# NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

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**Ms H Ismail (DA) to ask the Minister of Health:**

What number of persons who are infected with (a) HIV/Aids and/or (b) tuberculosis have (i) been tested for the severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 and (ii) passed away as a result of contracting Covid-19 in each province since 5 March 2020?

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**REPLY:**

1. (i)-(ii) A total of 897 persons that had COVID-19, were HIV positive and hospitalised as at 21 June 2020. Of these 757 (85%) made a full recovery, whist 140 (15%) died. Refer to table below for the provincial breakdown.

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| **Province** | HIV+ patients who discharged alive/in hospital | HIV+ patients who died | Total HIV+ patients admitted | % deaths among HIV+ |
| Eastern Cape | 48 | 11 | 59 | 18,6% |
| Free State | 12 | 1 | 13 | 7,7% |
| Gauteng | 48 | 3 | 51 | 5,9% |
| KwaZulu-Natal | 39 | 2 | 41 | 4,9% |
| Limpopo | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0,0% |
| Mpumalanga | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0,0% |
| North West | 25 | 2 | 27 | 7,4% |
| Northern Cape | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0,0% |
| Western Cape | 579 | 121 | 700 | 17,3% |
| **Total** | **757** | **140** | **897** | **15,6%** |

(b) (i)-(ii) The data reported is available only from hospitals. These are patients who are referred to the hospitals due to deterioration of their clinical condition or poor response to TB treatment. There were 240 patients who had TB at the time of Covid-19 diagnosis, of these 44 died (18%) and 196 were discharged alive.

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| **Province** | Total admitted | Total discharged alive/in hospital | Total who died | Percentage on deaths |
| Western Cape | 199 | 162 | 37 | 18,6% |
| Eastern Cape | 17 | 13 | 4 | 23,5% |
| Free State | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0,0% |
| Gauteng | 12 | 11 | 1 | 8,3% |
| KwaZulu-Natal | 8 | 7 | 1 | 12,5% |
| Northern Cape | 2 | 1 | 1 | 50,0% |
| **Total** | **240** | **196** | **44** | **18,3%** |

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