

WCOEM: March 23, 2020 COVID-19 Update for Walker County

County Stakeholders continue to meet daily to discuss current conditions, unmet needs and operational procedures for every sector.

We are continually monitoring conditions locally, regionally, statewide and at the national level.

Here are the statistics reported by Department of State Health Services (DSHS) as of March 23, 2020. DSHS updates this report each weekday by noon.

Texas total testing – 10,055

Public Labs – 1,575

Private Labs – 8,480\*

\*number does not include the total tested by all private labs.

Texas COVID-19 cases – 352

Deaths – 8

Cases by county:

Bell – 3

Bexar – 24

Bowie – 1

Brazoria – 12

Brazos – 2

Brown – 1

Cameron – 6

Castro – 2

Chambers – 1

Collin – 24

Comal – 3

Crane – 1

Dallas – 33

Deaf Smith – 1

Denton – 12

DeWitt – 1

El Paso – 6

Ellis – 3

Falls - 1

Fannin – 1

Fort Bend – 11

Galveston – 15

Gregg – 1

Harris – 27

Hays – 6

Hockley – 3

Johnson – 2

Lavaca – 1

Lubbock – 2

Matagorda – 3  
McLennon – 7  
Medina – 1  
Midland – 1  
Montgomery – 4  
Nueces - 1  
Oldham – 1  
Potter – 2  
Rusk – 1  
Smith – 5  
Tarrant – 9  
Travis – 22  
Webb – 4  
Wichita – 4  
Williamson – 13  
Pending County Assignment 65  
Total – 352

Does not include repatriation cases.

Walker County has one confirmed case but has not been added to DSHS report, as may other counties that have positives cases. Reported above are only the cases listed with DSHS.

National COVID-19 cases – 33,404

Total Deaths – 400

Jurisdictions reporting cases – 54 (50 states, District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam and U.S. Virgin Island)

Walker County ordered test kits several weeks ago and is waiting for the state to fill that request so we can test here. Information will be provided as we receive it.

Harris County is now testing for coronavirus for the entire region. Access their online screening tool to help with testing at [www.readyharris.org](http://www.readyharris.org) and click on the “coronavirus testing” button. You will answer some screening questions and be given an identifier number. They will prioritize tests based on symptoms. You must have symptoms to be considered for testing. If you do not have access to the internet, call 832-927-7575.

For Statewide case numbers and information, visit <https://dshs.texas.gov/news/updates.shtm#coronavirus>

For National case numbers and information, visit <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov>

Walker County OEM will provide this update each weekday after the statewide and national numbers are updated.