



# COMAL COUNTY

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## PUBLIC INFORMATION

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### Comal County reports 11 new COVID-19 cases; 13 recoveries

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: June 17, 2021:**

*NEW BRAUNFELS* — Comal County reports 11 new COVID-19 cases today, bringing the County total to 11,137. Five are confirmed cases, and six are probable cases. Total number of deceased remains at 323.

There are 217 active confirmed and probable cases in the County today. Of those, seven are hospitalized. There are another 13 COVID-19 recoveries to report today. The total recovered is 10,587.

Region:	Number of new cases:
New Braunfels	10
N of Canyon Lake	1
S of Canyon Lake	0
S Comal County (Garden Ridge)	0
Bulverde/Spring Branch	0
Fair Oaks	0

Age Range:	Number of new cases:
Under 20	2
20's	1
30's / 40's	3
50's / 60's	5
70 and older	0

On Thursday, Comal County hospitals reported caring for 10 COVID-19 patients; of those, four are in intensive care. There are no patients 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.

**Today's TSA P percentage is 2.37%.**

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

- 105,640 tests conducted
- 5,961 confirmed cases
- 5,152 probable cases
- 24 suspect cases

**The seven-day Molecular positivity rate for Thursday in Comal County is 4.07%.**

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

Of the 11,137 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.)	7,899
Western Comal County (Includes Bulverde and Spring Branch)	1,615
South of Canyon Lake	632
North of Canyon Lake	532
Southern Comal County (Includes Garden Ridge and Schertz)	404
Fair Oaks Ranch	55

**Comal County Public Health Department is now administering (Moderna) COVID-19 vaccines for those 18 and older as well as Pfizer vaccines for anyone 12 years old and older.**

**Those interested in receiving a vaccine can call 830.221.1150 to schedule 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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