

Media Release: Update on the coronavirus by Premier Alan Winde 29 June 2020

As of 1pm on 29 June, the Western Cape has 16 550 active cases of COVID-19, with a total of 61 445 confirmed cases and 43120 recoveries.

Total confirmed COVID-19 cases	61 445
Total recoveries	43120
Total deaths	1775
Total active cases (currently infected patients)	16550
Tests conducted	300 251
Hospitalisations	1787 with 318 in ICU or high care

Sub Districts Cape Town Metro:

Sub-district	Cases	Recoveries
Western	5212	3915
Southern	5449	4074
Northern	3782	2858
Tygerberg	7946	6080
Eastern	5340	3939
Klipfontein	6139	4632
Mitchells Plain	5265	3928
Khayelitsha	6518	5208
Total	44748	34451

Sub-districts:

District	Sub-district	Cases	Recoveries
Garden Route	Bitou	68	18
Garden Route	Knysna	155	89
Garden Route	George	541	169
Garden Route	Hessequa	24	17
Garden Route	Kannaland	5	3
Garden Route	Mossel Bay	199	71

Garden Route	Oudsthoorn	68	24
Cape Winelands	Stellenbosch	1002	612
Cape Winelands	Drakenstein	2501	1713
Cape Winelands	Breede Valley	1494	830
Cape Winelands	Langeberg	434	182
Cape Winelands	Witzenberg	638	440
Overberg	Overstrand	592	272
Overberg	Cape Agulhas	50	27
Overberg	Swellendam	49	24
Overberg	Theewaterskloof	412	223
West Coast	Bergrivier	191	146
West Coast	Cederberg	39	13
West Coast	Matzikama	58	25
West Coast	Saldanha Bay Municipality	613	328
West Coast	Swartland	531	329
Central Karoo	Beaufort West	24	2

Unallocated: 5900 (2847 recoveries)

Data note: As the province moves closer to the peak and the Department of Health is recording over 1000 new cases daily, it is not possible to check and verify that the address data supplied for each new case is correct, within the time frames required to provide regular and timely updates. This means that in some instances, cases could be allocated to the wrong sub-districts. We are working with the sub-districts to clean and verify the data and where errors are picked up locally, cases will be re-allocated to the correct areas.

More data is available here: <https://coronavirus.westerncape.gov.za/covid-19-dashboard>

The Western Cape has recorded an additional 38 deaths, bringing the total number of COVID-19 related deaths in the province to 1775 . We send our condolences to their loved ones at this time.

Temporary hospital update:

The Western Cape has, as part of its COVID-19 preparedness strategy, built temporary hospitals which will increase the number of hospital beds available in the province.

Work is well-underway at the Brackengate temporary hospital, and the 330 bed temporary hospital is on track to receive its first patients on 10 July (see photo attached).

Much like the CTICC hospital, this site will provide intermediate hospital care to patients, and has been designed with infection prevention in mind- with a state of the art waste management facility in place to destroy infectious waste.

We have invited national Health Minister Zweli Mkhize to visit the Western Cape again on Wednesday and will be showcasing the facility to him before the hospital becomes fully functional.

Work on the Sonstraal facility in the Cape Winelands is also underway with the first phase, creating an additional 63 beds, set to start accepting patients in the first week of July.

These are in addition to two already completed and functional facilities- the Hospital of Hope at the CTICC and the Thusong hospital in Khayelitsha, operated by Medicins sans Frontiers, in partnership with the provincial government.

Breaking Barriers Community Outreach in Athlone

Today I had the opportunity to visit the Breaking Barriers Community Outreach centre in Athlone. This centre provides an amazing resource to the surrounding community, relying mostly on donations to do the work that they do. They offer sewing and welding skills training for young people, and every day, prepare massive pots of soup that feed thousands of people in the community.

I was also able to meet some of the young people who are not only learning at the outreach, but also volunteering, helping to prepare meals and giving back.

This organisation has been operational in Athlone for a number of years, but as COVID-19 has exacerbated the need for humanitarian aid, is now playing an important role helping the people in their community.