



COMAL COUNTY

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Comal County reports 82 new COVID-19 cases; 111 recoveries

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NEW BRAUNFELS — Comal County reports 82 new COVID-19 cases today, bringing the County total to 15,400. 58 are confirmed cases, and 24 are probable cases. The total number of deceased remains 368.

There are 1,494 active confirmed and probable cases in the County today. Of those, 30 are hospitalized. There are 111 COVID-19 recoveries to report today. The total recovered is 13,538.

| Region: | Number of new cases: |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| New Braunfels | 59 |
| N of Canyon Lake | 4 |
| S of Canyon Lake | 4 |
| S Comal County (Garden Ridge) | 2 |
| Bulverde/Spring Branch | 13 |
| Fair Oaks | 0 |

| Age Range: | Number of new cases: |
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| Under 20 | 26 (includes two infants under 12 months of age) |
| 20's | 12 |
| 30's / 40's | 22 |
| 50's / 60's | 18 |
| 70 and older | 4 |

On Friday, Comal County hospitals reported caring for 81 COVID-19 patients; of those, 23 are in intensive care and 20 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 20.3 %.

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

- 144,863 tests conducted
- 8,654 confirmed cases
- 6,722 probable cases
- 24 suspect cases

The seven-day Molecular positivity rate for Friday in Comal County is 19.01%.

The seven-day Antigen positivity rate for Friday in Comal County is 8.91 %.

Of the 15,400 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.) | 10,661 |
| Western Comal County (Includes Bulverde and Spring Branch) | 2,302 |
| South of Canyon Lake | 1,007 |
| North of Canyon Lake | 834 |
| Southern Comal County (Includes Garden Ridge and Schertz) | 527 |
| Fair Oaks Ranch | 69 |

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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