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NEWS RELEASE

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Friday, November 19, 2021

Two deaths related to COVID-19 reported in Hidalgo County along with 42 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 Friday	42
Confirmed	17
Probable	24
Suspect	1
Total COVID-19 positive cases in Hidalgo County	118,786
Confirmed	68,854
Probable	47,026
Suspect	2,906
Total number in Hidalgo County hospitals	57
Adult	52
Pediatric	5
Total number of hospitalized patients in intensive care units	21
Adult	20
Pediatric	1
Number Released from isolation Friday	41
Total released from isolation	114,787
Number of fatalities reported Friday	2
Total number of fatalities	3,489
Net active cases	510
Total number of COVID-19 tests administered	713,660
Total number of tests that are positive	118,786
Total number of tests that are negative	594,068
Daily Schools Staff COVID-19 positive cases	11
Daily Schools Student COVID-19 positive cases	63
Total COVID-19 Positive School Staff	747
Total COVID-19 Positive Students	3,946
Total TDEM Patients Infused	1,995



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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	60s	Female	Edinburg
2	40s	Male	Weslaco

Case Breakdown by Age Group:

Age Range	Number of Cases
0-11	13
12-19	3
20s	3
30s	6
40s	4
50s	0
60s	5
70+	8
Total:	42



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	Age Range	Gender	City		Age Range	Gender	City
1	0-19	M	Alamo	22	0-19	M	Hidalgo
2	0-19	F	Alamo	23	0-19	M	Mercedes
3	40s	M	Alamo	24	0-19	F	Mercedes
4	60s	M	Alamo	25	0-19	M	Mission
5	60s	F	Alamo	26	30s	F	Mission
6	70+	M	Alamo	27	70+	F	Mission
7	70+	M	Alton	28	0-19	M	Pharr
8	0-19	M	Donna	29	0-19	F	Pharr
9	0-19	M	Donna	30	0-19	M	Pharr
10	0-19	M	Donna	31	30s	F	Pharr
11	20s	F	Donna	32	40s	F	Pharr
12	0-19	F	Edinburg	33	30s	M	San Juan
13	0-19	M	Edinburg	34	70+	M	San Juan
14	20s	M	Edinburg	35	70+	F	San Juan
15	30s	F	Edinburg	36	70+	M	San Juan
16	30s	M	Edinburg	37	0-19	F	Undisclosed
17	30s	M	Edinburg	38	20s	F	Undisclosed
18	40s	F	Edinburg	39	60s	F	Undisclosed
19	60s	F	Edinburg	40	60s	M	Undisclosed
20	70+	F	Edinburg	41	40s	F	Weslaco
21	0-19	F	Hidalgo	42	70+	M	Weslaco

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