



INCIDENT BRIEFING	1. Incident Name Portage County COVID-19 2020	2. Date Prepared 09/28/2020	3. Time Prepared 17:30
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Current Cases of COVID-19

Cases	Confirmed	Negative	Fatal	Recovered
Portage	1,464 (+49)	12, 555 (+59)	4	1, 173 (80%)
Wisconsin	117,588 (+1,726)	1,405,377 (+6,159)	1,283 (+2)	96,727 (82%)
United States	7,205,867 (+7,349)		208,118 (+67)	3,863,073 (+9,554)
Global	33,156,812 (+231,144)		998,696 (+3,344)	22,961,436 (+191,270)

Portage County: Total individuals investigated to date: 14,072 (includes 1,464 positive cases, 53 probable cases, and 12,555 negative cases). Note: 1,903 suspect cases – which are not reportable.

Data from: [CDC](#) · [WHO](#) · [ECDC](#) for 09/28/2020

Total hospitalizations of positive cases in Wisconsin at 6.1% with 7,142 (+47) hospitalizations. 84 total hospitalizations for Portage County, 0 new hospitalizations

- Active cases 17,170 (16%). Active cases in Portage Co: 287 (20%)
- Percent of confirmed cases by race: American Indian (1%), Asian or Pacific Islander (2%), Black (10%), White (70%), 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: 72 visits on 9/26 compared to previous 3-day average of 81; COVID-19 like illness: 218 visits on 9/26, compared to previous 3-day average of 300.
- Total hospital bed utilization: 81%

*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 28, 2020 @ 17:30 PM

Public Health ICS Operation Day 193

- 07:15 WALHDAB Executive Committee Meeting -UW System letter discussion and supporting WALHDAB COVID-19 response.
- 08:30 PH ICS Daily Briefing and Operations Meeting
- 08:50 Discussion with Exact Sciences concerning missing test results and reporting of negatives test results from PCHHS WING testing for 09/22/20.
- 11:30 NCW HERC: Hospital COVID-19 Critical Update Call
- 12:00 Portage County EMS-Hospital-LTC Meeting
- 13:47 DHS COVID-19 Daily Update for Local and Tribal Health Departments
 - [New from CDC:](#)
 - [COVID-19 Science Update](#), September 25, 2020
 - [MMWR: Disparities in COVID-19](#) Incidence, Hospitalizations, and Testing, by Area-Level Deprivation--Utah, March 3-July 9, 2020
 - [Resources for Community-Based Organizations and Immunization Stakeholders](#)
 - New Social Media Resources from DHS:
 - [If you've had close contact...](#)
 - [Video from Gov. Evers:](#) It's on all of us to keep our communities healthy and safe
 - [Testing 1, 2, 3:](#) a short video to share on social media about how public health practices work together to slow epidemics.
- 14:00 DHS HO Forum for COVID-19 Q & A
 - Discussion of School Reopening Plans on the PCA Portal
 - Contract tracing metric presentation – also on the PCA Portal
 - Ruth Sullivan, WEDSS outage/upgrade update. State DHS will not be conducting contact tracing during the outage hours. Surging staff before and after outage. Concerns with printing and working remote.
 - Communication materials (including toolkit) coming out to address WEDSS outage for LHDs use.
 - Expected dip in activity rate of positive cases – use 7 day rolling average.
 - Best case scenario, expect installation of upgrades to be completed by noon on Saturday. Saturday afternoon will be used to test and run backlogs (which may have to be started and stopped periodically).
 - Should see changes in jurisdiction review by Sunday. Newly processed negative results will by-pass staging and be auto processed.
 - Discussion of LHD being beyond capacity to address current surge. Request for DHS to put out a communication to inform residents state wide. Request for a strategic plan to address next steps of response enlight of surge and limitations on local response. Being clear with the public what to expect as a response by public health in messaging.
- 15:00 NCW HERC: Local Strategy Planning Meeting (Vaccination and Ongoing Testing)



WI Badger Bounce Back Plan Gating Criteria for 09/28/2020 (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

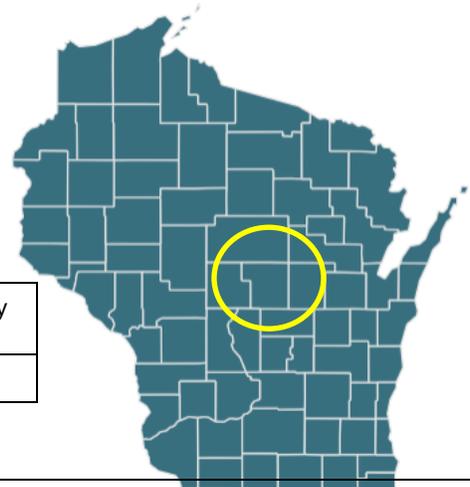
Select area

- 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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