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Media Statement

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As of today, the cumulative number of detected COVID-19 cases is **721 770** with 2 056 new cases identified since the last report.

Province	Total cases for 29 October 2020	Percentage total
Eastern Cape	95559	13,2
Free State	56545	7,8
Gauteng	228128	31,6
KwaZulu-Natal	122807	17,0
Limpopo	17439	2,4
Mpumalanga	29652	4,1
North West	33097	4,6
Northern Cape	21691	3,0
Western Cape	116852	16,2
Unknown	0	0,0
Total	721770	100,0

The cumulative number of tests conducted to date is **4 777 609** with 25 013 new tests conducted since the last report.

Sector	Total tested		New tested	
PRIVATE	2 743 935	57%	15 921	64%
PUBLIC	2 033 674	43%	9 092	36%
Total	4 777 609		25 013	

Total Deaths and Recoveries

Regrettably, we report **53** COVID-19 related deaths today: 37 from Eastern Cape, 4 from Gauteng, 5 from the Free State, 5 from KwaZulu Natal, and 2 from Mpumalanga. This brings the total number of COVID-19 related deaths to **19 164**. Of the 53 deaths reported today, **15** were reported to have occurred in the past 24-48 hours: 3 from the Free State, 7 from Eastern Cape, 4 from Gauteng and 1 from KwaZulu-Natal

We extend our condolences to the loved ones of the departed and thank the health-care workers that treated the deceased patients.

Our recoveries now stand at **649 935** which translates to a recovery rate of 90%

Province	Total Deaths	Total Recoveries	Active Cases
Eastern Cape	3625	89158	2776
Free State	1498	41290	13757
Gauteng	4717	207316	16095
KwaZulu-Natal	3214	112772	6821
Limpopo	458	16218	763
Mpumalanga	603	28324	725
North West	434	28841	3822
Northern Cape	262	17815	3614
Western Cape	4353	108201	4298
National	19164	649935	52671

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