
Comal County reports 11 COVID-19 Cases

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NEW BRAUNFELS — Comal County reports an additional 11 COVID-19 cases today, bringing the County's total to 4,008.

Of the 11 new cases, one is confirmed and 10 are probable.

Comal County also confirms the death of a New Braunfels man in his 80's. He passed away at a New Braunfels hospital on 11/9/20.

The total number of deceased is 124.

Region:	Number of new cases:
New Braunfels	6
N of Canyon Lake	2
S of Canyon Lake	1
S Comal County (Garden Ridge)	0
Bulverde/Spring Branch	2
Fair Oaks	0

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

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

The total recovered is 3,661.

The County now has 223 active confirmed and probable COVID-19 cases.

Of those, six are hospitalized.

On Thursday, Comal County hospitals reported caring for 13 COVID-19 patients; of those, six 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 Thursday morning, Public Health has received reports of the following test information:

- 31,004 tests conducted
- 2,961 confirmed cases
- 1,044 probable cases
- Three suspect cases

The seven-day positivity rate for Thursday in Comal County is 9.50%.

The seven-day positivity rate for Thursday in the State of Texas is 12.61%.

Of the 4,008 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.)	2933
Western Comal County (Includes Bulverde and Spring Branch)	596
South of Canyon Lake	198
North of Canyon Lake	140
Southern Comal County (Includes Garden Ridge and Schertz)	129
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 case” 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:

- Meets clinical criteria AND epidemiologic linkage with no confirmatory laboratory testing performed for SARS-CoV-2.
- Meets presumptive* laboratory evidence.
 - Presumptive* laboratory evidence:
 - Detection of SARS-CoV-2 by antigen test in a respiratory specimen
- Meets vital records criteria with no confirmatory laboratory evidence for SARS-CoV-2.

A probable case is treated identically to a confirmed case and counts toward the County’s positivity rate and total case tally.

Suspect case definition

A “Suspect case” meets supportive laboratory evidence with no prior history of being a confirmed or probable case. It is also counted towards the total case tally.

Supportive Laboratory Evidence means:

- **Detection of specific antibody in serum, plasma, or whole blood**
- **Detection of specific antigen by immunocytochemistry in an autopsy specimen**

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