



NJMPF Lockdown Update

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THE SECOND WAVE

The festive season is upon us - even though this is the season to be jolly, we are still at war with the covid-19 virus. As the lockdown restrictions eased, a lot of people decreased their efforts to adhere to safety precautions set by government, we stopped ensuring that we protect ourselves and those around us. As a result, South Africa is now experiencing a second wave of Covid-19 infections. The KZN MEC warns that, "if the people of KwaZulu-Natal do not change their attitudes, the province is at risk of being slapped with tough new covid-19 restrictions that are similar or more stringent than those imposed in the Nelson Mandela Bay Municipality".

As we wrap up the year that will go down in the history books as the year like no other, let us remember to wear our masks, maintain social distancing and frequently sanitise. Let us at all times protect ourselves and those around us - not forgetting all those that we have lost due to the novel corona virus. When planning trips with family and friends this December and January, please be mindful of the four high risk provinces, namely; Western Cape, Eastern Cape, KwaZulu-Natal and Gauteng as they are key drivers of the second wave.

Majority of new cases today are from WC (30%) followed by EC (24%) then KZN which accounted for 23%; and GP accounted for 17%. The Free State, Limpopo, Mpumalanga and North West each accounted for 1% of new cases respectively while Northern Cape accounted for less than 1%.

Province	Total cases for 21 December 2020	Percentage total
Eastern Cape	159767	17,2
Free State	60536	6,5
Gauteng	258202	17,2
KwaZulu-Natal	160261	2,2
Limpopo	20354	3,6
Mpumalanga	33335	3,9
North West	36801	4,0
Northern Cape	24250	2,6
Western Cape	177205	19,0
Total	930711	100,0



It is also important to note that the positivity rate is 18% - well above the ideal 10% that the Ministerial Advisory Committee (MAC) on covid-19 recommends.

We urge you all to stay safe and continue to adhere to the Covid-19 regulations.

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Festive season restrictions to contain the second wave

South Africa has entered a second wave of infections. To contain the resurgence of the virus, the following **extra measures will be in place** from **15 December 2020**:

GATHERINGS

- Gatherings - including religious gatherings - **may not exceed 50% of venue capacity**, up to a maximum of 100 people indoors and 250 outdoors
- **Health protocols must be observed at gatherings**, including maintaining a distance of at least 1.5 metres between people
- **All post-funeral gatherings are prohibited**

Additional restrictions apply during the festive season | South Africa remains at Level 1