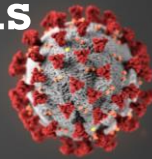


# DSHS Region 8

## Coronavirus Update 12/16/2020



### 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](mailto: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](mailto:Region8COVID-19@dshs.texas.gov)**

### Texas COVID-19 Vaccine Key Messages

The first 19,500 doses of the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine arrived in Texas on Monday, December 14. Another 75,075 doses arrived on December 15. Moderna's vaccine will go through a review by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for an emergency use authorization (EUA) on December 17. The FDA reviews EUA applications based on scientific evidence about their safety and effectiveness gathered through large clinical trials to determine whether the vaccine's benefits outweighs its risks. If FDA approves the Moderna vaccine, a separate CDC advisory committee will meet within days to make recommendations about who should receive it, the final step before it is administered in the United States. Pfizer and Moderna have announced trial results that suggest their vaccines are 94% or more effective.

Initial doses will be allocated for critical populations, including health care workers, other essential workers, and people more likely to develop severe disease. As vaccine availability increases in 2021, people will be able to get vaccinated at doctors' offices, pharmacies, hospitals and other locations. Even when more vaccine is available, people should continue to wear a mask, practice social distancing and wash hands frequently.

Receiving the COVID-19 vaccine is voluntary. People cannot be required to get the vaccine because it is administered under an EUA.

It will take a matter of months to manufacture and distribute enough vaccine for everyone who wants to be vaccinated.

**RHMOC Question of the Week:** *I am a healthcare worker. Where do I go to get the COVID-19 vaccine?*

The first shipments of vaccine have been delivered to certain enrolled health care facilities around Texas. The list of facilities can be found at:

<https://www.dshs.texas.gov/news/updates/COVIDVaccineAllocation-Week1.pdf>. A priority has been placed on Phase 1A health care workers to protect those caring for COVID-19 patients and preserve the health care system's ability to function. At this time there is not a way for an individual health care worker to request a vaccination. However, there are options for health care facilities to enroll as vaccine distributors. Please see COVID-19 Vaccine Provider Enrollment section below for more information.

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If you would like to submit a question, please email [Region8COVID-19@dshs.Texas.gov](mailto:Region8COVID-19@dshs.Texas.gov)

### COVID-19 Vaccine Provider Enrollment

To enroll as a COVID-19 provider go to the registration portal at [EnrollTexas1Z.dshs.texas.gov](https://enroll.texas1z.dshs.texas.gov). For questions or more information on the COVID-19 Vaccine Program, visit the [DSHS COVID-19 website](https://www.dshs.texas.gov/news/updates/COVID19Vaccine) or email [COVID19VacEnroll@dshs.texas.gov](mailto: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.

Date/Time	County	Location
12/18 8 to 4	Guadalupe	Cibolo City Hall Parking Lot 200 S Main St., Cibolo Drive through
12/20 8 to 4	Gillespie	Fredericksburg Elem. School 1608 N Adams, Fredericksburg Walk-up



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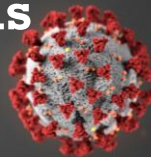
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## COVID-19 Cases at a Glance

Texas				USA			World	
1,519,340				16,519,668			72,196,732	
REGION 8	Case Type			Status			Summary	
	Pending Investigation	Confirmed	Probable	Active	Recovered	Deaths	Total	New
	4734	120841	21491	8721	136056	2294	147066	+2838
<b>Counties</b>								
Atascosa	558	1611	360	318	2193	18	2529	+158
Bandera	100	279	65	54	387	3	444	+21
Bexar~	0	79363	16777	3788	90917	1435	96140	+1359
Calhoun	89	1002	36	54	1065	8	1127	+20
Comal	0	3709	1790	799	4566	139	5499	+79
DeWitt	0	1293	0	134	1102	57	1293	+10
Dimmit	86	372	23	69	408	4	481	+23
Edwards	36	126	11	25	148	0	173	+13
Frio	252	888	108	136	1107	5	1248	+35
Gillespie	336	718	137	166	1022	3	1191	+96
Goliad	0	202	56	9	244	5	258	-
Gonzales	207	1247	44	108	1380	10	1498	+44
Guadalupe	1016	4551	563	491	5593	46	6130	+235
Jackson	136	800	36	65	899	8	972	+29
Karnes	128	512	31	85	577	9	671	+45
Kendall	349	564	295	119	1083	6	1208	+48
Kerr	607	994	223	323	1489	12	1824	+105
Kinney	9	58	1	5	63	0	68	-
LaSalle	0	228	20	58	186	4	248	-
Lavaca	159	1352	99	46	1551	13	1610	+15
Maverick	0	5603	0	688	4762	153	5603	+216
Medina	114	1344	583	159	1847	35	2041	+16
Real	26	139	5	15	153	2	170	+12
Uvalde	0	1388	45	114	1276	43	1433	+33
Val Verde	0	3756	0	370	3243	143	3756	+44
Victoria	0	5468	9	245	5128	104	5477	+46
Wilson	386	1254	142	228	1533	21	1782	+106
Zavala	74	692	32	35	755	8	798	+13
<b>Correctional/ICE Facilities</b>								
TDCJ†	0	871	0	1	870	0	871	+1
ICE‡	50	330	0	10	370	0	380	+12
Other§	16	127	0	4	139	0	143	+4
†DeWitt: Stevenson Unit (78); Frio: Briscoe Unit (83); Medina: Ney Unit (171), Torres Unit (207); Karnes: Connally Unit (332); LaSalle: Cotulla Unit (201)								
‡Frio County (268), Karnes County (154), LaSalle County (51)								
§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 (51), Uvalde County Jail (1)								
<b>Region 8 Case Summary</b>							<b>Total</b>	<b>New</b>
<b>RHMOC</b>							<b>28792</b>	<b>+1084</b>
Community Cases							27398	+1067
Inmate†/Detainee‡ Cases							1394	+17
<b>Local Health Entities*</b>							<b>118274</b>	<b>+1754</b>
*Bexar, Comal, DeWitt, Goliad, LaSalle, Maverick, Val Verde & Victoria Counties								
<b>TOTAL</b>							<b>147066</b>	<b>+2838</b>

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



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