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Media Statement

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As of today, the cumulative number of detected COVID-19 cases is **657 627** with 2 055 new cases identified.

Province	Total cases for 18 September 2020	Percentage total
Eastern Cape	87894	13,4
Free State	43375	6,6
Gauteng	216790	33,0
KwaZulu-Natal	117360	17,8
Limpopo	14557	2,2
Mpumalanga	26262	4,0
North West	27856	4,2
Northern Cape	14376	2,2
Western Cape	109157	16,6
Unknown	0	0,0
Total	657627	100,0

The cumulative number of tests conducted to date is **4 003 590** with 20 057 new tests conducted since the last report.

Sector	Total tested		New tested	
PRIVATE	2 272 838	57%	10 466	52%
PUBLIC	1 730 752	43%	9 591	48%
Total	4 003 590		20 057	

Total Deaths and Recoveries

Regrettably, we report **85** more COVID-19 related deaths: 5 from Eastern Cape 9 from KwaZulu-Natal, 62 from Gauteng, 7 from Western Cape and 2 from Northern Cape. This brings the total number of COVID-19 related deaths to **15 857**.

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 **586 844** which translates to a recovery rate of 89,2%

Province	Total Deaths	Total Recoveries	Active Cases
Eastern Cape	3063	83629	1202
Free State	838	28934	13603
Gauteng	4022	192447	20321
KwaZulu-Natal	2478	107777	7105
Limpopo	344	13572	641
Mpumalanga	496	24813	953
North West	325	23382	4149
Northern Cape	184	10640	3552
Western Cape	4107	101650	3400
National	15857	586844	54926

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