



Corona Virus Disease (COVID-19) Situational Report

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HIGHLIGHTS

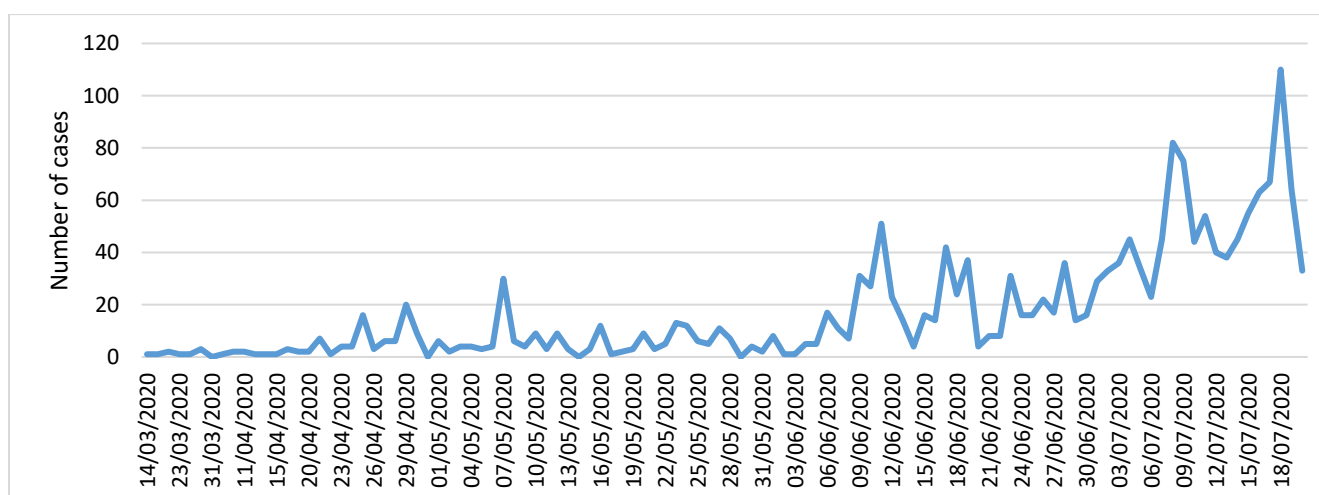
- As of 20th July 2020, there were 1826 confirmed COVID-19 cases, 23 deaths and 850 recoveries in Eswatini.
- 33 COVID-19 cases and 28 recoveries were reported in the last 24 hours.
- 47% of reported COVID-19 cases have recovered.
- The new cases are from three regions.
- In the last 24 hours, 362 COVID-19 tests were conducted. Positivity rate was 9%.

New	Confirmed	33
	Recoveries	28
	Deaths	2
Cumulative	Confirmed	1826
	Recoveries	850
	Deaths	23
Case Fatality rate		1.3%

Summary of COVID-19 Cases in Eswatini as at 20th July, 2020

Region	New cases	Cumulative confirmed cases	Cumulative deaths	Case fatality rate (%)
Manzini	5	895	14	1.6
Hhohho	22	650	8	1.2
Lubombo	0	130	0	0
Shiselweni	6	151	1	0.7
National	33	1826	23	1.3

Confirmed cases by day

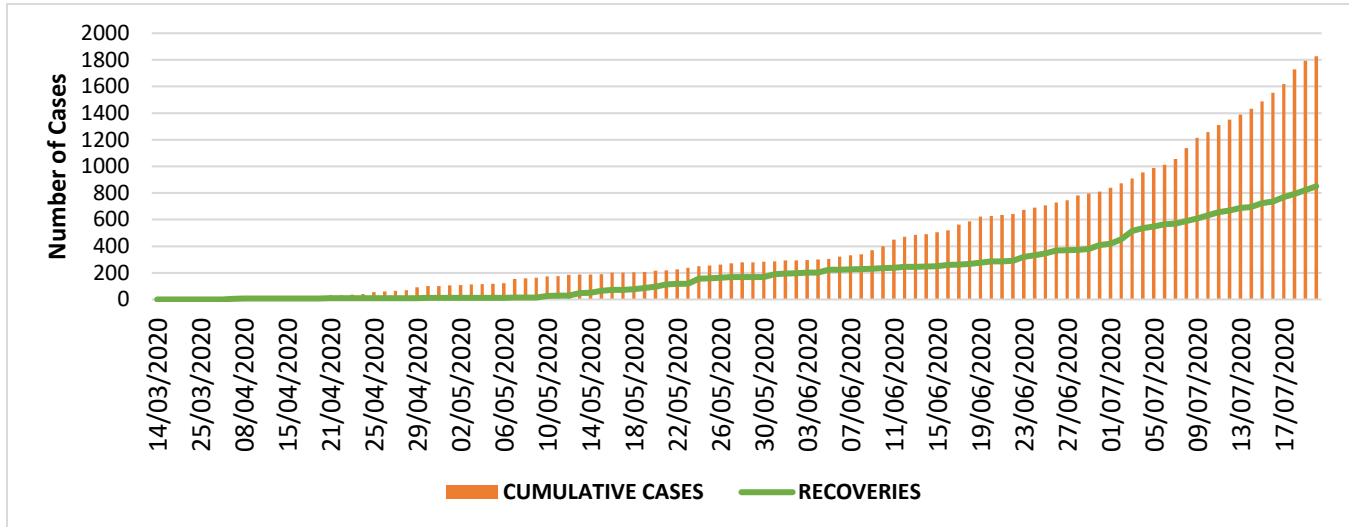




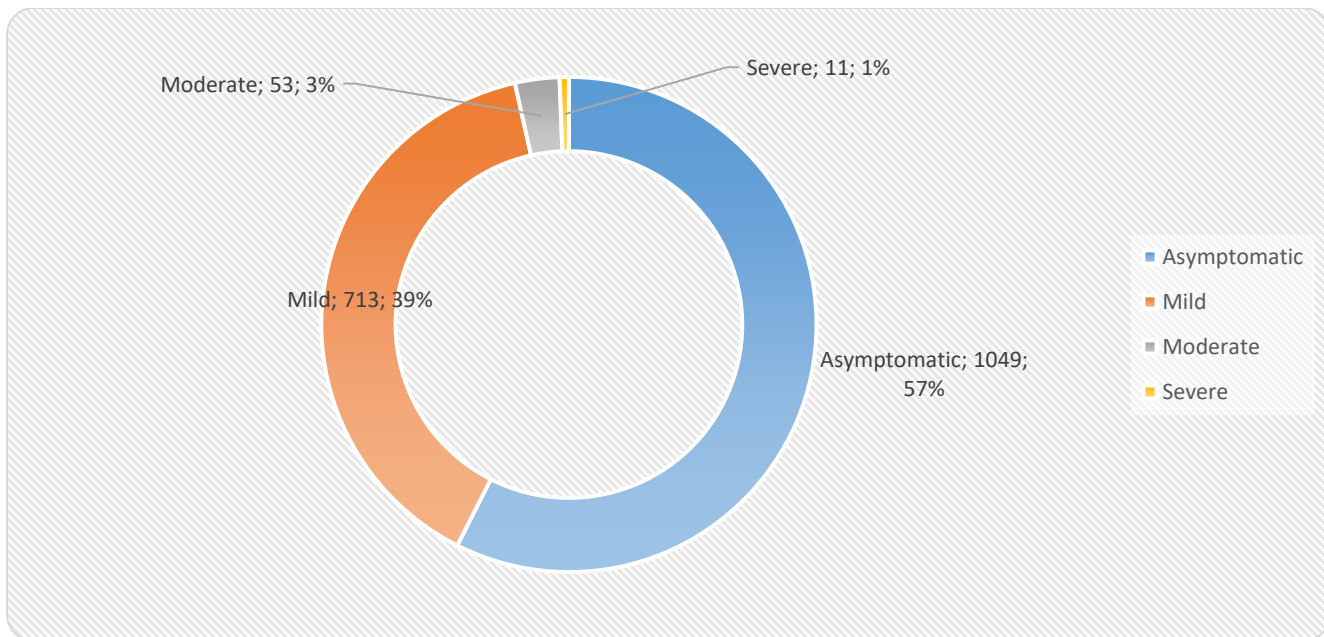
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Cumulative confirmed cases and recoveries



Distribution of confirmed cases by severity at diagnosis

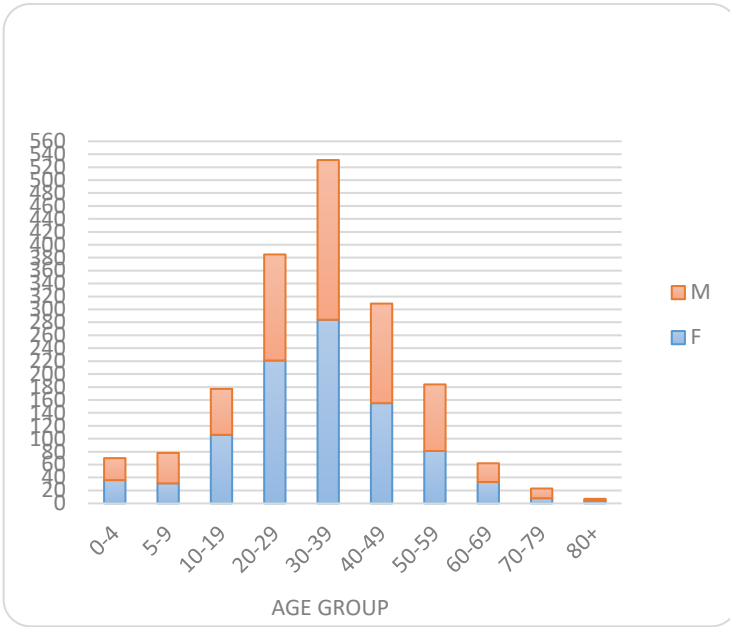




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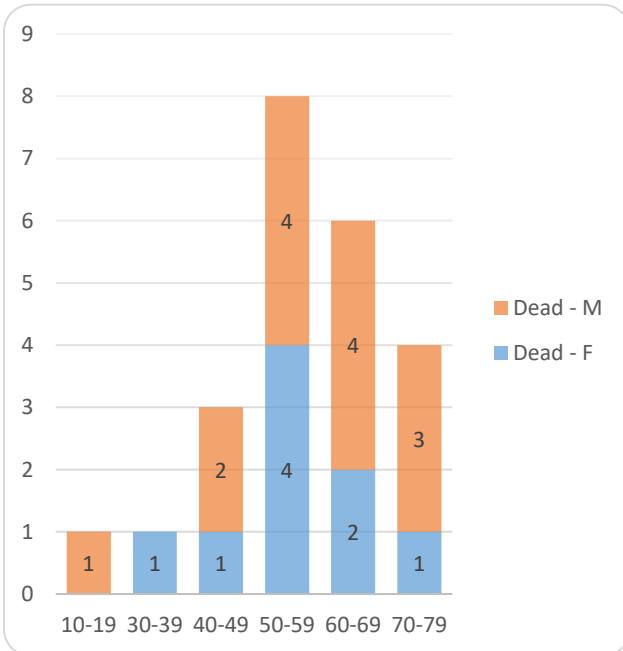


Age-sex distribution of Covid-19 Cases

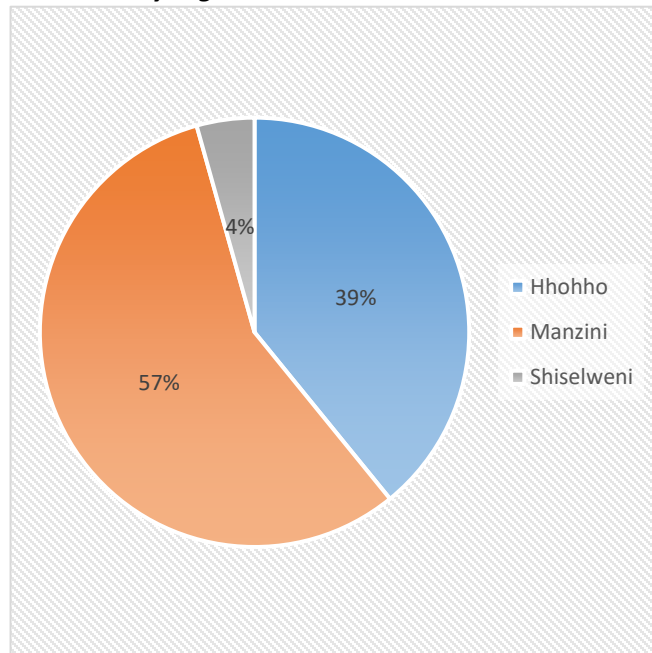


- Mean age is 33 years (SD 15.7).
- 53% of the cases are females, 47% are males
- A majority (29%) of the confirmed cases are aged **30-39 years**
- 4% of the cases are children aged <5years

Deaths by age and gender



Deaths by region

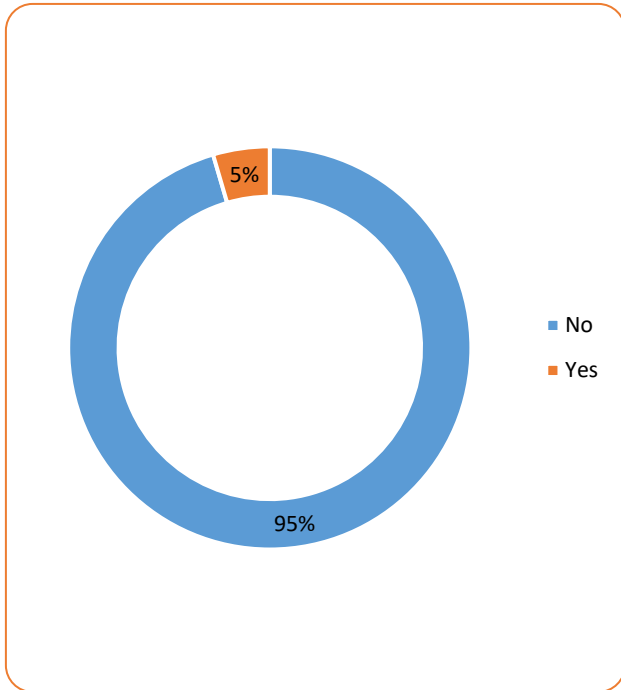




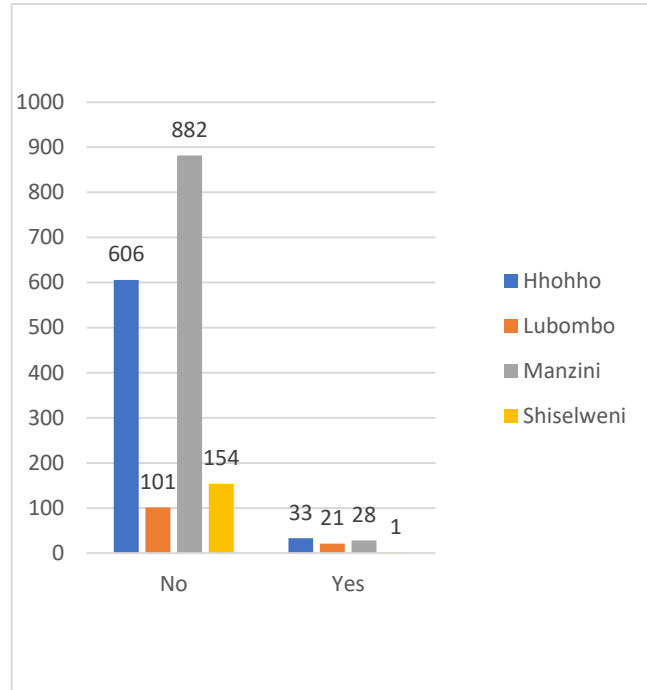
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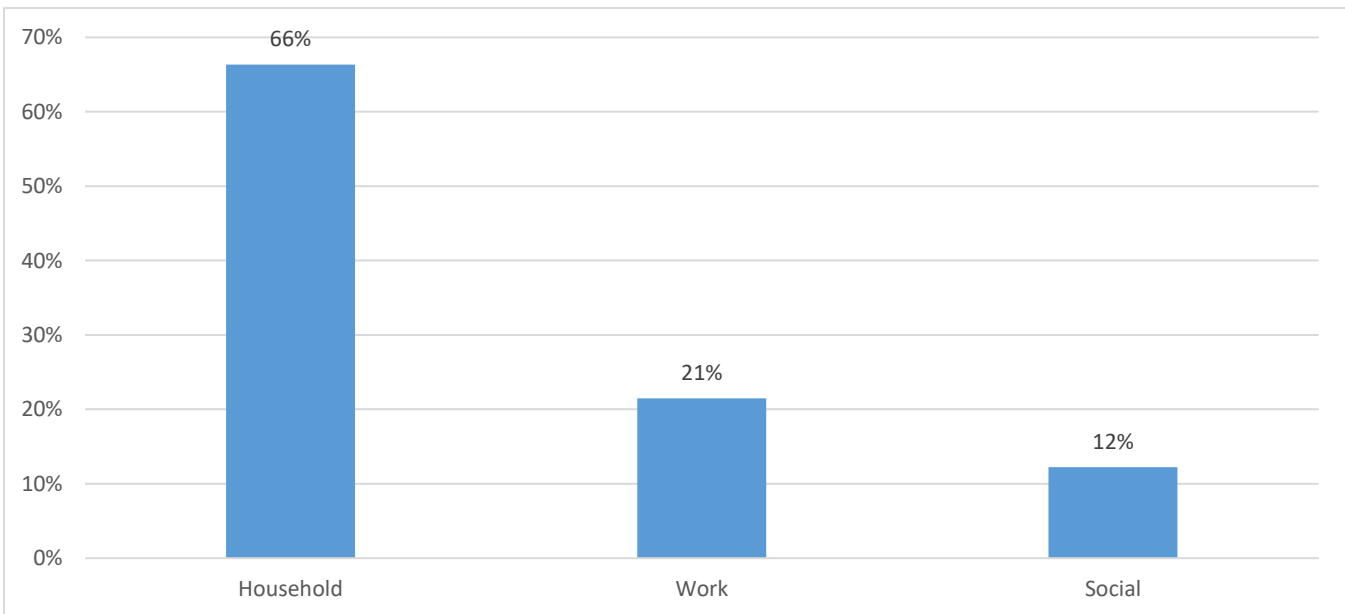
Distribution of cases by HCW and non-HCW



Distribution of HCW and non-HCW by region



Percentage of COVID-19 contacts by contact type





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Technical Areas	Variable	No
Contact tracing	Cumulative No. of contacts followed up	5091
	Total No. of contacts followed in the last 24 hours	631
	Total No. of high-risk contacts	3221
	Total No. of symptomatic contacts	535
Screening	Cumulative No. screened	12305
	Total No. screened in the last 24 hours	153
	Total No. screened with at least one comorbidity	485
Alerts	Cumulative No. of alerts received	2434
	Total No. of alerts received in the last 24 hours	48
	Number of travelers screened at points of entry	149
Laboratory Testing	Laboratory tests done in last 24 hours	362
	No of positive tests in last 24 hours (%)	33 (9%)
Case Management	Total Active cases	920
	Registration for care	33

NB: Note that screening data only covers those done by Rapid Response Teams (RRTs).

PUBLIC HEALTH/ RESPONSE INTERVENTIONS

COORDINATION AND LOGISTICS

- The country has adopted an incident management approach for responding to emergencies that established the incident management team that meets on a daily basis at the PHEOC.
- The IMT comprises multidisciplinary health experts including WHO.
- The IMT reviews on a daily basis the COVID-19 status, response and adjust and guides implementation as per the need.
- The ministry repurposed a team to coordinate trainings for all health care workers.
- Introduction of the Incident Management System (IMS) and team.

SURVEILLANCE

- COVID -19 screening is ongoing in all health facilities to identify suspect cases.
- Contact tracing by RRTs is ongoing in all regions; however subsequent visits at day 14 is not consistently done in some regions with high case load.
- There was an over 48% increase in the number of new cases in the past 24 hrs.
- It is worth noting that most callers in the alert system are requesting to be tested while others required ambulance services.

POINTS OF ENTRY

- Monitoring of travelers at points of entry is ongoing and a total of 149 travelers were registered and this shows an increase in number of travelers compared to the previous day.
- All returning residents are quarantined using two strategies (institutional and self-quarantine).



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IPC and CASE MANAGEMENT

- Training of health care workers on IPC is ongoing.
- The case management ODK currently being finalized and training of clinicians from treatment centers and home care teams has been undertaken.
- There were 2 new deaths reported in the last 24hrs hence to date there are 23 deaths. This shows an overall case fatality rate of 1.3%.

LABORATORY

- The laboratory is scaling up operations and as such recruitment of laboratory technologists is ongoing.
- It is also worth noting that the number of tests conducted per day has increased over the past days.
- The overall positivity rate has slightly increase from 13% to 9% in the past 24 hrs.

RISK COMMUNICATION, COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & SOCIAL MOBILISATION

- Mobilization for risk communication activities in the Manzini Region is ongoing.
- Training of the teams have been completed and they are ready to be deployed to the field.
- A total of 60 volunteers has been deployed to conduct gate to gate intensified risk communication and community engagement in COVID-19 hotspots in Manzini.
- Development of jingles on men's health in relation to COVID-19 are being developed.

SOURCE OF INFORMATION:

- WHO COVID-19 situation reports
- Eswatini Public Health Emergency Operations Center (PHEOC)
- COVID-19 preparedness and response plan
- Regional and National Public Health Emergency Management Committees (PHEMC)

This report can also be found on the government website on <http://www.gov.sz/index.php>

Information Controls	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Senior Medical Officer Public Health ▪ COVID-19 Task Force
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COVID-19 Training Summary 16_ Updated 19th July 2020

Introduction

Eswatini is one of the African countries that are faced by the COVID-19 global pandemic which was declared a National Emergency on the 17th March 2020 by His Majesty King Mswati III. Since then the MOH, with the support of implementing partners, has conducted a variety of Comprehensive National, Regional and facility-based trainings on the prevention and management of COVID-19, as well as some trainings focussing on specific areas of the COVID-19 response or specific healthcare workers cadres.

Overall training objectives:

- 1 To capacitate and sensitize relevant staff on COVID-19
- 2 To get HCWs involvement in the response

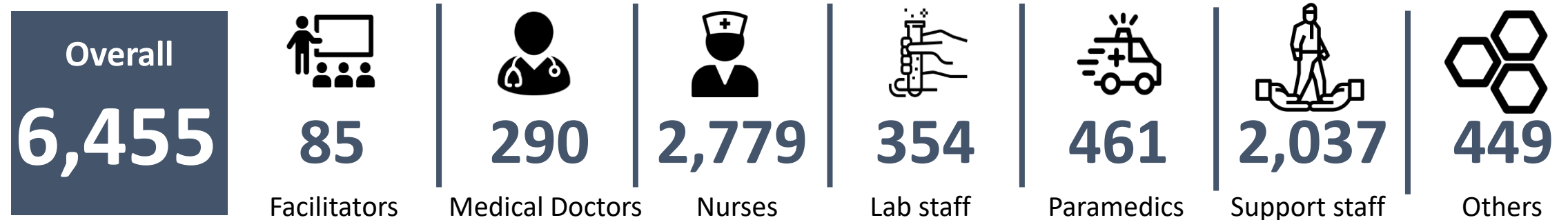
Training topic

- Overview of COVID-19
- Sample collection
- Triage and Client flow
- Case management
- Surveillance and M&E
- Mental Health Wellness
- Infection prevention and control
- Risk communication

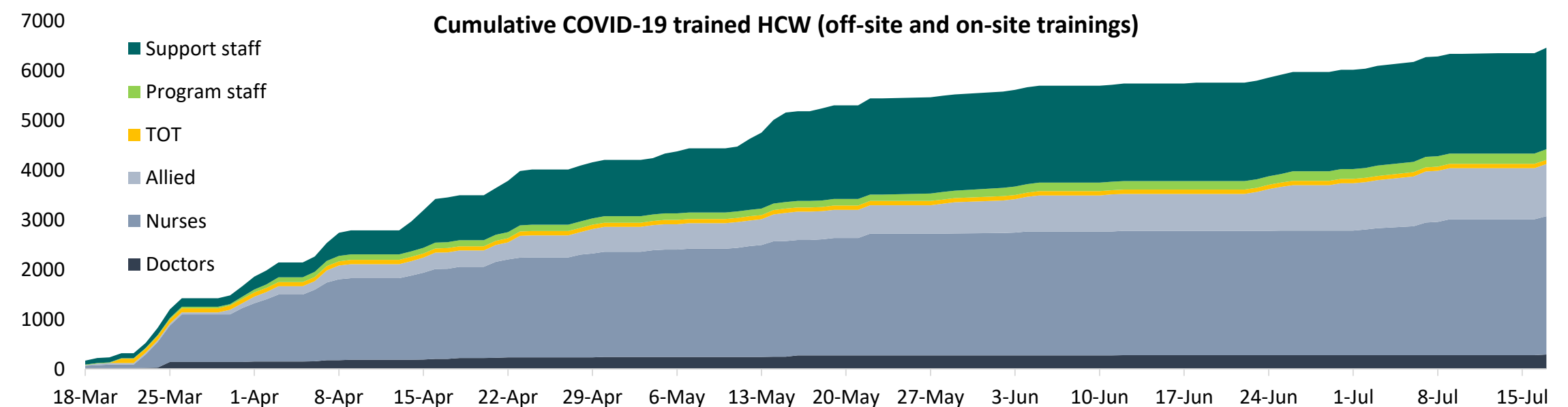
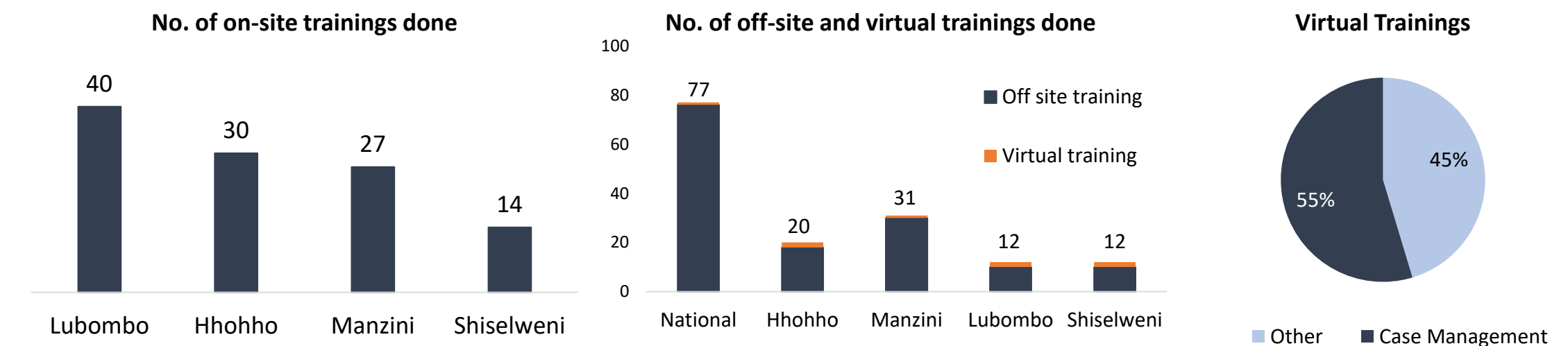
Weekly highlight

In the week of 13th July Manzini RRTs were trained using the Educate, Find, Test, Treat, Isolate, and Trace (EFTTIT) approach. The trained RRTs will use the EFTTIT approach in conducting door-to-door visits in the Manzini region.

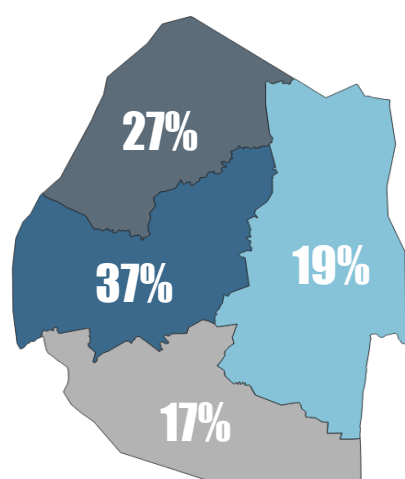
Summary of main cadres trained in Comprehensive COVID-19 Prevention and Clinical Management (excluding deep dive trainings)



No. National, Regional and facility-based trainings



% HCWs trained per region (n=4,349)



Deep-dive trainings

Deep-dive trainings are conducted to provide an in-depth knowledge on a selected topic or part of the COVID-19 response, or it could be a training targeted for a specific cadre based on their responsibilities.

Deep-dive trainings are not counted as part of the overall comprehensive COVID-19 training above some HCWs have attended deep dive trainings in addition to the comprehensive training.

No. trained at topic specific deep-dive

