

Hidalgo County Commissioners Court

Richard F. Cortez County Judge

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Wednesday, May 27, 2020

Twenty-one more people in Hidalgo County test positive for COVID-19

With nearly 3,000 tests pending, another 21 people tested positive for COVID-19 bringing the total number of known cases of the virus to 537, County Judge Richard F. Cortez said Wednesday.

"I know we all would like for this disease to go away," Judge Cortez said. "But this is evidence that the problem is still with us and we must be mindful of that. We must continue to practice safe measures like physical distancing, good hygiene and avoiding large crowds."

The growth in the number of tests are due to active mobile test sites and the 730 patients and staff who have been tested at four McAllen nursing homes. These tests have been done by the Texas Department of Emergency Management, the military and Emergency Medical Task Force-11.

Sixteen people remain hospitalized with complications from the virus; three of those cases are being treated in intensive care units. There are currently 215 active cases and no one was released from isolation today.

New COVID-19 positive cases Wednesday	21
Total COVID-19 positive cases in Hidalgo County	537
Number in Hidalgo County hospitals on Wednesday	16
Number of hospitalized patients in intensive care units	3
Number released from isolation on Wednesday	0
Total released from isolation	312
Number of fatalities on Wednesday	0
Total number of fatalities	10
Net active cases	215
Total number of COVID-19 tests administered	12,023
Total number of tests that are positive	537
Total number of tests that are negative	8,513
Total number of tests pending results	2,973

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The 21 new cases include:

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Gender	City	Age range
Female	Hidalgo	30s
Male	Alamo	30s
Female	Mission	50s
Female	Edinburg	20s
Female	Mission	60s
Female	Mission	30s
Male	Pharr	40s
Male	Alamo	40s
Female	McAllen	60s
Male	Mission	50s
Male	McAllen	30s
Female	Mission	20s
Male	Pharr	50s
Female	Pharr	70+
Male	Weslaco	20s
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Male	Pharr	40s
Female	Edinburg	50s
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