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Three deaths related to COVID-19 reported in Hidalgo County along with 144 newly reported positive cases. All the deceased individuals were 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: October 4, 2022 – October 6, 2022

COVID-19 positive case total for reporting period	144
Confirmed	68
Probable	76
Suspect	0
Total COVID-19 positive cases in Hidalgo County	234,348
Confirmed	147,329
Probable	83,860
Suspect	3,159
Total number in Hidalgo County hospitals	54
Adult	41
Pediatric	13
Total number of hospitalized patients in intensive care units	8
Adult	8
Pediatric	0
Number Released from isolation during reporting period	234
Total released from isolation	229,947
Number of fatalities during reporting period	3
Total number of fatalities	4,012
Net active cases	389
Total number of COVID-19 tests administered	1,474,964
Total number of tests that are positive	234,348
Total number of tests that are negative	1,240,557
Daily Schools Staff COVID-19 positive cases	22
Daily Schools Student COVID-19 positive cases	56
Total COVID-19 Positive School Staff	5,835
Total COVID-19 Positive Students	20,137
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	21
12-19	10
20s	21
30s	21
40s	15
50s	20
60s	11
70+	25
Total:	144

The deaths include:

	Age Range	Gender	City
1	70+	Female	Hidalgo
2	70+	Male	McAllen
3	70+	Male	Pharr

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