

SOUTH AFRICA WEEK 16 2022

OVERVIEW

This report summarises data of COVID-19 cases admitted to DATCOV hospital surveillance sites in all provinces. The report is based on data collected from 5 March 2020 to 23 April 2022.

HIGHLIGHTS

- From 5 March 2020 to 23 April 2022, 518,260 COVID-19 admissions and 102,173 in-hospital deaths were reported to DATCOV from 667 facilities (407 public-sector and 260 privatesector) in all nine provinces of South Africa.
- There was 16% increase in the number of new admissions in week 16 2022 (990) compared to the number of admissions in week 15 2022 (853).
- Gauteng had the highest number of admissions in the past week (417/990,42.1%), followed by KwaZulu-Natal (228/990, 23.0%) and Western Cape (178/990, 18.0%). The lowest number of admissions was in Northern Cape (6/990,0.6%).
- There was an increase in the average daily COVID-19 admissions comparing the previous 14 days and the current 14 days in Free State, Gauteng, KwaZulu-Natal, Limpopo, North West and Northern Cape; and a small increase in deaths comparing the previous 14 days and the current 14 days in Free State, KwaZulu-Natal, Limpopo, Northern Cape and Western Cape.
- In the past week, 29 out of 52 districts (55.7%) showed an increase in percentage incidence change in hospital admissions over 14 days: Joe Ggabi (Eastern Cape), Fezile Dabi, Lejweleputswa, Mangaung Metro, Thabo Mofutsanyana and Xhariep (Free State), City of Johannesburg Metro, City of Tshwane Metro and West Rand (Gauteng), eThekwini Metro, iLembe, King Cetshwayo, Ugu, uMgungundlovu and Zululand (KwaZulu-Natal), Capricorn, Mopani, Sekhukhune, Vhembe and Waterberg (Limpopo), Ehlanzeni, Gert Sibande and Nkangala (Mpumalanga), Dr Kenneth Kaunda (North West), Frances Baard and Pixley Ka Seme (Northern Cape) and Overberg and West Coast (Western Cape).
- The highest weekly incidence risk of COVID-19 admissions detected in week 16 of 2022 was reported in the ≥65-year age group (6.3 admissions per 100 000 persons), and the lowest weekly incidence risk was in the 10-14-year age group (0.1 admissions per 100 000 persons). The highest change in admissions from week 15 to week 16 was in the ≥65 age group (5.4%).

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METHODS

Data on hospitalisation was accessed from DATCOV, a hospital surveillance system for COVID-19 admissions, initiated on the 1 April 2020. A COVID-19 case was defined as a person with a positive reverse transcriptase polymerase chain reaction (RT-PCR) assay for SARS-CoV-2 or a person who had a positive SARS-CoV-2 antigen test who was admitted to hospital.

Data on SARS-CoV-2 cases diagnosed in public and private laboratories submitted to the NICD were reported from the line list on the NMCSS.

Case fatality ratio (CFR) was calculated for all closed cases, i.e. COVID-19 deaths divided by COVID-19 deaths plus COVID-19 discharges, excluding individuals who are still admitted in hospital. For the calculation of cumulative incidence risks, StatsSA mid-year population estimates for 2021 were utilised. For comparisons of change in admission, we used 14-day daily average admissions in the current 14-day period compared to the previous 14-day period.

Severity was defined as patients receiving oxygen or invasive ventilation, treated in high care or intensive care wards, developing acute respiratory distress syndrome, or died. While oxygen, ventilation and ward of stay variables are updated daily for all admissions in the private sector, there may be delays with the data being updated in the public sector. Also, as patients remain in hospital their condition may change and percentage of severity may change over time.

Data are submitted by public and private hospitals that have agreed to report COVID-19 admissions through DATCOV surveillance in all nine provinces of South Africa. On 15 July 2020, the National Health Council decided that all hospitals should report to DATCOV. As of 23 April 2022, a total of 667 facilities submitted data on hospitalised COVID-19 cases, 407 from public sector and 260 from private sector (Table 1). This reflects 100% coverage of all public and private hospitals that have had COVID-19 admissions. As new hospitals join the surveillance system, they have retrospectively captured all admissions recorded although there may be some backlogs in retrospective data capture.

Table 1. Number of hospitals reporting data on COVID-19 admissions by province and sector, South Africa, 5 March 2020-23 April 2022.

Name of province	Public	Private
Eastern Cape	86	18
Free State	35	20
Gauteng	40	97
KwaZulu-Natal	69	47
Limpopo	41	
Mpumalanga	31	
North West	17	13
Northern Cape	29	
Western Cape	59	43
South Africa	407	260

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RESULTS

Summary of SARS-CoV-2 cases, COVID-19 admissions and in-hospital deaths

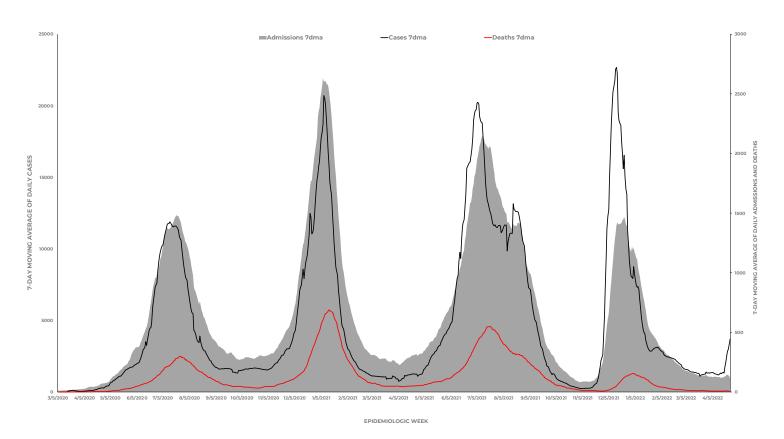


Figure 1. 7-day moving average of SARS-CoV-2 cases, COVID-19 admissions and in-hospital deaths, South Africa, 5 March 2020-23 April 2022.

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Epidemiological and geographic trends in admissions

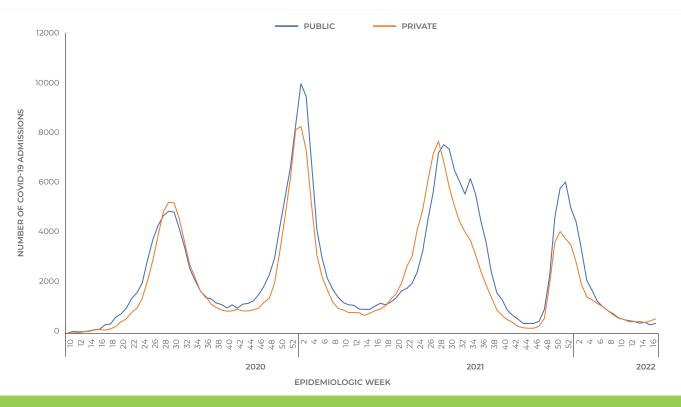


Figure 2. Number of reported COVID-19 admissions by health sector and epidemiologic week of diagnosis, South Africa, 5 March 2020-23 April 2022, N=518,260

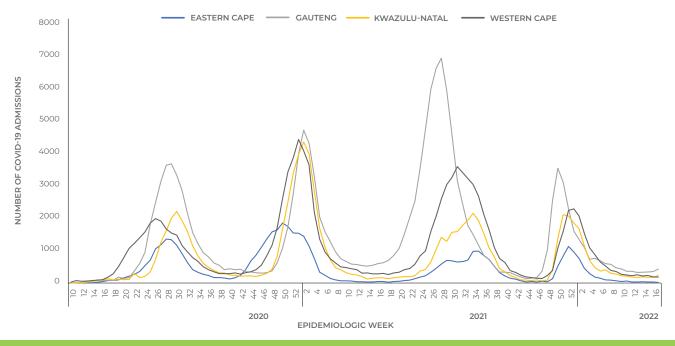


Figure 3a. Number of reported COVID-19 admissions, by provinces with highest admissions and epidemiologic week of diagnosis, South Africa, 5 March 2020-23 April 2022, N=518,260

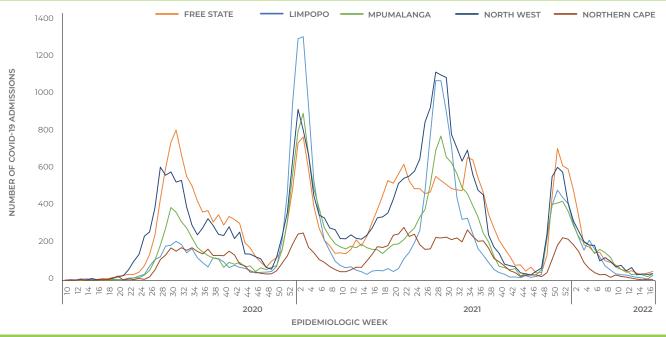


Figure 3b. Number of reported COVID-19 admissions, by provinces with lowest admissions and epidemiologic week of diagnosis. South Africa. 5 March 2020-23 April 2022. N=518.260

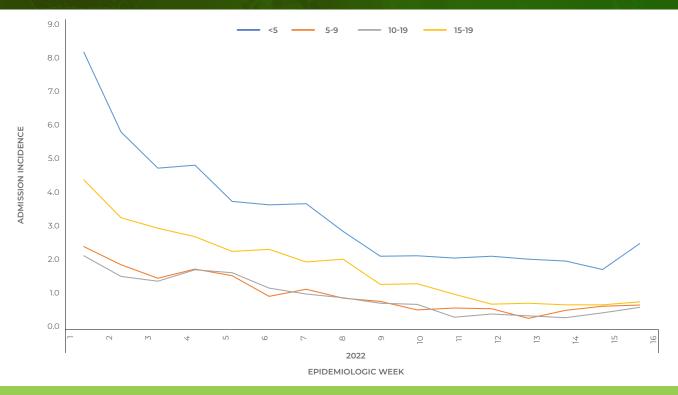


Figure 4a. Incidence risk of COVID-19 admissions per 100,000 persons, among children <19 years, by age group and epidemiologic week of diagnosis, South Africa, week 1-16 2022

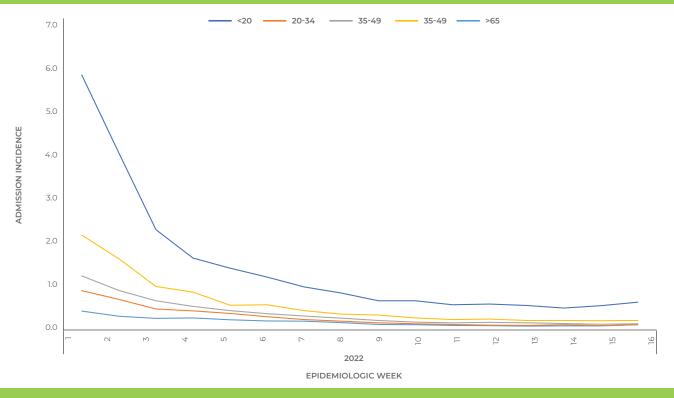


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EPIDEMIOLOGICAL AND GEOGRAPHIC TRENDS IN IN-HOSPITAL MORTALITY

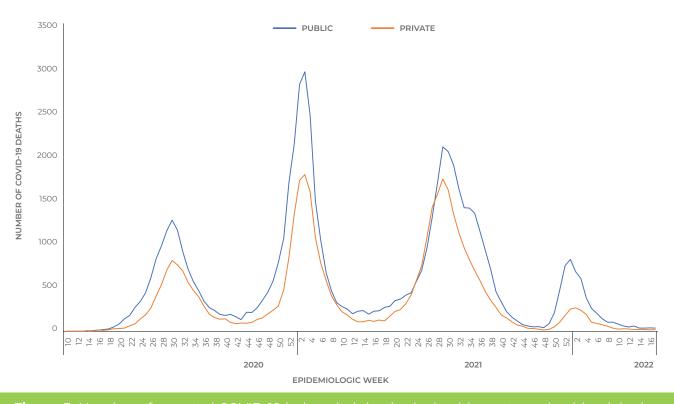


Figure 5. Number of reported COVID-19 in-hospital deaths, by health sector and epidemiologic week, South Africa, 5 March 2020-23 April 2022, N=102,173

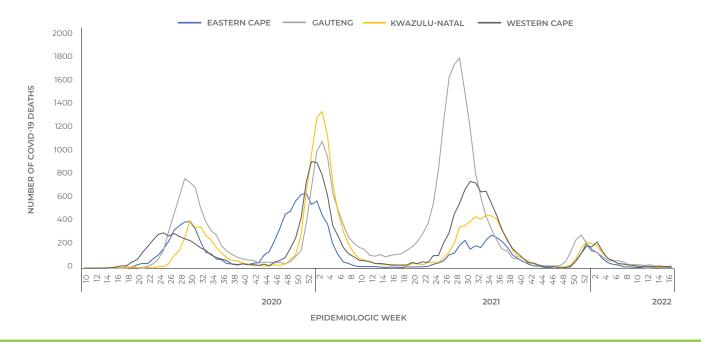


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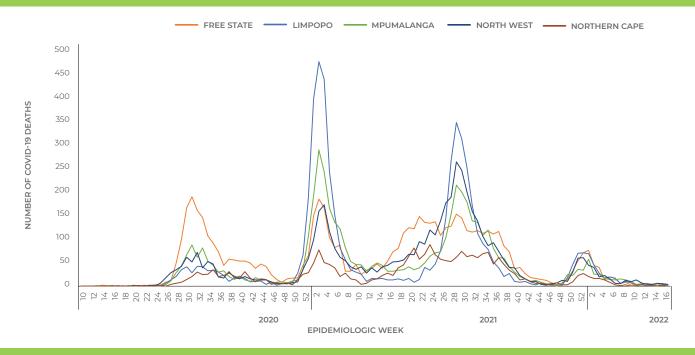


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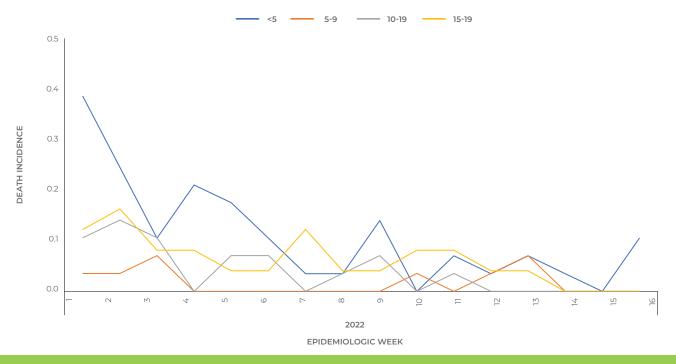


Figure 7a. Incidence risk of COVID-19 in-hospital deaths per 100,000 persons, among children <19 years, by age group and epidemiologic week of death, South Africa, week 1-16 2022

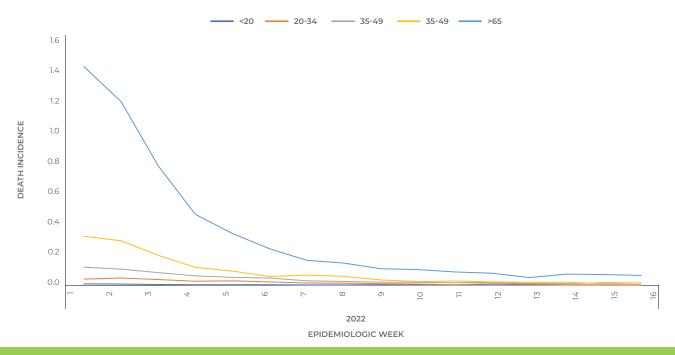


Figure 7b. Incidence risk of COVID-19 in-hospital deaths per 100,000 persons, by age group and epidemiologic week of death, South Africa, week 1-16 2022

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PROVINCIAL TRENDS

Table 2. Number and cumulative incidence risk of COVID-19 hospitalisations and in-hospital deaths per 100,000 persons by province, South Africa, 5 March 2020-23 April 2022.

Province	Provincial Popula- tion mid 2020*	Cumulative admissions	Cumulative incidence risk of admissions / 100,000	Cumulative deaths	Cumulative incidence risk of deaths / 100,000
Eastern Cape	6676590	47331	708.9	13120	196.5
Free State	2932441	31026	1058.0	6013	205.1
Gauteng	15810388	151 065	955.5	29837	188.7
KwaZulu-Natal	11513575	84736	736.0	17190	149.3
Limpopo	5926724	20770	350.4	5308	89.6
Mpumalanga	4743584	22169	467.3	4820	101.6
North West	4122854	33 294	807.5	4862	117.9
Northern Cape	1303047	11 496	882.2	2426	186.2
Western Cape	7113776	116 373	1635.9	18592	261.4
South Africa	60142978	518 260	861.7	102 168	169.9

^{*}StatsSA mid-year population estimates 2020

Table 3. Previous 14 days and current 14 days daily average COVID-19 admissions and deaths and percentage changes, South Africa, 26 March-23 April 2022.

Province	Hospital admissi	Hospital admissions		Hospital deaths		Percentage change in deaths
	Previous 14 days average admissions	Current 14 days average admissions		Previous 14 days average deaths	Current 14 days average deaths	-
Eastern Cape	5.00	3.79	-24.29	0.86	0.57	-33.33
Free State	4.93	6.14	24.64	0.36	0.43	20.00
Gauteng	47.14	54.57	15.76	2.86	2.29	-20.00
KwaZulu-Natal	26.07	28.79	10.41	1.00	1.57	57.14
Limpopo		2.43	13.33	0.21	0.36	66.67
Mpumalanga	4.57	3.93	-14.06	0.43	0.21	-50.00
North West	4.57	4.79	4.69	0.71	0.64	-10.00
Northern Cape	0.64	0.86	33.33	0.07	0.14	100.00
Western Cape	31.71	26.29	-17.12	1.79	1.86	4.00

^{*} Reporting of new admissions in the most recent week may be delayed

Table 4. Previous 7 days and current 7 days daily average COVID-19 admissions and deaths and percentage changes, South Africa, 9 April-23 April 2022.

Province	Hospital admissio	ons	Percentage change in admissions	nange in		Percentage change in deaths
	Previous 7 days average admissions	Current 7 days average admissions		Previous 7 days average deaths	Current 7 days average deaths	-
Eastern Cape	5.00	2.57	-48.57	0.57	0.57	0.00
Free State	5.57	6.71	20.51	0.57	0.29	-50.00
Gauteng	49.71	59.43	19.54	1.71	2.86	66.67
KwaZulu-Natal	25.00	32.57	30.29	1.29	1.86	44.44
Limpopo		3.71	225.00	0.57	0.14	-75.00
Mpumalanga	2.86	5.00	75.00	0.14	0.29	100.00
North West	4.57	5.00	9.38	0.71	0.57	-20.00
Northern Cape	0.86	0.86	0.00	0.29	0.00	-100.00
Western Cape	27.14	25.43	-6.32	2.14	1.57	-26.67

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EASTERN CAPE

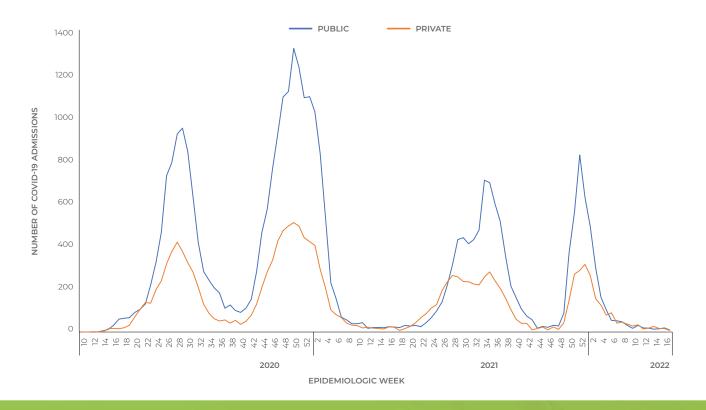


Figure 8: Number of reported COVID-19 admissions by health sector and epidemiologic week of diagnosis, Eastern Cape, 5 March 2020-23 April 2022, N=47,331

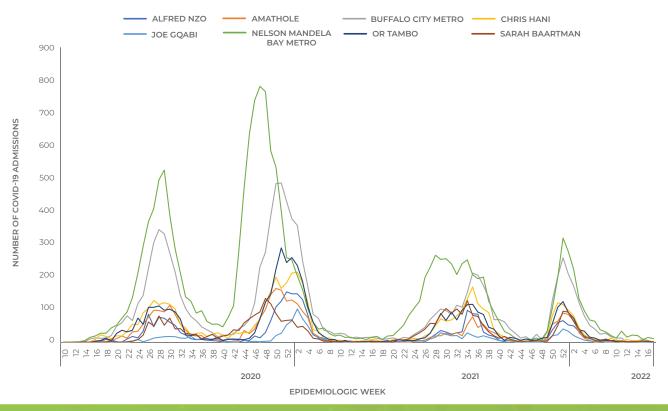


Figure 9. Number of reported COVID-19 admissions, by district and epidemiologic week, Eastern Cape, 5 March 2020-23 April 2022, N=47,331

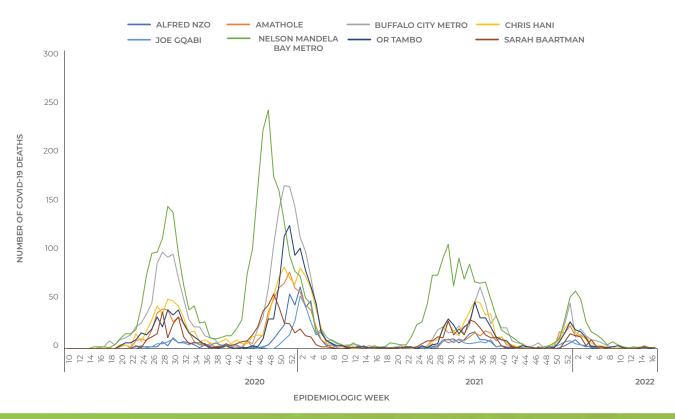


Figure 10. Number of reported COVID-19 in-hospital deaths, by district and epidemiologic week, Eastern Cape. 5 March 2020-23 April 2022. N=13.120

Table 5: Previous 14 days and current 14 days average COVID-19 admissions and deaths and percentage changes, Eastern Cape, 26 March-23 April 2022.

District	Previous 14 days admissions average	Current 14 days admissions average	Percentage change in admissions	Previous 14 days deaths average	Current 14 days deaths average	Percentage change in deaths
Alfred Nzo	0.21	0.14	-33.33	0.07	0.00	-100.00
Amathole	0.00	0.43	0.00	0.00	0.14	0.00
Buffalo City Metro	0.93	0.43	-53.85	0.00	0.07	0.00
Chris Hani	0.71	0.29	-60.00	0.14	0.00	-100.00
Joe Gqabi	0.14	0.07	-50.00	0.07	0.00	-100.00
Nelson Mandela Bay		1.86	-13.33	0.29	0.14	-50.00
O R Tambo	0.43	0.29	-33.33	0.14	0.07	-50.00
Sarah Baartman	0.43	0.29	-33.33	0.14	0.14	0.00

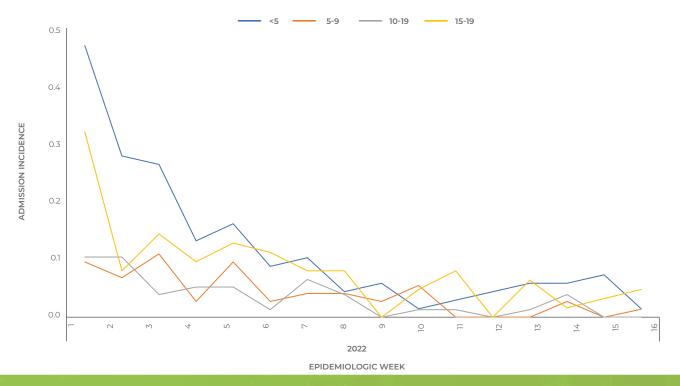


Figure 11a: Incidence risk of COVID-19 admissions per 100,000 persons, among children <19 years, by age group and epidemiologic week of diagnosis, Eastern Cape, week 1-16 2022

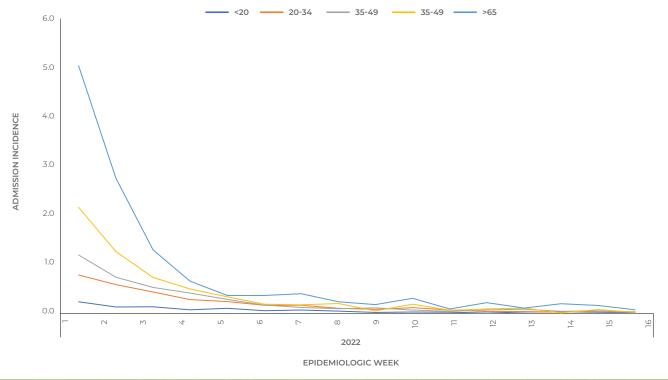


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FREE STATE

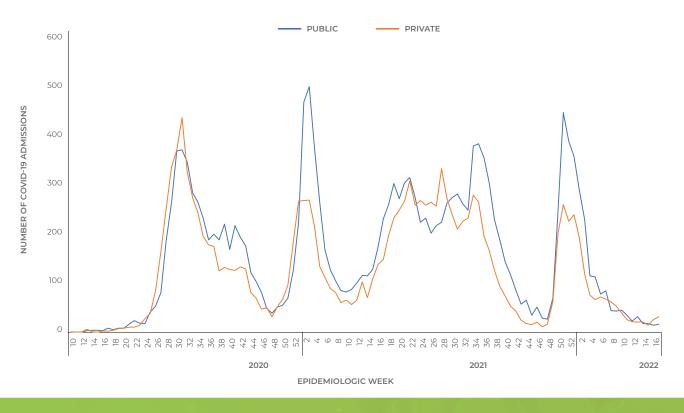


Figure 12. Number of reported COVID-19 admissions by health sector and epidemiologic week of diagnosis, Free State, 5 March 2020-23 April 2022, N=31,026

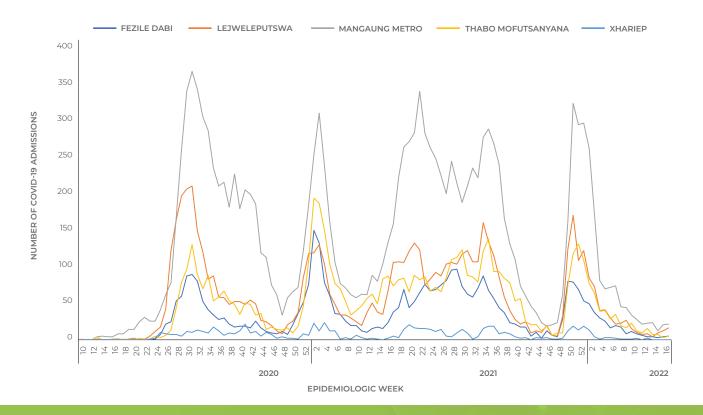


Figure 13: Number of reported COVID-19 admissions, by district and epidemiologic week, Free State, 5 March 2020-23 April 2022, N=31,026

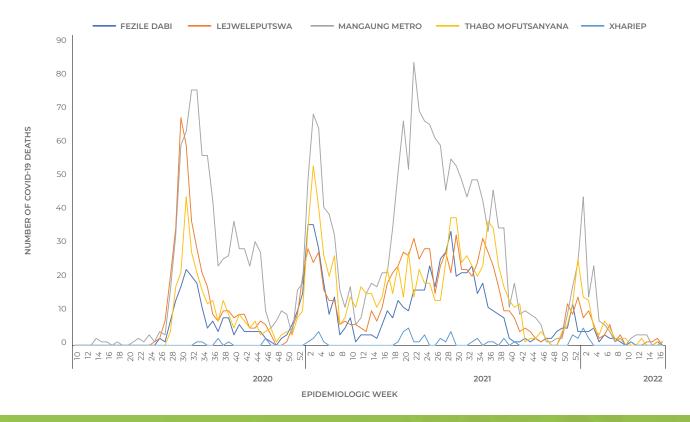


Figure 14: Number of reported COVID-19 in-hospital deaths, by district and epidemiologic week, Free State. 5 March 2020-23 April 2022. N=6.013

Table 6: Previous 14 days and current 14 days average COVID-19 admissions and deaths and percentage changes, Free State, 26 March-23 April 2022.

District	Previous 14 days admissions average	Current 14 days admissions average	Percentage change in admissions	Previous 14 days deaths average	Current 14 days deaths average	Percentage change in deaths
Fezile Dabi	0.50	0.64	28.57	0.00	0.07	0.00
Lejweleputswa	0.93	2.00	115.38	0.14	0.14	0.00
Mangaung Metro	2.50	2.93	17.14	0.21	0.07	-66.67
Thabo Mofutsanyana	1.00	0.57	-42.86	0.00	0.14	0.00
Xhariep	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

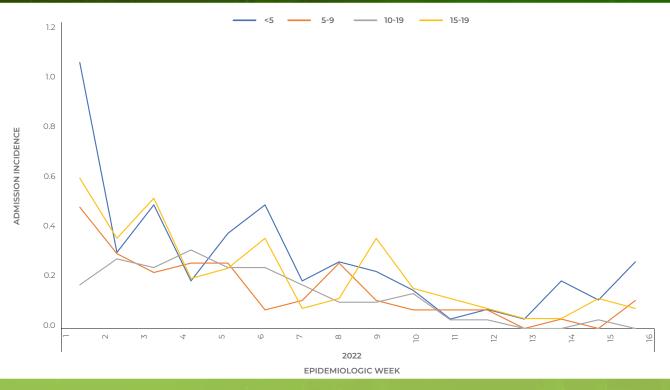


Figure 15a: Incidence risk of COVID-19 admissions per 100,000 persons, among children <19 years, by age group and epidemiologic week of diagnosis, Free State, week 1-16 2022

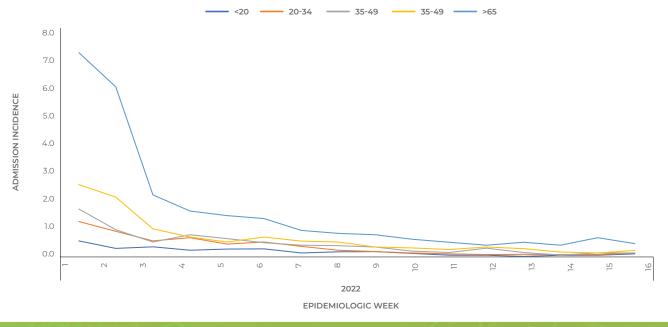


Figure 15b: Incidence risk of COVID-19 admissions per 100,000 persons, by age group and epidemiologic week of diagnosis, Free State, week 1-16 2022,

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GAUTENG

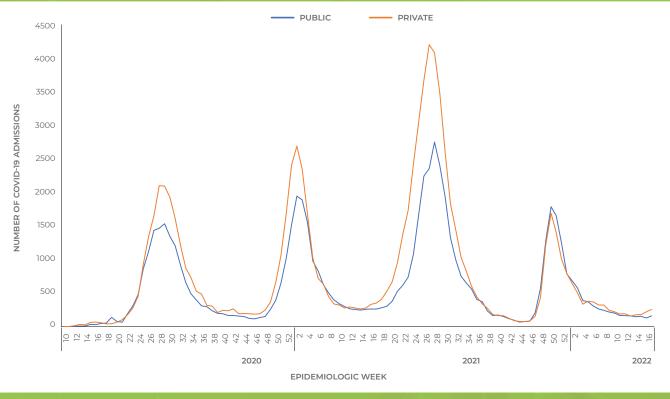


Figure 16: Number of reported COVID-19 admissions by health sector and epidemiologic week of diagnosis. Gauteng, 5 March 2020-23 April 2022, N=151.065

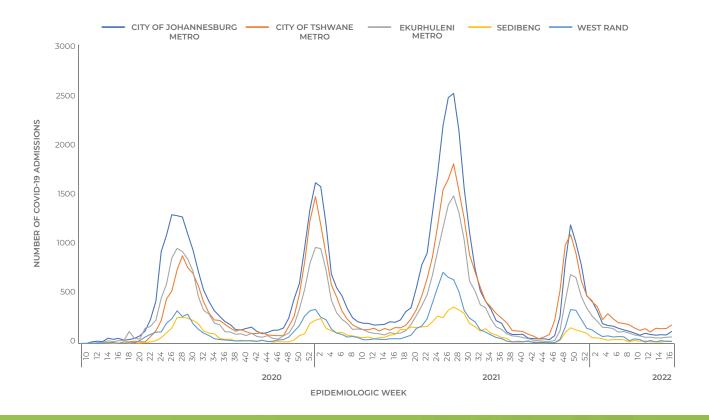


Figure 17: Number of reported COVID-19 admissions, by district and epidemiologic week, Gauteng, 5 March 2020-23 April 2022, N=151,065

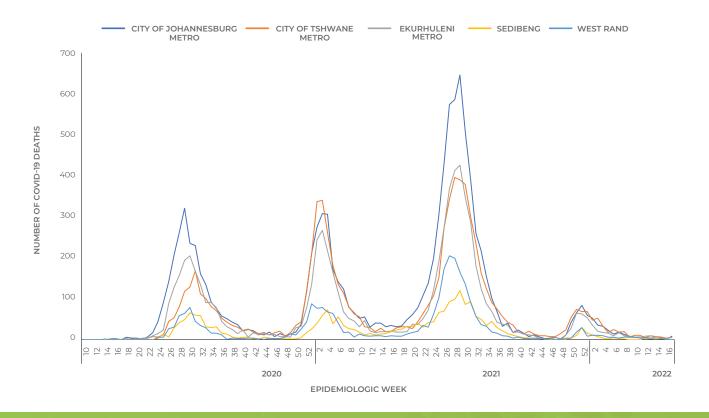


Figure 18: Number of reported COVID-19 in-hospital deaths, by district and epidemiologic week, Gauteng, 5 March 2020-23 April 2022, N=29,837

Table 7: Previous 14 days and current 14 days average COVID-19 admissions and deaths and percentage changes, Gauteng, 26 March-23 April 2022.

District	Previous 14 days admissions average	Current 14 days admissions average	Percentage change in admissions	Previous 14 days deaths average	Current 14 days deaths average	Percentage change in deaths
City of Johannesburg Metro	12.14	14.79	21.76	0.64	0.71	11.11
City of Tshwane Metro	21.43	24.00	12.00	1.07	0.71	-33.33
Ekurhuleni Metro	8.07	9.21	14.16	0.57	0.64	12.50
Sedibeng	2.21	3.57	61.29	0.36	0.07	-80.00
West Rand	3.29	3.00	-8.70	0.21	0.14	-33.33

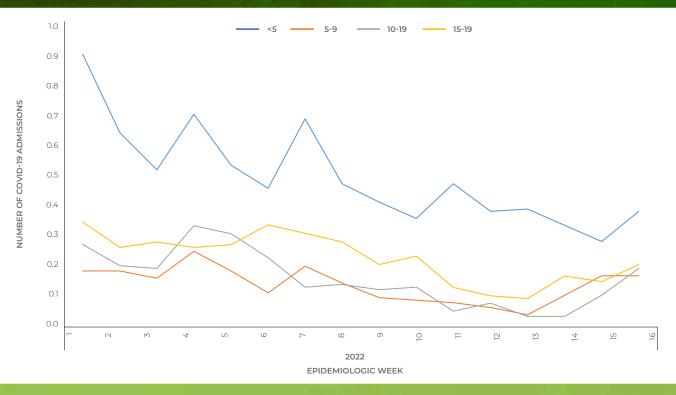


Figure 19a: Incidence risk of COVID-19 admissions per 100,000 persons, among children <19 years, by age group and epidemiologic week of diagnosis, Gauteng, week 1-16 2022

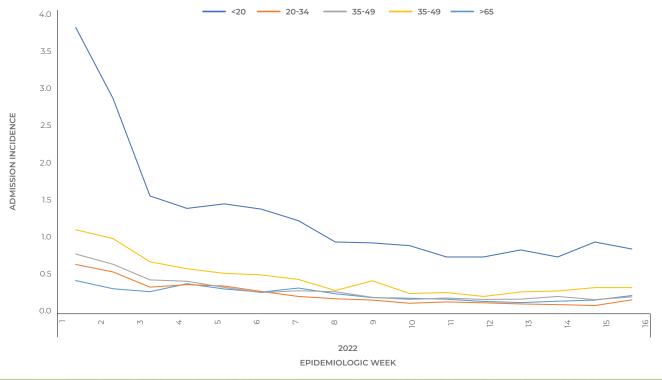


Figure 19b: Incidence risk of COVID-19 admissions per 100,000 persons, by age group and epidemiologic week of diagnosis. Gauteng, week 1-16 2022

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KWAZULU-NATAL

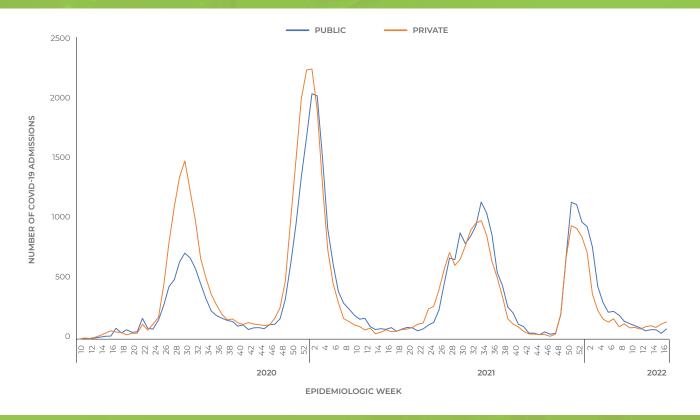


Figure 20: Number of reported COVID-19 admissions by health sector and epidemiologic week of diagnosis, KwaZulu-Natal, 5 March 2020-23 April 2022, N=84,736

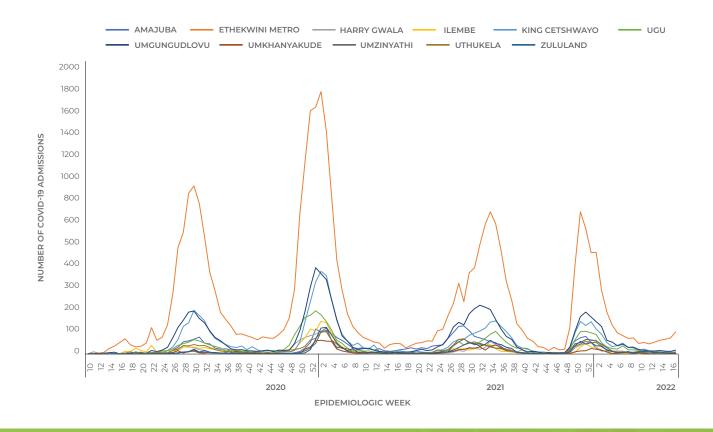


Figure 21: Number of reported COVID-19 admissions, by district and epidemiologic week, KwaZulu-Natal. 5 March 2020-23 April 2022. N=84.736

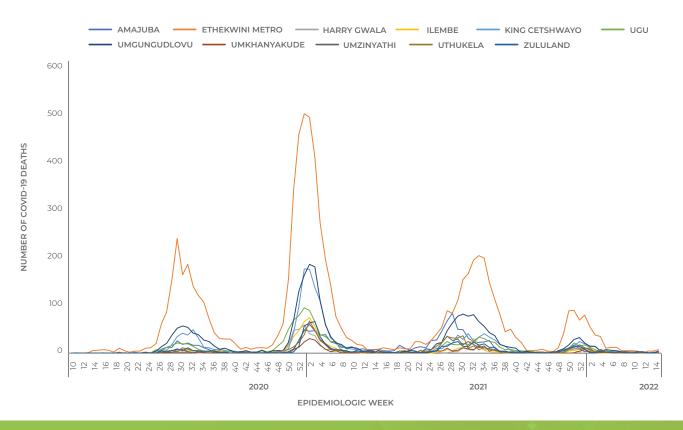


Figure 22: Number of reported COVID-19 in-hospital deaths, by district and epidemiologic week, KwaZulu-Natal, 5 March 2020-23 April 2022, N=17,193

Table 8: Previous 14 days and current 14 days average COVID-19 admissions and deaths and percentage changes, KwaZulu-Natal, 26 March-23 April 2022.

District	Previous 14 days admissions average	Current 14 days admissions average	Percentage change in admissions	Previous 14 days deaths average	Current 14 days deaths average	Percentage change in deaths
Amajuba	1.21	0.93	-23.53	0.07	0.00	-100.00
eThekwini Metro	13.93	18.57	33.33	0.29	0.79	175.00
Harry Gwala	0.43	0.07	-83.33	0.00	0.07	0.00
iLembe	1.00	0.36	-64.29	0.00	0.00	0.00
King Cetshwayo	1.71	1.79	4.17	0.07	0.21	200.00
Ugu	1.57	1.50	-4.55	0.07	0.00	-100.00
uMgungundlovu	3.00	3.14	4.76	0.29	0.36	25.00
uMkhanyakude	0.21	0.14	-33.33	0.00	0.00	0.00
Umzinyathi	0.21	0.43	100.00	0.07	0.00	-100.00
UThukela	1.29	1.36	5.56	0.00	0.00	0.00
Zululand	1.50	0.50	-66.67	0.14	0.14	0.00

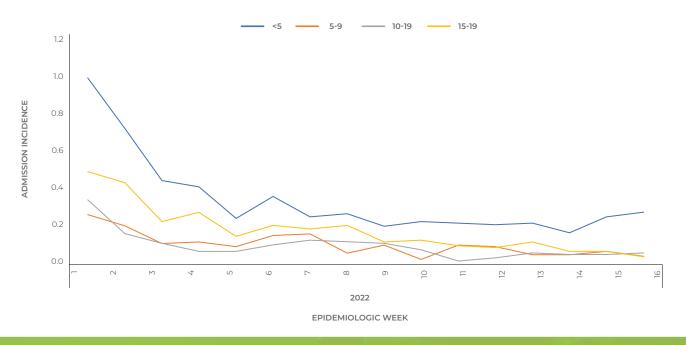


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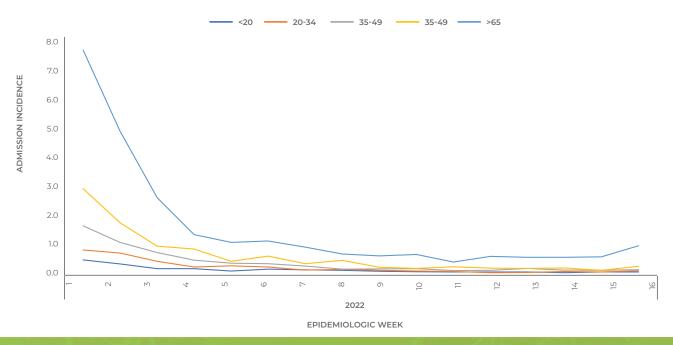


Figure 23b: Incidence risk of COVID-19 admissions per 100,000 persons, by age group and epidemiologic week of diagnosis, KwaZulu-Natal, week 1-16 2022

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LIMPOPO

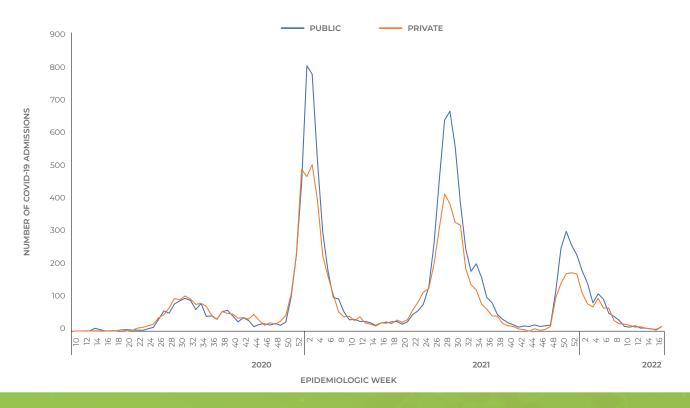


Figure 24: Number of reported COVID-19 admissions by health sector and epidemiologic week of diagnosis, Limpopo, 5 March 2020-23 April 2022, N=20,770

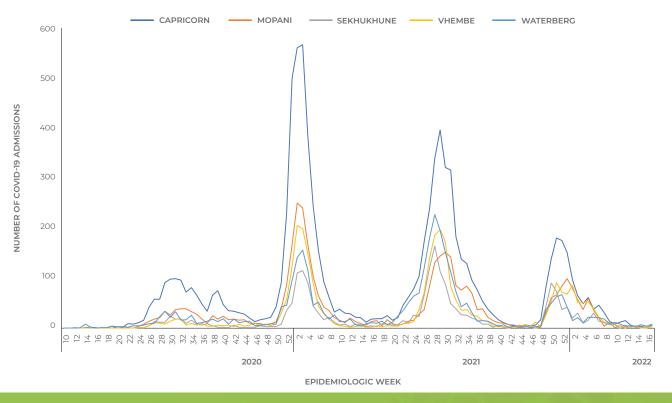


Figure 25: Number of reported COVID-19 admissions, by district and epidemiologic week, Limpopo, 5 March 2020-23 April 2022, N=20,770

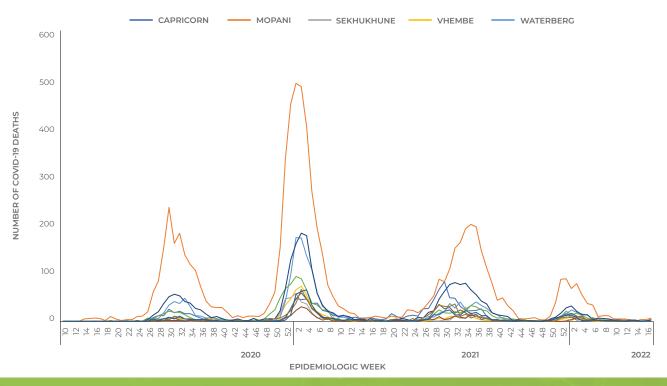


Figure 26: Number of reported COVID-19 in-hospital deaths, by district and epidemiologic week, Limpopo, 5 March 2020-23 April 2022, N=5,309

Table 9: Previous 14 days and current 14 days average COVID-19 admissions and deaths and percentage changes. Limpopo. 26 March-23 April 2022.

District	Previous 14 days admissions average	Current 14 days admissions average	Percentage change in admissions	Previous 14 days deaths average	Current 14 days deaths average	Percentage change in deaths
Capricorn	0.50	0.50	0.00	0.00	0.07	0.00
Mopani	0.21	0.29	33.33	0.07	0.00	-100.00
Sekhukhune	0.36	0.50	40.00	0.00	0.21	0.00
Vhembe	0.29	0.29	0.00	0.14	0.07	-50.00
Waterberg	0.79	0.86	9.09	0.00	0.00	0.00

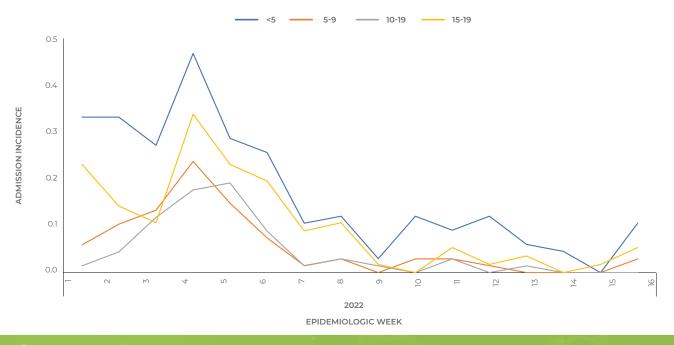


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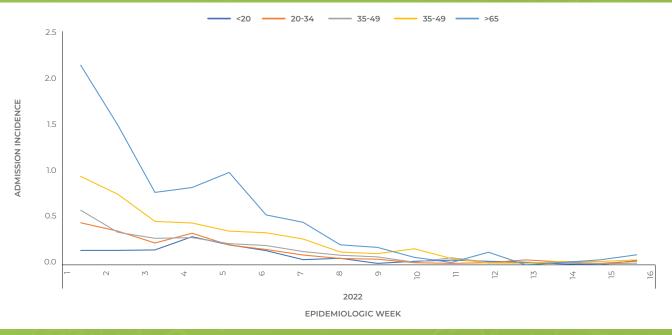


Figure 27b: Incidence risk of COVID-19 admissions per 100,000 persons, by age group and epidemiologic week of diagnosis, Limpopo, week 1-16 2022

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MPUMALANGA

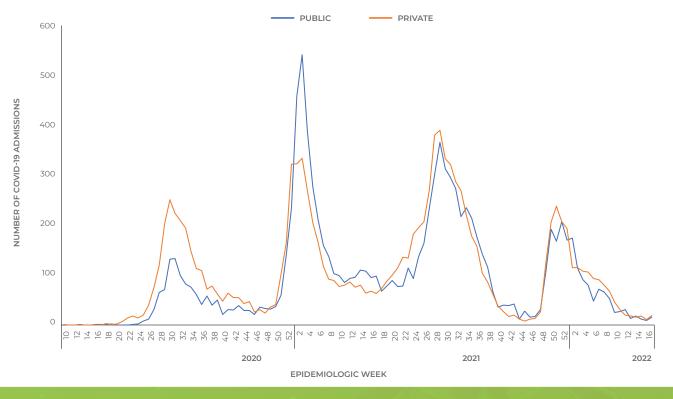


Figure 28: Number of reported COVID-19 admissions by health sector and epidemiologic week of diagnosis, Mpumalanga, 5 March 2020-23 April 2022, N=22,169

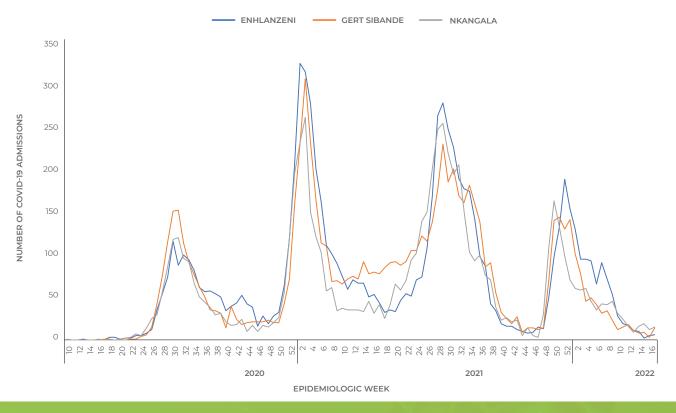


Figure 29: Number of reported COVID-19 admissions, by district and epidemiologic week, Mpumalanga, 5 March 2020-23 April 2022, N=22,169

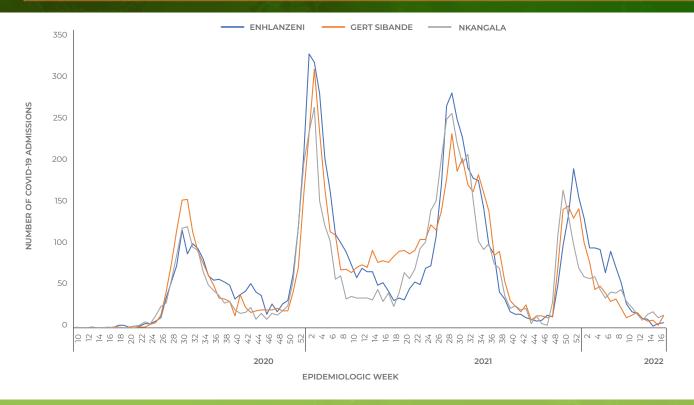


Figure 30: Number of reported COVID-19 in-hospital deaths, by district and epidemiologic week, Mpumalanga, 5 March 2020-23 April 2022, N=4,820

Table 10: Previous 14 days and current 14 days average COVID-19 admissions and deaths and percentage changes, Mpumalanga, 26 March-23 April 2022.

District	Previous 14 days admissions average	Current 14 days admissions average	Percentage change in admissions	Previous 14 days deaths average	Current 14 days deaths average	Percentage change in deaths
Ehlanzeni	0.86	0.79	-8.33	0.14	0.07	-50.00
Gert Sibande	1.21	1.21	0.00	0.07	0.00	-100.00
Nkangala	2.50	1.93	-22.86	0.21	0.14	-33.33

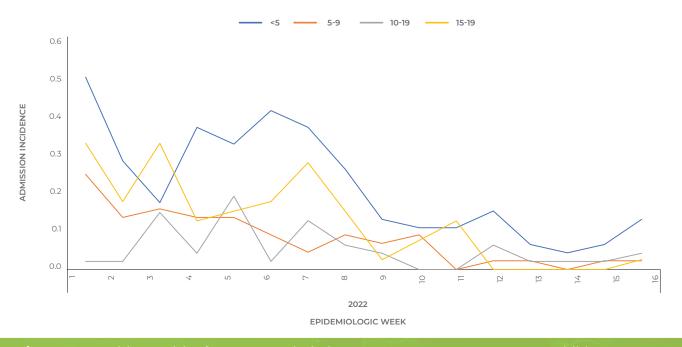


Figure 31a: Incidence risk of COVID-19 admissions per 100,000 persons, among children <19 years, by age group and epidemiologic week of diagnosis, Mpumalanga, week 1-16 2022

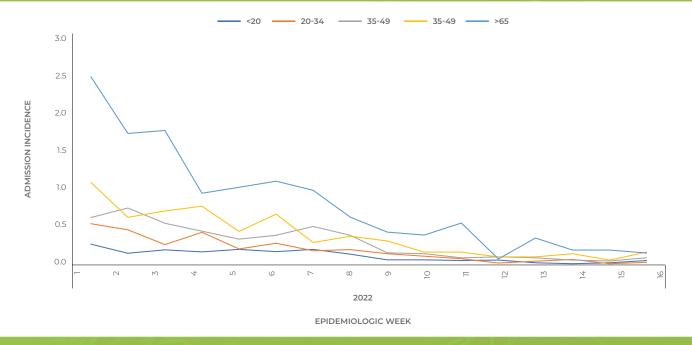


Figure 31b: Incidence risk of COVID-19 admissions per 100,000 persons, by age group and epidemiologic week of diagnosis, Mpumalanga, week 1-16 2022

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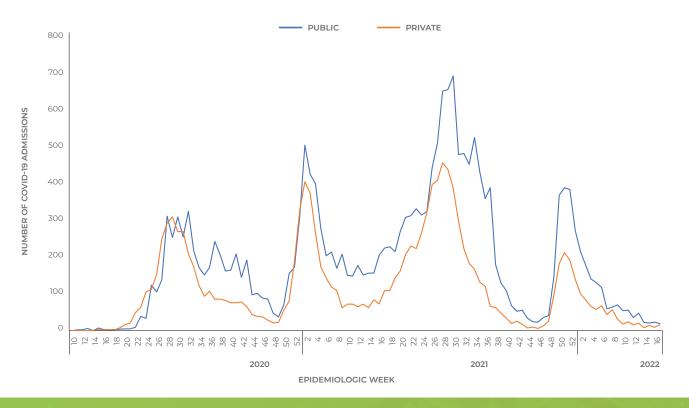


Figure 32: Number of reported COVID-19 admissions by health sector and epidemiologic week of diagnosis, North West, 5 March 2020-23 April 2022, N=33,294

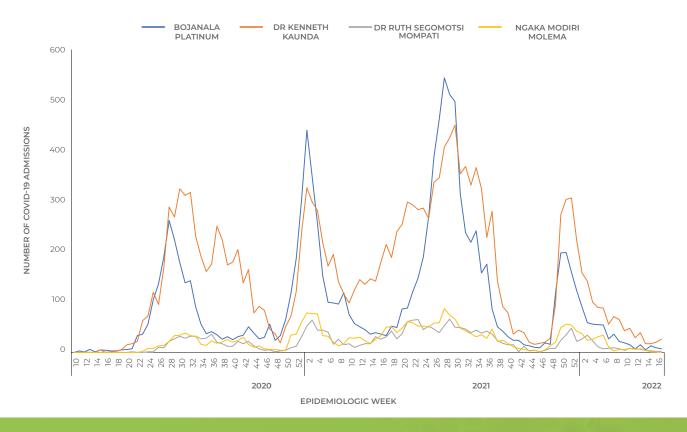


Figure 33. Number of reported COVID-19 admissions, by district and epidemiologic week, North West, 5 March 2020-23 April 2022, N=33,294

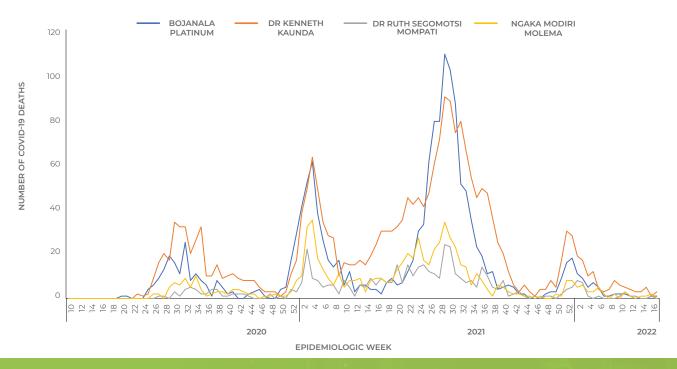


Figure 34: Number of reported COVID-19 in-hospital deaths, by district and epidemiologic week, North West, 5 March 2020-23 April 2022, N=4,862

Table 11: Previous 14 days and current 14 days average COVID-19 admissions and deaths and percentage changes, North West, 26 March-23 April 2022.

District	Previous 14 days admissions average	Current 14 days admissions average	Percentage change in admissions	Previous 14 days deaths average	Current 14 days deaths average	Percentage change in deaths
Bojanala Platinum	1.29	1.14	-11.11	0.00	0.14	0.00
Dr Kenneth Kaunda	2.43	3.29	35.29	0.57	0.29	-50.00
Dr Ruth Segomotsi Mompati	0.50	0.29	-42.86	0.00	0.07	0.00
Ngaka Modiri Molema	0.36	0.07	-80.00	0.14	0.14	0.00

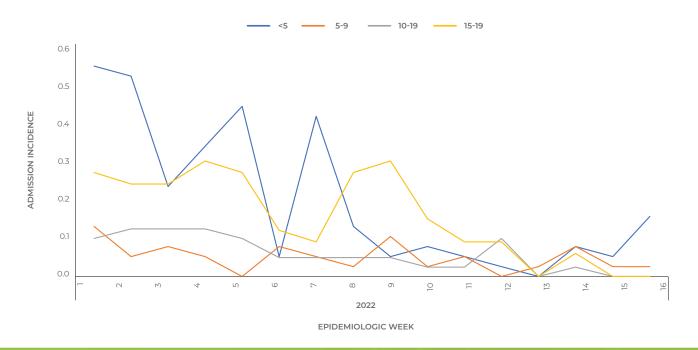


Figure 35a: Incidence risk of COVID-19 admissions per 100,000 persons, among children <19 years, by age group and epidemiologic week of diagnosis, North West, week 1-16 2022

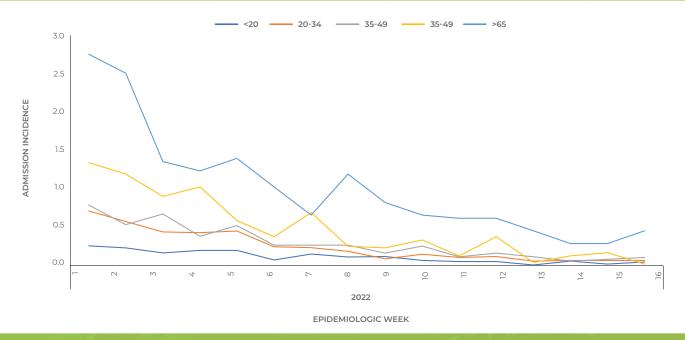


Figure 35b: Incidence risk of COVID-19 admissions per 100,000 persons, by age group and epidemiologic week of diagnosis, North West, week 1-16 2022

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NORTHERN CAPE

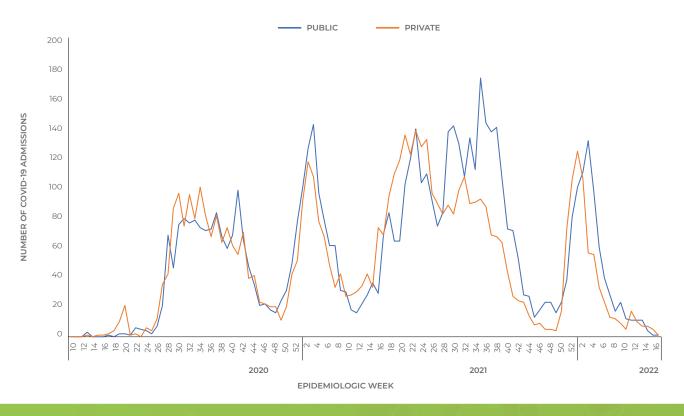


Figure 36: Number of reported COVID-19 admissions by health sector and epidemiologic week of diagnosis, Northern Cape, 5 March 2020-23 April 2022, N=11,496

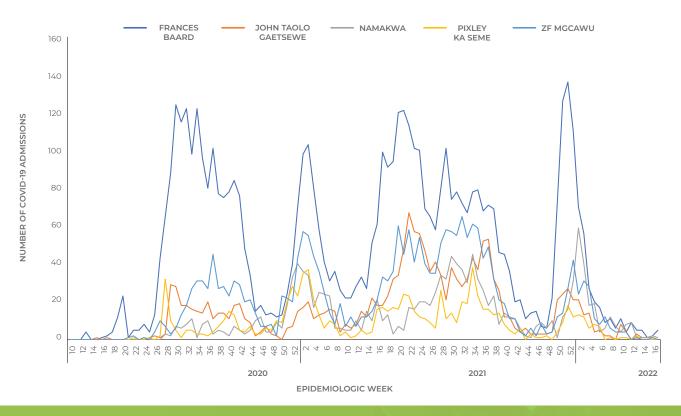


Figure 37: Number of reported COVID-19 admissions by district and epidemiologic week, Northern Cape. 5 March 2020-23 April 2022. N=11.496

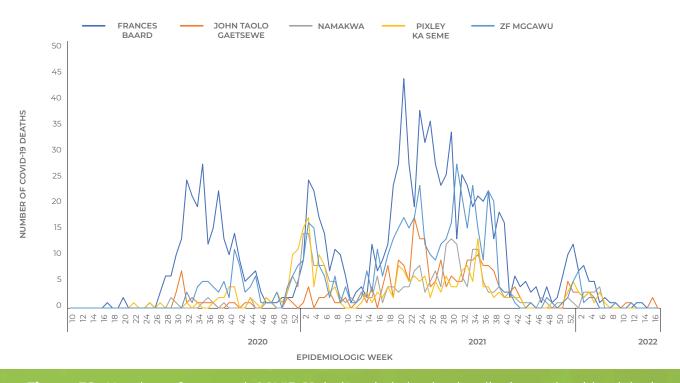


Figure 38: Number of reported COVID-19 in-hospital deaths, by district and epidemiologic week, Northern Cape, 5 March 2020-23 April 2022, N=2,426

Table 12: Previous 14 days and current 14 days average COVID-19 admissions and deaths and percentage changes, Northern Cape, 26 March-23 April 2022.

District	Previous 14 days admissions average	Current 14 days admissions average	Percentage change in admissions	Previous 14 days deaths average	Current 14 days deaths average	Percentage change in deaths
Frances Baard	0.43	0.50	16.67	0.07	0.00	-100.00
John Taolo Gaetsewe	0.14	0.07	-50.00	0.00	0.14	0.00
Namakwa	0.07	0.21	200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Pixley Ka Seme	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
ZF Mgcawu	0.00	0.07	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

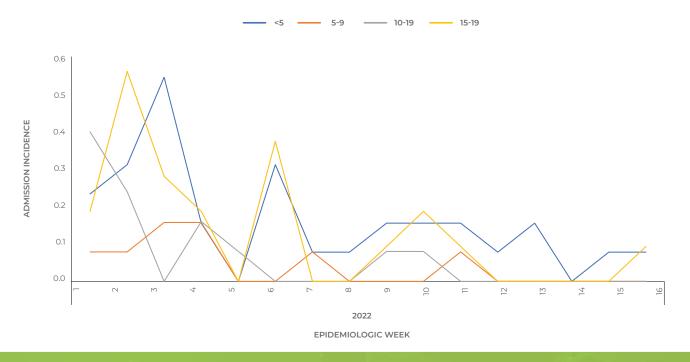


Figure 39a: Incidence risk of COVID-19 admissions per 100,000 persons, among children <19 years, by age group and epidemiologic week of diagnosis, Northern Cape, week 1-16 2022

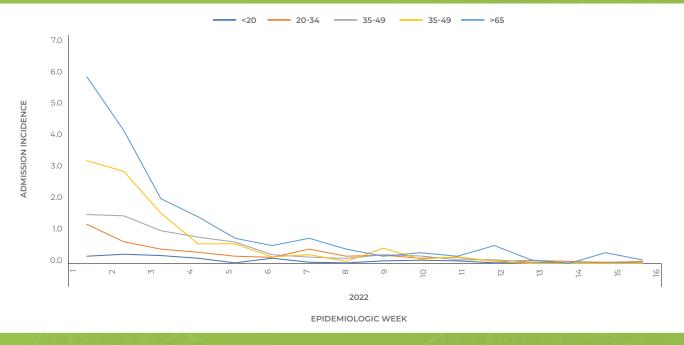


Figure 39b: Incidence risk of COVID-19 admissions per 100,000 persons, by age group and epidemiologic week of diagnosis, Northern Cape, week 1-16 2022

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WESTERN CAPE

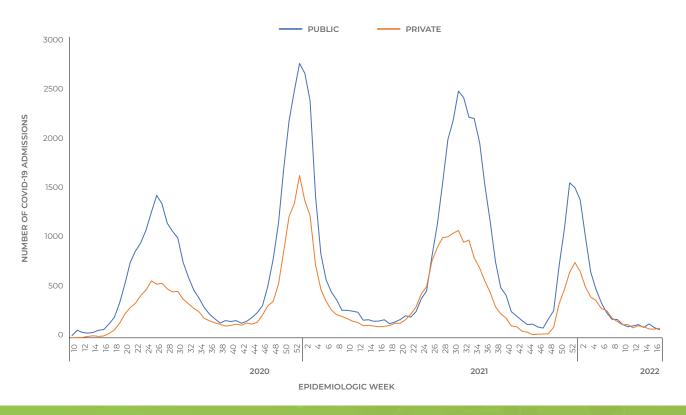


Figure 40: Number of reported COVID-19 admissions by health sector and epidemiologic week of diagnosis, Western Cape, 5 March 2020-23 April 2022, N=116,373

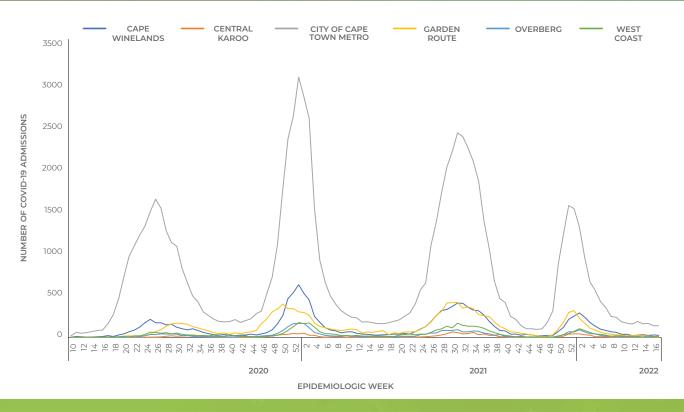


Figure 41: Number of reported COVID-19 admissions, by district and epidemiologic week, Western Cape, 5 March 2020-23 April 2022, N=116,373

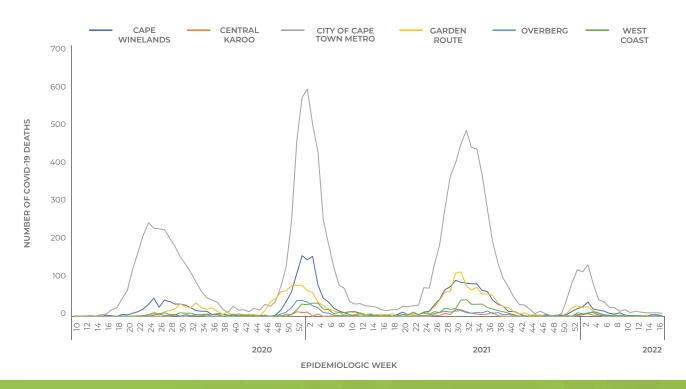


Figure 42: Number of reported COVID-19 in-hospital deaths, by district and epidemiologic week, Western Cape, 5 March 2020-23 April 2022, N=18,593

Table 13: Previous 14 days and current 14 days average COVID-19 admissions and deaths and percentage changes, Western Cape, 26 March-23 April 2022.

District	Previous 14 days admissions average	Current 14 days admissions average	Percentage change in admissions	Previous 14 days deaths average	Current 14 days deaths average	Percentage change in deaths
Cape Winelands	3.86	3.57	-7.41	0.29	0.43	50.00
Central Karoo	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
City of Cape Town Metro	23.07	19.29	-16.41	1.29	1.21	-5.56
Garden Route	2.71	1.00	-63.16	0.21	0.07	-66.67
Overberg	0.50	1.29	157.14	0.00	0.00	0.00
West Coast	1.57	1.14	-27.27	0.00	0.14	0.00

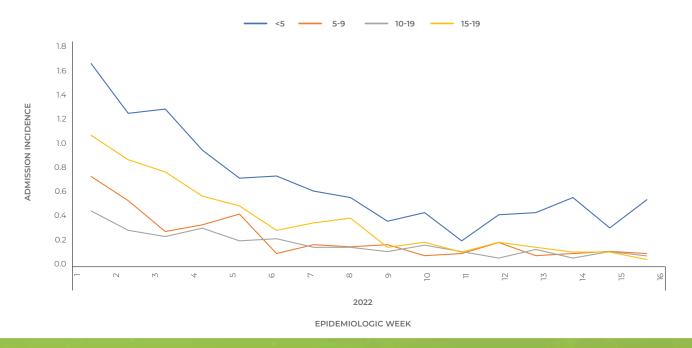


Figure 43a: Incidence risk of COVID-19 admissions per 100,000 persons, among children <19 years, by age group and epidemiologic week of diagnosis, Western Cape, week 1-16 2022

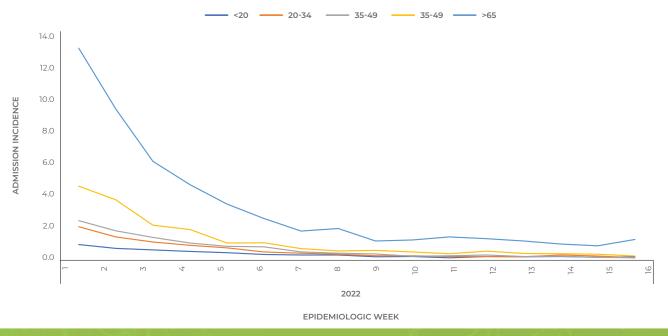


Figure 43b: Incidence risk of COVID-19 admissions per 100,000 persons, by age group and epidemiologic week of diagnosis, Western Cape, week 1-16 2022

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LIMITATIONS

DATCOV now includes reporting from all hospitals with COVID-19 admissions but many hospitals are yet to reach complete submission of historic data. Data quality in a surveillance system is dependent on the information submitted by healthcare institutions. It is not possible for the NICD to verify or check the quality of all these data, however, the NICD has built-in data quality checks. Delays in reporting of admissions and deaths may affect the numbers reported in the most recent week. The National Department of Health have recruited data capturers to support hospitals to improve data submission.

As hospitals reached capacity, admission criteria may change and therefore influence trends and inferences about the progression of the epidemic. DATCOV only reports hospital-based admissions and deaths and therefore does not include deaths occurring outside hospitals. DATCOV now has a module to record out-of-hospital deaths.

Severity data has some inherent limitations. We rely on a proxy indicator for severity and do not have clinical or laboratory parameters to ascertain clinical severity. In the early and late phases of the wave there is likely to be lower severity due to there being sufficient hospital capacity. It may take a few weeks for hospitalisation outcomes to accumulate. Early reporting on case fatality ratio is also biased particularly in older adults who may have longer admissions and are more likely to die.

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- Netcare
- Life Healthcare
- Mediclinic Southern Africa
- National Hospital Network (NHN)
- Clinix Health Group
- Lenmed
- Joint Medical Holdings (JMH)

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Table 14: Percentage incidence change in hospital admissions over 14 days, by district, South Africa, 9 April-23 April 2022.

Province	District	Total admissions	Incidence (per 100k)	New admissions	New admissions incidence (per 100k)	% average change (14 days)
Eastern Cape	Alfred Nzo	2680	325.04	1	0.12	0.00
	Amathole	3268	417.60		0.26	-50.00
	Buffalo City Metro	10461	1321.68	0	0.00	-100.00
	Chris Hani	5156	723.59	0	0.00	-100.00
	Joe Gqabi	1180	344.11		0.29	100.00
	Nelson Mandela Bay Metro	16340	1354.44		0.91	-31.25
	O R Tambo	4942	322.25		0.13	0.00
	Sarah Baartman	3307	685.29		0.21	-66.67
Free State	Fezile Dabi	3638	711.17	5	0.98	25.00
	Lejweleputswa	6393	978.75	17	2.60	41.67
	Mangaung Metro	14639	1670.39	22	2.51	10.00
	Thabo Mofutsanyana	5645	738.60	6	0.79	50.00
	Xhariep	712	560.44	0	0.00	100.00
Gauteng	City of Johannesburg Metro	53510	889.87	127	2.11	44.32
	City of Tshwane Metro	41938	1097.75	208	5.44	18.86
	Ekurhuleni Metro	32762	809.66	76	1.88	-2.56
	Sedibeng	9692	995.06	26	2.67	-13.33
	West Rand	13220	1382.25	22	2.30	4.76
KwaZulu- Natal	Amajuba	4649	819.92		0.71	-63.64
	eThekwini Metro	38472	959.50	161	4.02	41.23
	Harry Gwala	2706	534.64	0	0.00	-100.00
	iLembe	3006	432.07		0.43	50.00
	King Cetshwayo	9413	986.55	15	1.57	7.14
	Ugu	5710	709.80	18		200.00
	uMgungundlovu	11396	999.72	29	2.54	70.59

Province	District	Total admissions	Incidence (per 100k)	New admissions	New admissions incidence (per 100k)	% average change (14 days)
	uMkhanyakude	1492	216.86	0	0.00	-100.00
	Umzinyathi	2311	409.69		0.53	0.00
	UThukela	3137	447.90	9	1.29	-18.18
	Zululand	2448	276.87	4	0.45	33.33
Limpopo	Capricorn	8608	648.71	6	0.45	500.00
	Mopani	3771	313.55		0.42	100.00
	Sekhukhune	2098	172.44		0.41	150.00
	Vhembe	3031	211.91		0.21	200.00
	Waterberg	3263	434.98	9	1.20	125.00
Mpumalanga	Ehlanzeni	7896	431.86	6	0.33	20.00
	Gert Sibande	7575	597.46	16	1.26	300.00
	Nkangala	6699	406.66	15	0.91	25.00
North West	Bojanala Platinum	11220	575.92	7	0.36	-41.67
	Dr Kenneth Kaunda	16994	2115.52	27	3.36	28.57
	Dr Ruth Segomotsi Mompati	2308	494.73		0.43	0.00
	Ngaka Modiri Molema	2772	306.35	0	0.00	-100.00
Northern Cape	Frances Baard	5358	1288.07	5	1.20	66.67
	John Taolo Gaetsewe	1635	591.62	O	0.00	-100.00
	Namakwa	1322	1130.00		0.85	-50.00
	Pixley Ka Seme	916	435.33	Ο	0.00	100.00
	ZF Mgcawu	2267	800.18	0	0.00	-100.00
Western Cape	Cape Winelands	13237	1384.89	32	3.35	-31.91
	Central Karoo	1371	1808.90	0	0.00	100.00
	City of Cape Town Metro	81317	1737.95	183	3.91	-9.41
	Garden Route	12970	2064.48		0.80	-75.00
	Overberg	3209	1050.31	13	4.25	44.44
	West Coast	4385	933.98	15	3.19	66.67

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Table 15: Number of reported COVID-19 admissions and in-hospital deaths by age and gender, South Africa. 5 March 2020-23 April 2022.

	ADMISSIONS				DEATHS			
Age (years)	Female	Male	Unknown	Total	Female	Male	Unknown	Total
0-4	6246	7885	39	14170	176	197		375
5-9	1787	2359	8	4154	30	31	0	61
10-14	2512	2562	9	5083	65	64	0	129
15-19	6955	3887		10848	152	134	0	286
20-24	10781	5374	10	16165	345	264		610
25-29	17051	7642	16	24709	739	506		1246
30-34	21871	12195	12	34078	1266	1080		2347
35-39	22588	16034	21	38643	1813	1708		3525
40-44	20033	17755	16	37804	2231	2303		4535
45-49	22119	21729	12	43860	3200	3384		6585
50-54	25655	24041	10	49706	4349	4503		8854
55-59	28526	26015	15	54556	6161	6188		12354
60-64	25273	23177	20	48470	6626	6831	6	13463
65-69	21844	19471	17	41332	6854	6410	6	13270
70-74	18633	16377	19	35029	6097	5931		12032
75-79	13996	11511	9	25516	4828	4506		9337
80-84	10666	7499	8	18173	3950	3076		7029
85-89	5784	3592		9378	2209	1619	0	3828
90-94	2548	1249		3798	1081	618	0	1699
>=95	786	372		1161	358	157	0	515
Unknown	887	692	48	1627	48	45	0	93
Total	286541	231418	301	518260	52578	49555	40	102173