



<b>INCIDENT BRIEFING</b>	1. Incident Name Portage County COVID-19 2020	2. Date Prepared 09/25/2020	3. Time Prepared 16:00
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**Current Cases of COVID-19**

Cases	Confirmed	Negative	Fatal	Recovered
Portage	1335 (+49)	12, 522 (+59)	4	1,072 (80%)
Wisconsin	110,828 (+2,504)	1,383,645 (+12,575)	1,274 (+9)	93,366 (83%)
United States	7,099,967 (+53,170)		206,592 (+978)	3,817,235 (+16,490)
Global	32,356,829 (+317,687)		984,590 (+5,202)	22,278,696 (+254,052)

Portage County: Total individuals investigated to date: 13,909 (includes 1,335 positive cases, 52 probable cases, and 12,522 negative cases). Note: 1,830 suspect cases – which are not reportable.

Data from: [CDC](#) · [WHO](#) · [ECDC](#) for 09/25/2020

Total hospitalizations of positive cases in Wisconsin at 6.3% with 6,692 (+65) hospitalizations. 83 total hospitalizations for Portage County, 3 new hospitalizations

- Active cases 17,170 (16%). Active cases in Portage Co: 259 (19%)
- Percent of confirmed cases by race: American Indian (1%), Asian or Pacific Islander (2%), Black (10%), White (69%), Multiple or other races (8%), Unknown (9%)
- Percent of confirmed cases by ethnicity: Hispanic or Latino (17%), Not Hispanic or Latino (69%), Unknown (14%)
- Emergency Department visits: Influenza like illness: 82 visits on 9/23 compared to previous 3-day average of 76; COVID-19 like illness: 305 visits on 9/23, compared to previous 3-day average of 352.
- Total hospital bed utilization: 80%

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

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

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**6. Summary of Current Actions**

September 25, 2020 @ 16:00 PM Public Health ICS Operation Day 190

07:15 WALHDAB Executive Committee Meeting -Conversation with CRT Director – Planning for WEDSS shut down on 10/3-10/4/20.

08:30 PH ICS Daily Briefing and Operations Meeting

09:00 Tri-County Testing Coordination Meeting

10:00 Hospital Systems, EMS, Public Health discussion of hospitalization of LTC/CBRF residents

11:00 WI Northern Region COVID-19 Community Testing

11:30 Portage County PIO Group Meeting

12:30 NCW HERC Emergency Response Meeting Room

13:00 Meeting with UWSP Wellness Practicum – Isolation and Quarantine Project Discussion

13:47 DHS COVID-19 Daily Update for Local and Tribal Health Departments

- New Contact Tracing Training Resources Posted on [PCA Portal COVID-19 Resources](#) Under "Contact Tracing 101 - Training Resources". Additional resources will be added as they are available.
- Reminder: [COVID-19 Testing Pilot Program Funds Still Available](#)
- [State of Wisconsin COVID-19 Response: Situation to Date, September 24, 2020](#)

**Daily Frequently Asked Question(s)**

**What is the Governor’s authority to issue a new Executive Order?**

The Governor issued [Executive Order #90](#) to address a new public health emergency facing Wisconsin. COVID-19 cases are rising exponentially, driven by the 18-24 year-olds and the re-opening of university and college campuses. This is a new public health emergency declared under [Wis. Stat. s. 323.10](#). It is a separate public health emergency from the prior declarations of emergency declared in previous executive orders.

14:00 WALHDAB Friday Forum – Planning for WEDSS shut down

14:07 RESCINDED: DHS Essential Visitor Guidance for Nursing Homes



**WI Badger Bounce Back Plan Gating Criteria for 09/25/2020 (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: 9/23/2020

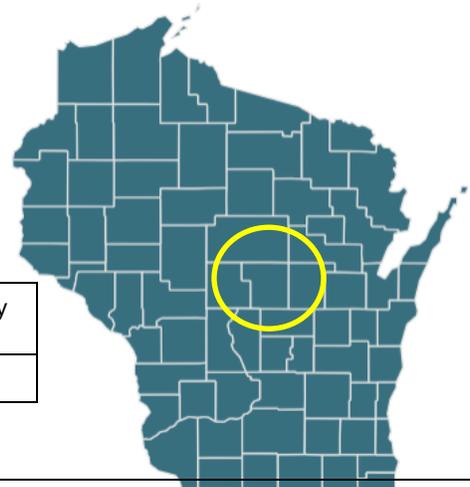
Select area

- County
- HERC Region

Activity level

- High

COVID-19 activity level



Area	Count	Burden	Trajectory	Trend	Activity level
Portage	477	674.5 High	25.9		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  
CRT – COVID-19 Response Team  
DATCP – Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection  
DHS – Wisconsin Department of Health Services  
DPI – Department of Public Instruction  
EHR – Electronic Health Record  
EOC – Emergency Operation Center  
EM – Emergency Management  
EO – Emergency Order  
HERC – Healthcare Emergency Readiness Coalition  
HHS – Health and Human Services  
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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