



# COMAL COUNTY

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## PUBLIC INFORMATION

### Comal County confirms 12 new COVID-19 cases

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE, September 23, 2020:**

*NEW BRAUNFELS* — Comal County is reporting 12 new cases of COVID-19 for a total of 3,361.

Of the 12 new cases, six are confirmed and six are probable.

The total number of deceased remains at 116.

Nursing homes do not have any new cases.

Region:	Number of new cases:
New Braunfels	7
N of Canyon Lake	0
S of Canyon Lake	1
S Comal County (Garden Ridge)	0
Bulverde/Spring Branch	4
Fair Oaks	0

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

There are an additional 37 COVID-19 recoveries in Comal County. The total recovered is 3,020.

The county now has 225 active confirmed and probable COVID-19 cases.

Of them, 20 are hospitalized.

On Wednesday, 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 Wednesday morning, Public Health has received reports of the following test information:

- 24,463 tests conducted
- 2,648 confirmed cases
- 713 probable cases

The seven day positivity rate for Wednesday is 9.35%.

Of the 3,361 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.)	2,523
Western Comal County (Includes Bulverde and Spring Branch)	465
South of Canyon Lake	159
North of Canyon Lake	97
Southern Comal County (Includes Garden Ridge and Schertz)	106
Fair Oaks Ranch	11

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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