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Three deaths related to COVID-19 reported in Hidalgo County along with 370 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 23, 2022 – September 26, 2022

COVID-19 positive case total for reporting period	370
Confirmed	139
Probable	231
Suspect	0
Total COVID-19 positive cases in Hidalgo County	233,330
Confirmed	147,018
Probable	83,153
Suspect	3,159
Total number in Hidalgo County hospitals	47
Adult	30
Pediatric	17
Total number of hospitalized patients in intensive care units	7
Adult	7
Pediatric	0
Number Released from isolation during reporting period	664
Total released from isolation	228,675
Number of fatalities during reporting period	3
Total number of fatalities	4,001
Net active cases	654
Total number of COVID-19 tests administered	1,455,873
Total number of tests that are positive	233,330
Total number of tests that are negative	1,222,457
Daily Schools Staff COVID-19 positive cases	11
Daily Schools Student COVID-19 positive cases	53
Total COVID-19 Positive School Staff	5,758
Total COVID-19 Positive Students	19,953
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	102
12-19	53
20s	44
30s	28
40s	36
50s	40
60s	24
70+	43
Total:	370

The deaths include:

	Age Range	Gender	City
1	30s	Male	McAllen
2	60s	Male	Edinburg
3	70+	Female	Weslaco

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