



COMAL COUNTY

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Comal County reports 89 COVID-19 cases; 11 deaths; 112 recoveries

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NEW BRAUNFELS — Comal County is reporting 89 additional cases of COVID-19 for a total of 7,659 cases.

32 are new cases and 57 are backlogged cases being added to County data.

Nine are confirmed cases. 80 are probable cases.

The Public Health Department also confirms the deaths of 11 more Comal County residents.

The total number of deceased is now 239.

- Bulverde man in his 60s on 12/21/21 at a San Antonio hospital
- Spring Branch man in his 50s on 12/25/21
- NB man in his 70s on 1/2/21 at a NB hospital
- NB man in his 60s on 1/4/21 at a San Antonio hospital
- NB man in his 50s on 1/9/21 at a San Antonio hospital
- NB man in his 80s on 1/10/21 at a San Marcos hospital
- NB man in his 80s on 1/16/21
- NB woman in her 70s on 1/17/21
- NB woman in her 80s on 1/17/21
- NB woman in her 90s on 1/21/21
- NB woman in her 70s on 1/21/21

The County has 691 active confirmed and probable COVID-19 cases.
Of those, 79 are hospitalized today.

Region:	Number of new cases:
New Braunfels	69
N of Canyon Lake	2
S of Canyon Lake	5
S Comal County (Garden Ridge)	2
Bulverde/Spring Branch	11
Fair Oaks	0

Age Range:	Number of new cases:
Under 20	10
20's	18
30's / 40's	24
50's / 60's	33
70 and older	4

There are an additional 112 COVID-19 recoveries reported today in Comal County. The total recovered is 6,729.

On Monday, Comal County hospitals reported caring for 75 COVID-19 patients; of those, 21 are in intensive care and 16 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.

TSA P percentage today is 23.98%.

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

- 56,127 tests conducted
- 4,229 confirmed cases
- 3,419 probable cases
- 11 suspect cases.

The seven-day Molecular positivity rate for Monday in Comal County is 45.37%.

The seven-day Antigen positivity rate for Monday in Comal County is 5.5 %.

Of the 7,659 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.)	5,604
Western Comal County (Includes Bulverde and Spring Branch)	1,081
South of Canyon Lake	416
North of Canyon Lake	302
Southern Comal County (Includes Garden Ridge and Schertz)	225
Fair Oaks Ranch	31

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.

If you are interested in receiving a COVID-19 vaccine, please visit <https://www.co.comal.tx.us/Health.htm> for information on vaccination criteria and locations.

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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