



Lavaca County

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Public Health Services

Health and community education; immunizations for eligible children and adults; tuberculosis treatment and contact identification; HIV and STD testing, treatment or referral, and education; communicable disease investigations; emergency preparedness and response; general sanitation and food establishment inspections.

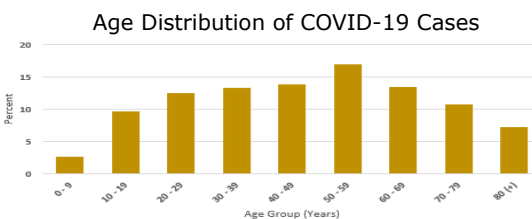
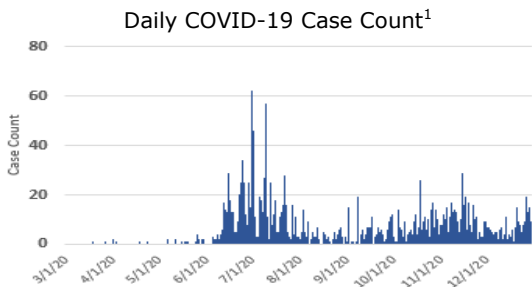
Region 8 Activities

- Respond to COVID-19 pandemic through case monitoring, contact tracing, and serving on the School and Immunization Task Forces
- Provide resources and educate the community about COVID-19
- Distribute, install and inspect child care seats and teach parents to use them correctly
- Educate parents about breastfeeding, safe sleep and child passenger safety
- Promote healthy eating and physical activity
- Educate the community about hygiene, flu, handwashing, STDs, teen dating violence, blood-borne pathogens, tobacco cessation, spinal screening, hyperthermia and human trafficking
- Promote the quarterly Community Sharps Disposal Drive
- Educate area health care providers about notifiable conditions and their reporting
- Recruit and train Texas Vaccines for Children providers
- Audit local schools and child-care providers for compliance with immunization requirements
- Refer community members to area resources

Immunizations

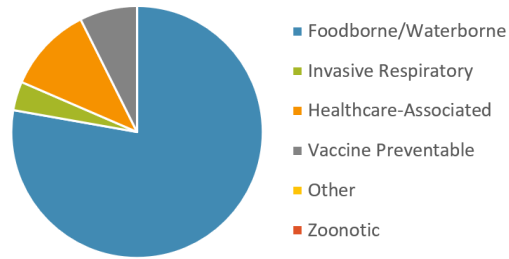
- The percent of school students with a conscientious exemption from immunizations filed at the school district level in Lavaca County is 1.74% up from 0.80% in 2019

COVID-19 Case Summary



¹Case counts as of 12/31/2020; cases are categorized by event date (first available of symptom onset date, specimen collection date, lab result date, or date reported to public health)

Notifiable Conditions Summary ¹



Condition Group	Most Commonly Reported Condition	Incidence ¹
Foodborne/Waterborne	Salmonellosis, non-Paratyphi/non-Typhi	44.66
Healthcare-Associated	Multidrug-resistant Acinetobacter	9.92
Invasive Respiratory	Streptococcus, invasive group B	4.96
Vaccine Preventable	Streptococcus pneumoniae, invasive disease & Varicella (chickenpox)	4.96
Zoonotic	<i>none reported</i>	—

¹The complete list of Texas Notifiable Conditions is available at: <https://www.dshs.texas.gov/IDCU/investigation/Notifiable-Conditions.aspx>

²Incidence is calculated per 100,000 population, using 2019 U.S. Census Bureau population estimates

2020 Public Health by the Numbers

- 1,537 confirmed cases of COVID-19
- 76.26 COVID-19 incidence (Incidence is calculated using confirmed case counts reported on the DSHS dashboard; calculated per 1,000 population)
- 15 retail food inspections
- 9 school cafeterias inspected
- 5 clients received case management services through the Specialized Health and Social Services program
- 8 rabies investigations conducted
- 7 rabies positive animals identified