

Press Release – 04/21/2021

Data from the Texas Department of State Health Services disclosed the following Callahan County information, effective April 20, 2021:

Fatalities from COVID-19 - 39

Confirmed cases - 603

Probable cases - 572

Active cases (confirmed and probable) - 0

14-day new case total - 1

As of April 19th, DSHS reported that the percentage of hospital beds in the Abilene Trauma Service Area (TSA) utilized by COVID-19 patients is 0.66%. This percentage has been under 15% for 83 days.

DSHS reports that 58.75% of the residents of Texas over 65 have received both doses of the vaccine. Of those 16 and older, 29.41% have been vaccinated.

In Callahan County, 46.99% of our residents over 65 have received both doses of the vaccine and 23.89% of those over 16 have been vaccinated. We continue to work with the cities throughout the county to identify those who want to receive the vaccination and try to get the National Guard to assist if needed.

While the percentage of beds used by COVID-19 patients in our TSA, our active cases, and our 14-day new case total remain low, another fatality has been reported and must continue to be diligent in our efforts to prevent infections. Although masks are not required, some businesses may still require them. Please continue to use good sanitization practices and follow recommended protocols.

As always, please remember all these victims and their families in your prayers.