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Media Statement

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As of today, the cumulative number of detected COVID-19 cases is **693 359** with 888 new cases identified since the last report.

Province	Total cases for 12 October 2020	Percentage total
Eastern Cape	90977	13,1
Free State	51078	7,4
Gauteng	223169	32,2
KwaZulu-Natal	120477	17,4
Limpopo	16346	2,4
Mpumalanga	28211	4,1
North West	30897	4,5
Northern Cape	19172	2,8
Western Cape	113032	16,3
Unknown	0	0,0
Total	693359	100,0

The cumulative number of tests conducted to date is **4 418 418** with 10 977 new tests conducted since the last report.

Sector	Total tested		New tested	
PRIVATE	2 516 739	57%	6 434	59%
PUBLIC	1 901 679	43%	4 543	41%
Total	4 418 418		10 977	

Total Deaths and Recoveries

Regrettably, we report **83** more COVID-19 related deaths: 17 from Eastern Cape, 43 from the Free State, 2 from KwaZulu Natal, 11 from Gauteng, 3 in North West and 7 from Western Cape. This brings the total number of COVID-19 related deaths to **17 863**. Of the 83 deaths reported today, **8** occurred in the past 24-48 hours: 1 in the Free State, 2 in Gauteng and 5 in the Western Cape.

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 **624 659** which translates to a recovery rate of 90%

Province	Total Deaths	Total Recoveries	Active Cases
Eastern Cape	3300	86400	1277
Free State	1209	35537	14332
Gauteng	4461	199116	19592
KwaZulu-Natal	3006	111743	5728
Limpopo	425	15326	595
Mpumalanga	585	26996	630
North West	385	28215	2297
Northern Cape	232	16190	2750
Western Cape	4260	105136	3636
National	17863	624659	50837

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