



# COMAL COUNTY

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## PUBLIC INFORMATION

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### **Comal County reports 179 new COVID-19 cases; 125 recoveries Active cases now 1,365**

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: August 10, 2021:**

*NEW BRAUNFELS* — Comal County reports 179 new COVID-19 cases today, bringing the County total to 13,617. 67 are confirmed cases, and 112 are probable cases. The total number of deceased remains 344.

There are 1,365 active confirmed and probable cases in the County today. Of those, 38 are hospitalized. There are 125 COVID-19 recoveries to report today. The total recovered is 11,908.

Region:	Number of new cases:
New Braunfels	123
N of Canyon Lake	12
S of Canyon Lake	12
S Comal County (Garden Ridge)	3
Bulverde/Spring Branch	29
Fair Oaks	0

Age Range:	Number of new cases:
Under 20	26 (includes two infants under 12 months of age)
20's	28
30's / 40's	67
50's / 60's	45
70 and older	13

On Tuesday, Comal County hospitals reported caring for 95 COVID-19 patients; of those, 17 are in intensive care and four 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 16.95%.**

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

- 130,355 tests conducted
- 7,497 confirmed cases
- 6,096 probable cases
- 24 suspect cases

**The seven-day Molecular positivity rate for Tuesday in Comal County is 15.74%.**

**The seven-day Antigen positivity rate for Tuesday in Comal County is 16.97%.**

Of the 13,617 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.)	9,538
Western Comal County (Includes Bulverde and Spring Branch)	1,984
South of Canyon Lake	854
North of Canyon Lake	710
Southern Comal County (Includes Garden Ridge and Schertz)	471
Fair Oaks Ranch	60

**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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