



COMAL COUNTY

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Comal County reports 94 new COVID-19 cases; two deaths 152 recoveries

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NEW BRAUNFELS — Comal County reports 94 new COVID-19 cases today, bringing the County total to 13,803. 49 are confirmed cases, and 45 are probable cases.

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

- Spring Branch woman in her 50's passed away on August 3 at a San Antonio hospital.
- New Braunfels woman in her 20's passed away on July 29 at a San Antonio hospital.

The total number of deceased is now 348.

There are 1,306 active confirmed and probable cases in the County today.

Of those, 45 are hospitalized.

There are 152 COVID-19 recoveries to report today.

The total recovered is 12,149.

Region:	Number of new cases:
New Braunfels	69
N of Canyon Lake	3
S of Canyon Lake	5
S Comal County (Garden Ridge)	2
Bulverde/Spring Branch	15
Fair Oaks	0

Age Range:	Number of new cases:
Under 20	18
20's	23
30's / 40's	24
50's / 60's	22
70 and older	7

On Thursday, Comal County hospitals reported caring for 89 COVID-19 patients; of those, 16 are in intensive care and eight are on ventilators. Approximately 98% of these patients are unvaccinated. 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 18.24 %.

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.

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

- 132,700 tests conducted
- 7,581 confirmed cases
- 6,198 probable cases
- 24 suspect cases

The seven-day Molecular positivity rate for Thursday in Comal County is 13.14%.

The seven-day Antigen positivity rate for Thursday in Comal County is 13.90%.

Of the 13,803 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.)	9,663
Western Comal County (Includes Bulverde and Spring Branch)	2,015
South of Canyon Lake	871
North of Canyon Lake	720
Southern Comal County (Includes Garden Ridge and Schertz)	474
Fair Oaks Ranch	60

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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