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## NEWS RELEASE

### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Thursday, March 18, 2021

### **Nine deaths related to COVID-19 reported in Hidalgo County along with 378 positive cases.**

*\*All numbers are subject to update and review*

<b>COVID-19 positive case total for Thursday</b>	<b>378</b>
Confirmed	315
Probable	41
Suspect	22
<b>Total COVID-19 positive cases in Hidalgo County</b>	<b>83,259</b>
Confirmed	55,435
Probable	26,543
Suspect	1,281
<b>Total number in Hidalgo County hospitals</b>	<b>159</b>
<b>Number of hospitalized patients in intensive care units</b>	<b>63</b>
<b>Number released from isolation Thursday</b>	<b>155</b>
<b>Total released from isolation</b>	<b>78,145</b>
<b>Number of fatalities reported Thursday</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>Total number of fatalities</b>	<b>2,727</b>
<b>Net active cases</b>	<b>2,387</b>
<b>Total number of COVID-19 tests administered</b>	<b>430,358</b>
<b>Total number of tests that are positive</b>	<b>83,259</b>
<b>Total number of tests that are negative</b>	<b>346,357</b>



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Hidalgo County uses the case status definition provided by the Texas Department of State Health Service's 2020 Epi Case Criteria Guide revised November 2020.

1. **Confirmed:** A person who has tested positive through a molecular or PCR (oral or nasal swabs) test that looks for the presence of the virus's genetic material.
2. **Probable:** A person who meets presumptive laboratory evidence through detection of COVID-19 by antigen test in a respiratory specimen.
3. **Suspect:** A person who meets supported laboratory evidence through detection of specific antibodies in serum, plasma, whole body, and no prior history of being confirmed or probable case.

For more information of case status definition for COVID-19, please refer to:

<https://www.dshs.state.tx.us/IDCU/investigation/epi-case-criteria-guide/2020-Epi-Case-Criteria-Guide.pdf>

The deaths include:

	Age	Gender	City
1	70+	Male	Edinburg
2	60s	Female	Mercedes
3	50s	Male	Mission
4	60s	Female	Mission
5	70+	Male	Mission
6	50s	Male	San Juan
7	70+	Female	San Juan
8	70+	Female	Undisclosed
9	70+	Male	Weslaco



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Thursday, March 18, 2021 positive cases include:

Age Range	Gender	City	Age Range	Gender	City	Age Range	Gender	City			
1	0-19	F	Alamo	127	0-19	M	McAllen	253	50s	F	Mission
2	0-19	F	Alamo	128	0-19	M	McAllen	254	50s	M	Mission
3	0-19	F	Alamo	129	0-19	M	McAllen	255	50s	M	Mission
4	0-19	M	Alamo	130	0-19	M	McAllen	256	50s	F	Mission
5	0-19	M	Alamo	131	0-19	F	McAllen	257	50s	F	Mission
6	0-19	M	Alamo	132	0-19	M	McAllen	258	50s	F	Mission
7	0-19	F	Alamo	133	0-19	M	McAllen	259	60s	M	Mission
8	0-19	F	Alamo	134	0-19	M	McAllen	260	0-19	F	Pharr
9	0-19	M	Alamo	135	0-19	F	McAllen	261	0-19	M	Pharr
10	0-19	F	Alamo	136	0-19	F	McAllen	262	0-19	M	Pharr
11	0-19	F	Alamo	137	0-19	F	McAllen	263	0-19	F	Pharr
12	20s	F	Alamo	138	0-19	F	McAllen	264	0-19	M	Pharr
13	20s	M	Alamo	139	0-19	M	McAllen	265	0-19	F	Pharr
14	50s	M	Alamo	140	20s	F	McAllen	266	0-19	F	Pharr
15	60s	F	Alamo	141	20s	F	McAllen	267	0-19	F	Pharr
16	0-19	F	Alton	142	20s	F	McAllen	268	0-19	F	Pharr
17	0-19	F	Alton	143	20s	M	McAllen	269	0-19	M	Pharr
18	0-19	F	Alton	144	20s	F	McAllen	270	0-19	M	Pharr
19	0-19	M	Alton	145	20s	M	McAllen	271	0-19	M	Pharr
20	0-19	M	Alton	146	20s	M	McAllen	272	0-19	M	Pharr
21	0-19	F	Alton	147	20s	F	McAllen	273	0-19	F	Pharr
22	0-19	F	Alton	148	20s	F	McAllen	274	0-19	F	Pharr
23	30s	M	Alton	149	20s	M	McAllen	275	0-19	M	Pharr
24	30s	M	Alton	150	30s	F	McAllen	276	0-19	F	Pharr
25	40s	M	Alton	151	30s	F	McAllen	277	20s	F	Pharr
26	0-19	M	Donna	152	40s	F	McAllen	278	20s	M	Pharr
27	0-19	F	Donna	153	40s	M	McAllen	279	20s	M	Pharr
28	0-19	F	Donna	154	40s	F	McAllen	280	20s	F	Pharr
29	0-19	M	Donna	155	40s	M	McAllen	281	20s	F	Pharr
30	0-19	F	Donna	156	40s	F	McAllen	282	30s	M	Pharr
31	0-19	M	Donna	157	50s	M	McAllen	283	30s	F	Pharr



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32	0-19	F	Donna	158	50s	M	McAllen	284	30s	M	Pharr
33	0-19	M	Donna	159	50s	M	McAllen	285	30s	F	Pharr
34	0-19	M	Donna	160	60s	F	McAllen	286	40s	F	Pharr
35	0-19	M	Donna	161	60s	F	McAllen	287	40s	F	Pharr
36	0-19	M	Donna	162	60s	F	McAllen	288	50s	F	Pharr
37	0-19	M	Donna	163	60s	F	McAllen	289	50s	F	Pharr
38	0-19	M	Donna	164	60s	F	McAllen	290	50s	M	Pharr
39	0-19	F	Donna	165	70+	M	McAllen	291	60s	F	Pharr
40	20s	M	Donna	166	70+	F	McAllen	292	0-19	F	San Juan
41	20s	M	Donna	167	70+	M	McAllen	293	0-19	F	San Juan
42	20s	M	Donna	168	70+	F	McAllen	294	0-19	M	San Juan
43	20s	M	Donna	169	0-19	M	Mercedes	295	0-19	F	San Juan
44	30s	F	Donna	170	0-19	F	Mercedes	296	0-19	F	San Juan
45	40s	M	Donna	171	0-19	M	Mercedes	297	0-19	M	San Juan
46	40s	M	Donna	172	0-19	M	Mercedes	298	0-19	M	San Juan
47	50s	F	Donna	173	0-19	M	Mercedes	299	0-19	M	San Juan
48	50s	F	Donna	174	0-19	F	Mercedes	300	0-19	M	San Juan
49	60s	F	Donna	175	0-19	M	Mercedes	301	20s	M	San Juan
50	60s	M	Donna	176	0-19	F	Mercedes	302	20s	F	San Juan
51	60s	F	Donna	177	0-19	M	Mercedes	303	20s	M	San Juan
52	0-19	F	Edinburg	178	0-19	M	Mercedes	304	20s	M	San Juan
53	0-19	F	Edinburg	179	0-19	F	Mercedes	305	30s	F	San Juan
54	0-19	F	Edinburg	180	0-19	F	Mercedes	306	40s	M	San Juan
55	0-19	F	Edinburg	181	0-19	F	Mercedes	307	50s	F	San Juan
56	0-19	F	Edinburg	182	0-19	F	Mercedes	308	60s	F	San Juan
57	0-19	M	Edinburg	183	0-19	U	Mercedes	309	70+	F	San Juan
58	0-19	F	Edinburg	184	0-19	F	Mercedes	310	0-19	M	Undisclosed
59	0-19	M	Edinburg	185	0-19	M	Mercedes	311	0-19	M	Undisclosed
60	0-19	F	Edinburg	186	0-19	M	Mercedes	312	0-19	F	Undisclosed
61	0-19	F	Edinburg	187	0-19	F	Mercedes	313	0-19	F	Undisclosed
62	0-19	M	Edinburg	188	30s	F	Mercedes	314	0-19	M	Undisclosed
63	0-19	F	Edinburg	189	30s	F	Mercedes	315	0-19	M	Undisclosed
64	0-19	F	Edinburg	190	30s	F	Mercedes	316	0-19	M	Undisclosed
65	0-19	F	Edinburg	191	30s	F	Mercedes	317	0-19	F	Undisclosed
66	0-19	F	Edinburg	192	40s	M	Mercedes	318	0-19	F	Undisclosed
67	0-19	M	Edinburg	193	0-19	F	Mission	319	0-19	M	Undisclosed



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68	0-19	F	Edinburg	194	0-19	M	Mission	320	20s	M	Undisclosed
69	0-19	M	Edinburg	195	0-19	M	Mission	321	20s	M	Undisclosed
70	0-19	M	Edinburg	196	0-19	F	Mission	322	20s	F	Undisclosed
71	0-19	F	Edinburg	197	0-19	M	Mission	323	20s	F	Undisclosed
72	0-19	M	Edinburg	198	0-19	F	Mission	324	20s	F	Undisclosed
73	0-19	F	Edinburg	199	0-19	M	Mission	325	20s	M	Undisclosed
74	0-19	F	Edinburg	200	0-19	F	Mission	326	30s	M	Undisclosed
75	0-19	F	Edinburg	201	0-19	F	Mission	327	30s	M	Undisclosed
76	0-19	F	Edinburg	202	0-19	F	Mission	328	30s	F	Undisclosed
77	0-19	F	Edinburg	203	0-19	M	Mission	329	30s	F	Undisclosed
78	0-19	M	Edinburg	204	0-19	M	Mission	330	30s	F	Undisclosed
79	0-19	M	Edinburg	205	0-19	F	Mission	331	30s	F	Undisclosed
80	0-19	M	Edinburg	206	0-19	F	Mission	332	40s	M	Undisclosed
81	0-19	M	Edinburg	207	0-19	M	Mission	333	40s	M	Undisclosed
82	20s	F	Edinburg	208	0-19	F	Mission	334	40s	M	Undisclosed
83	20s	F	Edinburg	209	0-19	M	Mission	335	40s	F	Undisclosed
84	20s	F	Edinburg	210	0-19	F	Mission	336	40s	M	Undisclosed
85	20s	M	Edinburg	211	0-19	F	Mission	337	50s	M	Undisclosed
86	20s	F	Edinburg	212	0-19	F	Mission	338	50s	M	Undisclosed
87	20s	F	Edinburg	213	0-19	F	Mission	339	50s	F	Undisclosed
88	20s	F	Edinburg	214	0-19	M	Mission	340	60s	M	Undisclosed
89	20s	F	Edinburg	215	0-19	M	Mission	341	0-19	F	Weslaco
90	20s	M	Edinburg	216	0-19	F	Mission	342	0-19	M	Weslaco
91	30s	M	Edinburg	217	0-19	M	Mission	343	0-19	M	Weslaco
92	30s	M	Edinburg	218	0-19	F	Mission	344	0-19	M	Weslaco
93	30s	M	Edinburg	219	0-19	M	Mission	345	0-19	F	Weslaco
94	30s	M	Edinburg	220	0-19	F	Mission	346	0-19	M	Weslaco
95	40s	F	Edinburg	221	0-19	F	Mission	347	0-19	F	Weslaco
96	40s	M	Edinburg	222	0-19	F	Mission	348	0-19	F	Weslaco
97	40s	F	Edinburg	223	0-19	M	Mission	349	0-19	M	Weslaco
98	40s	M	Edinburg	224	0-19	M	Mission	350	0-19	M	Weslaco
99	40s	F	Edinburg	225	0-19	F	Mission	351	0-19	F	Weslaco
100	50s	M	Edinburg	226	0-19	M	Mission	352	0-19	M	Weslaco
101	60s	M	Edinburg	227	0-19	F	Mission	353	0-19	M	Weslaco
102	60s	F	Edinburg	228	0-19	F	Mission	354	0-19	F	Weslaco
103	60s	F	Edinburg	229	0-19	M	Mission	355	0-19	F	Weslaco



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105	60s	F	Edinburg	231	0-19	M	Mission	357	0-19	M	Weslaco
106	70+	M	Edinburg	232	0-19	F	Mission	358	20s	F	Weslaco
107	70+	F	Edinburg	233	0-19	F	Mission	359	20s	M	Weslaco
108	0-19	M	Hidalgo	234	0-19	F	Mission	360	20s	M	Weslaco
109	0-19	F	Hidalgo	235	0-19	F	Mission	361	20s	F	Weslaco
110	0-19	F	Hidalgo	236	0-19	F	Mission	362	30s	F	Weslaco
111	0-19	F	Hidalgo	237	0-19	F	Mission	363	30s	M	Weslaco
112	0-19	M	Hidalgo	238	20s	F	Mission	364	30s	M	Weslaco
113	0-19	M	Hidalgo	239	20s	F	Mission	365	30s	F	Weslaco
114	20s	F	Hidalgo	240	20s	F	Mission	366	30s	F	Weslaco
115	30s	M	Hidalgo	241	20s	F	Mission	367	30s	M	Weslaco
116	30s	M	Hidalgo	242	20s	M	Mission	368	30s	F	Weslaco
117	40s	F	Hidalgo	243	20s	F	Mission	369	40s	M	Weslaco
118	40s	M	Hidalgo	244	20s	M	Mission	370	40s	M	Weslaco
119	60s	M	Hidalgo	245	20s	F	Mission	371	40s	F	Weslaco
120	60s	F	Hidalgo	246	30s	F	Mission	372	40s	F	Weslaco
121	0-19	M	McAllen	247	30s	F	Mission	373	40s	M	Weslaco
122	0-19	M	McAllen	248	30s	F	Mission	374	50s	F	Weslaco
123	0-19	M	McAllen	249	40s	M	Mission	375	50s	F	Weslaco
124	0-19	M	McAllen	250	50s	F	Mission	376	70+	F	Weslaco
125	0-19	F	McAllen	251	50s	M	Mission	377	70+	M	Weslaco
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