



# COMAL COUNTY

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## PUBLIC INFORMATION

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### **Comal County reports 175 new COVID-19 cases; four deaths Active case count now 983**

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: August 3, 2021:**

*NEW BRAUNFELS* — Comal County reports 175 new COVID-19 cases today, bringing the County total to 12,863. 117 are confirmed cases, and 58 are probable cases.

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

- a Canyon Lake man in his 70s on 7/22/2021 at a San Antonio hospital
- a Canyon Lake man in his 60s on 7/23/2021 at a San Antonio hospital
- a New Braunfels man in his 80s on 7/31/2021 at a New Braunfels hospital
- a New Braunfels woman in her 80s on 7/31/2021 at a New Braunfels hospital

Total number of deceased is now 341.

There are 983 active confirmed and probable cases in the County today.

Of those, 23 are hospitalized.

There are 36 COVID-19 recoveries to report today.

The total recovered is 11,539.

Region:	Number of new cases:
New Braunfels	115
N of Canyon Lake	15
S of Canyon Lake	13
S Comal County (Garden Ridge)	3
Bulverde/Spring Branch	28
Fair Oaks	1

Age Range:	Number of new cases:
Under 20	28
20's	37
30's / 40's	59
50's / 60's	38
70 and older	13

On Tuesday, Comal County hospitals reported caring for 60 COVID-19 patients; of those, 12 are in intensive care and two are 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 11.22%.**

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

- 125,716 tests conducted
- 7,041 confirmed cases
- 5,798 probable cases
- 24 suspect cases

**The seven-day Molecular positivity rate for Tuesday in Comal County is 12.76%.**

**The seven-day Antigen positivity rate for Tuesday y in Comal County is 8.47%.**

Of the 12,863 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.)	9,057
Western Comal County (Includes Bulverde and Spring Branch)	1,865
South of Canyon Lake	784
North of Canyon Lake	652
Southern Comal County (Includes Garden Ridge and Schertz)	447
Fair Oaks Ranch	58

**Comal County Public Health Department is 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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