

Ministry of Health and Child Care

CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) UPDATE: 24 APRIL 2020

As of 24 April 2020, a cumulative total of 2 626 321 confirmed cases and 181 938 deaths were reported from more than 210 countries/territories globally (Source WHO Sitrep No.95).

The Ministry would like to report that today, a total of 237 tests were done as detailed in table 1 below, giving a total of 5 687 screening and diagnostic tests done to date.

Table 1. Distribution of tests done today

Province	Number of tests done
Mash. West	22
Mat. North	16
Manicaland	10
Mash. East	5
Mat. South	38
Midlands	6
Harare	93
Bulawayo	47
TOTALS	237

All the PCR tests done in Harare and Bulawayo today were negative for COVID-

Therefore, to date, Zimbabwe has twenty-eight confirmed cases, including two recoveries and four deaths.

Table 2. Number of confirmed cases to date

Province	No. of Confirmed Cases
Matabeleland North	1
Bulawayo	10
Harare	12
Mashonaland East	4
Mashonaland West	1
Total	28

The Ministry continues to be on HIGH alert to the COVID-19 pandemic and would like to remind the nation that, the most effective ways to protect yourself and others against COVID-19 are to practise good personal hygiene and exercise social distancing.

When you use a mask, cover your mouth and nose, and make sure that there are no gaps between your face and the mask. Avoid touching the mask while using it; if you do, clean your hands with alcohol-based hand rub or soap and water. If masks are not used correctly, they can be a source of infection.

For assistance, please call the COVID-19 tollfree hotline number: 2019.



COVID-19 LOCKDOWN ALERT! Stay at Home. Don't Travel.

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