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1. Good afternoon fellow Namibians. Today, a total number of 1 388 results were received from the laboratories. Of these, 241 samples tested positive for COVID-19. One hundred and thirty-five (135) are males and hundred and six (106) are females. The youngest is one (1) month old and the oldest is eighty (81) years old.
2. The confirmed cases are distributed as follows:

Table 1: New Covid-19 positive cases

REGIONS	NEW CASES	DISTRICTS	NEW CASES
Khomas	170	Windhoek	170
Erongo	14	Walvis Bay	11
		Swakopmund	3
Otjozondjupa	12	Okahandja	8
		Grootfontein	2
		Otjiwarongo	1
		Okakarara	1
Hardap	13	Rehoboth	7
		Mariental	6
Ohangwena	11	Eenhana	7
		Engela	4
Kavango East	9	Rundu	9
Karas	4	Keetmanshoop	4
Kunene	3	Khorixas	3
Zambezi	2	Katima Mulilo	2
Omusati	1	Outapi	1
Oshana	1	Oshakati	1
Oshikoto	1	Tsumeb	1
TOTAL	241		241

3. Since the outbreak of Covid-19 in Namibia, we have recorded cases across all age groups and gender. The higher number of cases is recorded in the age group 30-49 years with a total number of **4 088** (49%), followed by age group 10-29 years with **2 603** (31%) cases. The age group above 50 years recorded **1 257**(15%) and the least number of cases is recorded among the under-10 years with 348 (5%) cases. The youngest case recorded thus far is 1 day old and the oldest is 95 years old.

4. Of the total **8 323** confirmed cases **4 534** (54%) are males and **3 789** (46%) are females.
5. Today we are reporting **128** new recoveries. This brings the total recoveries to **3 611**.

Table 2: New recoveries per region

Region	Number
Khoma	112
Ohangwena	16
Total	128

6. The total number of active cases now stands at **4 625**. Of the active cases, twenty-one (21) cases are in severe to critically sick conditions.

Table 3: Distribution of Severity of cases per region

Region	Severe	Critical	Total
Erongo	0	5	5
Khomas	9	7	16
Total	9	12	21

7. On a sad note, today we are announcing **one (1)** death, from **Outapi district in Omusati**. This is a a 51 years old male with no known co-morbidities. He was swabbed while in Omusati region, however he consulted his General Practitioner in Ondangwa and was admitted at Onandjokwe hospital. His result came out positive while on admission. He passed away on the 3rd September 2020. This is classified as a COVID-19 death. We are reporting this case as Omusati COVID-19 death, since he was recorded as Omusati case upon diagnosis. We express our sincere condolences to the bereaved family, to the education sector and to the nation at at large.

8. **Table 4: Summary**

Cumulative confirmed cases	8 323
Newly confirmed	241
Recoveries	3 611
Active cases	4 625
Deaths	87
Total samples tested	67 287
Active contacts	8 814
Cumulative number of people quarantined	10 476
Number of quarantined people discharged	8 960
Number of people in quarantines	1 516

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