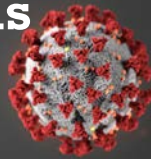


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Region 8 Responds

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**

Serious Adverse Health Events Associated with Methanol-based Hand Sanitizers

On June 19, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) advised consumers not to use any hand sanitizer manufactured by **Eskbiochem SA de CV** in Mexico due to the potential presence of methanol a, “toxic alcohol,” as an active ingredient. Methanol can cause blindness and/or death when absorbed through the skin or swallowed. The FDA has since identified additional products that contain methanol and is working with manufacturers and distributors on a voluntary recall of these products.

<https://www.fda.gov/drugs/drug-safety-and-availability/fda-updates-hand-sanitizers-methanolexternal icon>

Clinicians and public health officials should advise the public to:

- Seek immediate medical attention and contact the poison center (1-800-222-1222) for advice if they have swallowed a methanol-containing product or are experiencing symptoms from use of products on the FDA’s recall list <https://www.fda.gov/drugs/drug-safety-and-availability/fda-updates-hand-sanitizers-methanolexternal icon>. Signs and symptoms could include headache, blurred vision, nausea, vomiting, and abdominal pain, among others.
- Stop using products on the FDA recall list
- NEVER swallow an alcohol-based hand sanitizer and only use them for their intended purpose—to clean hands

Hand hygiene is an important part of the response to COVID-19. Commercially available hand sanitizers usually contain either ethanol or isopropanol, other forms of alcohol.

Gov. Abbott Suspends Elective Surgeries in 11 Trauma Service Areas

On July 9, Governor Abbott issued a [Proclamation](#) suspending elective surgeries in hospitals in all counties located within 11 Trauma Service Areas (TSAs) in Texas. Previously he had suspended elective surgeries at hospitals in the counties of Bexar, Cameron, Dallas, Harris, Hidalgo, Nueces, Travis and Webb. “...Texas continues to implement strategies to help ensure ample supply of hospitals beds for COVID-19 patients,” said Governor Abbott. “By expanding this directive to include the counties within these 11 TSAs, we are freeing up more resources to address upticks in COVID-19 related cases.” Region 8 counties included in the proclamation are: Atascosa, Bandera, Calhoun, Comal, DeWitt, Dimmit, Edwards, Frio, Gillespie, Goliad, Gonzales, Guadalupe, Jackson, Karnes, Kendall, Kerr, Kinney, La Salle, Lavaca, Maverick, Medina, Real, Uvalde, Val Verde, Victoria, Wilson and Zavala.

COVID-19 Testing Sites

Registration for mobile testing sites is now available at <https://Texas.curativeinc.com/welcome>. For walk-up sites, registration will 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 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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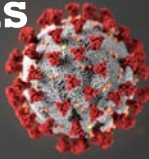
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COVID-19 Cases at a Glance

Texas				USA			World	
275,058				3,355,457			12,964,809	
REGION 8	Case Type			Status			Summary	
	Pending Investigation	Confirmed	Probable	Active	Recovered	Deaths	Total	New
	1578	27574	650	17455	12063	284	29802	+1380
Counties								
Atascosa	182	98	42	207	113	2	322	+6
Bandera	20	25	5	24	26	0	50	+2
Bexar	0	20213	0	12132	7886	195	20213	+565
Calhoun	82	83	6	99	69	3	171	+10
Comal	0	1017	332	843	477	29	1349	+67
DeWitt	0	188	0	100	85	3	188	+29
Dimmit	20	20	1	21	20	0	41	-
Edwards	6	4	0	10	0	0	10	-
Frio	145	143	7	177	118	0	295	-
Gillespie	26	37	8	41	30	0	71	-
Goliad	14	19	2	17	18	0	35	-
Gonzales	91	257	16	116	244	4	364	-
Guadalupe	426	624	116	700	464	2	1166	+7
Jackson	40	50	2	48	43	1	92	+1
Karnes	35	26	3	42	22	0	64	-
Kendall	37	69	18	51	73	0	124	+1
Kerr	104	88	14	120	85	1	206	-
Kinney	1	2	0	1	2	0	3	-
LaSalle	22	17	5	26	18	0	44	-
Lavaca	209	132	7	231	116	1	348	+3
Maverick	0	874	0	486	376	12	874	+98
Medina	0	231	27	81	174	3	258	+19
Real	4	2	0	5	1	0	6	-
Uvalde	0	261	4	74	189	2	265	+2
Val Verde	0	657	0	514	135	8	657	+154
Victoria	0	1991	2	1038	942	13	1993	+392
Wilson	100	103	21	122	97	5	224	+4
Zavala	14	38	12	35	29	0	64	-
Correctional/ICE Facilities								
TDCJ†	0	242	0	63	179	0	242	+20
ICE‡	0	60	0	28	32	0	60	-
Other§	0	3	0	3	0	0	3	-
†Medina: Ney Unit (173), Torres Unit (9); Karnes: Connally Unit (14); LaSalle: Cotulla Unit (46)								
‡Frio County (47), Karnes County (11), LaSalle County (2)								
§Uvalde County Jail (1), Guadalupe County Jail (2)								
Region 8 Case Summary							Total	New
RHMOC							4528	+75
Community Cases							4223	+55
Inmate†/Detainee‡ Cases							305	+20
Local Health Entities*							25274	+1305
*Bexar, Comal, DeWitt, Maverick, Val Verde & Victoria Counties								
TOTAL							29802	+1380



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