

COVID-19 Response + Recovery

Cross-Functional Team Update

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1. Overview

Tommy Gonzalez



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February 28, 2022

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Karla Nieman

State Disaster Declarations



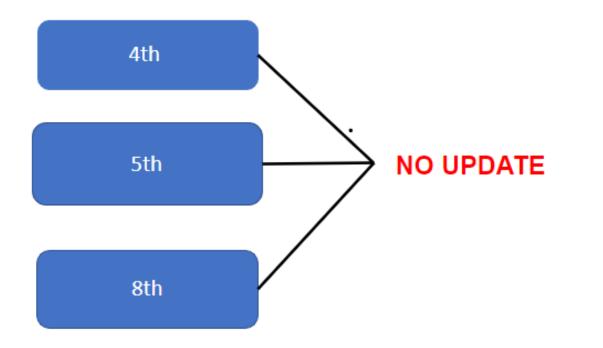
*Anticipate Governor Abbott will renew his Disaster Declaration March 22-23, 2022.

Emergency Ordinances

Ordinance	Adoption Date	Most Recent Re- enactment	Expires	
Disaster Declaration Ord. No. 019035	3/17/2020	1/31/2022	3/2/2022	
Emergency Measures Ord. No. 019036	3/17/2020	1/31/2022	3/2/2022	
Public Right of Way Ord. No. 019241	10/11/2021	1/31/2022	3/2/2022	

Greg Abbott, in his official capacity as Governor of Texas v. City of El Paso & Statewide Mask Mandate Litigation

Texas Courts of Appeal:



State of Texas v. City of Denton

- On February 17, 2022, Texas AG sent a letter to City of Denton demanding that Denton end its recently passed order requiring city employees, contractors, and visitors to wear face coverings on certain city owned premises
- The letter reiterated face coverings cannot be required by governmental entities, or officials under GA-38
- On February 22, 2022, City of Denton filed suit
- On February 23, 2022, Texas AG filed a lawsuit seeking a TRO and injunctive relief

Additional Updates

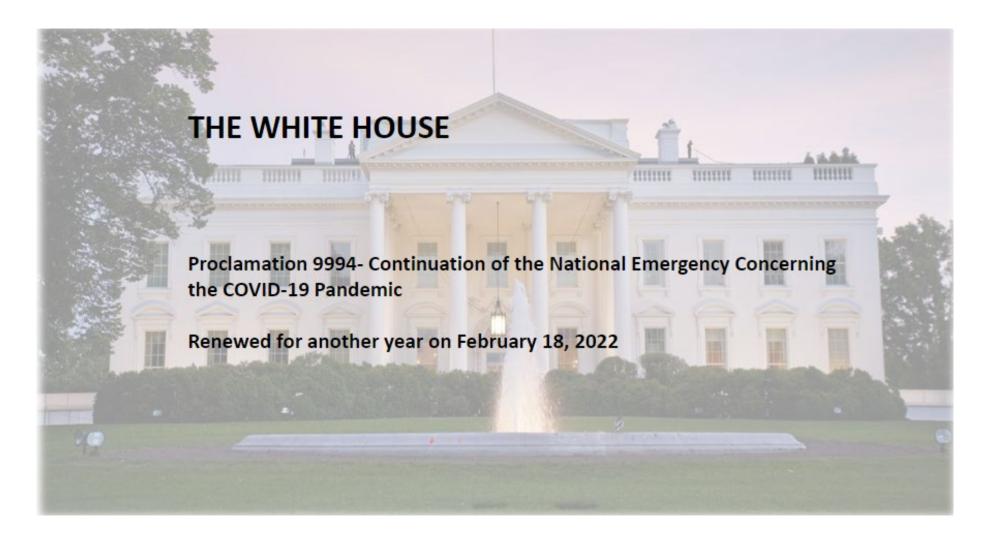
 Elizabeth Van Duyne, and The State of Texas v. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, U.S. Health and Human Services

 On February 16, 2022, Texas AG and Congressperson Elizabeth Van Duyne filed suit in the Northern District of Texas against the CDC, and HHS

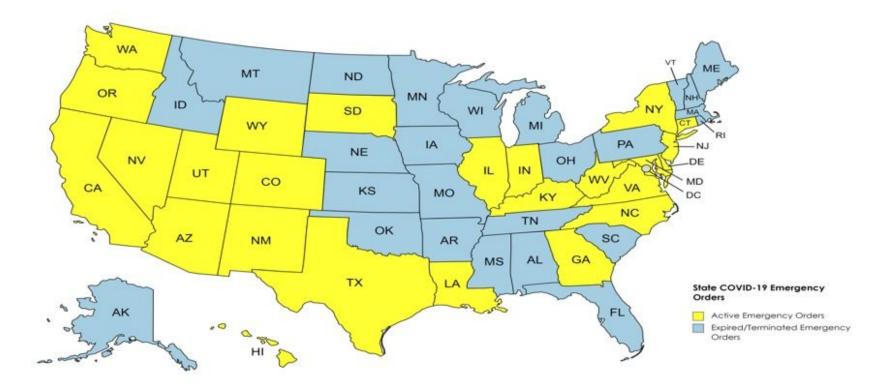
Complaint alleges the transportation mask mandate is unlawful, and seeks an injunction and declaratory relief

Federal transportation mask mandate is set to expire on March 18, 2022

Additional Updates

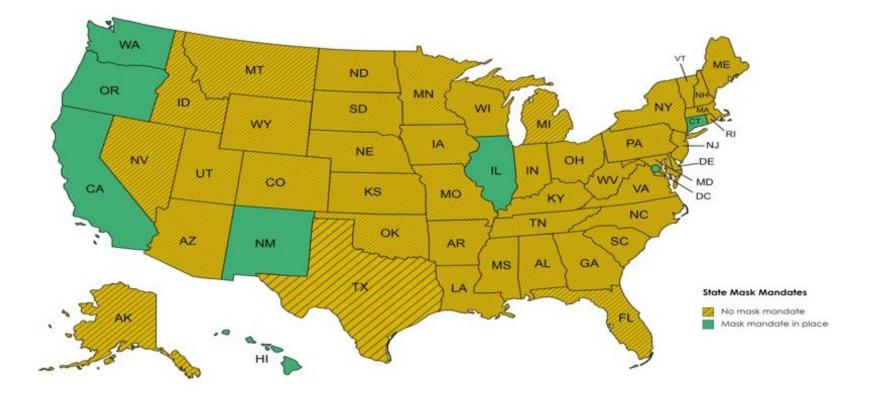


Additional Updates Map of COVID-19 emergency orders by state



Source: National Academy for State Health Policy -

Additional Updates Map of mask mandates by state



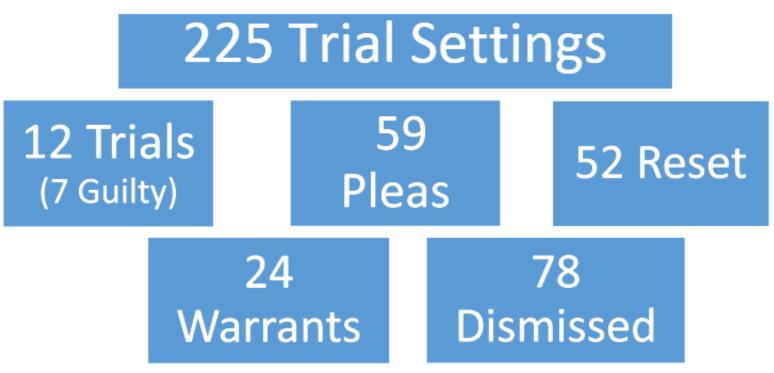
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Source: U.S. News and World Report (Feb. 11, 2022)

Additional Updates COVID–19 Prosecution Update

Trial Settings on COVID-19 Citations through 2/21/2022 in all 5 Municipal Courts





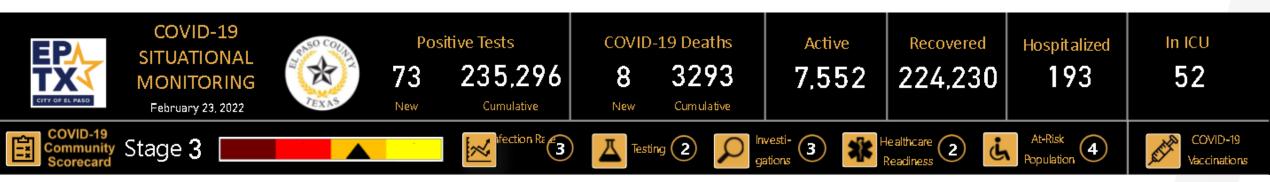
3. Team Lead Report



a. Health Focus

Hector I. Ocaranza, M.D.





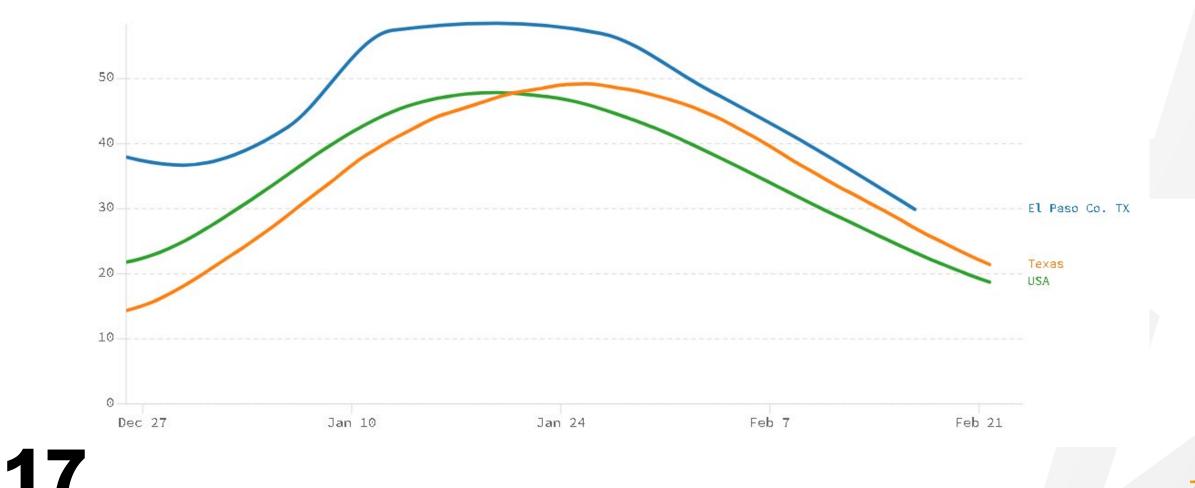
- ✤New Cases per 100,000 (7-day Avg) declined 95% from 3rd week in January
- Currently downgraded from High Community Transmission to Substantial Community Transmission and continues to improve
- ✤Hospitalizations dropped by 60% since peak.
- ♦TSA Hospitalization at ≈10% of capacity

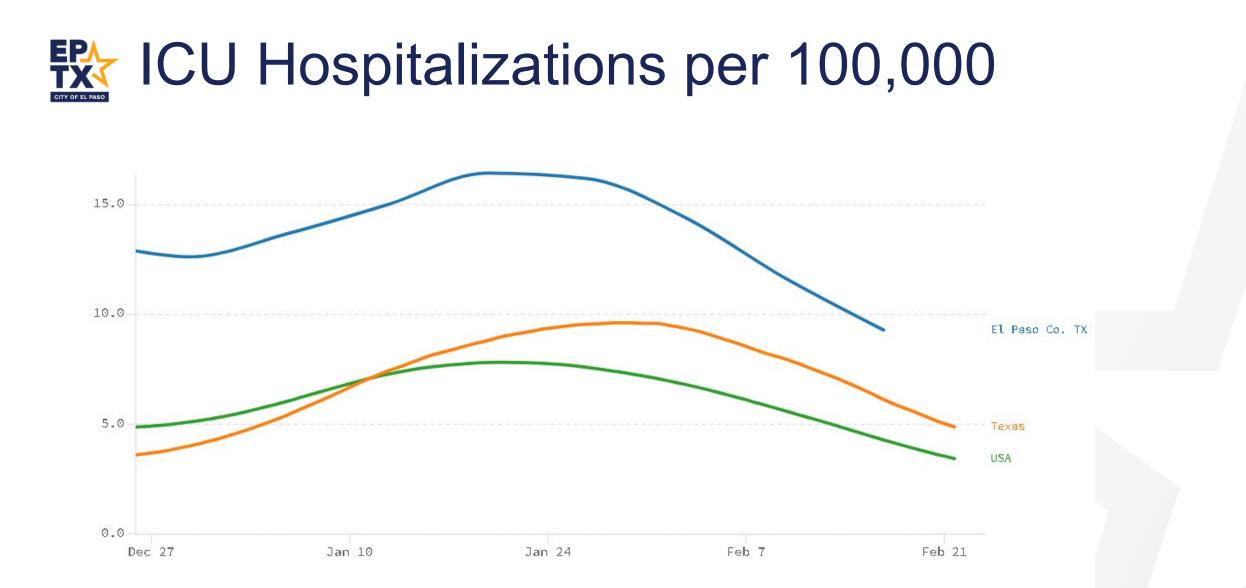
We STRONGLY continue recommending practicing prevention with vaccination

and non-pharmacological interventions

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b. Financial Focus

Robert Cortinas





Description	FY2021 (March - Aug)	FY2022 CC Approved	FY2022 (January)	FY2022 YTD (February)	Total Expenditures
Logistics	275,895	119,581	17,514	3,731	416,722
Isolation & quarantine	666,513	35,522	559,515	376,513	1,638,063
Compliance & Education	934,023	673,841	73,840	44,276	1,725,980
EOC & response	1,036,242	174,832	42,598	21,917	1,275,590
Lab testing & collection	3,942,236	1,739,390	440,923	262,152	6,384,701
Epidemiology & contact tracing	4,672,392	2,074,175	555,084	283,450	7,585,101
Preparedness & vaccinations	2,948,729	2,890,173	188,694	52,724	6,080,319
Re-open El Paso – City facilities	365,031	113,503	13,005	11,445	502,984
Total	\$ 14,841,060	\$ 7,821,018	\$ 1,891,174	\$ 1,056,208	\$ 25,609,460





COVID-19 Operations



Omnicron:

- Testing
- Vaccinations
- Isolation and Quarantine
- Next steps.....







4. City Manager Wrap-up

Tommy Gonzalez



Thank you!

