



COMAL COUNTY

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County reports six new COVID-19 cases

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NEW BRAUNFELS — Comal County is reporting six new cases of COVID-19 for a total of 2,895.

Of the six new cases, four are confirmed and two are probable; four are New Braunfels-area residents, one is from the Bulverde/Spring Branch area and one is from the Garden Ridge area. Three are under 20, two are in their 20s, and one is in their 40s.

Comal County is reporting no new recoveries from COVID-19. With 81 deaths, the county now has 484 active confirmed and probable COVID-19 cases. Of them, 78 are hospitalized. One person who was believed to be recovered was later hospitalized and tested positive, adding one to the hospitalized number and removing one from the recovered number for a total of 2,330 recoveries.

On Wednesday, Comal County hospitals reported caring for 17 COVID-19 patients; of those, six are in intensive care beds, and five are on ventilators. Not all of these patients are necessarily county residents; likewise, not all county residents hospitalized with COVID-19 are in Comal County hospitals.

As of Monday morning, Public Health has received reports of the following test information:

- 18,640 tests conducted
- 2,297 confirmed cases
- 598 probable cases

Comal County's positivity rate is now 15.53%.

Of the 2,895 confirmed and probable COVID-19 cases in Comal County, the location breakdown is:

- 2,203 from the New Braunfels area, including eastern and central Comal County
- 401 from western Comal County, including Bulverde and Spring Branch
- 134 from south of Canyon Lake

- 80 from north of Canyon Lake, including Fischer
- 69 from southern Comal County, including Garden Ridge and Schertz
- 8 from Fair Oaks Ranch

Residents wishing to be tested for COVID-19 can call the county's dedicated hotline, 830-221-1120, between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Probable case definition

“Probable cases” is a category established by the Texas Department of State Health Services to describe those who do not have a positive PCR test for COVID-19, but meet two of the following three criteria:

- A positive quick-result antigen test
- Experiencing COVID-19 symptoms
- Close contact with a confirmed positive COVID-19 case

A probable case is treated identically to a confirmed case and counts toward the county's positivity rate and total case tally.

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