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### NEWS RELEASE

#### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Monday, December 20, 2021

**Three deaths related to COVID-19 reported in Hidalgo County along with 101 newly reported positive cases. Of the three 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.*

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| <b>COVID-19 positive case total for Monday</b>                       | <b>101</b>     |
| Confirmed  | 62             |
| Probable   | 37             |
| Suspect  | 2              |
| <b>Total COVID-19 positive cases in Hidalgo County</b>               | <b>121,976</b> |
| Confirmed  | 70,463         |
| Probable   | 48,330         |
| Suspect  | 3,183          |
| <b>Total number in Hidalgo County hospitals</b>                      | <b>72</b>      |
| Adult  | 67             |
| Pediatric  | 5              |
| <b>Total number of hospitalized patients in intensive care units</b> | <b>22</b>      |
| Adult  | 21             |
| Pediatric  | 1              |
| <b>Number Released from isolation Monday</b>                         | <b>95</b>      |
| <b>Total released from isolation</b>                                 | <b>117,502</b> |
| <b>Number of fatalities reported Monday</b>                          | <b>3</b>       |
| <b>Total number of fatalities</b>                                    | <b>3,517</b>   |
| <b>Net active cases</b>  | <b>957</b>     |
| <b>Total number of COVID-19 tests administered</b>                   | <b>735,600</b> |
| <b>Total number of tests that are positive</b>                       | <b>121,976</b> |
| <b>Total number of tests that are negative</b>                       | <b>612,822</b> |
| <b>Daily Schools Staff COVID-19 positive cases</b>                   | <b>6</b>       |
| <b>Daily Schools Student COVID-19 positive cases</b>                 | <b>25</b>      |
| <b>Total COVID-19 Positive School Staff</b>                          | <b>856</b>     |
| <b>Total COVID-19 Positive Students</b>                              | <b>4,450</b>   |
| <b>Total TDEM Patients Infused</b>                                   | <b>2,960</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>

### Case Breakdown by Age Group:

| Age Range | Number of Cases |
|-----------|-----------------|
| 0-11      | 22              |
| 12-19     | 9               |
| 20s       | 16              |
| 30s       | 15              |
| 40s       | 12              |
| 50s       | 11              |
| 60s       | 6               |
| 70+       | 10              |
| Total:    | 101             |

### The deaths include:

|   | Age Range | Gender | City     |
|---|-----------|--------|----------|
| 1 | 40s       | Female | Edinburg |
| 2 | 50s       | Male   | Pharr    |
| 3 | 60s       | Male   | San Juan |



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Monday, December 20, 2021 positive cases include:

| Age Range | Gender | City | Age Range | Gender | City |   |          |
|-----------|--------|------|-----------|--------|------|---|----------|
| 1         | 0-19   | M    | Alamo     | 52     | 0-19 | M | Mission  |
| 2         | 20s    | F    | Alamo     | 53     | 0-19 | M | Mission  |
| 3         | 30s    | M    | Alamo     | 54     | 0-19 | M | Mission  |
| 4         | 40s    | F    | Alamo     | 55     | 0-19 | F | Mission  |
| 5         | 50s    | M    | Alamo     | 56     | 0-19 | F | Mission  |
| 6         | 50s    | F    | Alamo     | 57     | 0-19 | M | Mission  |
| 7         | 60s    | M    | Alamo     | 58     | 0-19 | F | Mission  |
| 8         | 70+    | M    | Alamo     | 59     | 0-19 | M | Mission  |
| 9         | 0-19   | F    | Donna     | 60     | 0-19 | M | Mission  |
| 10        | 20s    | M    | Donna     | 61     | 20s  | M | Mission  |
| 11        | 70+    | M    | Donna     | 62     | 20s  | F | Mission  |
| 12        | 0-19   | M    | Edinburg  | 63     | 20s  | F | Mission  |
| 13        | 0-19   | M    | Edinburg  | 64     | 30s  | F | Mission  |
| 14        | 0-19   | M    | Edinburg  | 65     | 30s  | M | Mission  |
| 15        | 0-19   | F    | Edinburg  | 66     | 30s  | F | Mission  |
| 16        | 0-19   | M    | Edinburg  | 67     | 30s  | F | Mission  |
| 17        | 0-19   | F    | Edinburg  | 68     | 30s  | M | Mission  |
| 18        | 0-19   | M    | Edinburg  | 69     | 30s  | M | Mission  |
| 19        | 20s    | M    | Edinburg  | 70     | 30s  | F | Mission  |
| 20        | 20s    | F    | Edinburg  | 71     | 40s  | M | Mission  |
| 21        | 20s    | F    | Edinburg  | 72     | 40s  | M | Mission  |
| 22        | 20s    | F    | Edinburg  | 73     | 40s  | F | Mission  |
| 23        | 20s    | F    | Edinburg  | 74     | 50s  | F | Mission  |
| 24        | 20s    | M    | Edinburg  | 75     | 50s  | M | Mission  |
| 25        | 30s    | F    | Edinburg  | 76     | 60s  | F | Mission  |
| 26        | 30s    | F    | Edinburg  | 77     | 70+  | M | Mission  |
| 27        | 30s    | M    | Edinburg  | 78     | 70+  | F | Mission  |
| 28        | 50s    | F    | Edinburg  | 79     | 0-19 | M | Pharr    |
| 29        | 60s    | M    | Edinburg  | 80     | 0-19 | F | Pharr    |
| 30        | 0-19   | F    | McAllen   | 81     | 30s  | M | Pharr    |
| 31        | 0-19   | F    | McAllen   | 82     | 50s  | M | Pharr    |
| 32        | 0-19   | M    | McAllen   | 83     | 60s  | M | Pharr    |
| 33        | 20s    | M    | McAllen   | 84     | 70+  | M | Pharr    |
| 34        | 20s    | F    | McAllen   | 85     | 70+  | F | Pharr    |
| 35        | 20s    | F    | McAllen   | 86     | 20s  | M | San Juan |
| 36        | 30s    | M    | McAllen   | 87     | 20s  | F | San Juan |



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

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