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NEWS RELEASE

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Thursday, February 17, 2022

Eight deaths related to COVID-19 reported in Hidalgo County along with 163 newly reported positive cases. Of the eight 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 Thursday	163
Confirmed	60
Probable	103
Suspect	0
Total COVID-19 positive cases in Hidalgo County	162,246
Confirmed	98,267
Probable	60,765
Suspect	3,214
Total number in Hidalgo County hospitals	277
Adult	254
Pediatric	23
Total number of hospitalized patients in intensive care units	79
Adult	74
Pediatric	5
Number Released from isolation Thursday	144
Total released from isolation	157,849
Number of fatalities reported Thursday	8
Total number of fatalities	3,741
Net active cases	656
Total number of COVID-19 tests administered	865,218
Total number of tests that are positive	162,246
Total number of tests that are negative	702,243
Daily Schools Staff COVID-19 positive cases	482
Daily Schools Student COVID-19 positive cases	1,743
Total COVID-19 Positive School Staff	4,730
Total COVID-19 Positive Students	16,250
Total TDEM Patients Infused	5,885



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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	24
12-19	17
20s	16
30s	18
40s	20
50s	18
60s	12
70+	38
Total:	163

The deaths include:

	Age Range	Gender	City
1	60s	Female	Alamo
2	60s	Male	McAllen
3	60s	Male	McAllen
4	60s	Male	Mission
5	70+	Male	Mission
6	60s	Male	Pharr
7	70+	Female	San Juan
8	70+	Male	Undisclosed



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Thursday, February 17, 2022 positive cases include:

Age Range	Gender	City	Age Range	Gender	City		
1	0-19	F	Alamo	83	0-19	M	Pharr
2	40s	M	Alamo	84	20s	F	Pharr
3	60s	F	Alamo	85	40s	M	Pharr
4	60s	F	Alamo	86	50s	F	Pharr
5	70+	M	Alamo	87	50s	M	Pharr
6	70+	F	Alton	88	50s	U	Pharr
7	0-19	F	Donna	89	60s	F	Pharr
8	0-19	M	Donna	90	70+	M	Pharr
9	0-19	F	Donna	91	70+	M	Pharr
10	0-19	M	Donna	92	70+	M	Pharr
11	0-19	M	Donna	93	20s	F	San Juan
12	0-19	F	Donna	94	30s	F	San Juan
13	20s	M	Donna	95	0-19	M	Undisclosed
14	20s	F	Donna	96	0-19	F	Undisclosed
15	30s	F	Donna	97	0-19	M	Undisclosed
16	30s	F	Donna	98	0-19	F	Undisclosed
17	30s	F	Donna	99	20s	M	Undisclosed
18	30s	F	Donna	100	20s	F	Undisclosed
19	40s	M	Donna	101	30s	M	Undisclosed
20	50s	F	Donna	102	30s	F	Undisclosed
21	50s	M	Donna	103	40s	F	Undisclosed
22	60s	M	Donna	104	40s	M	Undisclosed
23	70+	M	Donna	105	50s	F	Undisclosed
24	70+	M	Donna	106	50s	M	Undisclosed
25	70+	F	Donna	107	50s	M	Undisclosed
26	70+	M	Donna	108	70+	F	Undisclosed
27	70+	M	Donna	109	70+	M	Undisclosed
28	0-19	F	Edinburg	110	70+	F	Undisclosed
29	0-19	M	Edinburg	111	70+	F	Undisclosed
30	0-19	F	Edinburg	112	70+	M	Undisclosed
31	30s	F	Edinburg	113	0-19	M	Weslaco
32	30s	F	Edinburg	114	0-19	M	Weslaco
33	40s	M	Edinburg	115	0-19	M	Weslaco
34	50s	M	Edinburg	116	0-19	M	Weslaco
35	30s	M	Hidalgo	117	0-19	M	Weslaco
36	30s	M	Hidalgo	118	0-19	M	Weslaco



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37	60s	F	Hidalgo	119	0-19	M	Weslaco
38	20s	M	McAllen	120	0-19	M	Weslaco
39	20s	F	McAllen	121	0-19	M	Weslaco
40	20s	F	McAllen	122	0-19	M	Weslaco
41	30s	F	McAllen	123	0-19	M	Weslaco
42	30s	M	McAllen	124	0-19	M	Weslaco
43	40s	M	McAllen	125	0-19	F	Weslaco
44	60s	M	McAllen	126	0-19	M	Weslaco
45	70+	M	McAllen	127	20s	F	Weslaco
46	70+	F	McAllen	128	20s	F	Weslaco
47	70+	M	McAllen	129	20s	F	Weslaco
48	70+	F	McAllen	130	20s	M	Weslaco
49	70+	F	McAllen	131	20s	F	Weslaco
50	0-19	M	Mercedes	132	20s	M	Weslaco
51	0-19	M	Mercedes	133	30s	F	Weslaco
52	0-19	M	Mercedes	134	30s	M	Weslaco
53	0-19	M	Mercedes	135	40s	M	Weslaco
54	0-19	M	Mercedes	136	40s	F	Weslaco
55	0-19	M	Mercedes	137	40s	F	Weslaco
56	0-19	M	Mercedes	138	40s	M	Weslaco
57	0-19	F	Mercedes	139	40s	M	Weslaco
58	0-19	F	Mercedes	140	40s	M	Weslaco
59	20s	F	Mercedes	141	40s	F	Weslaco
60	30s	F	Mercedes	142	40s	F	Weslaco
61	30s	F	Mercedes	143	50s	F	Weslaco
62	40s	F	Mercedes	144	50s	M	Weslaco
63	40s	F	Mercedes	145	50s	F	Weslaco
64	40s	F	Mercedes	146	50s	F	Weslaco
65	40s	M	Mercedes	147	60s	F	Weslaco
66	40s	F	Mercedes	148	60s	M	Weslaco
67	50s	M	Mercedes	149	60s	M	Weslaco
68	50s	M	Mercedes	150	60s	M	Weslaco
69	70+	F	Mercedes	151	70+	F	Weslaco
70	70+	M	Mercedes	152	70+	F	Weslaco
71	70+	M	Mercedes	153	70+	M	Weslaco
72	70+	M	Mercedes	154	70+	M	Weslaco
73	0-19	M	Mission	155	70+	M	Weslaco
74	30s	F	Mission	156	70+	M	Weslaco
75	50s	M	Mission	157	70+	F	Weslaco



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79	60s	F	Mission	161	70+	M	Weslaco
80	70+	M	Mission	162	70+	F	Weslaco
81	0-19	F	Pharr	163	70+	F	Weslaco
82	0-19	M	Pharr				

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