



COMAL COUNTY

PUBLIC INFORMATION

Comal County confirms 13 new COVID-19 cases

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE, October 5, 2020:

NEW BRAUNFELS — Comal County is reporting 13 additional COVID-19 cases today bringing the County's total to 3,506.

Of the 13 new cases, three are confirmed and 10 are probable.

The total number of deceased remains at 116.

Region:	Number of new cases:
New Braunfels	7
N of Canyon Lake	2
S of Canyon Lake	1
S Comal County (Garden Ridge)	0
Bulverde/Spring Branch	3
Fair Oaks	0

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

There are an additional 13 COVID-19 recoveries in Comal County. The total recovered is 3,272. The county now has 118 active confirmed and probable COVID-19 cases. Of them, eight are hospitalized.

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

- 25,513 tests conducted

- 2,757 confirmed cases
- 749 probable cases

The seven day positivity rate for Monday in Comal County is 8.66%.

Of the 3,506 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.)	2,631
Western Comal County (Includes Bulverde and Spring Branch)	488
South of Canyon Lake	164
North of Canyon Lake	103
Southern Comal County (Includes Garden Ridge and Schertz)	108
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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