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Three deaths related to COVID-19 reported in Hidalgo County along with 1,283 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 29, 2022 – August 1, 2022

COVID-19 positive case total for reporting period	1,283
Confirmed	824
Probable	459
Suspect	0
Total COVID-19 positive cases in Hidalgo County	220,942
Confirmed	141,204
Probable	76,579
Suspect	3,159
Total number in Hidalgo County hospitals	113
Adult	98
Pediatric	15
Total number of hospitalized patients in intensive care units	27
Adult	24
Pediatric	3
Number Released from isolation during reporting period	1,339
Total released from isolation	214,379
Number of fatalities during reporting period	3
Total number of fatalities	3,945
Net active cases	2,618
Total number of COVID-19 tests administered	1,353,510
Total number of tests that are positive	220,942
Total number of tests that are negative	1,132,568
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	218
12-19	119
20s	202
30s	168
40s	169
50s	122
60s	128
70+	157
Total:	1283

The deaths include:

	Age Range	Gender	City
1	60s	Female	Mission
2	70+	Female	Mission
3	70+	Female	McAllen

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