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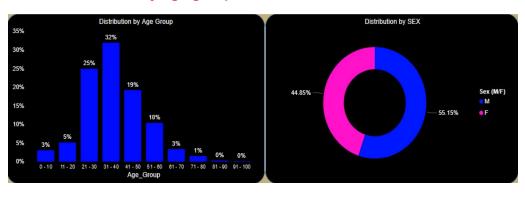
Figures on COVID-19 in Zimbabwe, 04 December. Source MOHCC

10,547
Positive Cases

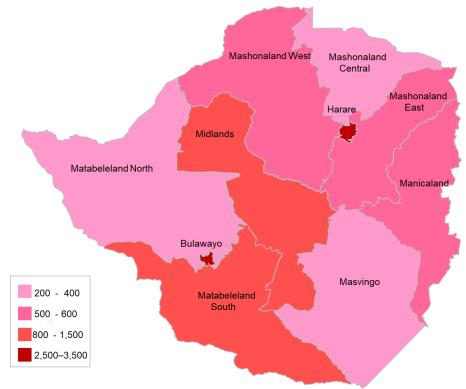
8,802
Recoveries

280 Deaths

Cases distribution by age group and sex, 04 December. Source MOHCC



of confirmed cases by province, 04 December. Source MOHCC



Province	Number of cases
Bulawayo	2,516
Harare	3,483
Manicaland	597
Mash Central	249
Mash East	551
Mash West	507
Midlands	882
Masvingo	325
Mat North	368
Mat South	1,069
Total	10,547

Joining hands to fight malnutrition, reduce impact of COVID-19



This week, Princess Sarah Zeid, of Jordan, WFP Special Advisor on Mother and Child Health and Nutrition, visited Zimbabwe to witness WFP's interventions in the country.

During her stay, the Princess visited a WFP urban programme site in Sakubva, a community nutrition garden in Majerejere and Mount Darwin Hospital, where WFP has been providing high-nutrient food assistance to expectant mothers at a Maternity Waiting Home.

The programme is funded by the Government of Japan and UNICEF supports the screening and treatment of children for malnutrition through the Health Development Fund and the UN Central Emergency Relief Fund (CERF).

To date, 1,338 expectant mothers have received nutritional support, while accessing basic emergency obstetric and newborn care services at the home. The programme aims to increase the number of women in rural areas receiving these health services during their pregnancy and delivery, and to ensure they consume a proper, nutritious diet in order to reduce maternal and neonatal mortality.

To date, over 11,300 severely malnourished children received lifesaving treatment supported by UNICEF through collaboration with WFP who support malnutrition screening at food distribution points across the country.

COVID-19 is undermining nutrition in Zimbabwe - particularly children, pregnant and breastfeeding mothers and people living with HIV/TB. Getting nutrition right today in Zimbabwe will determine whether the consequences of COVID-19 for children will be felt for years or even decades to come.



A call for global solidarity, shared responsibility to combat HIV and COVID19

On World AIDS Day 2020, the United Nations called for global solidarity and shared responsibility in the fight against COVID-19 and HIV and AIDS.

Meanwhile, as part of a series of activities on World AIDS Day, Pan African Positive Women Coalition (PAPWC) with support from WHO, held a training on elimination of motherto-child transmission (EMTCT) on the 2 December 2020.

The training was attended by women and men living with HIV from across the country. The trainings facilitated for men to participate fully in EMTCT including during pregnancy and delivery of their partners, sensitize women living with HIV and their partners on the new WHO/MOHCC guidance on Viral Load testing at delivery and foster community solidarity among women's rights and gender equality advocates within and across countries on the EMTCT.

The main things I learnt today was once you plan and start taking your ARVs on time, you stand a better chance of having a child who is negative. Most importantly, I realized I am not alone and I was reminded of how we now have the ability to have our children without fearing infecting them with HIV," says a 35-year-old mother from Chitungwiza.

Reimagining a post COVID-19 Society



The COVID-19 pandemic has forever changed the way people work, learn, communicate and transact - with many moving online to sustain an income and keep the economy running.

Building a better post-COVID world requires imagining the unthinkable says Shamiso Ruzvidzo, Head of Exploration, UNDP Zimbabwe Accelerator Lab.

UNDP Zimbabwe Accelerator Lab is currently running a

digital campaign 'Reimagining a post COVID-19 Society' focused on engaging with citizens online, learning about the impact of COVID-19 on people's daily lives and raising awareness about the pandemic through creative art.

The UNDP Zimbabwe Accelerator Lab 'Reimaging a post COVID-19 Society' digital campaign is being conducted in two phases: Phase 1 which ran until end of November 2020 focused on obtaining citizen views of how they have been impacted by the pandemic.

The ongoing Phase 2 is focused on raising awareness about the pandemic and visualizing the 'new normal' through a digital fashion campaign with Zimbabwean Creatives.









