



COMAL COUNTY

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Comal County reports 103 new COVID-19 cases; one death 85 recoveries

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NEW BRAUNFELS— Comal County reports 103 new COVID-19 cases today, bringing the County total to 15,503. 77 are confirmed cases, and 26 are probable cases.

Public Health also confirms the death of a New Braunfels man in his 50's. He passed away at a San Antonio hospital on August 7.

The total number of deceased is now 369.

There are 1,511 active confirmed and probable cases in the County today.

Of those, 28 are hospitalized.

There are 85 COVID-19 recoveries to report today.

The total recovered is 13,623.

Region:	Number of new cases:
New Braunfels	57
N of Canyon Lake	17
S of Canyon Lake	10
S Comal County (Garden Ridge)	2
Bulverde/Spring Branch	16
Fair Oaks	1

Age Range:	Number of new cases:
Under 20	22 (includes an infant under 12 months of age)
20's	10
30's / 40's	32
50's / 60's	28
70 and older	11

On Monday, Comal County hospitals reported caring for 75 COVID-19 patients; of those, 18 are in intensive care and 15 are on ventilators.

Approximately 93% 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 18.72 %.

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

- 145,149 tests conducted
- 8,731 confirmed cases
- 6,748 probable cases
- 24 suspect cases

**The seven-day Molecular positivity rate for Monday in Comal County is 19.25%.
The seven-day Antigen positivity rate for Monday in Comal County is 9.97 %.**

Of the 15,503 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.)	10,718
Western Comal County (Includes Bulverde and Spring Branch)	2,318
South of Canyon Lake	1,017
North of Canyon Lake	851
Southern Comal County (Includes Garden Ridge and Schertz)	529
Fair Oaks Ranch	70

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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