



COMAL COUNTY

PUBLIC INFORMATION

Comal County confirms 22 new COVID-19 cases; Adds 13 backlogged cases to data

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE, September 29, 2020:

NEW BRAUNFELS — Comal County is reporting 35 additional COVID-19 cases today. Only 22 of those are new cases of COVID-19. The additional 13 cases were backlogged and have now been added to County data for a total of 3,466. Of the 22 new cases, 19 are confirmed and three 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	24
N of Canyon Lake	1
S of Canyon Lake	1
S Comal County (Garden Ridge)	1
Bulverde/Spring Branch	7
Fair Oaks	1

Age Range:	Number of new cases:
Under 20	7
20's	5
30's / 40's	7
50's / 60's	10
70 and older	6

There are an additional 84 COVID-19 recoveries in Comal County. The total recovered is 3,199. The county now has 151 active confirmed and probable COVID-19 cases. Of them, eight are hospitalized.

On Tuesday, Comal County hospitals reported caring for four COVID-19 patients; of those, two are in intensive care and 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 Tuesday morning, Public Health has received reports of the following test information:

- 25,026 tests conducted
- 2,744 confirmed cases
- 722 probable cases

The seven day positivity rate for Tuesday is 10.03%.

Of the 3,466 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.)	2,608
Western Comal County (Includes Bulverde and Spring Branch)	478
South of Canyon Lake	161
North of Canyon Lake	100
Southern Comal County (Includes Garden Ridge and Schertz)	107
Fair Oaks Ranch	12

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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