



# Val Verde 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

- Monitor individuals with COVID-19 infection and assist with contact tracing
- Send health advisories and alerts to Del Rio clinics, Val Verde Regional Medical Center and school nurses
- Serve on the Tri-National Health Council, which includes Coahuila, Mexico; Guatemala and Texas
- Participate in mental health committee meetings
- Refer residents to the Tobacco Quitline
- Issue rabies vaccines for post-exposure prophylaxis
- Provide perinatal hepatitis B prevention program case management
- Serve in the Del Rio Emergency Operations Center in response to COVID-19
- Serve on Cardwell Head Start Health Services Advisory Council and the Cardwell Head Start Policy Council

## Immunizations

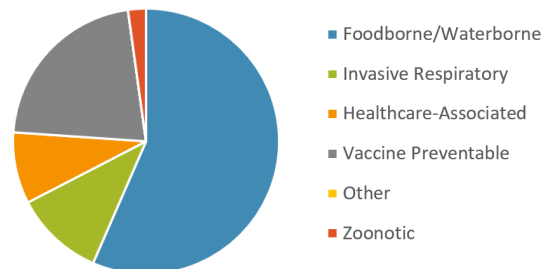
- The percent of school students with a conscientious exemption from immunizations filed at the school district level in Val Verde County is 0.42% up from 0.26% in 2019

## COVID-19 Case Summary

COVID-19 investigations conducted by:  
Val Verde County Local Health Authority

Local Health Authority:  
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## Notifiable Conditions Summary <sup>1</sup>



Condition Group	Most Commonly Reported Condition	Incidence <sup>1</sup>
Foodborne/Waterborne	Salmonella, non-Paratyphi/non-Typhi	24.48
Healthcare-Associated	Carbapenem-resistant Enterobacteriaceae	6.12
Invasive Respiratory	Streptococcus, invasive Group B	6.12
Vaccine Preventable	Streptococcus pneumoniae, invasive disease	14.28
Zoonotic	Typhus fever-fleaborne, murine	2.04

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

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

## 2020 Public Health by the Numbers

- 4,455 confirmed cases of COVID-19
- 90.87 COVID-19 incidence (Incidence is calculated using confirmed case counts reported on the DSHS dashboard; calculated per 1,000 population)
- <5 new cases of HIV/AIDS
- 6 cases of tuberculosis
- 118 households educated about Zika prevention
- 11 clients received case management services through the Specialized Health and Social Services program
- 1 rabies investigation conducted
- 1 rabies positive animal found
- 1 rabies quarantine facility inspected