

TEXARKANA, Texas — The number of active coronavirus cases in Bowie County, Texas, and Miller County, Arkansas, increased by a total of 117 from Thursday to Monday.

Bowie County's active case count rose by 90, from 760 to 850, according to the Texas Department of State Health Services. Miller County's rose by 27, from 140 to 167, according to the Arkansas Department of Health.

Bowie County's COVID-19 death toll also went up in that time, from 128 to 131, as the county's cumulative coronavirus case count rose from 3,179 to 3,274, according to TDSHS. There have been an estimated 3,398 recoveries in the county.

Elsewhere in Northeast Texas, Red River County's case count increased from 314 to 330, Morris County's from 391 to 425, Cass County's from 916 to 944 and Titus County's from 2,198 to 2,283, according to TDSHS.

From Thursday to Monday, Miller County's cumulative case count rose from 2,070 to 2,158, with 17 deaths and 1,974 recoveries, according to ADH.

In Southwest Arkansas, Lafayette County's count increased from 271 to 274, Nevada County's from 529 to 537, Pike County's from 597 to 622, Little River County's from 704 to 726, Howard County's from 835 to 847, Hempstead County's from 1,044 to 1,077 and Sevier County's from 1,571 to 1,592, according to ADH.

In Northwest Louisiana from Thursday to Monday, Caddo Parish's case count increased from 19,113 to 19,894 and Bossier Parish's from 9,594 to 10,102, according to the Louisiana Department of Health.

Statewide, Arkansas reported 208,778 confirmed cases and 4,081 deaths on Monday, Louisiana reported 348,234 cases and 7,918 deaths, and Texas reported 1,730,312 cases and 29,933 deaths.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention on Thursday reported 22,322,956 total cases in the U.S. so far, with a national death toll of 373,167.

Texarkana Texas Fire Chief Eric Schlotter updated the Texas side city Council on the local status of the coronavirus pandemic, saying recent infection and hospitalization reports "are not going in the right direction."

Both local hospitals are "very full, very busy," and for the last several days have seen more than 20% of their capacity taken up by COVID-19 patients, Schlotter said. The Texas Department of State Health Services recently informed the region including Bowie County that business and medical restrictions must remain in place until COVID cases made up less than 15% of hospital capacity for seven consecutive days.