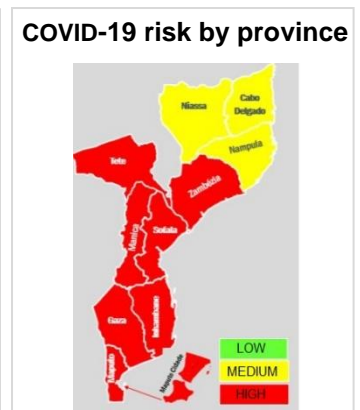
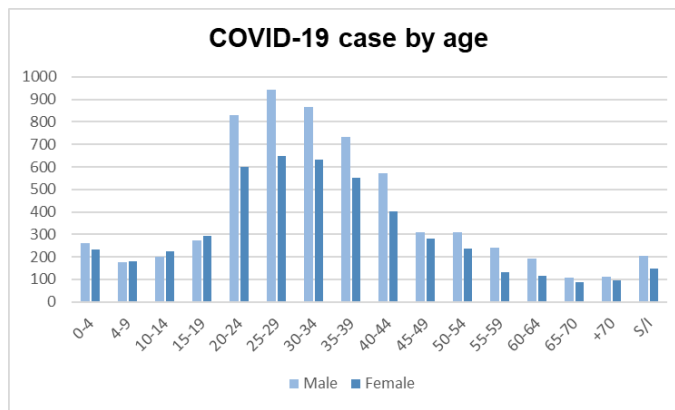
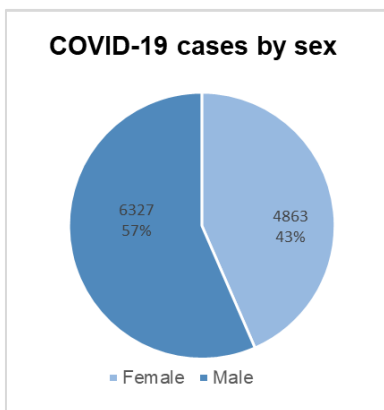
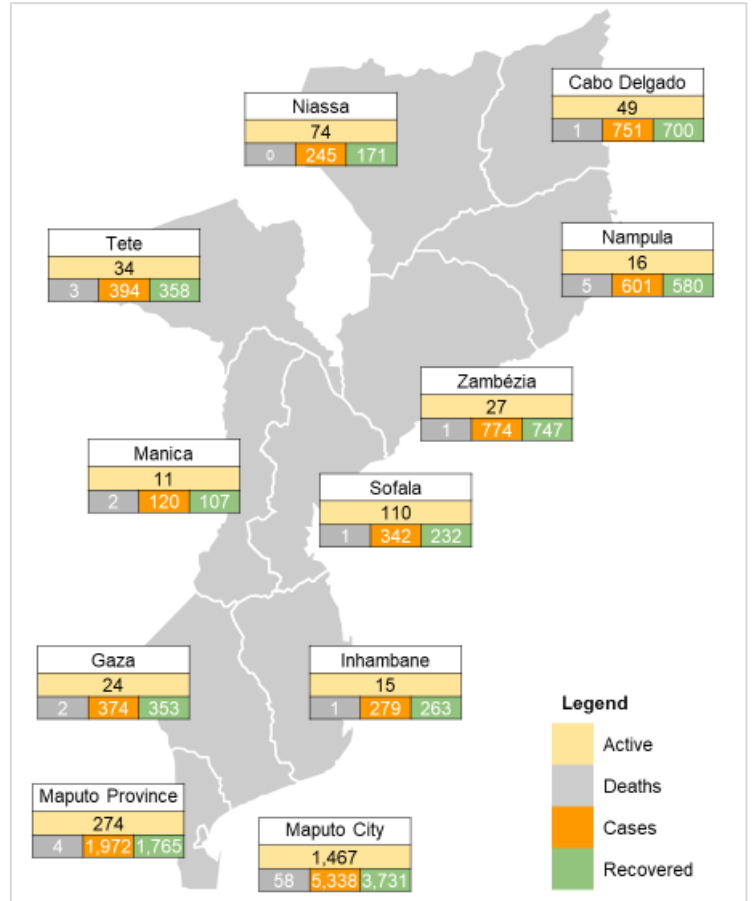




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MOZAMBIQUE'S HIGHLIGHTS





- As of 21 October, there were 11,190 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Mozambique;
- According to the Ministry of Health (MISAU) **between 12 – 18 October** there were 13,136 COVID-19 tests conducted with 865 positive results, a 6.5% positivity rate, in which 46% of positive cases were asymptomatic. 1,175 people recovered and 4 people died from COVID-19 during this period;
- Combined, Maputo City and Province account for 65% of the total number of active cases in Mozambique;
- MISAU launched an epidemiological survey in the city of Beira, the seventh such survey in the country to understand how the virus spread through the city; and
- On 02 October, the Minister for Education announced the resumption of face-to-face classes for students in Grade 12. Over 168,000 students returned to face-to-face classes in the context of the phased relaxation of the COVID-19 prevention measures. 222 schools reopened following approval by authorities, 89 schools were not approved and 105 schools were not evaluated. There will be an automatic progress of children in non-exam years (Grades 1-6, 8, 9 and 11) grades to the next grade in 2021 and the adaption of the curriculum to reflect the changes.







MOZAMBIQUE SUMMARY	GLOBAL SUMMARY	AFRICAN REGION SUMMARY
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11,190 confirmed cases 2,101 active cases 9,007 recovered 78 confirmed deaths 10,891 local transmission, 299 imported 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 40,657,074 confirmed cases 9,174,115 active cases 30,359,847 recovered 1,123,112 confirmed deaths 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1,654,412 confirmed cases 251,381 active cases 1,363,106 recovered 39,925 deaths



UN COVID-19 RESPONSE IN MOZAMBIQUE

 <p>HEALTH</p> <p>74 tents for COVID-19 screening delivered to the central store of MISAU for national distribution</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support the development of the MISAU Health Risk Preparedness and Response Plan 2020 – 2021 (UNFPA); • Provision of 74 tents delivered to the central store of MISAU ahead of national distribution used to screen COVID-19 cases and ensure continuity of sexual and reproductive health and GBV services (UNFPA); and • From June to August, more than 60,000 women and adolescent girls from Sofala and Cabo Delgado Provinces accessed sexual and reproductive health services provided by mobile health teams (UNFPA).
 <p>WASH</p> <p>5,000 people benefited from additional handwashing facilities in Matola Municipality</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support Health Authorities in WASH upgrading works in 9 isolation treatment centers across the country (UNICEF); • In collaboration with the provincial Directorate of Public Works and Water Resources, 34 boreholes were rehabilitated in the urban periphery areas of Nampula City as a measure of COVID-19 prevention (UNICEF); and • 5 handwashing facilities installed in markets of the Municipality of Matola, impacting over 5,000 people (UN Habitat).
 <p>EDUCATION</p> <p>Celebration of International Literacy Day with workshop on literacy teaching and learning during the COVID-19 crisis</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In collaboration with MINEDH, a workshop on literacy teaching and learning in the context of the COVID-19 crises and beyond with a focus on the role of educators and changing pedagogies took place in Maputo (UNESCO); • A webinar, organized by Movement for All Education (MEPT) for the COVID-19 technical group on education took place involving advocacy and policy dialogue in the context of reopening schools (UNESCO, UNICEF, WFP); and • Support provided for the organization of a webinar series “Working together to meet the challenges of COVID-19 in the context of school closures and reopening for Lusophone African countries” during the month of September involving teachers, school directors in primary and secondary schools, senior government staff, cooperating partners and CSOs (UNESCO).
 <p>MASKS</p> <p>Almost 40,000 masks distributed to vulnerable groups, young women and girls, market vendors and health workers to prevent the spread of COVID-19</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delivery of essential PPE to frontline workers in Sofala province including 3,000 medical masks, 240 respirator masks and 66 flasks of hydroalcoholic solution (IOM); • 10,000 activists, women living with HIV/AIDS and family members in Gaza benefited from 3-month hygiene kits against COVID-19, including 20,000 face masks, 300 boxes of soap and 250 buckets with taps distributed through 17 community-based associations of women living with HIV/AIDS (UN Women, UNAIDS); • 2,400 masks, 50 buckets and 50 bars of soap delivered to community members, Rapariga Biz mentors, girls and young women prior to community dialogues in Nampula province, focused on adolescent sexual and reproductive health, GBV and COVID-19 prevention and response (UNFPA); • More than 10,000 masks produced by women in women-friendly spaces distributed to nearly 3,000 women and their families across 10 resettlement centers in Sofala (UNFPA); • 2,400 face masks produced and distributed to Community Health Workers in Inhambane and Tete (UNICEF); • 1,800 reusable masks were distributed to the most vulnerable and market vendors (UN Habitat); and • 500 face shields and 2,000 masks donated to strengthen the personal protection of border officials working at points of entry in Cabo Delgado (IOM).



 <p>COMMUNICATIONS</p> <p>Over 4 million people reached with COVID-19 messaging in 48 districts</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approximately 4 million people reached in 48 districts with COVID-19 preventive measures and mitigation of secondary impacts messages (UNICEF); • Since April 2020, over 1.5 million messages on COVID-19 prevention have been listened to on the VIAMO 3-2-1 phone service (UNFPA); • More than 2,000 calls received by the COVID-19 call-center (line #110) with most calls related to information on COVID-19 and quarantine (UNFPA); • Support provided to MISAU in the production of 4 videos on COVID-19 and bus transportation, including support for persons with disabilities, public transport disinfection, public guidance and an all-encompassing video on COVID-19 (UNFPA); • Two radio and three TV debates on GBV, premature unions and COVID-19 prevention in Manica, Gaza and Nampula were conducted. Additionally, 20 awareness raising campaign sessions were conducted reaching over 14,000 people (UN Women); • Community dialogue on GBV and COVID-19 prevention with 42 women in Nampula city were conducted and 90 community leaders have raised awareness on GBV and COVID-19 prevention measures (UN Women); and • Awareness raising activities through home visits to displaced families and host communities in Cabo Delgado and Nampula. Since June 2020, 5,030 people were sensitized on COVID-19 prevention measures (IOM).
 <p>MONITORING</p> <p>84% of resettlement sites in central Mozambique have COVID-19 PPE available</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • According to round nine of the COVID-19 Preparedness Assessment in Resettlement Sites, 84% of resettlement sites in the central region of Mozambique have COVID-19 PPE available (IOM); • Launch of the first COVID-19 Urban Newsletter (UN Habitat); and • Updated Mozambique – COVID-19 Status of Entry And Exit Points Map (IOM).
 <p>TRAINING</p> <p>Nearly 900 people trained in COVID-19 measures, prevention and awareness raising</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5 medical doctors directly involved in COVID-19 patient care in Pemba received training on COVID-19 case management (UNFPA); • In coordination with the Health Provincial Directorate in Tete and Inhambane, 535 community health workers trained on IPC for COVID-19 and continuity of services (UNICEF); • 10 activists trained in the Municipality of Matola in partnership with the NGO GVC-WeWorld on raising awareness on COVID-19 preventive measures in urban areas, with a special focus on markets (UN Habitat); • Sensitization session on COVID-19 prevention measures held in Cabo Delgado for natural resource management committees, forestry operators and technicians from NGOs dealing with forests (FAO); and • In collaboration with the NGO GVC-WeWorld, a pilot intervention was carried out in a secondary school with the design of a mural with awareness raising messages on preventive measures against COVID-19 in schools and a training to put in place an Emergency Committee to prevent and prepare for emergencies, including COVID-19 (UN Habitat).
 <p>LOGISTICS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bi-weekly UNHAS flights for humanitarian personnel between Maputo and Johannesburg, South Africa (WFP).



UN GLOBAL THINK PIECES ON COVID-19 IMPACT AND RESPONSE

- **Health:** Statement from the Secretary General on the 1 millionth death from the COVID-19 pandemic; a news release from WHO suggests COVID-19 disrupting mental health services in most countries; and a joint statement between the WHO together with the UN, specialized agencies and partners was made on COVID-19 pandemic: countries urged to take stronger action to stop spread of harmful information.
- **Social protection:** The executive Directors of ILO and UNAIDS issued a joint call for urgent action on strengthening social protection programmes in the face of COVID19.
- **Food and nutrition:** WFP Chief warns of grave dangers of economic impact of Coronavirus as millions are pushed further into hunger; article on WFP take-home rations provide a lifeline to schoolchildren in Mozambique; and statement by WFP's Executive Director on hunger pandemic World must step up – not back – avoid coronavirus-induced hunger pandemic.
- **Education:** Statement by UNICEF and EU on prioritization of re-opening schools As classrooms for half the world's schoolchildren remain closed, UNICEF and EU urge countries to prioritize schools in re-opening plans.
- **Children and Youth:** Press release by UNICEF & Save the Children revealing 150 million additional children plunged into poverty due to COVID-19.
- **Gender:** Story released by UN WOMEN on COVID-19 and the economic toll on women; press release by the UN on the failing of most countries to protect women from COVID-19 economic and social fallout; and press release by UNICEF on Conflict, climate crisis and COVID-19 pose great threats to the health of women and children.
- **Economy:** UNIDO launches How COVID-19 is changing the world: a statistical perspective Volume II; and World Bank article on COVID-19 in Mozambique: A team effort to ease the economic hardship on families.
- **Social Protection:** ILO release fact sheet on financing gaps in social protection: Global estimates and strategies for developing countries in light of the COVID-19 crisis and beyond.

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