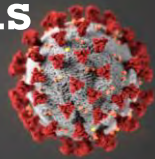


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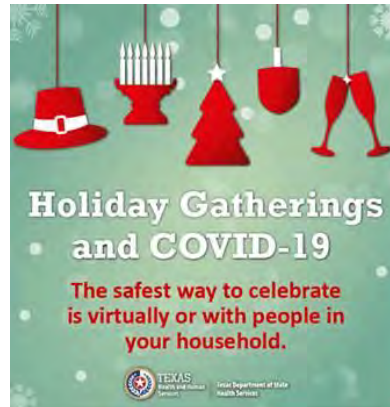
Region 8 Responds

The Regional Health and Medical Operations Center (RHMOCC) 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**

Second Week of Vaccine Distribution in Texas

Texas expects to receive 620,400 doses of COVID-19 vaccine shipped to over 1,100 providers in 185 Texas counties in this the second week of vaccine distribution. The CDC will deliver 460,500 doses of the vaccine manufactured by Moderna and 159,900 doses of the Pfizer vaccine to continue to vaccinate [front-line health care workers](#) and residents of long-term care facilities. Most of the Pfizer vaccine (124,800 doses) will go to the federal [Pharmacy Partnership for Long-Term Care Program](#). In Texas, the remaining doses will be distributed to 29 hospitals that received Pfizer doses during the first week of distribution to continue vaccinating health care workers. Health care workers include paid and unpaid workers in hospital settings working directly with patients. The first tier of vaccine recipients will also include long-term care staff working directly with vulnerable residents, EMS providers who engage in 9-1-1 emergency services, and home health workers (including hospice care) who work directly with vulnerable and high risk patients. On Monday, December 21, the Department of State Health Services (DSHS) announced that the next phase of vaccine allocation will focus on people who are 65 years and older and individuals with comorbidities. Protecting these higher-risk individuals is of the utmost concern in addressing the COVID-19 pandemic. This phase will also include vaccine for higher-risk people who work in front-line and critical industries so they can be protected from COVID-19 while on the job. Texas will also strive to ensure vaccine reaches communities with health disparities.

<https://www.dshs.state.tx.us/coronavirus/immunize/vaccine/EVAP-Phase1B.pdf>



If you do gather with others, take steps to protect everyone:

- Talk with guests ahead of time about the precautions everyone should be taking.
- Limit the number of people who get together.
- Wear a mask with multiple layers that completely covers your nose and mouth.
- Keep six feet between people who don't live together.
- Gather and eat outside. If you must be inside, open windows to improve ventilation.
- Have guests bring their own food rather than sharing dishes and utensils.
- Frequently clean and disinfect items and surfaces touched by multiple people.

Happy Holidays!

Region 8 will be closed on December 24 and December 25.

If you have a public health emergency, please call 210-949-2121.

The DSHS Region 8 Coronavirus Update will return on Monday, December 28.

COVID-19 Vaccine Provider Enrollment

To enroll as a COVID-19 provider go to the registration portal at EnrollTexasI2.dshs.texas.gov. For questions or more information on the COVID-19 Vaccine Program, visit the [DSHS COVID-19 website](#) or email COVID19VacEnroll@dshs.texas.gov. To see regional enrollment <https://txdshs.quickbase.com/db/bqx23e68f>

COVID-19 Testing Sites

Registration for mobile testing sites is now available at <https://Texas.curativeinc.com/welcome>. For walk-up sites, you can register 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.



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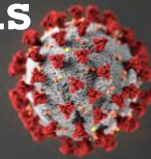
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COVID-19 Cases at a Glance

Texas				USA			World	
1,591,948				17,790,376			76,250,431	
REGION 8	Case Type			Status			Summary	
	Pending Investigation	Confirmed	Probable	Active	Recovered	Deaths	Total	New
	4696	128959	23369	13870	140826	2337	157024	+1869
Counties								
Atascosa	561	1753	366	259	2403	18	2680	+38
Bandera	120	304	66	62	425	3	490	+10
Bexar	0	85208	18239	9179	92808	1460	103447	+1283
Calhoun	103	1018	40	45	1108	8	1161	+5
Comal	0	3807	2024	772	4922	146	5831	+80
DeWitt	0	1321	0	137	1127	57	1321	+10
Dimmit	87	429	23	82	453	4	539	+6
Edwards	26	139	12	8	169	0	177	-
Frio	291	919	112	127	1190	5	1322	+23
Gillespie	277	832	142	89	1159	3	1251	+8
Goliad	0	197	61	6	247	5	258	-
Gonzales	214	1290	44	91	1447	10	1548	+17
Guadalupe	953	4870	576	374	5978	47	6399	+35
Jackson	147	821	38	58	940	8	1006	-
Karnes	138	549	34	78	634	9	721	+5
Kendall	359	626	303	134	1148	6	1288	+8
Kerr	671	1090	243	306	1686	12	2004	+2
Kinney	7	61	1	1	68	0	69	-
LaSalle	2	244	76	105	212	5	322	+20
Lavaca	138	1384	109	31	1587	13	1631	-
Maverick	0	5847	0	667	5023	157	5847	+54
Medina	74	1461	621	126	1995	35	2156	+18
Real	20	151	5	16	158	2	176	+1
Uvalde	0	1545	48	144	1406	43	1593	+32
Val Verde	0	4027	0	469	3412	146	4027	+143
Victoria	0	5606	9	251	5258	106	5615	+43
Wilson	386	1357	145	193	1674	21	1888	+12
Zavala	83	710	32	37	780	8	825	+3
Correctional/ICE Facilities								
TDCJ†	0	894	0	16	878	0	894	+13
ICE‡	35	351	0	4	382	0	386	-
Other§	4	148	0	3	149	0	152	-
†DeWitt: Stevenson Unit (81); Frio: Briscoe Unit (81); Medina: Ney Unit (170), Torres Unit (224); Karnes: Connally Unit (338); LaSalle: Cotulla Unit (196)								
‡Frio County (274), Karnes County (154), LaSalle County (59)								
§Atascosa County Jail (14), Dimmit County Jail (25), Guadalupe County Jail (7), Jackson County Jail (1), Karnes County Jail (2), Karnes County Det. Facility (42), Kinney County Det. Facility (60), Uvalde County Jail (1)								
Region 8 Case Summary							Total	New
RHMOC							30356	+236
Community Cases							28924	+223
Inmate†/Detainee‡ Cases							1432	+13
Local Health Entities*							126668	+1633
*Bexar, Comal, DeWitt, Goliad, LaSalle, Maverick, Val Verde & Victoria Counties								
TOTAL							157024	+1869

-Bexar County Active & Recovered Counts estimated by percentages reported on [SAMHD COVID Table Data](#)



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