



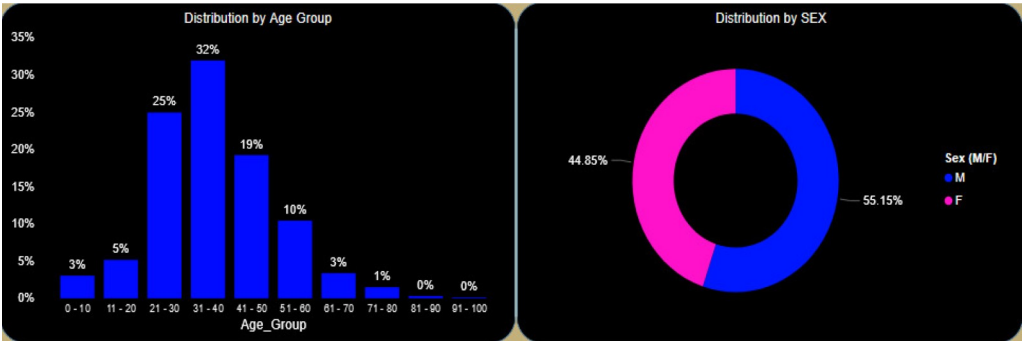
Figures on COVID-19 in Zimbabwe, 27 November. Source MOHCC

**9,714**  
Positive Cases

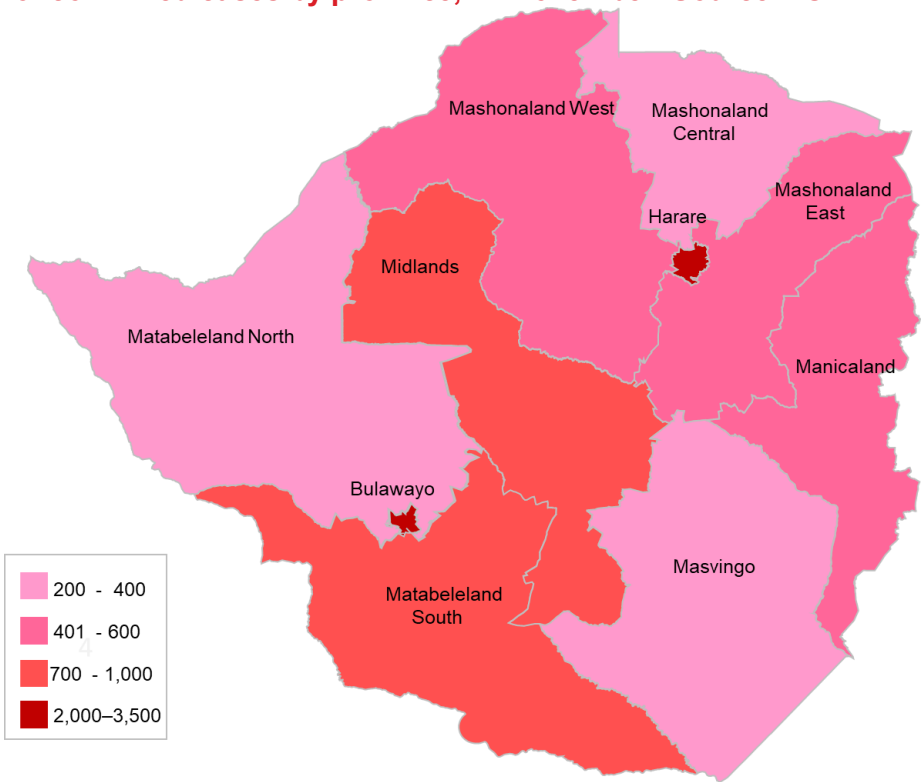
**8,470**  
Recoveries

**275**  
Deaths

Cases distribution by age group and sex, 27 November. Source MOHCC

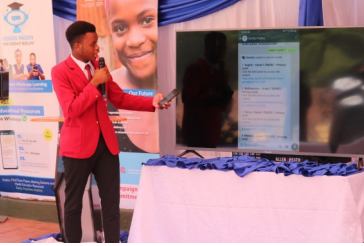


# of confirmed cases by province, 27 November. Source MOHCC



Province	Number of cases
Bulawayo	2,196
Harare	3,363
Manicaland	562
Mash Central	238
Mash East	465
Mash West	488
Midlands	765
Masvingo	311
Mat North	358
Mat South	968
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,714</b>

## WhatsApp based educational application facilitates remote learning



The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) in partnership with the Ministry of Primary and Secondary Education and the Zimbabwe Schools Examination Council (ZIMSEC) launched a WhatsApp-based educational application, Dzidzo Paden|Imfundwe'ndlini, on 23 November 2020 in Harare to promote remote learning and access to academic resources.

The Dzidzo paden|Imfundwe'ndlini chatbot distributes curriculum-aligned academic resources (notes, past exam papers and marking schemes) for Grade 7s, Form 4s and Upper 6s. In addition to academic materials, the App also creates awareness among teachers and learners on the importance of health and hygiene, and on COVID-19 prevention through age-appropriate information about coronavirus and other infectious diseases.

Work is underway to develop academic content for all grades and forms. The App was created in partnership with 18-year-old Trueman Hama who came up with the idea. Trueman is a Lower 6 student at St Georges College in Harare studying Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry and English Language. He is an alumnus of the STAR Leadership Academy. To start using the App, simply add the number 0787 064 484 to your contacts and send "Hi" to that number on WhatsApp then follow the steps given.

## New emergency cash transfer programme to vulnerable populations



UNICEF in collaboration with the Ministry of Public Service, Labour and Social Welfare and GOAL Zimbabwe has rolled out the Emergency Social Cash Transfer Program (ESCT) to reduce food insecurity, improve dietary diversity, and maternal and child health outcomes of vulnerable households, whose situation has further deteriorated as a result of COVID-19.

The programme is primarily focused on households headed by the elderly (65 years and above), those with pregnant women or with children under the age of 2 years, persons living with disability and child headed

households.

The programme initially targeted over 8,000 households (more than 34,000 individuals) in Gutu-Mupandawana in Masvingo province and Highfields in Harare province. The programme is funded through the generous support of the Government of Germany (KfW) and the Government of Sweden (SIDA).

## Mask-up awareness campaign for COVID-19 prevention



This week, the World Health Organization (WHO) in support of the Ministry of Health and Child Care (MoHCC) with Zimbabwe Republic Police (ZRP) conducted mobile community campaign in Harare, Chitungwiza and Epworth to increase awareness on the importance of wearing face masks.

Meanwhile, WHO supported MoHCC train health care workers from the different provinces on maternal and perinatal deaths review and surveillance. The training equipped health care workers with right information on offering quality maternal health services to reduce maternal deaths in the country.

## Advancing public health awareness for joint action, personal responsibility



With Swedish support, the International Organization of Migration (IOM) has expanded public health and COVID-19 prevention campaigns to Nyamapanda, Mutare, Chimanmani, Chipinge, Bulawayo, Plumtree, Tsholotsho, Lupane, Gwanda and Masvingo.

The campaign which has so far reached over 10 000 people targets high migrant sending communities

Communities are educated through the roadshows and the distribution of information, education and communication materials to make good health choices for themselves and others around them. The COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted the importance of joint action and personal responsibility.



**TOGETHER WE CAN STOP COVID-19**