



# Hidalgo County Health and Human Services Department

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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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**Two deaths related to COVID-19 reported in Hidalgo County along with 1,013 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: September 16, 2022 – September 19, 2022**

<b>COVID-19 positive case total for reporting period</b>	1,013
<b>Confirmed</b>	562
<b>Probable</b>	451
<b>Suspect</b>	0
<b>Total COVID-19 positive cases in Hidalgo County</b>	232,675
<b>Confirmed</b>	146,755
<b>Probable</b>	82,761
<b>Suspect</b>	3,159
<b>Total number in Hidalgo County hospitals</b>	63
<b>Adult</b>	39
<b>Pediatric</b>	24
<b>Total number of hospitalized patients in intensive care units</b>	8
<b>Adult</b>	6
<b>Pediatric</b>	2
<b>Number Released from isolation during reporting period</b>	1151
<b>Total released from isolation</b>	227,502
<b>Number of fatalities during reporting period</b>	2
<b>Total number of fatalities</b>	3,995
<b>Net active cases</b>	1,178
<b>Total number of COVID-19 tests administered</b>	1,446,102
<b>Total number of tests that are positive</b>	232,675
<b>Total number of tests that are negative</b>	1,213,426
<b>Daily Schools Staff COVID-19 positive cases</b>	38
<b>Daily Schools Student COVID-19 positive cases</b>	114
<b>Total COVID-19 Positive School Staff</b>	5,640
<b>Total COVID-19 Positive Students</b>	19,521
<b>Total TDEM Patients Infused</b>	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	208
12-19	202
20s	108
30s	130
40s	122
50s	104
60s	75
70+	64
Total:	1013

### The deaths include:

	Age Range	Gender	City
1	60s	Male	Mission
2	70+	Male	Donna

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