



## Ministry of Health and Social Services

### **Republic of Namibia**

NAMIBIA COVID-19 SITUATION REPORT NO. 99					
Outbreak Name	COVID-19 outbreak	Country affected	Namibia		
Date & Time of	25.06.2020	Investigation start	13 March 2020		
this report	22:15 hrs	Date			
Prepared by	Surveillance Team				

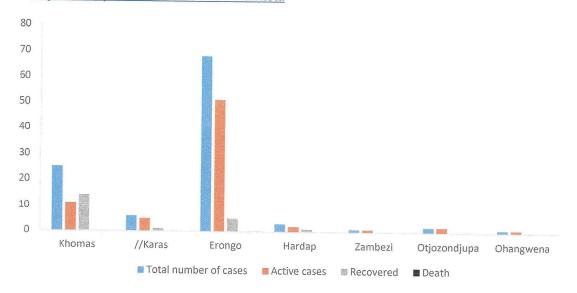
Confirmed cases	Active Cases	Recoveries	Death	
106	85 (80.2%)	21 (19.8%)	0	

### 1. HIGHLIGHTS/SITUATION UPDATE (As of 25/06/2020)

- On 22 June 2020, His Excellency, The President of the Republic of Namibia announced that the country (with exception of some Local Authority Areas in Erongo region), will migrate to stage 4 of the lockdown (effective from midnight, 29 June 2020 -17 September 2020)
- Stage 3 restrictions are mandatory to Walvis Bay, Swakopmund, and Arandis Local Authority Areas (effective from 23H59 of 22 June 2020 until 23H59 of 06 July 2020).
  - > Today (25.06.2020) 4 new cases were reported from Erongo (3) and //Kharas (1) regions.
  - ➢ In total, Namibia reported 106 COVID-19 cases with 21 recoveries.
  - > Of the 85 active cases, one (1) is still in ICU and is clinically stable.
  - > No death has been recorded, thus case fatality rate is 0%.
  - Sixty-five 65 (61.3%) cases are local transmissions while 41 (38.7%) are imported.
  - > Cumulatively, twenty (20) cases were identified during active case search.
  - Seven regions are affected, with Erongo reporting the highest number of cases; 68 (64.2%).
  - ➢ More female cases 57 (53.8%) were recorded compared to male cases 49 (46.2%).
  - Most cases (75.5%) are within the age group 20 and 49.

### 2. EPIDEMIOLOGICAL SITUATION IN NAMIBIA

Information on confirmed cases are available on Namibia's COVID-19 dashboard accessible at: <u>https://cutt.ly/Covid-19-situation-Namibia</u>



# Figure 1: Distribution of confirmed COVID-19 cases in namibia by region as of 25 June 2020

Since 14 March 2020, when the COVID-19 outbreak was declared in Namibia, a total of 106 cases have been confirmed. Seven (7) regions have so far been affected, of which Erongo region recorded the highest number of cases; 68 (64.2%) while Zambezi and Ohangwena recorded the least 1 (0.94%).

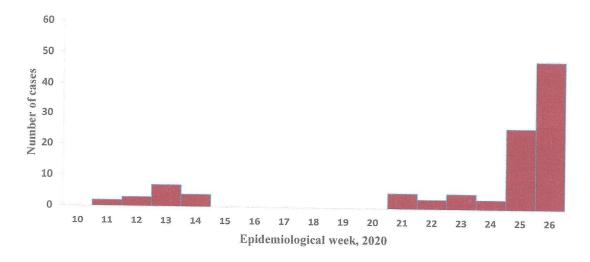
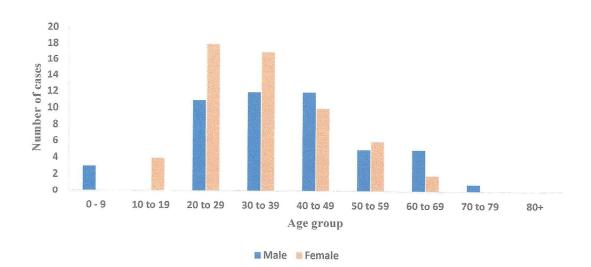


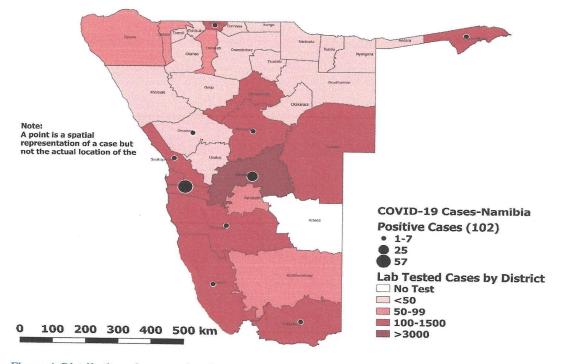
Figure 2. Epi-curve for confirmed COVID-19 cases as of 25 June 2020

Namibia recorded its cases of COVID-19 during the epidemiological weeks displayed in figure 2 above. Most;, 46 (43.4%) of the cases were recorded during week 26.



### Figure 3. Age and sex distribution of COVID-19 confirmed cases as of 25 June 2020

As presented in figure 3 above, more female cases; 57 (53.8%) were recorded; compared to male cases 49 (46.2%).





#### **3. SURVEILLANCE ACTIVITIES**

• Call centre continue operations for 24 hours every day; **1729** calls were answered at the hotline today (25.06.2020), with **20** alerts investigated.

### **3.1. CONTACT TRACING SUMMARY**

Variables	High	Medium	Low	Total	
Total Number of contacts listed for follow up (potential)	337	200	454	991	
Total Number of contacts identified (cumulative)	337	200	420	957	
Total number of Contacts never reached	0	0	34	34	
Total Number of contacts lost to follow up	0	2	5	7	
Total Number of contacts that developed signs & symptoms	38	8	12	58	
Total Number of contacts that tested positive (became cases)	10	4	1	15	
Number of active contacts monitored/followed in the last 24hrs	52	47	27	126	
Total number of Contacts completed 14-days follow up	197	104	301	602	

#### Table 1: National contacts tracing summary for COVID-19 as of 25 June 2020

As of 25 June 2020, a total of 957 contacts of confirmed cases have been identified. A total of 602 contacts have completed their 14 days of follow up, and 126 active contacts were monitored today (Table 1).

Region	Quarantined 24 hours	Cumulative # of people	Number people discharged	Number of people in quarantine now
Kunene	26	82	53	29
Omaheke	0	109	94	15
Kavango	3	89	71	18
Omusati	1	114	100	14
Oshana	2	88	24	64
Ohangwena	9	266	197	69
Hardap	3	208	165	43
Otjozondjupa	4	412	330	82
Khomas	9	1125	884	241
Zambezi	2	408	357	51
//Kharas	8	457	351	106
Erongo	1	287	204	83
Oshikoto	2	68	50	18
Total	70	3713	2880	833

Table 2: Number of people in mandatory quarantine facilities as of 25 June 2020

As of 25 June 2020, a total of **3713** persons have been placed into supervised quarantine facilities around the country. Of the total, **2880** have been discharged and **833** are currently quarantined (**Table 2**).

### **3.2. LABORATORY INVESTIGATIONS**

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Variables	LaboratoryNIPPath careSouth Africa			Total		
Total sample received by the Laboratory	6906	1371	-	8277		
Total sample tested	6104	1325	-	7429		
Total sample re-tested	692	38	-	730		
Total positive results	95	10	1	106		
Total negative results	2679	1315	-	3994		
Total sample discarded	68	8	-	76		
Invalid results	0	0		0		
Total pending results	42	0	-	42		
Total new suspected cases in last 24 hours	91	22	-	113		

Table 3: COVID-19 specimens recorded at NIP and Path care Laboratories as of 25 June 2020

As of 25 June 2020, a total of **8159** (including **730** re-tested) COVID-19 specimens have been tested in the two laboratories (NIP and Path Care) as per Table 3 above:

#### 4. POINTS OF ENTRY

- Screening of incoming travellers and inspection of trucks at points of entry and check points are ongoing.
- Daily reporting on ground crossing transports at all designated Points of Entry is ongoing (Table 4)

Table 4. Distribution of incoming truck drivers by country of departure and destination regions on25 June 2020

Destination	Country of departure						
Destination	RSA	Zambia	Botswana	DRC	Angola	Zimbabwe	Total
//Kharas	65	0	0	0	Ő	0	65
Khomas	101	1	4	0	4	2	112
Omusati	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Oshana	4	0	0	0	3	0	7
Otjozondjupa	7	0	3	0	2	0	12
Kavango	2	0	1	0	0	0	3
Ohangwena	4	0	0	0	0	0	4
Hardap	5	0	0	0	0	0	5
Kunene	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Omaheke	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Oshikoto	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Zambezi	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Erongo	10	38	13	0	1	0	62
Total	200	40	8	0	11	2	274

• The majority 200 (73%) of the truck drivers departed from South Africa to various regions. The largest number of truck drivers were heading to Khomas 112 (40.9%).

### 5. PUBLIC HEALTH ACTION

• Targeted testing in Walvis Bay from 24 – 27 June 2020, cumulatively 936 people have been tested to-date.

#### 6. CHALLENGES:

- Inadequate isolation units at health facilities in the regions.
- Inadequate PPE
- Inadequate nasopharyngeal swabs and appropriate transport media.

### 7. RECOMMENDATIONS AND WAY FORWARD:

- 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.

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