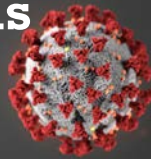


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Region 8 Responds

The Regional Health and Medical Operations Center (RHMOC) is open 8am to 5pm Monday through Saturday. Please send inquiries, questions, subscription requests or reports to Region8COVID-19@dshs.texas.gov or call 210-949-2121. **Please Note: The Region 8 Daily Update is intended for emergency managers, elected officials, infection preventionists and public health stakeholders. We encourage you to share with appropriate entities, but we do not consent to posting the Daily Update on social media platforms. Anyone who would like to receive the Daily Update can request to be added to the distribution list by emailing Region8COVID-19@dshs.texas.gov**

COVID-19 Release from Isolation Information

Isolation and quarantine are crucial public health measure to interrupt the spread of the novel coronavirus. As part of the ongoing response to the COVID-19 pandemic, we are asking healthcare providers to instruct all patients tested for COVID-19 to self-isolate. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC's) guidance for length of isolation and criteria for discontinuation can be found here:

CDC Symptom-Based Strategy to Discontinue Isolation for Persons with COVID-19:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/strategy-discontinue-isolation.html>

In addition, healthcare providers should provide instructions for close contacts to cases of COVID-19 to quarantine for 14 days. Those instructions can be found here:

CDC Guidance for Close Contacts to Quarantine:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/if-you-are-sick/quarantine.html>

If any patients who have been diagnosed with COVID-19 require a doctor's note to return to work or other activities, a physician or their designee may provide this release by using the guidance referenced above to release them from home isolation. If you have questions or concerns about this guidance, you may contact Public Health Region 8 at 210-949-2000 during business hours or 210-949-2121 after hours. You may also send an email to Region8COVID-19@dshs.texas.gov. Attached is an infographic of this information.

WHO Releases New COVID-19 Guidance on Airborne Transmission

The World Health Organization (WHO) now says airborne transmission of COVID-19 cannot be ruled out. Airborne transmission means that the virus can be spread by aerosols. Aerosols are droplets, but smaller (fewer than 5 microns in diameter). In comparison, a human hair is 50 microns wide. Droplets (bigger and heavier than aerosols) fall out of the air faster than aerosols do. Aerosols can remain in the air after a person has left the area.

In the new guidance (<https://www.who.int/news-room/commentaries/detail/transmission-of-sars-cov-2-implications-for-infection-prevention-precautions>), WHO acknowledges that airborne transmission can occur in crowded, indoor locations with poor ventilation, but says COVID-19 is largely spread through droplet transmission.

COVID-19 Testing Sites

Registration for mobile testing sites is now available at <https://Texas.curativeinc.com/welcome>. For walk-up sites, registration can be completed on site. For more information on additional test sites state-wide, visit <https://txcovidtest.org>.

Date/Time	County	Location
July 16 8 to 4	Zavala	Zavala County Nutrition Center 1210 N 7 th Ave, Crystal City (walk up)
July 17-18 9 to 5	Bexar	7286 Dietz Elkhorn Road Fair Oaks Ranch (drive through)
July 18 8 to 4	Atascosa	St. Andrew Catholic Church 316 Market St, Pleasanton (walk up)

More on COVID-19 Testing

Testing sites run by the City of San Antonio (Freeman Coliseum, Kazen Middle School and Cuellar Community Center) are now for symptomatic people only. For more information on San Antonio testing sites, click [here](#). Local hospitals and doctors' offices may also provide testing.



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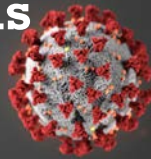
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COVID-19 Cases at a Glance

Texas				USA			World	
264,313				3,296,599			12,768,307	
REGION 8	Case Type			Status			Summary	
	Pending Investigation	Confirmed	Probable	Active	Recovered	Deaths	Total	New
	1769	26068	587	18110	10051	263	28424	+1154
Counties								
Atascosa	186	92	38	201	113	2	316	+74
Bandera	18	25	5	22	26	0	48	+7
Bexar	0	19648	0	13272	6182	194	19648	+511
Calhoun	84	71	6	89	69	3	161	+10
Comal	0	977	305	802	458	22	1282	+37
DeWitt	0	159	0	85	71	3	159	+28
Dimmit	19	20	2	21	20	0	41	+8
Edwards	7	3	0	10	0	0	10	+8
Frio	162	127	6	177	118	0	295	+36
Gillespie	33	32	6	41	30	0	71	+2
Goliad	16	19	2	19	18	0	37	+6
Gonzales	100	249	15	116	244	4	364	+31
Guadalupe	497	554	108	693	464	2	1159	+84
Jackson	42	47	2	47	43	1	91	+10
Karnes	39	22	3	42	22	0	64	+8
Kendall	44	63	16	50	73	0	123	+4
Kerr	110	82	14	120	85	1	206	+53
Kinney	1	2	0	1	2	0	3	-
LaSalle	23	16	5	26	18	0	44	+11
Lavaca	209	129	7	228	116	1	345	+109
Maverick	0	776	0	483	286	7	776	-
Medina	42	178	19	72	164	3	239	+42
Real	5	1	0	5	1	0	6	+2
Uvalde	0	259	4	100	161	2	263	+35
Val Verde	0	503	0	400	100	3	503	-
Victoria	0	1599	2	761	830	10	1601	-
Wilson	104	98	18	118	97	5	220	+22
Zavala	28	32	4	35	29	0	64	+14
Correctional/ICE Facilities								
TDCJ†	0	222	0	43	179	0	222	+2
ICE‡	0	60	0	28	32	0	60	-
Other§	0	3	0	3	0	0	3	-
†Medina: Ney Unit (173), Torres Unit (5); Karnes: Connally Unit (9); LaSalle: Cotulla Unit (35)								
‡Frio County (47), Karnes County (11), LaSalle County (2)								
§Uvalde County Jail (1), Guadalupe County Jail (2)								
Region 8 Case Summary							Total	New
RHMOC							4455	+578
Community Cases							4170	+576
Inmate†/Detainee‡ Cases							285	+2
Local Health Entities*							23969	+576
*Bexar, Comal, DeWitt, Maverick, Val Verde & Victoria Counties							28424	+1154
TOTAL							28424	+1154



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