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## **Hood County COVID-19 Interim Update - 6-9-2020, 8 am**

According to Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS), Hood County has a total of 31 confirmed positive COVID-19 cases. Three new cases have been locally reported since Friday, and are currently under investigation with DSHS. With these three new cases, we are following six active cases of COVID-19. Sources of transmission for the new cases is unknown at this time. There have been no further COVID-related deaths reported.

Since we began testing in Hood County in late March, 38 COVID-19 PCR swab tests have been positive (some repeated on the same person), 1922 have been negative, and 44 remain pending results. We have a 1.98% positive test rate (38 positive tests out of 1960 resulted).

With fewer than ten documented active COVID-19 cases in Hood County, we meet Gov Abbott's latest Executive Order Criteria to request opening our businesses up to 75% through the attestation process described at the DSHS "Open Texas" website.

<https://dshs.texas.gov/coronavirus/opentexas.aspx>

My risk assessment for Hood County has not changed. I believe we remain at Substantial Risk of COVID-19 transmission, with more positive cases documented every week. Every resident should continue to follow "Open Texas" guidelines and make their best decision to protect themselves, their families and businesses as we continue to Open Texas.