



INCIDENT BRIEFING	1. Incident Name Portage County COVID-19 2020	2. Date Prepared 07/16/2020	3. Time Prepared 18:00
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Current Cases of COVID-19

Cases	Confirmed	Negative	Fatal	Recovered
Portage	263 (+3)	6902 (+ 86)	0	214 (81%)
Wisconsin	39,627 (+900)	699,670 (+13,371)	831 (+4)	30,555 (77%)
United States	3,533,905 (+50,000)		138,358	1,026,816
Global	13,654,445 (+272,425)		586,174 (+6,136)	7,622,505 (+177,206)

Portage County: Total individuals investigated to date: 7,298 (includes 263 positive cases, 12 probable cases, 6,902 negative tests, and 121 suspect cases).

Data from: [CDC](#) · [WHO](#) · [ECDC](#) for 07/16/2020

Total hospitalizations of positive cases in Wisconsin at 10% with 3,968 (+45) hospitalizations.
13 total hospitalizations for Portage County, 2 current.

- Active cases 8,236 (21%). Active cases in Portage Co.: 49 (19%)
- Percent of confirmed cases by race: American Indian (1%), Asian or Pacific Islander (3%), Black (16%), White (59%), Multiple or other races (10%), Unknown (10%)
- Percent of confirmed cases by ethnicity: Hispanic or Latino (27%), Not Hispanic or Latino (61%), Unknown (12%)
- Emergency Department visits: Influenza like illness: 54 visits on 7/14, compared to previous 3-day average of 72; COVID-19 like illness: 201 visits on 7/14, compared to previous 3-day average of 208
- Total hospital bed utilization: 78%

*Starting 6/9/2020, Portage County data is reported through PHAVR

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6. Summary of Current Actions

July 16, 2020 @ 18:00 PM Public Health DOC/ICS Operation day 119

- 07:15 WALHDAB Executive Committee – Discussion of WCA order structure
- 11:00 Teleconference with PACELLI schools to discuss reopening and testing
- 13:00 Operations Section meeting – Programs and Pandemic Support
- 13:10 COVID-19 Daily Update for Local and Tribal Health Departments

What is New

- [DHS Recruiting COVID-19 Director and Deputy Director Positions](#)
- [LTTHD Feedback Requested by July 20](#) on DHS Draft Mitigation Strategies
- [DPH COVID-19 Response Funding Update](#)
- [59 Wisconsin Counties have 'High' COVID-19 Activity Levels](#)
- Public Health Foundation Offers [Free Customized COVID-19 Contact Tracing Training](#) for Health Departments
- [Trust for America's Health Issue Brief, Beyond School Walls](#): How Federal, State and Local Entities are Adapting Policies to Ensure Student Access to Healthy Meals During the COVID-19 Pandemic
 - DHS Updates for FoodShare and other Food Benefits are [available here](#)
- Resources from [BCD COVID-19 Webinar](#), Wednesday, July 15:
 - [Patient information](#) can be found under the "Monitoring Resources" accordion
 - [Negative COVID-19 Test Results](#): What does it mean?
 - [Resilient Wisconsin information](#) (multiple languages)

13:30 DHS Media Briefing

14:00 DHS BCD COVID-19 Webinar

- Complete survey on framework for mitigation by 7/20/2020
- Discussion of proposed DHS Pandemic Response Organization Chart with new COVID-19 Director and Deputy positions
- Discussion of utilizing more rapid test for COVID-19 testing for quicker results.
- Discussion of statewide masking mandate and what is needed to support local efforts.
- ABOUTHEALTH willing to provide letters of written support – contact Stephanie Smiley.

Data dashboard link: <https://coronavirus-response-portage-county-portagecovi.hub.arcgis.com/>

Tips to cope and enhance your resilience:

- Communicate with your coworkers, supervisors, and employees about job stress
 - ~ Talk openly about how the pandemic is affecting your work.
 - ~ Identify factors that cause stress and work together to identify solutions.
 - ~ Ask about how to access mental health resources in your workplace.
- Remind yourself that everyone is in an unusual situation with limited resources.
- Identify and accept those things which you do not have control over.
- Recognize that you are performing a crucial role in fighting this pandemic and that you are doing the best you can with the resources available.

Media release from Portage County PIO Group on WING testing results from 07/15/2020.



WI Badger Bounce Back Plan Gating Criteria for 07/16/2020 (Reported by DHS)		
Indicator	Metric	Status
Symptoms	Downward trajectory of influenza-like illnesses (ILI) reported within a 14-day period.	
Symptoms	Downward trajectory of COVID-like syndromic cases reported with a 14-day period.	
Cases	Downward trajectory of positive tests as a percent of total tests within a 14-day period.	
Hospitals	95% of hospitals affirm that they can treat all patients without crisis care.	
Hospitals	95% of all hospitals affirm that they have arranged for testing for all symptomatic clinical staff treating patients at the hospital per CDC guidelines.	
Health care	Downward trend of COVID-19 cases among health care workers calculated weekly.	



green indicator = gating criteria met (statistically significant downward trend)



red indicator = gating criteria not met

COVID-19 Case Indicators (last 2 weeks)

Updated: 7/15/2020

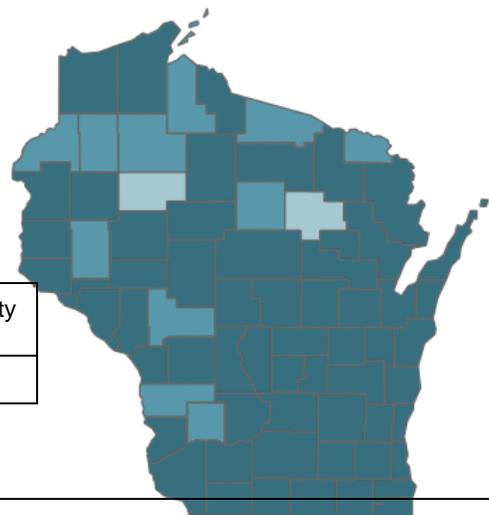
Select area

- County
- HERC Region

COVID-19 activity level

COVID-19 activity level

- Low
- Medium
- High



Area	Count	Burden	Trajectory	Trend	Activity level	
Portage	113	160	High	N/A	<->	High



Glossary of Acronyms:

- ADRC – Aging and Disability Center
- CARES Act – Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act
- CDC – Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
- COVID-19 (C-19) – Coronavirus Disease
- DATCP – Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection
- DHS – Wisconsin Department of Health Services
- DPI – Department of Public Instruction
- EOC – Emergency Operation Center
- EM – Emergency Management
- EO – Emergency Order
- HO – Health Officer
- IC - Incident Commander
- ICS - Incident Command System
- LHD – local health department
- LTC/SNF – Long Term Care/Skilled Nursing Facility
- PC – Portage County
- PH – public health
- PHAVR – Public Health Analysis, Visualization and Reporting
- PIO – Public Information Officer
- OPS – Operations Section
- SHOW – Survey on the Health of Wisconsin
- SME – Subject Matter Experts
- SPAPSD _ Stevens Point Area Public School District
- WALDAB – Wisconsin Association of Local Health Departments and Boards
- WEAVR – Wisconsin Emergency Assistance Volunteer Registry
- WEDC – Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation
- WEM- Wisconsin Emergency Management
- WEDSS – Wisconsin Electronic Disease Surveillance System
- WING – Wisconsin National Guard Testing

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