



## COVID-19 WEEKLY UPDATE

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| Location                 | Zimbabwe  |
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### Summary Statistic

The country's current summarized statistics since the onset of the Pandemic in March 2020 to date have been summarized below:

#### ***TOTAL STATISTICS***

|                                 |               |
|---------------------------------|---------------|
| <i>NUMBER OF RECORDED CASES</i> | <b>14,491</b> |
| <i>RECORDED DEATHS</i>          | <b>377</b>    |
| <i>RECOVERED CASES</i>          | <b>11,363</b> |
| <i>CURRENT ACTIVE CASES</i>     | <b>2,751</b>  |

Table 1

## ACTIVE CASE CURRENT SITUATION & DISTRIBUTION

### Distribution of Active Cases as of 02-January-2021

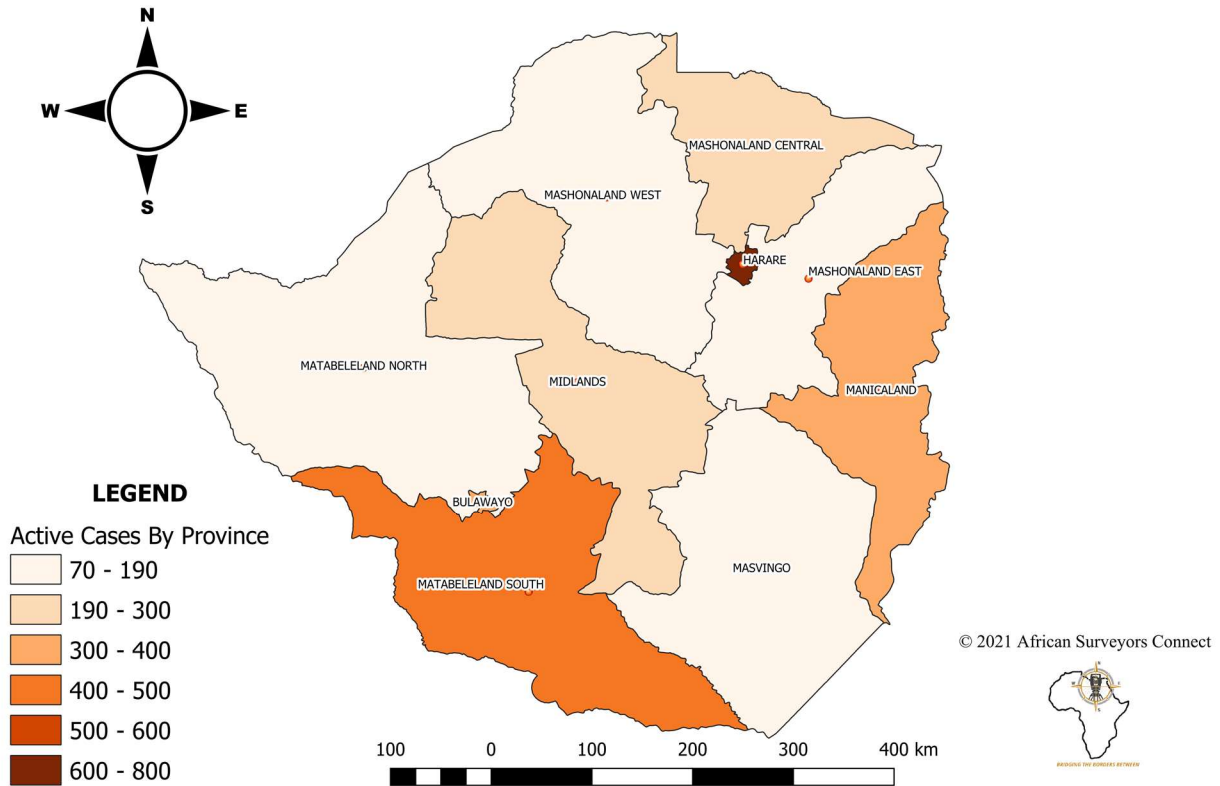


Figure 1

As can be seen in Figure 1, Harare currently has the highest record of COVID-19 patients who are still active, standing at 742. Matabeleland South and Manicaland Provinces come in second and third respectively.

Matabeleland North, Masvingo, Mashonaland East and Mashonaland West Provinces have less than 190 patients each who are currently still active.

Matabeleland North has the lowest number of active patients standing at 79 patients.

## COVID-19 RELATED DEATHS BY PROVINCE

### COVID-19 CUMULATIVE DEATHS AS OF 02-JAN-2021

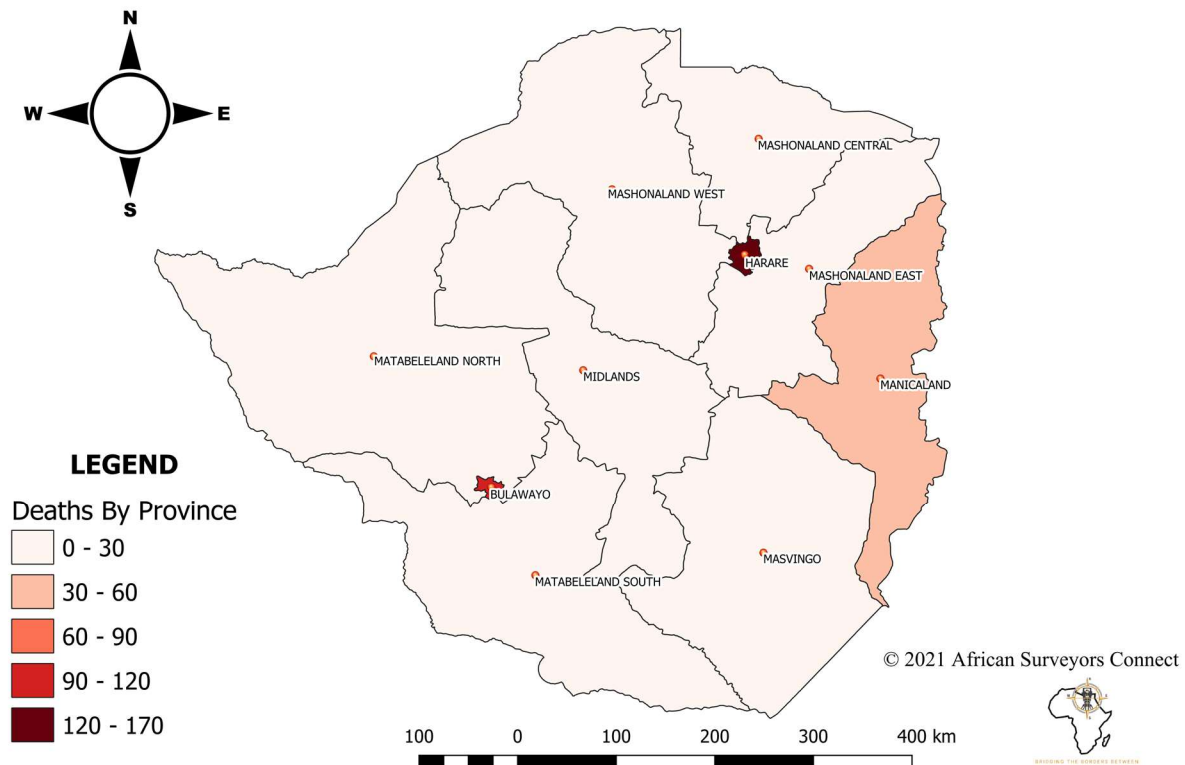


Figure 2

Harare being the Province with the most number of recorded cases and active cases has also recorded the most COVID-19 related deaths within the country standing at a total of 164.

Bulawayo and Manicaland Provinces are also trailing behind as seen in Figure 2 with the other remaining Provinces having recorded deaths less than 30 since the onset of the pandemic in Zimbabwe in March 2020.

## 7 DAY TIMELINE CASES AND DEATHS COMPARISON

Table 2 below gives a comparison of COVID-19 data on 27-January-2020 and data on 2-January-2021.

| <i>7-Day Cumulative Case Comparison between 27-December 2020 &amp; 2-January 2021</i> |  |                                      |
|---|--|--------------------------------------|
| Province  | Number of Cumulative Recorded Cases    | Number of Cumulative Recorded Deaths |
| Bulawayo  | (1) 3275<br>(2) 3520<br>$\Delta = 245$ | (1) 93<br>(2) 97<br>$\Delta = 4$     |
| Harare  | (1) 3782<br>(2) 4060<br>$\Delta = 278$ | (1) 155<br>(2) 164<br>$\Delta = 9$   |
| Manicaland  | (1) 835<br>(2) 1053<br>$\Delta = 218$  | (1) 37<br>(2) 40<br>$\Delta = 3$     |
| Mash Central  | (1) 332<br>(2) 511<br>$\Delta = 179$   | (1) 5<br>(2) 6<br>$\Delta = 1$       |
| Mash East   | (1) 655<br>(2) 745<br>$\Delta = 90$    | (1) 11<br>(2) 14<br>$\Delta = 3$     |
| Mash West   | (1) 690<br>(2) 731<br>$\Delta = 41$    | (1) 14<br>(2) 14<br>NO CHANGE        |
| Midlands  | (1) 1034<br>(2) 1126<br>$\Delta = 92$  | (1) 10<br>(2) 11<br>$\Delta = 1$     |
| Masvingo  | (1) 568<br>(2) 704<br>$\Delta = 136$   | (1) 11<br>(2) 16<br>$\Delta = 5$     |
| Mat North   | (1) 527<br>(2) 570<br>$\Delta = 43$    | (1) 3<br>(2) 3<br>NO CHANGE          |

|   |                                       |                                  |
|---|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| <b>Mat South</b>  | (1) 1379<br>(2) 1471<br>$\Delta = 92$ | (1) 10<br>(2) 12<br>$\Delta = 2$ |
| <b><u>TOTAL CHANGE</u></b>  | <b><u>1,414</u></b>                   | <b><u>28</u></b>                 |
| <b>KEY:</b><br>(1) are records as of 27-December-2020<br>(2) are records as of 2-January-2021<br>$\Delta = \{value\}$ represents the change in the number of cases recorded<br>$\Delta = \{value\}$ represents the change in the number of deaths |                                       |                                  |

Table 2

As can be seen in Table 2 above, Harare and Bulawayo Provinces have recorded quite a big change in the number of new recorded cases between the 27<sup>th</sup> day of December 2020 and the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of January 2021.

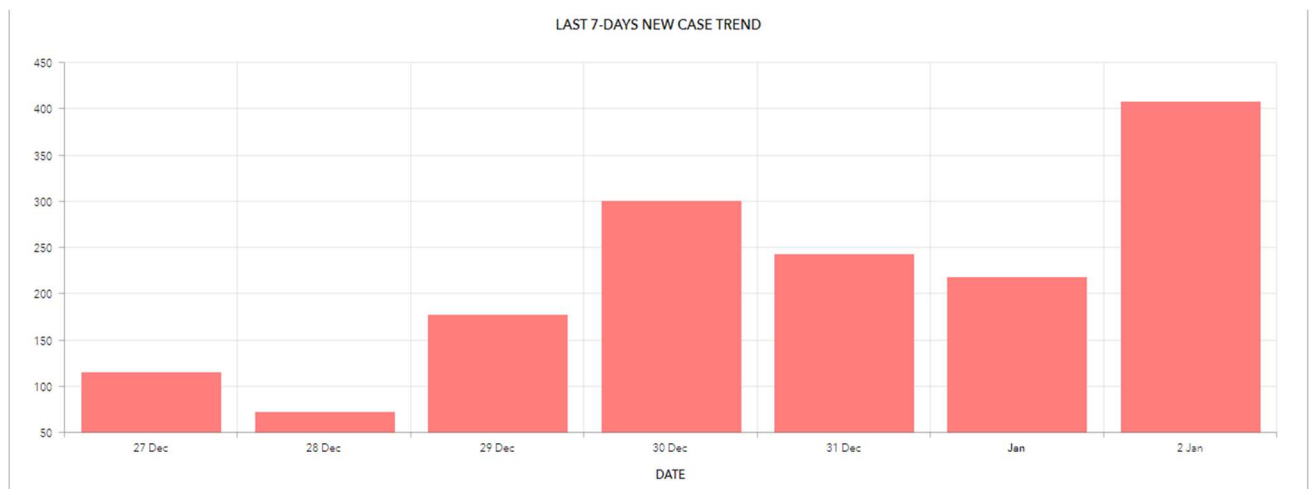
*Assumption: The large increase in the number of COVID-19 cases in Manicaland could have been as a result of evacuation within the past week due to the forecasted **Cyclone Chalane** which has soon passed without causing much of the anticipated damage.*

Harare Province has also recorded a large increase in the number of COVID-19 related deaths within the past 7 days with a total of 9 new deaths. Matebeleland North and Mashonaland West Provinces remain with a fixed number of deaths that has not increased in the last 7 days.

The total number of new cases recorded within the last 7-day period amounts to **1,414** and the total number of new deaths recorded has amounted to **28** within the last 7 day.

The number of new cases within the last 7-days per day can be seen in Figure 3 below.

### DAILY NEW CASES (within the last 7-Days)



*Figure 3*

As can be seen in the diagram above, the number of COVID-19 daily infections recorded are increasing each and every day.

The number of daily infections has risen from below 130 at the start of the period to above 400 at the end of this updates period which is a clear indication of daily infections increasing or maintaining a daily average of at least 300 or more new cases in the next few days.

## CUMULATIVE TREND

The graph below displays the cumulative trends in new recorded cases, deaths and recoveries.

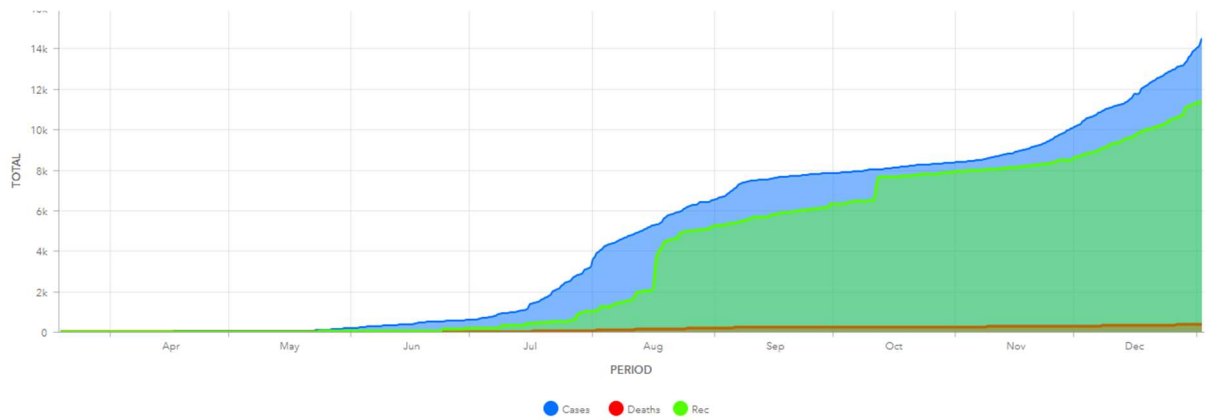


Figure 4

Figure 4 can visually report a certain trend in the new cases trend which has been noted as:

- A sharp increase was noticed mid-July which lasted up until early September.
- New cases maintained a steady increase between early September and late November before
- Another sharp increase which started late November and keeps getting more and more stepper as the days progress to date.

Figure 4 can also report that:

- Recoveries have been increasing gradually from the onset of the pandemic
- Quite a number of recoveries have been experiences from mid-August up to date with
- August and October having recorded the highest number of COVID-19 recovered patients.

The number of new cases and new recoveries on a monthly basis having maintaining an almost equal gradient since mid-November to date.

## CURRENT RATES STANDINGS

Table 3 below gives a short summary of the COVID-19 average rates since the onset of the pandemic.

|                       | <i>Average Per Day</i> | <i>Average Per Month</i> |
|-----------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|
| <i>New Cases</i>      | 202                    | 1,207                    |
| <i>New Deaths</i>     | 4                      | 31                       |
| <i>New Recoveries</i> | 110                    | 946                      |

*Table 3*

The current rates given in Table 3 above are based on the daily changes in COVID-19 records and the total number of the recorded cases in each category stated within.

*Please take note that the rates currently produced are an average of the situation in Zimbabwe.*

## Conclusion

Zimbabwe being one of the countries in the world that have been affected by the Coronavirus is now going through and experiencing a second wave of the virus which has been the main cause of the increase in both the number of cases and deaths recorded on a daily basis.

Stiffer lockdown measures have since been introduced on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of January 2021 to help curb, avoid and control the spread of this virus.

Members of the public are being advised to stay safe by observing the lockdown protocols put in place by the Government of Zimbabwe. Always remember to:

- Practice social distancing



- Sanitizing hands all the time
- Wear a mask whenever you are in public
- Avoid unnecessary movement and crowds (only travel when necessary)
- Seek medical attention when you suspect that you might have been exposed to the virus or know someone who might have been exposed
- Self-isolate yourself from others if you have been infected.

#### IN-CASE OF EMERGENCY

Call Toll-Free number that has been dedicated to fight COVID-19 in Zimbabwe

**2-0-2-3**

We will soon overcome this virus. Stay safe and stay aware

#### **Our Online Platforms**

Users, viewers and members of the public can also get to view and see live presentations of the current COVID-19 situation in Zimbabwe over our [website](#).

The URL to our platform is: <https://covid19.africansurveyors.net/>

## ABOUT DATA

The statistical data compiled in this report is based on the daily COVID-19 report compiled and published by the Ministry of Health & Child Care through their [twitter](#) platform.

We have also kept an online [repository](#) of COVID-19 data which is updated on a daily basis the next morning after every publication.

The data can be found using the following link:

<https://github.com/African-Surveyors-Connect/Zimbabwe-COVID-19-Data>

Anyone is free to use the data for research and dissemination purposes after agreeing to the terms of usage which are stated in the README file within the online GitHub repository.

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