



COMAL COUNTY

PUBLIC INFORMATION

Comal County confirms 16 new COVID-19 cases

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE, September 21, 2020:

NEW BRAUNFELS — Comal County is reporting 16 new cases of COVID-19 for a total of 3,296.

Of the 16 new cases, six are confirmed and ten are probable.

The total number of deceased remains at 116.

Region:	Number of new cases:
New Braunfels	7
N of Canyon Lake	3
S of Canyon Lake	2
S Comal County (Garden Ridge)	0
Bulverde/Spring Branch	4
Fair Oaks	0

Age Range:	Number of new cases:
Under 20	4
20's	4
30's / 40's	5
50's / 60's	2
70 and older	1

There are an additional 38 COVID-19 recoveries in Comal County. The total recovered is 2,881.

The county now has 299 active confirmed and probable COVID-19 cases.

Of them, 18 are hospitalized.

On Monday, Comal County hospitals reported caring for six COVID-19 patients; of those, three are in intensive care and three 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:

- 23, 899 tests conducted
- 2,606 confirmed cases
- 690 probable cases

The seven day positivity rate for Monday is 5.51%.

Of the 3,296 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.)	2,484
Western Comal County (Includes Bulverde and Spring Branch)	454
South of Canyon Lake	156
North of Canyon Lake	93
Southern Comal County (Includes Garden Ridge and Schertz)	99
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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