



COMAL COUNTY

PUBLIC INFORMATION

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**Comal County reports 111 new COVID-19 cases; two deaths
 Active case count now 848**

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NEW BRAUNFELS — Comal County reports 111 new COVID-19 cases today, bringing the County total to 12,688. 80 are confirmed cases, and 31 are probable cases.

Public Health also confirms the deaths of two Comal County residents:

- New Braunfels man in his 70’s. He passed away on July 22, 2021 at a New Braunfels hospital.
- New Braunfels man in his 50’s. He passed away on July 23, 2021 at a New Braunfels hospital.

Total number of deceased is now 337.

There are 848 active confirmed and probable cases in the County today.

Of those, 23 are hospitalized.

There are 59 COVID-19 recoveries to report today.

The total recovered is 11,503.

Region:	Number of new cases:
New Braunfels	75
N of Canyon Lake	5
S of Canyon Lake	10
S Comal County (Garden Ridge)	3
Bulverde/Spring Branch	18
Fair Oaks	0

Age Range:	Number of new cases:
Under 20	11
20’s	23
30’s / 40’s	34
50’s / 60’s	30
70 and older	13

On Monday, Comal County hospitals reported caring for 49 COVID-19 patients; of those, eight are in intensive care and one is on a ventilator 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 10.65%.

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

- 124,786 tests conducted
- 6,924 confirmed cases
- 5,740 probable cases
- 24 suspect cases

The seven-day Molecular positivity rate for Monday in Comal County is 11.13%.
The seven-day Antigen positivity rate for Monday in Comal County is 7.78%.

Of the 12,688 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.)	8,942
Western Comal County (Includes Bulverde and Spring Branch)	1,837
South of Canyon Lake	771
North of Canyon Lake	637
Southern Comal County (Includes Garden Ridge and Schertz)	444
Fair Oaks Ranch	57

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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