### REGIONAL INDICATORS

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<th>Country</th>
<th>Confirmed</th>
<th>Recovered</th>
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<td>South Africa</td>
<td>482,169</td>
<td>309,601</td>
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<td>Zambie</td>
<td>5,555</td>
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<td>Tanzania</td>
<td>509</td>
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<td>Ivory Coast</td>
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**Did you know?**

A recent national survey conducted with more than 10,000 young people aged 18 to 35-years, through UNICEF’s U-Report SMS platform, showed how COVID-19 and the related lockdown led to multiple shocks in young people’s lives, whilst highlighting the inequalities when it comes to accessing digital learning and skills opportunities.

- Only 11% of young people reported access to a laptop and Internet
- 41% of respondents reported access to a smartphone but only 17% with a data bundle to connect
- 41% highlighted the need for information on skill-building and training opportunities

### YOUTH VOICES

**Rehema (HuWeso FM) - Kahama, Tanzania**

**Question:** “It’s said that the coronavirus infection has decreased, is it right to continue with our normal life?”

**Response:** Several newspaper articles and publications have stated that the authorities in Tanzania have not released official figures on the extent of the COVID-19 outbreak since the start of May. Schools were due to reopen on 29 June and President John Magufuli had said the virus had been largely defeated, but the lack of data has led to increasing concern over the true level of infections. Tanzania’s neighbours as well as international health organisations have expressed concerns that downplaying the epidemic could impact the wider region negatively. Tanzania has 509 confirmed COVID-19 cases with 21 deaths, according to the Africa Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. But the World Health Organization has said that Tanzania is belated in releasing any data on COVID-19 infections.

Source: BBC News World Africa

**Makubu Phokwane (MCRS) - South Africa**

**Question:** “Will things go back to normal after this outbreak? What is to happen to disadvantaged homes that will probably run out of money to sustain their lives during this extension of Lockdown?”

**Response:** Here is an edited extract from an Academic Review Paper with some ideas for economic reformation in South Africa post COVID-19. “Without a new governance model, South Africa will be unable to overcome the COVID-19 health, social and economic crises; and the country is likely to plunge into economic chaos, social breakdown and rolling violent unrest. There has to be partnerships between the public, private sector, civil society and defence forces to reconstruct the post-COVID-19 economy. Entrepreneurship has to be at the heart of post-COVID-19 economy reconstruction. Entrepreneurs create new industries, new jobs and new wealth. In South Africa, entrepreneurship will have to be promoted across society - within the state, private sector, civil society and communities.

Source: University of Witwatersrand Academic Review Paper - School of Governance

**Palesa Motaung (ALEX FM) - South Africa**

**Question:** “Is it right to continue with our normal life?”

**Response:** This thing of new normalities” is not even funny.”

**Sithembile Daza (ALEX FM) - South Africa**

**Question:** “What is happening on the new rules of lockdown? What is the new normal?”

**Response:** We’ve had several youth reporters tell us that people in their communities have not been taking COVID-19 seriously since the lockdown rules were eased. This article speaks about how refusal to follow the law puts other South Africans at risk: “None of us have the right to opt out from laws we don’t like. If we do, we are guilty of an offence. We are currently in a State of Disaster. Our only chance to avoid the worst of this – and the possible death of hundreds of thousands of neighbours – is to do as we are told: keep our distance, wash our hands and stay at home. Those that can’t do this are breaking the law and will be isolated so that they don’t pose a risk to anyone else. If we do as the government asks us, we will negotiate this crisis as quickly as we can, get back to a new normal and the soldiers can get off the streets and home to their families.”

Source: GC - Opinion piece