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Eleven deaths related to COVID-19 reported in Hidalgo County along with 1,162 newly reported positive cases. All deceased individuals were not up to date with their COVID-19 vaccines. (*Report is reflecting COVID-19 data for the past 10 days)

Reporting Period: January 24, 2022 – February 02, 2023

Total COVID-19 Positive Cases for Reporting Period	1,162
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Confirmed	500
Probable	662

COVID-19 Positive Cases by Age Group for Reporting Period

0-19	343
20s	144
30s	147
40s	149
50s	139
60s	107
70+	133

Total COVID-19 Related Fatalities for Reporting Period	11
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	Age Range	Gender	City
1.	70+	Male	Donna
2.	70+	Female	Edinburg
3.	70+	Female	Edinburg
4.	70+	Male	Edinburg
5.	70+	Male	Edinburg
6.	70+	Male	Edinburg
7.	70+	Male	McAllen
8.	70+	Female	Mercedes
9.	70+	Female	Sullivan
10	70+	Female	Weslaco
11.	70+	Male	Weslaco

Current Total COVID-19 Patients Hospitalized in Hidalgo County	62
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Adult	57
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Pediatric	5
Current Total COVID-19 Patients in the Intensive Care Unit (ICU) in Hidalgo County	15
Adult	14
Pediatric	1

**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.*

Yearly Summary					
	2020 ¹	2021 ¹	2022 ²	2023 ²	Cumulative Total ²
Total Cases	52,107	72,092	128,435	5,110	264,110
Confirmed	36,231	36,081	80,852	2,189	170,806
Probable	15,054	33,729	47,583	3,248	93,631
Total Fatalities³	2,208	1,323	529	28	4,080

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>

According to the CDC, you are up to date with your COVID-19 vaccines if you have completed a COVID-19 vaccine primary series and received the most recent booster dose recommended for you by CDC.

For more information on COVID-19 vaccination status, please refer to:

¹ Yearly case summary values for 2020 and 2021 were retrieved from internal Hidalgo County records. For this reason, numbers may not match DSHS dashboard and will not match when added across.

² Summary values for 2022, 2023 and cumulative total are retrieved from the Texas National Electronic Disease Surveillance System (NEDSS) and may not match the DSHS dashboard due to differences in data processing, timing, and methodology.

³ Fatalities are retrieved from Hidalgo County records, including medical records reviews, to confirm COVID-19 related fatalities. For this reason, numbers may not match DSHS dashboard.



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<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/stay-up-to-date.html>

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