

## MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND CHILD CARE

## **COVID-19 UPDATE**

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## HIGHLIGHTS OF THE SITUATION REPORT

- ✓ Seventy-seven (77) cases tested positive for COVID-19 today. These include 67 local cases and 10 returnees; South Africa (7) and Botswana (3) who are isolated.
- ✓ New recoveries were reported by Midlands Province (65) Mashonaland West Province (10), Matabeleland North Province (3) and Bulawayo Province (2).
- ✓ Today we report the results of (14) deaths which occurred from 26-31 July 2020 in the community and on admission to Casualty departments at Parirenyatwa Group of hospitals and other hospitals after investigations and post mortems were done. These include 11 males and 3 females from Harare, Mashonaland West, Manicaland and Bulawayo provinces and had respiratory symptoms compatible with COVID-19 and PCR test came out positive for COVID-19.
- ✓ Today 135 RDT screening tests and 1 001 PCR diagnostic tests were done. The cumulative number of tests done to date is 131 035 (70 903 RDT and 60 132 PCR).
- ✓ Since the onset of the COVID-19 outbreak on 20 March 2020, the total number of confirmed cases is 3 169; recovered 1004, active cases 2 098 and 67 deaths.









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Tests Do	ne
Today	

Number	of	Conf	irmed			
Cases						

Number Number of

Death due to COVID-19

	Today				Recovered	<b>Active Cases</b>	
Province	PCR	Cum (New)	Local(New)	Import(New)	Cum (New)		Cum (New)
Bulawayo	173	847 (42)	798 (42)	49 (0)	437 (2)	392	18 (1)
Harare	558	1075 (0)	790 (0)	285 (0)	76 (0)	968	31 (10)
Manicaland	184	131 (7)	65(4)	66 (3)	44 (0)	81	6 (1)
Mash Cent	0	32 (0)	17 (0)	15 (0)	10 (0)	21	1 (0)
Mash East	0	160 (3)	108 (0)	52 (3)	99 (0)	60	1 (0)
Mash West	0	93 (1)	34 (0)	59 (1)	12 (10)	78	3 (2)
Midlands	9	295 (17)	188 (17)	107(0)	150 (65)	141	4 (0)
Masvingo	11	93 (4)	18 (4)	75 (0)	75 (0)	18	0 (0)
Mat North	60	50 (3)	16 (0)	34 (3)	25 (3)	23	2 (0)
Mat South	6	393 (0)	75 (0)	318 (0)	76 (0)	316	1 (0)
Total	1001	3169 (77)	2109 (67)	1060 (10)	1004(80)	2098	67 (14)

Midlands, Mashonaland West and Mashonaland East provinces received positive results from NMRL and Lancet.

Definition of a death due to COVID-19 for surveillance purposes is a death resulting from a clinically compatible illness, in a probable or confirmed COVID-19 case, unless there is a clear alternative cause of death that cannot be related to COVID disease (e.g. trauma, Diabetes, Asthma, Hypertension...etc.). There should be no period of complete recovery from COVID-19 between illness and death. A death due to COVID-19 may not be attributed to another disease (e.g. cancer) and should be counted independently of pre-existing conditions that are suspected of triggering a severe course of COVID-19.

