

Health and Human Services

Calumet County Public Health Covid-19 Status Update

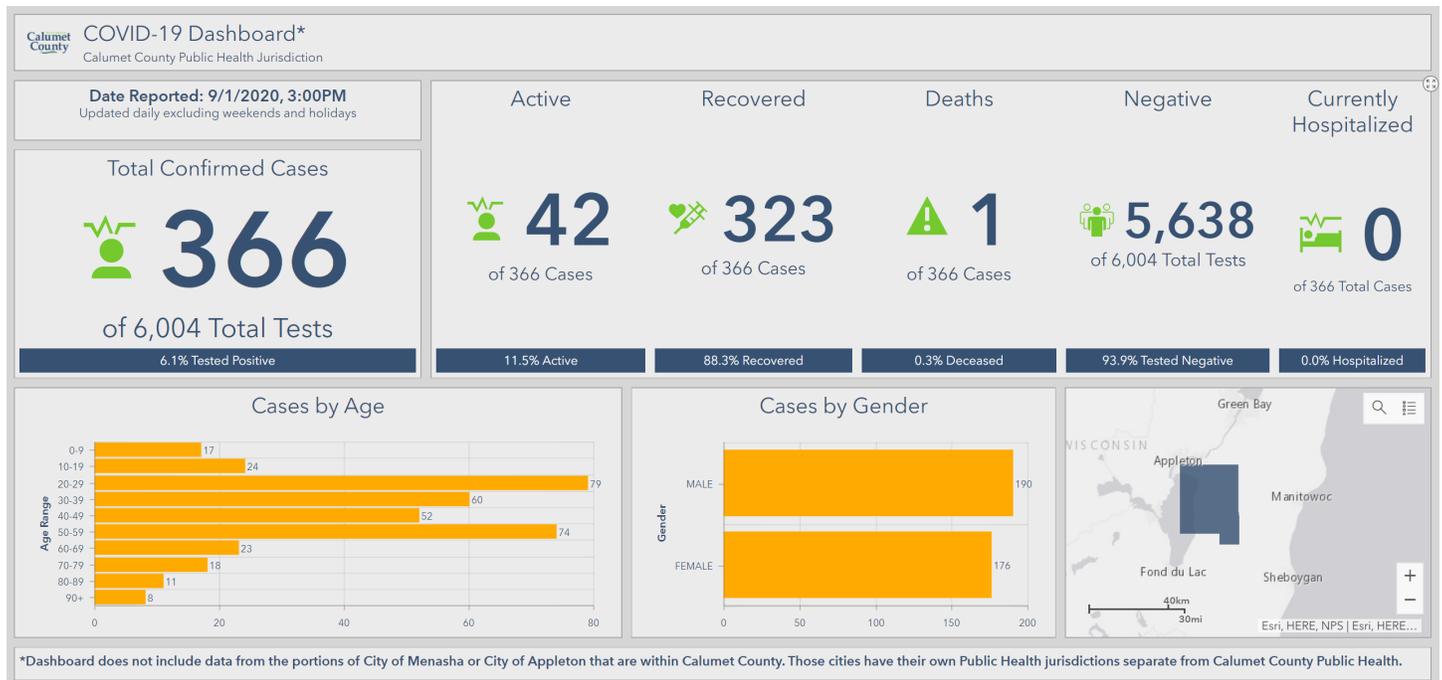
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CALUMET COUNTY COVID-19 CASES AND DATA DASHBOARD

NOTE: Dashboard does not include data from the portions of City of Menasha or City of Appleton that are within Calumet County. Those cities have their own Public Health jurisdictions separate from Calumet County Public Health.

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WHAT'S NEW

- [Appleton health officials report record-high week](#) for new COVID cases
- ['Small events add up to a lot'](#): Limited gatherings quietly emerge as source of coronavirus infections. Public health experts sound the alarm as the Labor Day weekend approaches
- [COVID-19 is infecting school staff in central Wisconsin](#). Here's how districts plan to make quarantine or closure decisions
- [Avoid Labor Day parties](#), White House COVID-19 advisor says in Madison
- [US coronavirus rates are rising fast among children](#)
 - American Academy of Pediatrics [Children and COVID-19: State-Level Data Report](#)



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

I have heard that 6% of deaths are attributable only to COVID-19. What does this mean?

Of all deaths reporting COVID-19 on the death certificate, 6% were attributed only to COVID-19. The high majority of COVID-related deaths also note comorbidities or pre-existing conditions (94%). This is to be expected as [chronic diseases \(comorbidities\)](#) are common in U.S. adults—this category includes chronic conditions such as diabetes (9% of adults in WI), heart disease (31% of adults in WI), and obesity (32% of adults in WI) which are quite prevalent in our state. It is important to note that COVID-19 is causing an [excess in death](#) far beyond what we've seen in previous years. This is to say that individuals with comorbidities *would likely not have died* if they didn't have COVID-19. Comorbidities and underlying conditions are worsened by the presence of COVID-19.

Furthermore, there are still people without any underlying health conditions who die from COVID-19—even though they don't comprise the majority of deaths. If people without any underlying health conditions contract COVID-19, they can still spread the virus to more vulnerable groups (those with underlying health conditions or those who are elderly) whether or not they have symptoms.

It is also worth noting that death percentages do not account for the full spectrum of negative COVID-19 outcomes including missing work or being hospitalized.

Where can I get a test?

- Call your primary care physician and request a COVID-19 test.
- Visit a community testing site. Click [here](#) to see additional community testing sites throughout Wisconsin.

Regional COVID-19 Testing Site Opening in Oshkosh, Sept. 1, 2020

A new regional COVID-19 testing site is opening on Tuesday, Sept. 1 at Sunnyview Expo Center located at 500 E County Road Y, Oshkosh, Wis. Testing is free and will be conducted by the Wisconsin Army National Guard.

The testing site will be open during the following times this week:

- Tuesday, Sept 1: 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
- Wednesday, Sept 2: 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
- Thursday, Sept. 3: 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
- Friday, Sept. 4 - Monday, Sept. 7: Closed due to the holiday

Beginning Tuesday, Sept. 8, the testing site will be open from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays and 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays. There is currently no projected end date for this testing site.

“Data reports for our region consistently indicate a high COVID-19 activity level and positive case rate, however testing has been inadequate,” said Doug Gieryn, health director/officer for the Winnebago County Health Department. “By partnering with the Wisconsin Army National Guard, our local healthcare partners and health departments across the region, we are now able to offer additional testing to help all those that need a test to get one.”

Anyone who is experiencing symptoms of COVID-19 or has been in close contact with someone who has tested positive is encouraged to get tested. The community testing site is available to any Wisconsin resident, five years of age and older. Contact a pediatrician or healthcare provider for children under five years of age. Symptoms of COVID-19 can include fever, cough, difficulty breathing, sore throat, runny nose, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, headache, chills, muscle aches or loss of taste or smell.

It is highly recommended that you register ahead of time at register.covidconnect.wi.gov. To register, click on the blue button that directs you to a screening questionnaire. If there are multiple people in your family being tested, you can use the same email address but a questionnaire must be completed for each individual.

While you are waiting for your test results, it is important that you limit contact with others and self-isolate to prevent spread of the virus should you test positive. Test results should be received via email and/or phone call within three to seven business days.

Additional information:

- Pre-registration is highly encouraged
- Antibody testing is not available
- No appointment is needed
- Walk-up testing is available
- A doctor's referral is not required
- Members of the Wisconsin National Guard will conduct the testing
- Language translation will be available
- Minors must be accompanied by a parent or guardian who can consent to the testing

This regional COVID-19 testing site was made possible through a collaboration between the Wisconsin Army National Guard and the health departments and emergency management teams from the City of Menasha, City of Appleton, Calumet County, Outagamie County and Winnebago County.

For more information, visit winnebagopublichealth.org.

COVID-19 CASES IN WISCONSIN

Key Data Summary Updates for September 1, 2020 (unless otherwise noted)

- [Total negative counts](#): 1,183,717 (+10,863)
- [Total positive counts](#): 76,584 (+981)
- [Total ever hospitalized](#): 5,878 (+61) (7.7%)
- [Total deaths](#): 1,130 (+8)
- [Active cases](#): 7,534 (9.8%)
- [Recovered cases](#): 67,902 (88.7%)
- [Percent of confirmed cases by race](#)*: American Indian (1%), Asian or Pacific Islander (3%), Black (13%), White (65%), Multiple or other races (9%), Unknown (9%)
- [Percent of confirmed cases by ethnicity](#)*: Hispanic or Latino (21%), Not Hispanic or Latino (66%), Unknown (13%)
- [Emergency Department visits](#):
 - Influenza like illness: 42 visits on 8/30, compared to previous 3-day average of 37
 - COVID-19 like illness: 121 visits on 8/30, compared to previous 3-day average of 130
- [Total hospital bed utilization](#): 76%

OFFICIAL WEBSITES TO ACCESS STATE, REGIONAL, AND COUNTY DATA

- [Wisconsin COVID-19 cases mapped by County](#)
- [Wisconsin DHS COVID-19 State and County summary data](#)
- [Wisconsin DHS Facility Investigations by region and county](#)
- [Wisconsin Hospital Association \(WHA\) COVID-19 hospitalization data by region](#)
- The Department of Health Services' [COVID-19 testing map](#) tracks community testing sites across the state.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- [Reopening Calumet County - Public Health Recommendations Guide](#)
- List of all [CDC updates](#) in chronologically order
- List of Previous Press releases from [WI Department of Health Services](#)
- List of Previous Executive and emergency orders from [WI Department of Health Services](#)
- **Call your healthcare provider before going into a clinic if you are experiencing mild to moderate symptoms of COVID-19.** This will allow them to provide guidance, prepare ahead if you need to be seen, and minimize risk to others.
- **If you have any immediate questions, please call the United Way's Resource Line to speak with a trained specialist. It is available 24/7 for non-emergency questions about COVID-19 and referrals to local health and human services.**
 - Dial 211 on your phone
 - Text "COVID19" to 211-211 to receive links to CDC information.
 - Visit <http://211.org/>
 - Or contact Calumet County Public Health during business hours (M-F 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM) at 920-849-1432.
- Visit the [Calumet County COVID-19 webpage](#) and scroll down to the 'Resources and FAQs' tab for a variety of helpful resources regarding COVID-19.