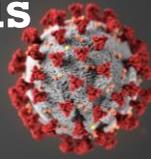


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Region 8 Responds

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**

Gov. Abbott Establishes Statewide Face Covering Requirement, Issues Proclamation to Limit Gatherings

Governor Abbott issued an Executive Order requiring all Texans to wear a face covering over the nose and mouth in public spaces in counties with 20 or more positive COVID-19 cases. He also issued a proclamation giving mayors and county judges the ability to impose restrictions on some outdoor gatherings of over 10 people. In addition, people cannot be in groups larger than ten and must maintain six feet of social distancing from others. "Wearing a face covering in public is proven to be one of the most effective ways we have to slow the spread of COVID-19," said Governor Abbott. These requirements take effect at 12:01 a.m. July 3. <https://gov.texas.gov/news>

Have a Healthy and Safe Fourth of July

On Saturday, July 4, the United States of America celebrates its 244th birthday. CDC Director, Robert Redfield, MD, says, "For the Fourth of July, which is a family event, we want to emphasize that it's really important that we get back to being vigilant as our collective commitment...to protect vulnerable friends, family, community." The three mainstays of COVID-19 prevention (social distancing, wearing a cloth face cover, and thoroughly washing hands) remain in place for holiday celebrations. Region 8 staff will be celebrating in a variety of ways, including: working a shift in the RHMOC (along with a BBQ lunch) watching fireworks on TV, streaming blockbuster movies, having socially distanced backyard BBQs, enjoying adult beverages at home with no need to drive, throwing water balloons (while wearing sunscreen), participating in a non-partisan voter registration campaign, and going fishing. Happy 4th to you all!

AAP Provides Guidance for School Re-entry

The American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) has released planning considerations and guidance for school re-entry. The purpose of the guidance is to support education, public health, local leadership, and pediatricians collaborating with schools in creating policies for school re-entry and is based on available evidence. The Academy states that, "Schools are fundamental to child and adolescent development and well-being and provide our children and adolescents with academic instruction, social and emotional skills, safety, reliable nutrition, physical/speech and mental health therapy, and opportunities for physical activity, among other benefits." AAP also states, "...the AAP strongly advocates that all policy considerations for the coming school year should start with a goal of having students physically present in school." The Academy expresses concern for the negative impacts on children because of the school closures in the spring of 2020, explaining that the resulting social isolation puts children at risk for learning deficits, abuse, substance use, depression and suicidal ideation. For the full report, see <https://services.aap.org/en/pages/2019-novel-coronavirus-covid-19-infections/clinical-guidance/covid-19-planning-considerations-return-to-in-person-education-in-schools/>

COVID-19 Testing Sites

Date/Time	County	Location
July 3 9 to 5	Guadalupe	Starke Park 900 Block River Road, Seguin (drive-through)
July 3 8 to 4	Edwards	Edwards County Fairgrounds 903 N Hwy 377, Rocksprings (walk-up)

More on COVID-19 Testing

COVID-19 testing appointments are available in San Antonio/Bexar County by calling 210-233-5970 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. every day. Appointments are required for the Freeman Coliseum testing site (next to the AT&T Center) or the Texas MedClinic site at 2530 SW Military. For more information on San Antonio testing sites, click [here](#). For more information about additional test sites state-wide, visit <https://txcovidtest.org>. Local hospitals and doctors' offices may also provide testing.



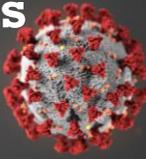
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COVID-19 Cases at a Glance

Texas				USA			World	
175,977				2,679,230			10,533,779	
REGION 8	Case Type			Status			Summary	
	Pending Investigation	Confirmed	Probable	Active	Recovered	Deaths	Total	New
	949	16126	349	10045	7225	154	17424	+603
Counties								
Atascosa	50	77	18	57	86	2	145	+4
Bandera	7	15	0	9	13	0	22	+1
Bexar	0	12504	0	7503	4890	111	12504	+439
Calhoun	31	64	6	37	61	3	101	+4
Comal	0	599	179	496	275	7	778	-
DeWitt	0	70	0	37	32	1	70	-
Dimmit	8	5	0	10	3	0	13	-
Edwards	1	1	0	2	0	0	2	-
Frio	83	95	5	98	85	0	183	+7
Gillespie	17	25	6	25	23	0	48	-
Goliad	8	7	0	8	7	0	15	+1
Gonzales	73	224	13	88	218	4	310	+36
Guadalupe	465	291	64	512	306	2	820	+34
Jackson	12	35	2	17	31	1	49	+1
Karnes	33	14	3	36	14	0	50	+3
Kendall	16	55	7	25	53	0	78	+2
Kerr	38	58	7	59	43	1	103	+7
Kinney	0	2	0	0	2	0	2	-
LaSalle	9	5	0	9	5	0	14	+2
Lavaca	52	98	5	76	78	1	155	+16
Maverick	0	455	0	273	177	5	455	+15
Medina	5	102	12	15	102	2	119	+3
Real	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	-
Uvalde	0	97	3	41	58	1	100	+12
Val Verde	0	108	5	53	60	0	113	-
Victoria	0	793	1	489	297	8	794	-
Wilson	35	76	12	40	78	5	123	+10
Zavala	6	17	1	6	18	0	24	+2
Correctional/ICE Facilities								
TDCJ†	0	182	0	5	177	0	182	+4
ICE‡	0	49	0	17	32	0	49	-
Other§	0	2	0	2	0	0	2	-
†Medina County: Ney Unit (175), Torres Unit (1); Karnes County: Connally Unit (3); La Salle: Cotulla Unit (3)								
‡Frio County Detention Center (47), LaSalle County Detention Center (2)								
§Uvalde County Jail (1), Guadalupe County Jail (1)								
Region 8 Case Summary							Total	New
RHMOC							2710	+149
Community Cases							2477	+145
Inmate†/Detainee‡ Cases							233	+4
Local Health Entities*							14714	+454
*Bexar, Comal, DeWitt, Maverick, Val Verde & Victoria Counties								
TOTAL							17424	+603

