



# COMAL COUNTY

## PUBLIC INFORMATION

### Comal County confirms 63 more COVID-19 cases

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE, September 14, 2020:**

*NEW BRAUNFELS* — Comal County is reporting 63 more cases of COVID-19 for a total of 3,203.

It's important to note that only 27 of the 63 cases are **new** cases.

Texas Department of State Health Services sent a large set of backlog cases. 36 of the cases are recovered individuals who tested in August or prior. These individuals are not included in our 7-day positivity rate because they are not recent; they do not indicate a spike in local transmission.

Of the 27 new cases, 14 are confirmed and 13 are probable.

Region:	Number of new cases:
New Braunfels	36
N of Canyon Lake	0
S of Canyon Lake	1
S Comal County (Garden Ridge)	17
Bulverde/Spring Branch	9
Fair Oaks	0

Age Range:	Number of new cases:
Under 20	6
20's	11
30's / 40's	16
50's / 60's	18
70 and older	12

There were 51 additional COVID-19 recoveries in Comal County. The total recovered is 2,757. The county now has 332 active confirmed and probable COVID-19 cases. Of them, 39 are hospitalized.

On Monday, Comal County hospitals reported caring for six COVID-19 patients; of those, two

are in intensive care 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 Monday morning, Public Health has received reports of the following test information:

- 22,954 tests conducted
- 2,545 confirmed cases
- 658 probable cases

The seven day positivity rate for Monday is 6.0%.

Of the 3,203 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.)	2,431
Western Comal County (Includes Bulverde and Spring Branch)	434
South of Canyon Lake	145
North of Canyon Lake	87
Southern Comal County (Includes Garden Ridge and Schertz)	96
Fair Oaks Ranch	10

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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