

**...Coronavirus Update**

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This percentage compares those testing positive for Covid-19 with those hospitalized for the virus. On May 16, 3.81% of all Texans positive for Covid-19 were hospitalized. This percentage fell over the next weeks to 2.61% on June 15.

**Percentage of Fatalities due to Covid-19**

This percentage compares those losing their lives to Covid-19 with all of those in Texas confirmed to have the virus. This percentage was 2.77% on May 16 and has fallen to 2.22% on June 15, 2020.

**Percentage of Recoveries from Covid-19**

This percentage compares the number of those recovering from Covid-19 with all of those in Texas confirmed to have the virus. This percentage is the one you want to see grow until it reaches 100%. Fortunately during this time period, a consistent increase has occurred. On May 16, 56.59% had recovered from the virus increasing to 66.31% on June 15.

On June 3, 2020, Governor Greg Abbott issued Executive Order GA 26. This order relaxes or removes many restrictions. It does differentiate between counties with 10 or more cases of Covid-19. For those counties falling under that threshold, businesses were allowed to begin operating at 75% capacity as of last Friday, June 12, 2020. Coke County meets the requirement to move to 75% capacity. A more complete list from GA26 is listed below.

Every business establishment in Texas shall operate at no more than 50 percent of the total listed occupancy of the establishment; provided, however, that:

1. There is no occupancy limit for the following:

a. any services listed by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) in its Guidance on the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce, Version 3.1 or any subsequent version;

b. religious services conducted in churches, congregations, and houses of worship;

c. local government operations, including county and municipal governmental operations relating to licensing (including marriage licenses), permitting, recordation, and document-filing services, as determined by the local government;

d. child-care services;

e. youth camps, including but not limited to those defined as such under Chapter 141 of the Texas Health and Safety Code, and including all summer camps and other daytime and overnight camps for youths; and

f. recreational sports programs for youths and adults;

events, or establishments, except that the following outdoor areas or outdoor venues shall operate at no more than 50 percent of the normal operating limits as determined by the owner:

- a. professional, collegiate, or similar sporting events;
- b. swimming pools;
- c. water parks;
- d. museums and libraries;
- e. zoos, aquariums, natural caverns, and similar facilities; and
- f. rodeos and equestrian events;

3. This 50 percent occupancy limit does not apply to the following establishments that operate with at least six feet of social distancing between work stations:

- a. cosmetology salons, hair salons, barber shops, nail salons/shops, and other establishments where licensed cosmetologists or barbers practice their trade;
- b. massage establishments and other facilities where

licensed massage therapists or other persons licensed or otherwise authorized to practice under Chapter 455 of the Texas Occupations Code practice their trade; and

- c. other personal-care and beauty services such as tanning salons, tattoo studios, piercing studios, hair removal services, and hair loss treatment and growth services;

4. Amusement parks and carnivals shall operate at no more than 50 percent of the normal operating limits as determined by the owner, except that in counties with more than 1,000 cumulative cases of COVID-19, amusement parks may not begin operating until 12:01 a.m. on June 19, 2020;

5. For any outdoor gathering estimated to be in excess of 500 people, other than those set forth above in paragraph numbers 1, 2, or 4, the county judge or mayor, as appropriate, in

consultation with the local public health authority, may impose additional restrictions;

6. For dine-in services by restaurants that have less than 51 percent of their gross receipts from the sale of alcoholic beverages, the occupancy limit shall increase at 12:01 a.m. on June 12, 2020, to permit such restaurants to operate at up to 75 percent of the total listed occupancy of the restaurant;

7. For indoor bars and similar indoor establishments that are not restaurants as defined above and that hold a permit from the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission, only those customers who are seated may be served;

8. For any business establishment that is subject to a 50 percent "total listed

occupancy" limit or "normal operating limit," and that is in a county that has filed with DSHS, and is in compliance with, the requisite attestation form promulgated by DSHS regarding minimal cases of COVID-19, the business establishment may operate at up to 75 percent of the total listed occupancy or normal operating limit of the establishment starting 12:01 a.m. on June 12, 2020;

9. For purposes of this executive order, facilities with retractable roofs are considered indoor facilities, whether the roof is opened or closed; and


10. Staff members are not included in determining operating levels, except for manufacturing services and office workers.



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