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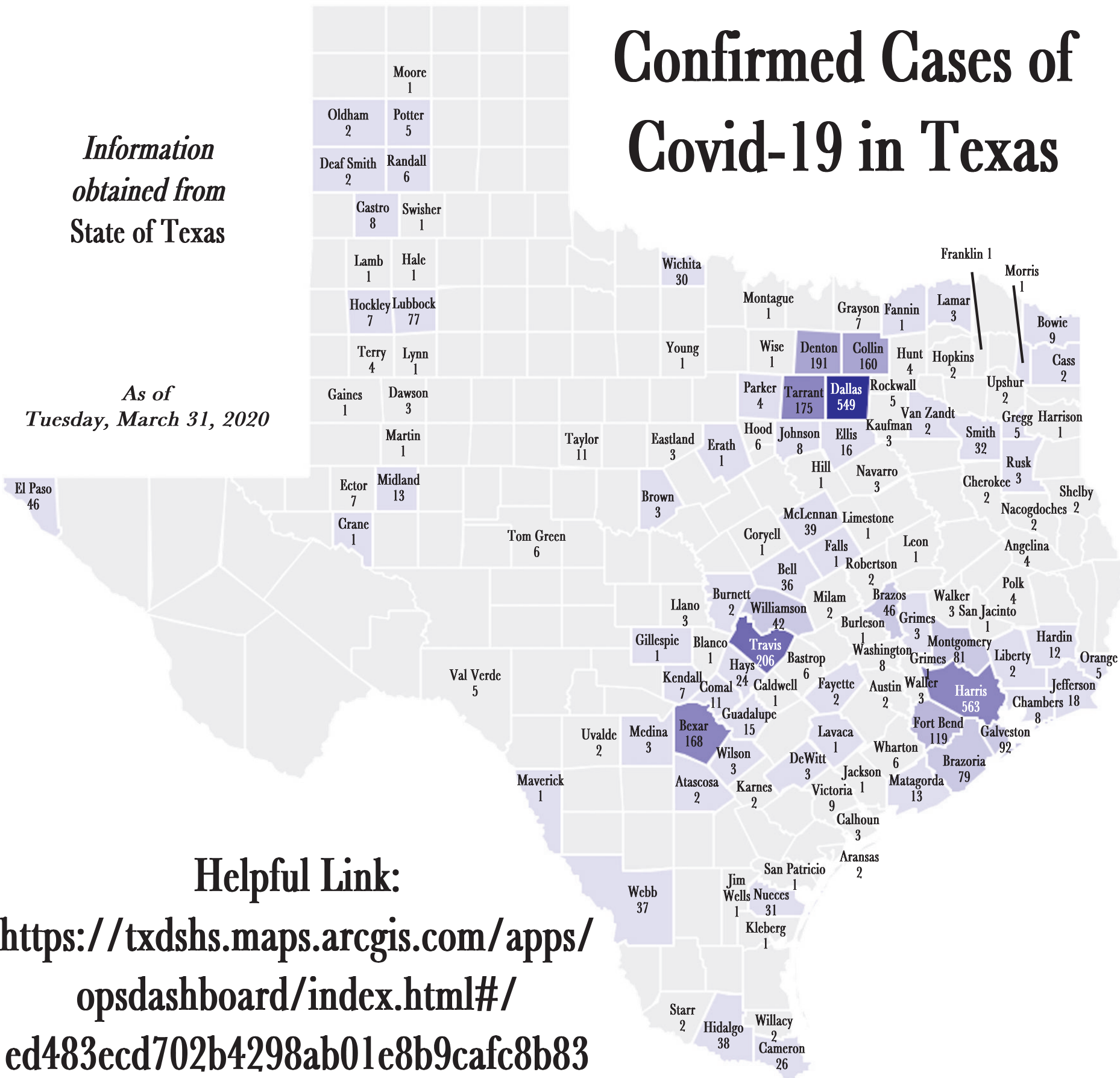
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Information
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As of
Tuesday, March 31, 2020

Confirmed Cases of Covid-19 in Texas



Helpful Link:

<https://txdshs.maps.arcgis.com/apps/opsdashboard/index.html#/ed483ecd702b4298ab01e8b9cafc8b83>

Governor closes schools and all non-essential businesses due to virus

Coke County continues to deal with restrictions due to the Covid-19 virus. As of Tuesday afternoon, there are no confirmed cases in Coke County. The closest cases to our county are in Tom Green County and Taylor County. If one of our residents tests positive, County Judge Hal Spain will be notified immediately due to his position as

Coke County's Emergency Management Coordinator. On Tuesday, March 31, 2020, Texas Governor Greg Abbott issued Executive Order GA 14 which closes all non-essential businesses in Texas through April 30, 2020. This order also will not allow any in-person instruction in Texas classrooms until May 4, 2020, at the

earliest. Excerpts from this order and a list of essential services are included on pages 5 and 8 of this issue.

The Coke County Courthouse in Robert Lee and the Justice of the Peace office in Bronte are closed to the public. However, most of the offices still have employees working and can be reached by phone or email. The numbers for these offices are:
County Judge, 453-2641
County Auditor, 453-2922

County Attorney, 453-2712
County Clerk, 453-2631
County Treasurer, 453-2713
County Sheriff, 453-2717
County Tax A/C, 453-2614
Appraisal District, 453-4528
Justice of the Peace, 473-2323
Some counties in Texas with higher confirmed case counts have taken the restrictions even further by only allowing essential businesses to remain open. Non-essential businesses include, but are not limited to, hair salons,

barbershops, nail salons, tattoo parlors, tanning salons, businesses that don't sell essential goods, entertainment venues and theaters, and enclosed shopping malls. Essential businesses include those involved in agriculture like feed stores, grocery stores, pharmacies, pet supply stores, veterinary clinics, health care providers, fuel stations, banks, day care centers, and critical infrastructure businesses.

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