



COMAL COUNTY

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Comal County reports 67 new COVID-19 cases; two deaths

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NEW BRAUNFELS — Comal County reports 67 new COVID-19 cases today, bringing the County total to 18,568. 40 are confirmed cases and 27 are probable cases.

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

- A Canyon Lake man in his 70s on 9/21/2021 at a NB hospital
- A Bulverde woman in her 60s on 9/20/2021 at a SA hospital

The total number of deceased is now 426.

There are 927 active confirmed and probable cases in the County today.

Of those, 28 are hospitalized.

There are 79 COVID-19 recoveries to report today.

The total recovered is 17,215.

Region:	Number of new cases:
New Braunfels	40
N of Canyon Lake	3
S of Canyon Lake	5
S Comal County (Garden Ridge)	1
Bulverde/Spring Branch	18
Fair Oaks	0

Age Range:	Number of new cases:
Under 20	14
20's	9
30's / 40's	22
50's / 60's	13
70 and older	9

On Friday, Comal County hospitals reported caring for 41 COVID-19 patients; of those, 12 are in intensive care, and 10 are on ventilators.

Approximately 94% 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 11.34 %.

Comal County Public Health Department is administering Moderna COVID-19 vaccines for those 18 and older and Pfizer vaccines for anyone 12 years old and older. Those who are moderately to severely immunocompromised and qualify for a 3rd dose can also call to schedule an appointment for a vaccine. Appointments can be made by calling 830.221.1150.

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

- 174, 556 tests conducted
- 10,643 confirmed cases
- 7,901 probable cases
- 24 suspect cases

The seven-day Molecular positivity rate for Friday in Comal County is 10.70 %.

The seven-day Antigen positivity rate for Friday in Comal County is 8.58 %.

Of the 18,568 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.)	12,460
Western Comal County (Includes Bulverde and Spring Branch)	3,010
South of Canyon Lake	1,299
North of Canyon Lake	1,085
Southern Comal County (Includes Garden Ridge and Schertz)	631
Fair Oaks Ranch	83

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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