



COMAL COUNTY

PUBLIC INFORMATION

Comal County confirms 10 new COVID-19 cases

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE, September 17, 2020:

NEW BRAUNFELS — Comal County is reporting 10 new cases of COVID-19 for a total of 3,270.

Of the 10 new cases, nine are confirmed and one is probable.

The total number of deceased remains at 115.

Region:	Number of new cases:
New Braunfels	5
N of Canyon Lake	0
S of Canyon Lake	4
S Comal County (Garden Ridge)	0
Bulverde/Spring Branch	1
Fair Oaks	0

Age Range:	Number of new cases:
Under 20	2
20's	0
30's / 40's	3
50's / 60's	4
70 and older	1

There was one additional COVID-19 recovery in Comal County. The total recovered is 2,842.

The county now has 313 active confirmed and probable COVID-19 cases.

Of them, 18 are hospitalized.

On Thursday, Comal County hospitals reported caring for nine COVID-19 patients; of those, one is 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 Thursday morning, Public Health has received reports of the following test information:

- 23, 788 tests conducted
- 2,593 confirmed cases
- 677 probable cases

The seven day positivity rate for Thursday is 6.25%.

Of the 3,270 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.)	2,472
Western Comal County (Includes Bulverde and Spring Branch)	448
South of Canyon Lake	153
North of Canyon Lake	89
Southern Comal County (Includes Garden Ridge and Schertz)	98
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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