- 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 schools, police holding cells and prisons.

RECOMMENDATIONS

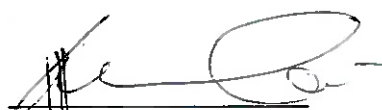
- Establish fully equipped isolation units and facilities for identified special cases throughout the country.

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