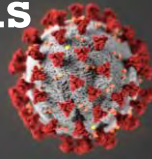


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Region 8 Responds

The Regional Health and Medical Operations Center (RHMO) is open 8am to 5pm Monday through Friday. 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**

Transmission of SARS-CoV-2 Infections in Households

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in its October 30 Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR) discusses the transmission of SARS-CoV-2 in households based on information collected in Tennessee and Wisconsin.

Transmission of SARS-CoV-2 occurs within households; however, transmission estimates vary widely and the data on transmission from children are limited. Findings from a prospective household study with intensive daily observation for at least 7 consecutive days indicate that transmission of SARS-CoV-2 among household members was frequent from either children or adults. Household transmission of SARS-CoV-2 is common and occurs early after illness onset. People should isolate immediately at the onset of COVID-like symptoms, at the time of testing as a result of a high risk exposure, or at the time of a positive test result, whichever comes first. All household members, including the index (initial) case, should wear masks within shared spaces in the household.

Improved understanding of the transmission of SARS-CoV-2 within households could aid control measures. The findings presented in this report suggest that transmission of SARS-CoV-2 within households is high, occurs quickly, and can originate from both children and adults. Prompt adoption of disease control measures, including isolating at home, appropriate quarantine of household contacts, and all household members wearing a mask in shared spaces, can reduce the probability of household transmission. For more: <https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/69/wr/pdfs/mm6944e1-H.pdf>

Cruise Ship Travel Update

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has issued a news release about travelling by cruise ship. They announce that recent outbreaks on cruise ships overseas provide current evidence that cruise ship travel facilitates and amplifies transmission of COVID-19—even when ships sail at reduced passenger capacities—and would likely spread the disease into U.S. communities if passenger operations were to resume in the United States without public health oversight. For more, see <https://www.cdc.gov/media/releases/2020/s1030-safe-responsible-ship-passenger-operations.html>

Additionally CDC has announced that as of October 30, they will take a phased approach to resuming cruise ship passenger operations. The initial phases will consist of testing and additional safeguards for crew members. CDC will ensure cruise ship operators have adequate health and safety protections for crew while they build onboard laboratory capacity to test crew and future passengers. Subsequent phases included simulated (mock) voyages, certification for ships that meet specific requirements and return to passenger voyages in a manner that mitigates COVID-19 risk to passengers, crew and communities. <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/cruise-ship/what-cdc-is-doing.html>

COVID-19 Testing Sites

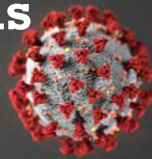
Registration for mobile testing sites is now available at <https://Texas.curativeinc.com/welcome>. For walk-up sites, registration can be completed on site. For more information on additional test sites state-wide, visit <https://txcovidtest.org>. For more information on San Antonio testing sites, click [here](#). Hospitals and doctors' offices may also provide testing.

Date/Time	County	Location
11/11 8 to 4	Gillespie	Pioneer Pavilion 432 Lady Bird Dr., Fredericksburg Walk-up
11/15 8 to 4	Gillespie	Pioneer Pavilion 432 Lady Bird Dr., Fredericksburg Walk-up



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COVID-19 Cases at a Glance

Texas				USA			World	
963,019				9,913,553			50,266,033	
REGION 8	Case Type			Status			Summary	
	Pending Investigation	Confirmed	Probable	Active	Recovered	Deaths	Total	New
	561	90118	13280	2999	79748	2076	103959	+364
Counties								
Atascosa	63	1280	238	34	1530	17	1581	+16
Bandera	15	197	24	13	220	3	236	+8
Bexar	0	57088	10539	1428	45778	1285	67627	+88
Calhoun	15	930	15	13	939	8	960	+1
Comal	0	2928	1011	183	3634	122	3939	+23
DeWitt	0	1043	0	32	957	54	1043	-
Dimmit	15	284	15	15	295	4	314	+2
Edwards	1	77	5	7	76	0	83	+2
Frio	15	788	44	10	832	5	847	-
Gillespie	31	378	40	32	415	2	449	+12
Goliad	0	166	51	1	212	4	217	-
Gonzales	22	1130	37	25	1154	10	1189	+5
Guadalupe	123	3888	408	50	4324	45	4419	+18
Jackson	24	656	6	27	652	7	686	-
Karnes	16	506	25	7	531	9	547	+1
Kendall	42	413	156	38	567	6	611	+22
Kerr	47	713	102	50	800	12	862	+18
Kinney	2	66	1	0	69	0	69	-
LaSalle	0	157	3	18	138	4	160	-
Lavaca	45	1174	45	61	1190	13	1264	+8
Maverick	0	4447	0	441	3866	140	4447	+29
Medina	22	945	360	34	1261	32	1327	+21
Real	5	123	2	3	125	2	130	+1
Uvalde	0	889	35	35	849	40	924	+20
Val Verde	0	2780	0	281	2370	129	2780	+39
Victoria	0	4436	9	129	4221	95	4445	+14
Wilson	22	1014	90	12	1094	20	1126	+4
Zavala	26	468	19	16	489	8	513	+6
Correctional/ICE Facilities								
TDCJ†	0	789	0	3	786	0	789	+4
ICE‡	5	318	0	1	322	0	323	+2
Other§	5	47	0	0	52	0	52	-
†DeWitt: Stevenson Unit (66); Frio: Briscoe Unit (22); Medina: Ney Unit (171), Torres Unit (199); Karnes: Connally Unit (331); LaSalle: Cotulla Unit (216)								
‡Frio County (209), Karnes County (114), LaSalle County (13)								
§Atascosa County Jail (14), Dimmit County Jail (15), Guadalupe County Jail (7), Jackson County Jail (1), Karnes County Jail (2), Kinney County Det. Facility (12), Uvalde County Jail (1)								
Region 8 Case Summary							Total	New
RHMOC							19301	+171
Community Cases							18137	+165
Inmate†/Detainee‡ Cases							1164	+6
Local Health Entities*							84658	+193
*Bexar, Comal, DeWitt, Goliad, LaSalle, Maverick, Val Verde & Victoria Counties								
TOTAL							103959	+364

Recovery Counts: Region 8 is no longer conducting active case monitoring and will report estimated recovery counts using a time-based strategy to determine the date that a case is no longer likely to be infectious.

