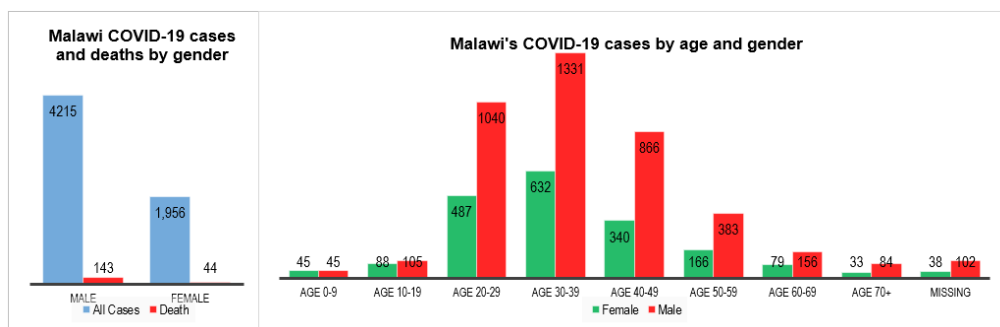


MALAWI HIGHLIGHTS

- ❖ Schools reopening for new academic year running from 4 Jan to 8 Oct 2021
- ❖ COVID-19 cases continue to rise with 112 new cases reported on 31 Dec 2020
- ❖ Cash distributions for the Lean Season Response rolled out in 3 targeted Districts in December. So far, 144,000 beneficiaries have received cash support
- ❖ Distribution of take-home rations for school meals completed in almost all districts



MALAWI SUMMARY

- ❖ **6,583** cases (112 new on 31st Dec)
- ❖ **505** active, **108** lost to follow-up
- ❖ **76** under investigation
- ❖ **5,705** recovered
- ❖ **189** deaths
- ❖ **85,449** tests done

GLOBAL SUMMARY

- ❖ **81,159,096** cases
- ❖ **1,791,246** confirmed deaths
- ❖ **Over 50 million** recovered
- ❖ Cases in **216** countries and places

REGIONAL SUMMARY (Africa)

- ❖ **Over 2.5 million** cases
- ❖ **About 60,000** confirmed deaths
- ❖ **Over 2.1 million** recovered
- ❖ All **54** countries affected

EMERGENCY APPEAL FINANCIAL TRACKING OVERVIEW ([financial tracking tool](#))

Funding Required \$	Reported Funding \$	% Funded	No of Donors	No of Operational Partners
212M	103.5M	48	30	49

COMPREHENSIVE COVID-19 PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE



COORDINATION

Coordinated by: DoDMA

- ❖ The Presidential Taskforce on COVID-19 continues to its coordinate efforts to address COVID-19 in Malawi.
- ❖ The INGO consortium has conducted health, WASH and DRR rapid needs assessments interventions in connection to COVID-19 preparedness and mitigation measures.
- ❖ A [calendar of meetings](#); information [repository](#); [5W](#) interactive dashboard; [financial tracking tool](#) are available to support coordination of the COVID-19 response.








FOOD SECURITY

Coordinated by:
Department of Disaster
Management Affairs
(DoDMA) & WFP

144,000 people have received cash support during the ongoing lean season response so far.

- ❖ **Cash distributions for the Lean Season Response** rolled out in 3 targeted Districts in the month of December.
- ❖ **So far, 144,000 beneficiaries have received cash support** of MK 23,100/ USD 30. Simultaneously, distributions of cash transfers for the Boma COVID-19 response by WFP were completed in Machinga.
- ❖ On MVAC, following the Household Economic Approach-HEA and Integrated Food Security Phase Classification-IPC analysis that were done in November, results of the IPC update were submitted to the Vice President and DODMA Principal secretary for approval. In summary, the overall population for the rural areas remains 2,032,106 people, whereas the urban-affected population has increased to 610,429 from 585,880. The increase is derived from an increase in the total affected populations in Mzuzu (15,313 people) and Zomba Cities (9,236 people).

 <p>EDUCATION</p> <p>Coordinated by: Ministry of Education, Science and Technology (MoEST); Save the Children and UNICEF Support includes WFP</p> <p>Take-home rations distribution for school meals completed</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Distributions of the take-home support for school meals was completed in all districts targeted except Phalombe which is expected to be finalized on 31st December. The adaptation of the school meals programme to take-home rations is in line with Ministry of Education's guidance to partners implementing school feeding programme, supported by WFP. ❖ Ahead of schools' reopening on 4th January 2021, the Ministry of Education issued a statement stressing that all education institutions shall follow all laid down COVID-19 guidelines as issued by the Ministries of Education and Health. ❖ Close monitoring of all education institutions and provision of any further guidance and directions based on the COVID-19 situation on the ground will be done by the Ministry of Education, in conjunction with the Ministry of Health. ❖ Education institutions are urged to remain in touch with community health surveillance systems so that they are alert on issues of public health.
 <p>TRANSPORT AND LOGISTICS</p> <p>Coordinated by: Ministry of Transport and Works (MTW) & WFP.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The Logistics Cluster co-led by WFP was part of the Inter-Cluster Coordination Group meeting related to Cyclone Chalane response and is working together with all other activated clusters in ensuring preparedness. Specifically, the Cluster is working on securing means of transportation namely: trucks, boats ❖ Construction works for screening areas at Chileka and Kamuzu airports were finalized by WFP. The objective of the screening areas is to facilitate screening of inbound passengers as they enter the country. ❖ A platform (Log:ie) for quick and easy data capture and sharing by partners was set up by WFP as part of the logistics cluster.
 <p>INFORMATION & COMMUNICATION</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ <i>No updates available.</i>
 <p>HEALTH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ <i>No updates available.</i>
 <p>WASH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ <i>No updates available.</i>
 <p>PROTECTION</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ <i>No updates available.</i>
 <p>AGRICULTURE</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ <i>No updates available.</i>
 <p>NUTRITION</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ <i>No updates available.</i>

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