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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **COVID-19 Case Data Update**

Recoveries continue to significantly outpace active cases in Washington County. As of August 7<sup>th</sup>, there are 365 recoveries, 95 active cases and 39 fatalities. The Joint Information Center (JIC) last reported 302 recoveries in Washington County, 111 active COVID-19 cases and 38 fatalities as of July 30.

Mayor Milton Tate stated, “our community continues to do their part to slow the spread of coronavirus, but we must remain diligent and wear masks when social distancing is not possible. While we are planning for the safe return of many activities, the health and safety of our neighbors must be a priority.”

The JIC, local public health officials, and the County’s Public Health Authority, Dr. William Loesch, continue to monitor and collect local COVID-19 data to mitigate the impact of coronavirus in Washington County. Currently, COVID-19 case reporting is provided through the Texas Department of State Health Services (DHS) webpage. If you would like further information about the demographics of COVID-19 data, please refer to the [Texas Department of State Health Services](https://dshs.texas.gov/coronavirus/cases.aspx) (DHS) dedicated COVID-19 Case Count webpage.

“We continue to see a flattening of active COVID-19 case counts and more importantly of hospitalizations in Washington County,” said County Judge John Durrenberger. He also stated, “we must remain mindful of CDC guidelines as our County reopens, so schools and business can remain open.”

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Link: <https://dshs.texas.gov/coronavirus/cases.aspx>

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