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County reports 56 new COVID-19 cases

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NEW BRAUNFELS — Comal County on Tuesday reported 56 new confirmed and probable cases of COVID-19 for a total of 654.

Of the 56 cases, 55 are confirmed and one is probable; 48 are New Braunfels-area residents, five are from the Bulverde/Spring Branch area, and three live south of Canyon Lake. Ages range from under 18 to older than 80.

The county also confirmed 13 more recoveries from COVID-19, for a total of 262. With seven deaths, the county now has 385 active confirmed and probable COVID-19 cases. An additional hospitalization was confirmed, bringing that total to 25.

As of Saturday morning, Public Health has received reports of the following test information:

- 6,360 tests conducted
- 525 confirmed cases
- 129 probable cases

Comal County's positivity rate – the percentage of tests with a positive result – is now 10.28%, up from 9.72% on Saturday and 8.21% one week ago. It's the first time the rate has been over 10% since April 10 and the second-highest rate the county has recorded since the pandemic began.

Of the 654 confirmed and probable COVID-19 cases in Comal County, the location breakdown is:

- 487 from the New Braunfels area, including eastern and central Comal County
- 102 from western Comal County, including Bulverde and Spring Branch
- 30 from south of Canyon Lake
- 19 from north of Canyon Lake, including Fischer
- 14 from southern Comal County, including Garden Ridge and Schertz
- 2 from Fair Oaks Ranch

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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