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### NEWS RELEASE

#### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Friday, October 8, 2021

**Five deaths related to COVID-19 reported in Hidalgo County along with 101 newly reported positive cases. Of the five deceased individuals, five were not vaccinated.**

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

<b>COVID-19 positive case total for Friday</b>	101
Confirmed	22
Probable	79
Suspect	0
<b>Total COVID-19 positive cases in Hidalgo County</b>	115,975
Confirmed	68,051
Probable	45,471
Suspect	2,453
<b>Total number in Hidalgo County hospitals</b>	157
Adult	142
Pediatric	15
<b>Total number of hospitalized patients in intensive care units</b>	68
Adult	64
Pediatric	4
<b>Number Released from isolation Friday</b>	141
<b>Total released from isolation</b>	111,483
<b>Number of fatalities reported Friday</b>	5
<b>Total number of fatalities</b>	3,388
<b>Net active cases</b>	1,104
<b>Total number of COVID-19 tests administered</b>	675,133
<b>Total number of tests that are positive</b>	115,975
<b>Total number of tests that are negative</b>	558,373
<b>Daily Schools Staff COVID-19 positive cases</b>	2
<b>Daily Schools Student COVID-19 positive cases</b>	71
<b>Total COVID-19 Positive School Staff</b>	623
<b>Total COVID-19 Positive Students</b>	2,982
<b>Total TDEM Patients Infused</b>	1,116



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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	70+	Female	Donna
2	40s	Male	Edinburg
3	40s	Female	Mercedes
4	50s	Male	Mercedes
5	50s	Male	Undisclosed

Case Breakdown by Age Group:

Age Range	Number of Cases
0-11	42
12-19	21
20s	10
30s	7
40s	6
50s	5
60s	6
70+	4
Total:	101



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Friday, October 8, 2021 positive cases include:

	Age Range	Gender	City		Age Range	Gender	City
1	0-19	M	Alamo	52	0-19	F	Mission
2	0-19	M	Alamo	53	0-19	M	Mission
3	30s	F	Alamo	54	0-19	F	Mission
4	0-19	F	Alton	55	0-19	F	Mission
5	20s	F	Alton	56	0-19	F	Mission
6	0-19	M	Donna	57	0-19	M	Mission
7	0-19	F	Donna	58	20s	F	Mission
8	0-19	M	Donna	59	40s	M	Mission
9	0-19	F	Donna	60	40s	F	Mission
10	20s	F	Donna	61	50s	F	Mission
11	30s	F	Donna	62	50s	F	Mission
12	60s	M	Donna	63	70+	F	Mission
13	0-19	F	Edinburg	64	0-19	M	Pharr
14	0-19	F	Edinburg	65	0-19	F	Pharr
15	0-19	M	Edinburg	66	0-19	F	Pharr
16	0-19	F	Edinburg	67	0-19	M	Pharr
17	0-19	F	Edinburg	68	0-19	F	Pharr
18	0-19	F	Edinburg	69	0-19	F	Pharr
19	0-19	M	Edinburg	70	0-19	F	Pharr
20	0-19	M	Edinburg	71	0-19	M	Pharr
21	0-19	M	Edinburg	72	0-19	M	Pharr
22	0-19	F	Edinburg	73	0-19	F	Pharr
23	0-19	F	Edinburg	74	0-19	M	Pharr
24	20s	M	Edinburg	75	0-19	M	Pharr
25	20s	M	Edinburg	76	20s	M	Pharr
26	30s	F	Edinburg	77	20s	F	Pharr
27	30s	F	Edinburg	78	30s	F	Pharr
28	30s	M	Edinburg	79	40s	M	Pharr
29	40s	M	Edinburg	80	0-19	M	San Juan
30	40s	M	Edinburg	81	0-19	F	San Juan
31	50s	F	Edinburg	82	0-19	M	San Juan
32	60s	M	Edinburg	83	0-19	F	San Juan
33	60s	M	Edinburg	84	0-19	F	San Juan
34	70+	F	Edinburg	85	0-19	M	San Juan
35	70+	M	Edinburg	86	0-19	M	San Juan



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36	0-19	F	Hidalgo	<b>87</b>	0-19	M	San Juan
37	0-19	F	Hidalgo	<b>88</b>	20s	M	San Juan
38	50s	F	Hidalgo	<b>89</b>	60s	F	San Juan
39	0-19	M	McAllen	<b>90</b>	70+	F	San Juan
40	0-19	F	McAllen	<b>91</b>	0-19	F	Undisclosed
41	0-19	M	McAllen	<b>92</b>	0-19	M	Undisclosed
42	0-19	F	McAllen	<b>93</b>	0-19	F	Undisclosed
43	0-19	M	McAllen	<b>94</b>	0-19	M	Undisclosed
44	0-19	F	McAllen	<b>95</b>	60s	M	Undisclosed
45	0-19	M	McAllen	<b>96</b>	0-19	M	Weslaco
46	20s	F	McAllen	<b>97</b>	0-19	M	Weslaco
47	30s	F	McAllen	<b>98</b>	0-19	M	Weslaco
48	60s	M	McAllen	<b>99</b>	0-19	M	Weslaco
49	0-19	M	Mercedes	<b>100</b>	0-19	F	Weslaco
50	20s	M	Mercedes	<b>101</b>	40s	F	Weslaco
51	50s	M	Mercedes				

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