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Two deaths related to COVID-19 reported in Hidalgo County along with 883 newly reported positive cases. One of the deceased individuals was 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.*

Reporting period: July 19, 2022 – July 21, 2022

COVID-19 positive case total for reporting period	883
Confirmed	564
Probable	319
Suspect	0
Total COVID-19 positive cases in Hidalgo County	217,337
Confirmed	138,971
Probable	75,207
Suspect	3,159
Total number in Hidalgo County hospitals	104
Adult	91
Pediatric	13
Total number of hospitalized patients in intensive care units	16
Adult	13
Pediatric	3
Number Released from isolation during reporting period	1,933
Total released from isolation	210,663
Number of fatalities during reporting period	2
Total number of fatalities	3,939
Net active cases	2,735
Total number of COVID-19 tests administered	1,331,528
Total number of tests that are positive	217,337
Total number of tests that are negative	1,113,523
Daily Schools Staff COVID-19 positive cases	0
Daily Schools Student COVID-19 positive cases	0
Total COVID-19 Positive School Staff	4,868
Total COVID-19 Positive Students	17,167
Total TDEM Patients Infused	6,259



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Hidalgo County uses the case status definition provided by the Texas Department of State Health Service's 2022 Epi Case Criteria Guide revised May 2022.

1. *Confirmed: A person who has tested positive through a molecular test (PCR) that looks for the virus's genetic material.*
2. *Probable: A person who has either tested positive through an antigen test or has a combination of symptoms and a known exposure to someone with COVID-19 without a more likely diagnosis.*
3. *Fatality: Deaths for which COVID-19 is listed as a direct cause of death on the death certificate. A medical certifier, usually a doctor, determines the cause(s) of death. Deaths of people who had COVID-19 but died of an unrelated cause are not included.*

For more information of case status definition for COVID-19, please refer to:

<https://dshs.texas.gov/IDCU/investigation/epi-case-criteria-guide/2022-Epi-Case-Criteria-Guide.pdf>

Case Breakdown by Age Group:

Age Range	Number of Cases
0-11	152
12-19	73
20s	145
30s	116
40s	129
50s	100
60s	90
70+	78
Total:	883

The deaths include:

	Age Range	Gender	City
1	60s	Male	Alamo
2	70+	Male	Undisclosed

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