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Media Statement 28 October 2020

As of today, the cumulative number of detected COVID-19 cases is **719 714** with 1 863 new cases identified since the last report.

Province	Total cases for 28 October 2020	Percentage total
Eastern Cape	95050	13,2
Free State	56196	7,8
Gauteng	227833	31,7
KwaZulu-Natal	122624	17,0
Limpopo	17374	2,4
Mpumalanga	29553	4,1
North West	32956	4,6
Northern Cape	21560	3,0
Western Cape	116568	16,2
Unknown	0	0,0
Total	719714	100,0

The cumulative number of tests conducted to date is **4 752 596** with 25 721 new tests conducted since the last report.

Sector	Total tested		New tested	
PRIVATE	2 728 014	57%	17 342	67%
PUBLIC	2 024 582	43%	8 379	33%
Total	4 752 596		25 721	

Total Deaths and Recoveries

Regrettably, we report **58** COVID-19 related deaths today: 18 from Eastern Cape, 2 from Gauteng, 3 from the Free State, 12 from KwaZulu Natal, 7 from Limpopo, 6 from Northern Cape and 10 from Western Cape. This brings the total number of COVID-19 related deaths to **19 111.** Of the 58 deaths reported today, **16** were reported to have occurred in the past 24-48 hours: 1 from the Free State 2 from Eastern Cape, 2 from Gauteng, 2 from KwaZulu- Natal, 2 from Limpopo and 7 in the Western Cape.

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

Our recoveries now stand at 648 654 which translates to a recovery rate of 90%

Province	Total Deaths	Total Recoveries	Active Cases
Eastern Cape	3588	88437	3025
Free State	1493	41290	13413
Gauteng	4713	207211	15909
KwaZulu-Natal	3209	112643	6772
Limpopo	458	16218	698
Mpumalanga	601	28245	707
North West	434	28841	3681
Northern Cape	262	17811	3487
Western Cape	4353	107958	4257
National	19111	648654	51949

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