

WCOEM: April 13, 2020 as of 4:00 pm COVID-19 Update for Walker County

Walker County overview:

Walker County has 21 positive cases reported that are not offenders. Of those 21, the quarantine period is over for 5 and they have been released. DSHS calls this “graduating out”. Offenders are listed below the TDCJ Overview.

Case #1 Female 30-40 (graduated out)  
Case #2 Male 20-30 (graduated out)  
Case #3 Male 50-60 (graduated out)  
Case #4 Female 60-70 (graduated out)  
Case #5 Female 80-90  
Case #6 Female 20-30  
Case #7 Female 20-30  
Case #8 Male 20-30  
Case #9 Female 25-35  
Case #10 Female 30-40  
Case #11 Male 20-30 (graduated out)  
Case #12 Female 40-50  
Case #13 Male 45-50  
Case #14 Male 45-50  
Case #15 Male 20-30  
Case #16 Female 30-40  
Case #17 Male 40-50  
Case #18 Male 70-80  
Case #19 Male 20-30  
Case #20 Female 70-80  
Case #21 Female 20-30

A public test site operated today from 9 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. 17 vehicles drove through the site and 12 were tested.

Walker County Tested approximately 355\*

Negative Results 317\*

Pending Results 37\*

Self-Quarantined approximately 43\*

\*Only reflects those reported to OEM

A county wide curfew is still in place to protect life and property by keeping unessential traffic and people off of the streets between 11:59pm-5:00am.

Everyone should still be following Governor Abbott’s Stay At Home Order. The Governor’s Orders can be found at <https://gov.texas.gov>

County Judge Danny Pierce issued a Stay Home Order effective 2:00 p.m. today. This order aligns with Governor Abbott’s Order and does not change any essential activities in Governor Abbott’s Order. All essential businesses should follow Social Distancing practices and there should be no social gatherings. Playgrounds and equipment at parks are closed. Individuals can still walk trails and go to the park as long as they are social distancing. Golf courses and swimming shall be closed as well.

TDCJ overview:

The Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ) continues to monitor and take necessary precautions to prevent and mitigate the spread of the coronavirus.

There have been 72 TDCJ employees, staff or contractors and 167 offenders in custody who have tested positive for COVID-19.

Two additional facilities were placed on precautionary lockdown today the Scott and Terrell Units. An additional work location employee positive test was added at the Leblanc Unit.

PRECAUTIONARY LOCKDOWN FACILITIES: 26,073 offenders impacted

Bell, Beto, Byrd, Clements, Darrington, ETTF, Estelle, Goree, Hutchins, Jordan, Leblanc, Murray, Robertson, Scott, Smith, Stringfellow, Telford, Terrell, Woodman, Wynne

The precautionary lockdowns extend for 14 days from the date of a positive test. Those dates may be extended to the date of the most recent positive test.

There are an additional 10,651 offenders on medical restriction who may have had contact with either an employee or offender with a positive or pending COVID-19 test.

Offenders that are under medical restriction are asymptomatic but will continue to receive twice daily temperature testing and anyone interacting with those offenders will wear N-95 mask and glove PPE.

All correctional staff at all facilities continue to wear cotton masks at all times and are encouraged to wear those masks when in public off duty.

[https://tdcj.texas.gov/covid-19/offender\\_mac.html](https://tdcj.texas.gov/covid-19/offender_mac.html)

<b>NEAR WALKER COUNTY UNITS</b>	<b>PENDING</b>	<b>NEGATIVE</b>	<b>POSITIVE</b>	<b>MEDICAL RESTRICTIONS</b>	<b>MEDICAL ISOLATION</b>	<b>LOCKDOWN</b>
Byrd	0	2	1	117	1	Y
Ellis	1	1	0	102	1	N
Estelle	8	21	1	1901	9	Y
Ferguson	0	0	0	0	0	N
Goree	0	0	2	62	2	Y
Holliday	0	2	0	7	0	N
Huntsville (Walls)	0	3	0	3	0	N
Polunsky	0	1	0	0	0	N
Wynne	14	2	17	2259	31	Y
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Texas total testing – 133,226

Public Labs – 7,483

Private Labs – 125,743\*

Lab Confirmed Patients In Texas Hospitals – 1,176

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

Texas COVID-19 positive cases – 13,906

Fatalities – 287

Patients Recovered – 2,269

178 of 254 counties reporting cases.

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>

Harris County is 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.

As always, if you are sick enough to be admitted to the hospital you can go to any hospital. They are testing individuals but are strictly following guidelines for testing.

Huntsville Memorial Hospital has an outside triage; it is not a testing site. The purpose is to limit those entering the hospital.

United States overview:

Total cases: 547,627

Total Deaths: 21,662

Total Recovered: 32,988

Jurisdictions reporting: 55 (50 states, District of Columbia, Guam, Puerto Rico, the Northern Mariana Island and the U.S. Virgin Islands)

Worldwide overview:

Total Cases: 1,904,566

185 countries/regions

Deaths: 118,459

Recovered: 368,669

CDC has begun a weekly surveillance Summary for U.S. COVID-19 Activity at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/covid-data/covidview.html>

Comparisons

The novel coronavirus (COVID-19) death toll has surpassed MERS (final toll of 858 deaths in 2012) and SARS (final toll of 774 deaths in 2003).

2009 H1N1 (Swine flu): Estimated between 151,700 and 575,400 deaths.

Every year an estimated 290,000 to 650,000 people die in the world due to complications from seasonal influenza (flu) viruses. This figure corresponds to 795 to 1,781 deaths per day due to the seasonal flu.

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