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Comal County reports 99 new COVID-19 cases; 35 recoveries Active case count now 690

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NEW BRAUNFELS — Comal County reports 99 new COVID-19 cases today, bringing the County total to 12,364. 61 are confirmed cases, and 38 are probable cases.

Total number of deceased remains 335.

There are 690 active confirmed and probable cases in the County today.

Of those, 21 are hospitalized.

There are 35 COVID-19 recoveries to report today.

The total recovered is 11,339

Region:	Number of new cases:	
New Braunfels	63	
N of Canyon Lake	10	
S of Canyon Lake	12	
S Comal County (Garden Ridge)	2	
Bulverde/Spring Branch	12	
Fair Oaks	0	
Age Range:	Number of new cases:	
Under 20	15	
20's	21	
30's / 40's	26	
50's / 60's	31	
70 and older	6	

On Wednesday, Comal County hospitals reported caring for 42 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 8.06%.

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

- 122.043 tests conducted
- 6,699 confirmed cases
- 5,641 probable cases
- 24 suspect cases

The seven-day Molecular positivity rate for Wednesday in Comal County is 9.32%. The seven-day Antigen positivity rate for Wednesday in Comal County is 6.79%.

Of the 12,364 confirmed and probable COVID-19 cases in Comal County, the location breakdown is:

Location:	Number of cases total:
New Braunfels	8,730
(Includes Eastern and Central Comal Co.)	

Western Comal County	1,789
(Includes Bulverde and Spring Branch)	
South of Canyon Lake	743
North of Canyon Lake	611
Southern Comal County	435
(Includes Garden Ridge and Schertz)	
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
- ullet Detection of specific antigen by immunocytochemistry in an autopsy specimen.

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