



COMAL COUNTY

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Comal County reports 47 new COVID-19 cases; 34 recoveries; one death Active case count now 535

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NEW BRAUNFELS — Comal County reports 47 new COVID-19 cases today, bringing the County total to 12,132. 29 are confirmed cases, and 18 are probable cases. Public Health also confirms the death of a New Braunfels woman in her 80's. She passed away on July 18, 2021. Total number of deceased is now 335.

There are 535 active confirmed and probable cases in the County today. Of those, nine are hospitalized. There are 34 COVID-19 recoveries to report today. The total recovered is 11,260.

Region:	Number of new cases:
New Braunfels	27
N of Canyon Lake	1
S of Canyon Lake	5
S Comal County (Garden Ridge)	0
Bulverde/Spring Branch	14
Fair Oaks	0

Age Range:	Number of new cases:
Under 20	7
20's	14
30's / 40's	13
50's / 60's	9
70 and older	4

On Monday, Comal County hospitals reported caring for 35 COVID-19 patients; of those, 11 are in intensive care and four are on ventilators today. 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 7.07%.

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

- 118,985 tests conducted
- 6,547 confirmed cases
- 5,561 probable cases
- 24 suspect cases

The seven-day Molecular positivity rate for Monday in Comal County is 11.18%.

The seven-day Antigen positivity rate for Monday in Comal County is 11.27%.

Of the 12,132 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.)	8,587
Western Comal County (Includes Bulverde and Spring Branch)	1,750
South of Canyon Lake	717
North of Canyon Lake	592
Southern Comal County (Includes Garden Ridge and Schertz)	430
Fair Oaks Ranch	56

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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