



# COMAL COUNTY

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## PUBLIC INFORMATION

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

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE, October 26, 2020:**

*NEW BRAUNFELS* — Comal County is reporting eight additional COVID-19 cases today bringing the County's total to 3,709.

Of the eight cases, seven are confirmed and one is probable.

The total number of deceased remains at 120.

Region:	Number of new cases:
New Braunfels	4
N of Canyon Lake	0
S of Canyon Lake	3
S Comal County (Garden Ridge)	0
Bulverde/Spring Branch	1
Fair Oaks	0

Age Range:	Number of new cases:
Under 20	1
20's	2
30's / 40's	2
50's / 60's	0
70 and older	3

There are an additional seven COVID-19 recoveries in Comal County.

The total recovered is 3,491.

The county now has 98 active confirmed and probable COVID-19 cases.

Of those, six are hospitalized.

On Monday, Comal County hospitals reported caring for 10 COVID-19 patients; of those, seven are in intensive care and two 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:

- 28,155 tests conducted
- 2,848 confirmed cases
- 861 probable cases

**The seven-day positivity rate for Monday in Comal County is 6.14%.**

Of the 3,709 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.)	2,740
Western Comal County (Includes Bulverde and Spring Branch)	541
South of Canyon Lake	181
North of Canyon Lake	121
Southern Comal County (Includes Garden Ridge and Schertz)	114
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 to schedule an appointment.

**Testing is only done on Tuesday and Friday and you must have an appointment.**

### **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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