



# COMAL COUNTY

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## PUBLIC INFORMATION

### Comal County confirms 16 new COVID-19 cases and four deaths

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE, October 9, 2020:**

*NEW BRAUNFELS* — Comal County is reporting 16 additional COVID-19 cases today bringing the County's total to 3,550.

Of the 16 new cases, five are confirmed and 11 are probable.

The county also confirms the deaths of four New Braunfels residents.

A man in his 60's died in a New Braunfels hospital on 10/07.

A man in his 80's died in a New Braunfels hospital on 10/08.

A man in his 60's died in a New Braunfels hospital on 7/24.

A woman in her 70's died in a New Braunfels hospital on 9/24.

The total number of deceased now stands at 120.

Region:	Number of new cases:
New Braunfels	10
N of Canyon Lake	0
S of Canyon Lake	0
S Comal County (Garden Ridge)	2
Bulverde/Spring Branch	4
Fair Oaks	0

Age Range:	Number of new cases:
Under 20	3
20's	3
30's / 40's	4
50's / 60's	5
70 and older	1

There are an additional 13 COVID-19 recoveries in Comal County. The total recovered is 3,336. The county now has 94 active confirmed and probable COVID-19 cases.

On Friday, Comal County hospitals reported caring for seven COVID-19 patients; of those, two 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 Friday morning, Public Health has received reports of the following test information:

- 26,124 tests conducted
- 2,771 confirmed cases
- 779 probable cases

**The seven day positivity rate for Friday in Comal County is 7.08%.**

Of the 3,550 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.)	2,656
Western Comal County (Includes Bulverde and Spring Branch)	501
South of Canyon Lake	167
North of Canyon Lake	104
Southern Comal County (Includes Garden Ridge and Schertz)	110
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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