



COMAL COUNTY

PUBLIC INFORMATION

Comal County confirms one death and 23 new COVID-19 cases

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE, September 15, 2020:

NEW BRAUNFELS — Comal County is reporting 23 new cases of COVID-19 for a total of 3,226. Of the 23 new cases, 14 are confirmed and nine are probable.

The county also confirms the death of a Spring Branch man in his 80's who passed away at a San Antonio Hospital.

The total number of deceased now stands at 115.

Region:	Number of new cases:
New Braunfels	14
N of Canyon Lake	1
S of Canyon Lake	1
S Comal County (Garden Ridge)	1
Bulverde/Spring Branch	6
Fair Oaks	0

Age Range:	Number of new cases:
Under 20	4
20's	4
30's / 40's	9
50's / 60's	5
70 and older	1

There were another 39 COVID-19 recoveries in Comal County. The total recovered is 2,796.

The county now has 315 active confirmed and probable COVID-19 cases.

Of them, 39 are hospitalized.

On Tuesday, Comal County hospitals reported caring for ten 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 Tuesday morning, Public Health has received reports of the following test information:

- 23, 288 tests conducted
- 2,559 confirmed cases
- 667 probable cases

The seven day positivity rate for Tuesday is 5.6%.

Of the 3,226 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.)	2,445
Western Comal County (Includes Bulverde and Spring Branch)	440
South of Canyon Lake	146
North of Canyon Lake	88
Southern Comal County (Includes Garden Ridge and Schertz)	97
Fair Oaks Ranch	10

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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