



COMAL COUNTY

PUBLIC INFORMATION

Comal County confirms two deaths and 45 new COVID-19 cases

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE, September 9, 2020:

NEW BRAUNFELS — Comal County is reporting 45 new cases of COVID-19 for a total of 3,116. There were also two more deaths confirmed today, bringing the total number of deceased to 113.

A woman in her 70's from New Braunfels passed away in a New Braunfels hospital on 8/26. A man in his 60's from New Braunfels passed away in a San Antonio hospital on 8/20.

Of the 45 new cases, 41 are confirmed and four are probable.

Region:	Number of new cases:
New Braunfels	33
N of Canyon Lake	2
S of Canyon Lake	1
S Comal County (Garden Ridge)	0
Bulverde/Spring Branch	9
Fair Oaks	0

Age Range:	Number of new cases:
Under 20	6
20's	9
30's / 40's	11
50's / 60's	13
70 and older	6

Comal County also confirmed eight more recoveries from COVID-19, for a total of 2,680. The county now has 323 active confirmed and probable COVID-19 cases. Of them, 40 are hospitalized.

On Wednesday, Comal County hospitals reported caring for five COVID-19 patients; of those, one is in intensive care beds, and one is on a ventilator. 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 Wednesday morning, Public Health has received reports of the following test information:

- 21,218 tests conducted
- 2,481 confirmed cases
- 635 probable cases

The seven day positivity rate for Wednesday is 12.09%.

Of the 3,116 confirmed and probable COVID-19 cases in Comal County, the location breakdown is:

Location:	Number of cases total:
New Braunfels (Includes Eastern and Central Comal Co.)	2,377
Western Comal County (Includes Bulverde and Spring Branch)	422
South of Canyon Lake	145
North of Canyon Lake	87
Southern Comal County (Includes Garden Ridge and Schertz)	76
Fair Oaks Ranch	9

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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