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San Patricio County's COVID-19 Situation Report

Below please find the New Cases Count in the last 14 days to help with questions relating to whether the County is eligible to opt-out of the Governor's face covering order (GA-29) now with the expiration of DK-06. Before Judge Krebs can request an exemption to GA-29, the County must go 14 days with 20 or fewer new COVID-19 cases.

TDEM is using a rolling 14-day calendar. In the last 14 days, San Patricio County has received 50 new COVID-19 cases. The County had new case daily totals of 11, 9, and 12 during the last 14 days. That type of fluctuation would seem to make it difficult for the County to stay compliant with the exemption requirements.

If the County is exempted from GA-29 but later exceeds the 20 new cases during a 14-day period, then the County would be required to comply with all aspects of GA-29. If after a 30 waiting period, the County once again has had fewer than 20 new COVID-19 cases (using a rolling 14-day calendar), Judge Krebs can reapply to for the exemption.

Transmission	Inside the Case Count Numbers As of October 1, 2020		
	New Cases Last 14 Days	Case Count	Recovered
Travel Related	0	14	14
Known Close Contact	2	56	54
Travel/Known Close Contact	0	2	2
Unknown/Community Spread	18	134	120
Under Investigation	30	1288	1275
Total Cases Reported	50	1495	1465
Active Cases	30 Active Cases with Precinct Breakdown		9
(Case Count minus Recovered Individuals)		Pct. 2	12
		vn Pct. 3	6
		Pct. 4	3
Hospitalization Required	None		
COVID-19 Fatalities	77		

Call 361-201-0551 to reach the Center for COVID-19 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. M-F.

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