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As of today, the cumulative number of detected COVID-19 cases is **688 532** with 1 641 new cases identified since the last report.

Province	Total cases for 09 October 2020	Percentage total
Eastern Cape	90479	13,1
Free State	49966	7,3
Gauteng	222374	32,3
KwaZulu-Natal	120160	17,5
Limpopo	16133	2,3
Mpumalanga	28006	4,1
North West	30522	4,4
Northern Cape	18628	2,7
Western Cape	112264	16,3
Unknown	0	0,0
Total	688532	100,0

The cumulative number of tests conducted to date is **4 360 105** with 20 419 new tests conducted since the last report.

Sector	Total tested		New tested	
PRIVATE	2 486 243	57%	13 317	65%
PUBLIC	1 873 862	43%	7 102	35%
Total	4 360 105		20 419	

Total Deaths and Recoveries

Regrettably, we report **139** more COVID-19 related deaths: 23 from Eastern Cape, 3 from the Free State, 65 from KwaZulu Natal, 28 from Gauteng, 4 from Limpopo, 7 from North West, 4 from Northern Cape and 5 from Western Cape. This brings the total number of COVID-19 related deaths to **17 547**.

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 620 081 which translates to a recovery rate of 90%

Province	Total Deaths	Total Recoveries	Active Cases
Eastern Cape	3186	85301	1992
Free State	1093	35417	13456
Gauteng	4414	198291	19669
KwaZulu-Natal	2990	111509	5661
Limpopo	425	15093	615
Mpumalanga	581	26554	871
North West	382	27621	2519
Northern Cape	232	15388	3008
Western Cape	4244	104907	3113
National	17547	620081	50904

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