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NEWS RELEASE

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Tuesday, October 26, 2021

Two deaths related to COVID-19 reported in Hidalgo County along with 91 newly reported positive cases. Of the two deceased individuals, two were not vaccinated.

**Due to differences in data processing, timing, and methodology, there may be discrepancies between the information presented in this report and the Texas DSHS dashboard.*

COVID-19 positive case total for Tuesday	91
Confirmed	5
Probable	43
Suspect	43
Total COVID-19 positive cases in Hidalgo County	117,463
Confirmed	68,396
Probable	46,226
Suspect	2,841
Total number in Hidalgo County hospitals	80
Adult	70
Pediatric	10
Total number of hospitalized patients in intensive care units	43
Adult	39
Pediatric	4
Number Released from isolation Tuesday	169
Total released from isolation	113,311
Number of fatalities reported Tuesday	2
Total number of fatalities	3,436
Net active cases	716
Total number of COVID-19 tests administered	690,569
Total number of tests that are positive	117,463
Total number of tests that are negative	572,333
Daily Schools Staff COVID-19 positive cases	2
Daily Schools Student COVID-19 positive cases	7
Total COVID-19 Positive School Staff	664
Total COVID-19 Positive Students	3,211
Total TDEM Patients Infused	1,484



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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 Range	Gender	City
1	50s	Female	Undisclosed
2	70+	Male	Undisclosed

Case Breakdown by Age Group:

Age Range	Number of Cases
0-11	33
12-19	10
20s	10
30s	11
40s	8
50s	10
60s	2
70+	7
Total:	91



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	Age Range	Gender	City		Age Range	Gender	City
1	0-19	F	Alamo	47	0-19	M	Mission
2	20s	M	Alamo	48	0-19	M	Mission
3	40s	F	Alamo	49	0-19	M	Mission
4	70+	F	Alton	50	0-19	M	Mission
5	0-19	F	Donna	51	20s	F	Mission
6	0-19	F	Donna	52	20s	M	Mission
7	20s	M	Donna	53	20s	M	Mission
8	30s	M	Donna	54	20s	F	Mission
9	0-19	F	Edinburg	55	20s	F	Mission
10	0-19	F	Edinburg	56	20s	M	Mission
11	0-19	F	Edinburg	57	30s	M	Mission
12	0-19	F	Edinburg	58	30s	M	Mission
13	0-19	F	Edinburg	59	30s	M	Mission
14	0-19	F	Edinburg	60	30s	M	Mission
15	30s	M	Edinburg	61	30s	M	Mission
16	40s	M	Edinburg	62	40s	F	Mission
17	50s	M	Edinburg	63	40s	M	Mission
18	50s	M	Edinburg	64	40s	F	Mission
19	70+	F	Edinburg	65	50s	F	Mission
20	0-19	F	Hidalgo	66	50s	F	Mission
21	40s	F	Hidalgo	67	50s	F	Mission
22	0-19	M	McAllen	68	70+	F	Mission
23	0-19	M	McAllen	69	0-19	F	Pharr
24	0-19	M	McAllen	70	0-19	F	Pharr
25	20s	M	McAllen	71	30s	F	Pharr
26	30s	M	McAllen	72	40s	F	Pharr
27	40s	F	McAllen	73	70+	F	Pharr
28	50s	F	McAllen	74	70+	F	Pharr
29	50s	F	McAllen	75	70+	F	Pharr
30	50s	F	McAllen	76	0-19	F	San Juan
31	50s	M	McAllen	77	20s	M	San Juan
32	60s	M	McAllen	78	70+	M	San Juan
33	60s	M	McAllen	79	0-19	M	Undisclosed
34	0-19	F	Mercedes	80	0-19	F	Undisclosed
35	0-19	F	Mercedes	81	0-19	M	Undisclosed



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36	0-19	F	Mercedes	82	0-19	M	Undisclosed
37	0-19	F	Mercedes	83	0-19	F	Undisclosed
38	30s	M	Mercedes	84	30s	M	Undisclosed
39	0-19	M	Mission	85	50s	F	Undisclosed
40	0-19	F	Mission	86	0-19	M	Weslaco
41	0-19	M	Mission	87	0-19	M	Weslaco
42	0-19	F	Mission	88	0-19	M	Weslaco
43	0-19	M	Mission	89	0-19	M	Weslaco
44	0-19	M	Mission	90	0-19	F	Weslaco
45	0-19	F	Mission	91	0-19	F	Weslaco
46	0-19	F	Mission				

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