

Gillespie 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.

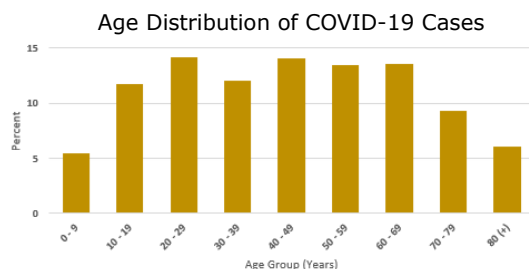
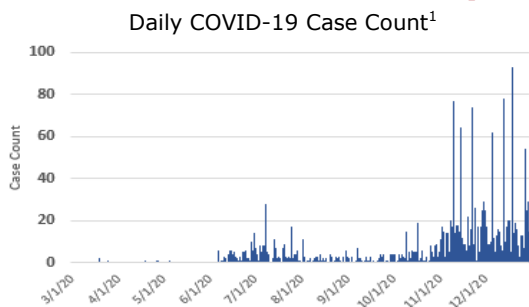
Region 8 Activities

- Respond to the COVID-19 pandemic, including community education, patient monitoring and contact tracing
- Serve on Fredericksburg ISD School Health Advisory Council (SHAC)
- Educate about infant safe sleep, Sudden Unidentified Infant Death (SUID), Shaken Baby Syndrome, immunizations, car seat safety, hand washing, nutrition, hygiene, and prevention of communicable diseases, including COVID-19
- Inspect, install, distribute, and educate parents about the correct use of child car seats
- Recruit and educate Texas Vaccines for Children providers
- Audit local schools and child care providers for compliance with immunization requirements
- Conduct healthcare provider visits, distribute resources, and educate providers on notifiable conditions and reporting requirements

Immunizations

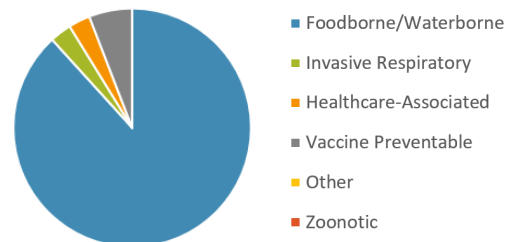
- The percent of school students with a conscientious exemption from immunizations filed at the school district level in Gillespie County is 6.16% up from 3.87% in 2019

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 ²
Foodborne/Waterborne	Campylobacteriosis	51.87
Healthcare-Associated	Carbapenem-resistant Enterobacteriaceae	7.41
Invasive Respiratory	Streptococcus, invasive Group B	3.71
Vaccine Preventable	Streptococcus pneumoniae, invasive disease & Varicella (chickenpox)	3.71
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

- 1,074 confirmed cases of COVID-19
- 39.80 COVID-19 incidence (Incidence is calculated using confirmed case counts reported on the DSHS dashboard; calculated per 1,000 population)
- 54 dental evaluations of low-income children
- 47 fluoride treatments for low-income children
- 48 dental sealants applied for low-income children
- 35 clients received case management services through the Specialized Health and Social Services program
- 2 rabies investigations conducted
- 1 rabies positive animal found
- 1 rabies quarantine facility inspected