



# COMAL COUNTY

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## PUBLIC INFORMATION

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### **Comal County reports 133 new COVID-19 cases; 44 recoveries Active case count now 626**

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: July 27, 2021:**

*NEW BRAUNFELS* — Comal County reports 133 new COVID-19 cases today, bringing the County total to 12,265. 91 are confirmed cases, and 42 are probable cases. Total number of deceased remains 335.

There are 626 active confirmed and probable cases in the County today. Of those, nine are hospitalized. There are 44 COVID-19 recoveries to report today. The total recovered is 11,304.

Region:	Number of new cases:
New Braunfels	80
N of Canyon Lake	9
S of Canyon Lake	14
S Comal County (Garden Ridge)	3
Bulverde/Spring Branch	27
Fair Oaks	0

Age Range:	Number of new cases:
Under 20	14 (includes one infant under 12 months of age)
20's	26
30's / 40's	49
50's / 60's	35
70 and older	9

On Tuesday, Comal County hospitals reported caring for 42 COVID-19 patients; of those, 12 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 7.72%.**

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

- 121,252 tests conducted
- 6,638 confirmed cases
- 5,603 probable cases
- 24 suspect cases

**The seven-day Molecular positivity rate for Tuesday in Comal County is 9.82%.**

**The seven-day Antigen positivity rate for Tuesday in Comal County is 6.38%.**

Of the 12,265 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.)	8,667
Western Comal County (Includes Bulverde and Spring Branch)	1,777
South of Canyon Lake	731
North of Canyon Lake	601
Southern Comal County (Includes Garden Ridge and Schertz)	433
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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