# Matagorda County EOC COVID-19 Week in Review Report of DSHS Data Publicly Reported Tuesday, August 4 through Monday, August 10

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## 1.0 Standing Statement

This report, though compiled and disseminated by the Matagorda County Emergency Operations Center (EOC), is a county-wide joint effort utilizing expertise and insight from local city and county agencies, elected officials, and health organizations.

### 1.1 Questions or Comments

Questions or comments about the data used to compile this report should be directed to DSHS by email at pressofficer@dshs.texas.gov. Questions or comments about the compilation or interpretation of the data presented in this report should be sent to the EOC by email at covid19@co.matagorda.tx.us.

## 2.0 Health Impact Summary

The Health Impact Summary in sections 2.2 through 2.7 below reflect cumulative and weekly data. Weekly summaries use data publicly reported during the 7-day period listed at the top of this report, which is always Tuesday through Monday. Cumulative data, when broken down by week, is always Tuesday through Monday.

### 2.1 Data Disclaimer

Per the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS), all data are provisional and subject to change. Per the Matagorda County EOC, as DSHS continues to change and refine their reporting, it is important to know that the COVID-19 case numbers in each category are estimates and are validated, updated, and revised separately at different times. The numbers may not always balance, so please look at the numbers individually and not as part of a math problem that must solve to zero.

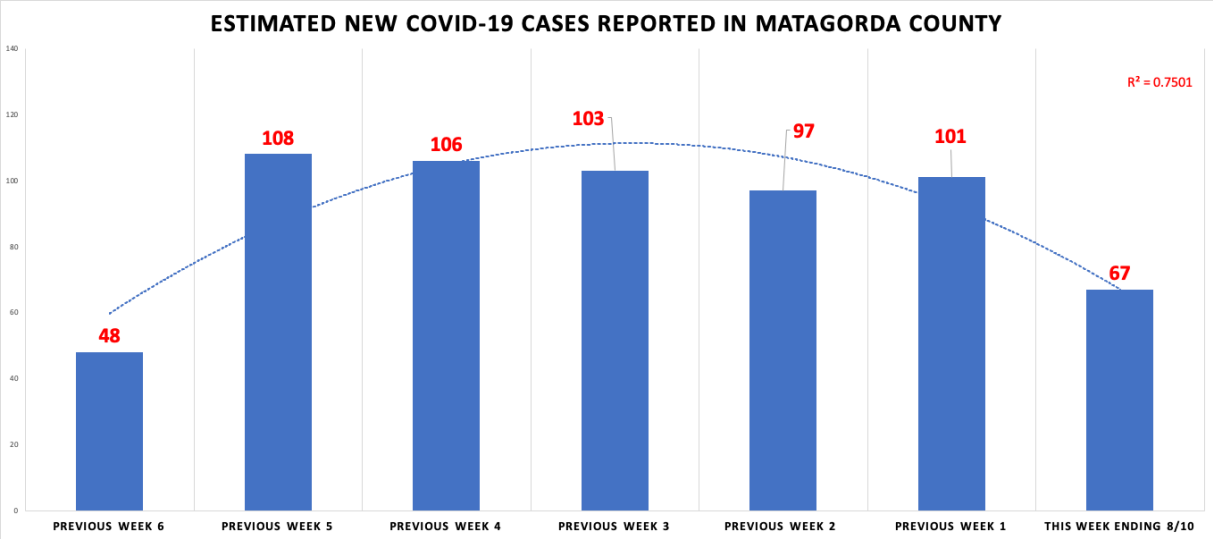
### 2.2 Cumulative COVID-19 Case Information

To date, DSHS has reported 740 total cases of COVID-19 in Matagorda County, of which 378 patients have recovered and 27 patients have passed away (fatalities). Our estimated total number of active cases in Matagorda County is now 335.

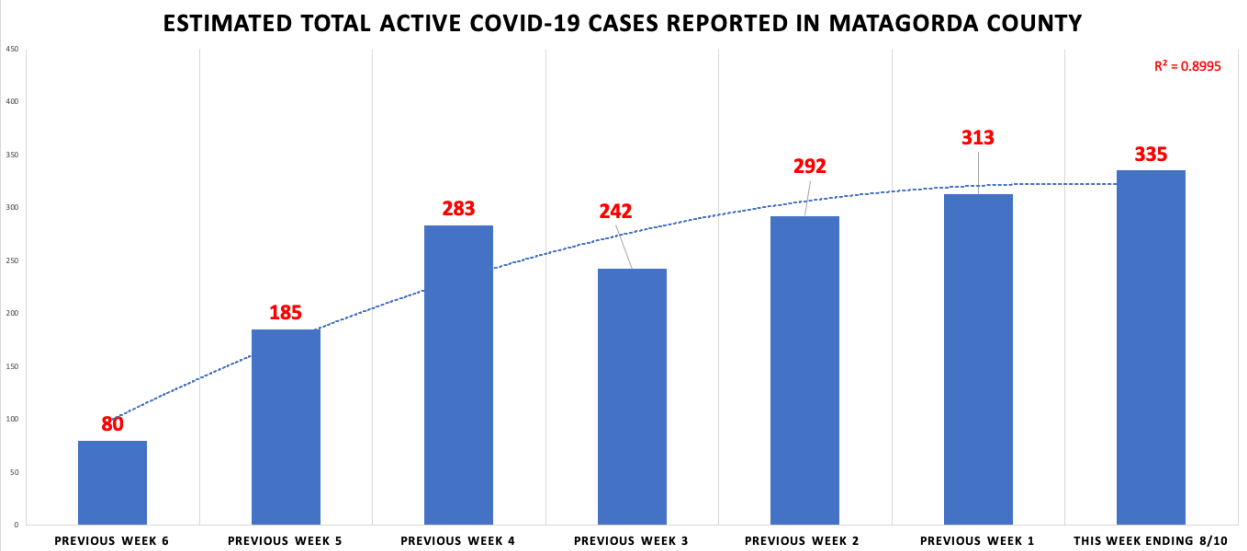
### 2.3 New Weekly COVID-19 Case Information

Over the past 7 days, DSHS has reported 67 new cases, 58 new recovered cases, and 6 new fatalities.

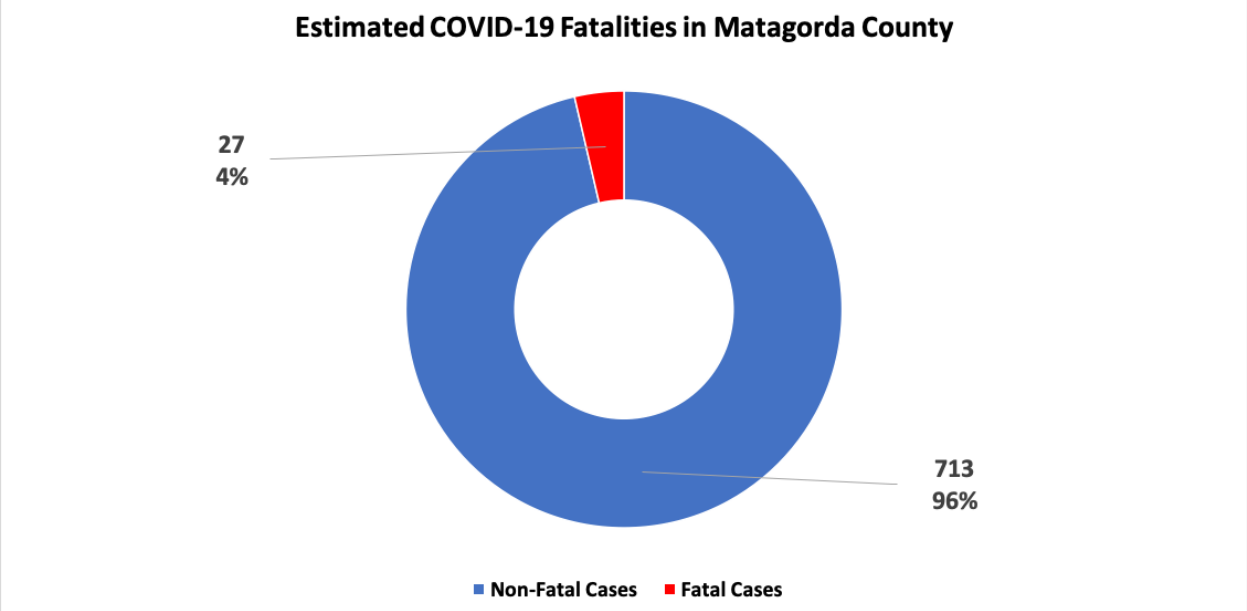
## 2.4 Rolling 7-Week Trend of Estimated New COVID-19 Cases



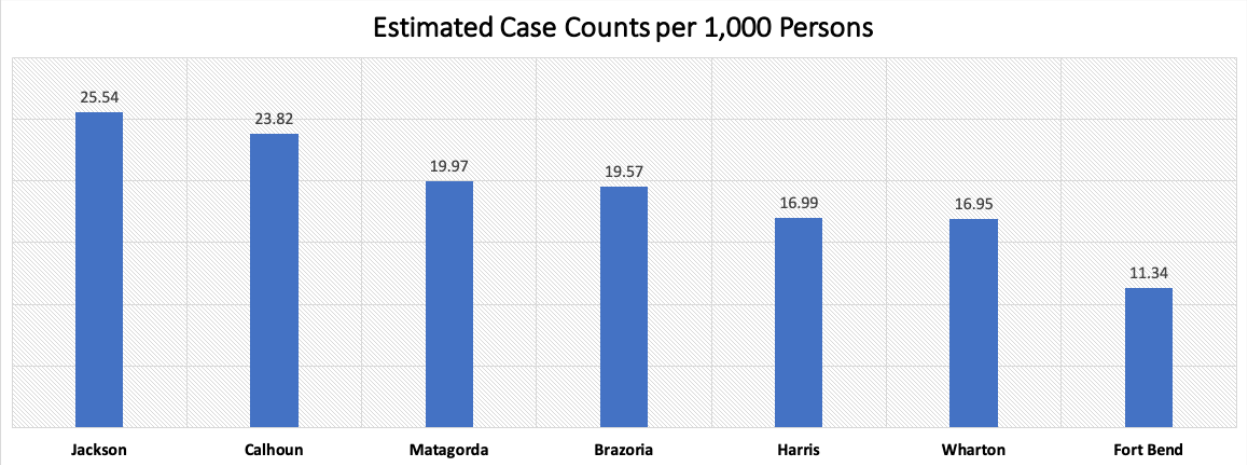

## 2.5 Rolling 7-Week Trend of Estimated Total Active COVID-19 Cases



## 2.6 Estimated DSHS Confirmed COVID-19 Fatalities




## 2.7 Surrounding County Comparison of Estimated Total Confirmed Cases per 1,000 Persons



## 3.0 Additional Comments

**3.1** *Comment by Aaron Fox, Chief Business Development Officer and Public Information Officer, Matagorda County Hospital District:* "This week we see the potential start of a downward trend in new cases. Though we certainly want to see a downward trajectory, if we could just hold steady and maintain our current status for the next 14 days, the number of active cases would still be expected to show two consecutive weeks of decline and settle into the 270 range. This would be an important milestone during this second wave of COVID-19."

**3.2** *Comment by Mitch Thames, Matagorda County Public Information Officer:* "Last week the State of Texas provided free COVID-19 tests to 188 people at the Bay City Civic Center. Per the testing company, test results should be returned by personal email to each patient within 7 days. The next free COVID-19 testing dates are August 18th and 19th. For more information on the upcoming testing dates and answers to frequently asked questions, visit https://www.matagordaregional.org/free."