



August 14, 2020

Chippewa County COVID-19 Situation Report

[Current County Risk Level](#): HIGH

[Gathering Recommendations](#): 15 or less indoors and 50 or less outdoors with physical distancing measures

Chippewa County Department of Public Health developed a weekly situation report to share information on local response efforts for COVID-19. Given the rapidly changing nature of this public health emergency, each situation report contains the most recent information available at the time of dissemination.

Case Summary

Wisconsin DHS has many interactive data dashboards available on their [website](#). Topics include hospital capacity, county-level data, mapped data, and demographic case information. We recommend visiting for accurate information and data.

Negative Tests

8,667

Active Cases

42

Total Confirmed Cases

265

Released from Isolation*

223

**New Confirmed Cases
since last Friday**

40

Deaths

0

*To be released from isolation, confirmed cases must meet the following criteria: ten days from the date they first had symptom AND at least three days (72 hours) after symptoms improve.

[Chippewa County COVID-19 Impacts Dashboard](#)

COVID-19 Case Updates

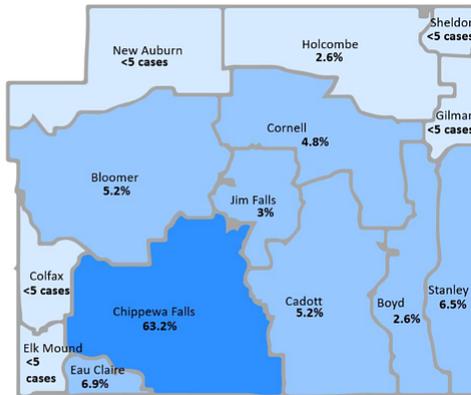
Data as of Monday, August 10



CASE OVERVIEW

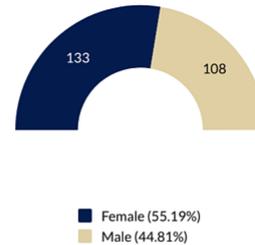
TOTAL POSITIVE CASES	CHANGE SINCE LAST WEEK	ACTIVE CASES	CURRENTLY HOSPITALIZED	DEATHS
241	+27	25	3	0

WHERE ARE THE POSITIVE CASES LIVING, BY PERCENTAGE?



Places with < 5 cases are not reported, due to privacy reasons. Eau Claire cases are only those in the Northern portion that sits in Chippewa County.

CONFIRMED CASES BY SEX



CURRENT RISK LEVEL AND GUIDANCE

HIGH RISK

Gathering Recommendations:

- No more than 15 people indoors
- No more than 50 people outdoors
- Using Physical Distancing Measures

Wear a mask. Stay home when you're sick.

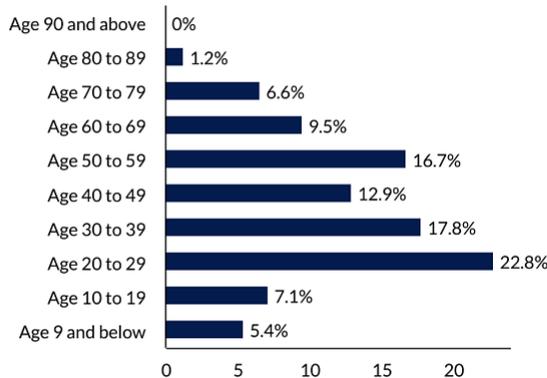
Disease Occurrence

Healthcare Availability

Public Health Response

View the Summary Data Document for August 11th on our website.

WHAT ARE THE AGES OF THE POSITIVE CASES, BY PERCENT?



ICS (Incident Command System) Updates

Safety: The team continues to work on following up with reports of individuals and businesses not in compliance with statewide mask order.

Liaison: The team is meeting with school nurses weekly to discuss school reopening. Topics include quarantine of staff, protocols for positive cases and

communication with schools, response teams in each building of the schools, how to track students who are isolated and/or quarantined, playground equipment and protocols, and school specials. They reached out to schools regarding information on school lunches for students who choose to learn virtually at home. The team has received questions regarding testing and coverage of tests. Testing locations are listed on our website and the State has said that insurance should cover the tests and if not, the State is a last resort to provide coverage. They continue to schedule school COVID-19 presentations. They team has been following up with many businesses who are trying to implement the mask mandate. A business memo created by PIO was shared out regarding isolation and quarantine of employees and the mask mandate and FAQs to our partner list.

Public Information Officer (PIO): PIO has been working to build capacity on the team by developing a Health Communications internship opportunity. The team updated the website to include school and business subpages. The team also published a Case Updates Infographic, which will be made public every Tuesday along with the updated metrics.

Operations: The Volunteer Task Force was able to fill an open spot for the eastern part of the county. The Childcare Tasks Force has been working to locate childcare resources. A [resource](#) available through DHS was shared with team members. The team has been working to complete fit testing request from school districts. The Investigation Strike Team continue to follow up with positive cases.

Planning: The Planning Team is planning for mass vaccination, as well as influenza vaccination during the pandemic. Data Task Force continues to monitor the metrics and update the public. Recovery Task Force will be looking at concerns businesses have over the mask mandate. Mental Health/AODA/CJ Task Force, Domestic Violence Task Force, Children & Youth with Special Health Care Needs Task Force, Resource Task Force, and Vulnerable Populations Task Force continue to update their resources and identify community needs. There is a focus on mental health resources in all the task forces.

Finance: The team reported Chippewa County received their first reimbursement from the Routes to Recovery funding for the March-June period. They continue to track COVID-19 related expenditures and are preparing for the next claim opportunity in September. The Grant Task Force submitted a grant to the

Community Foundation to assist with sheltering costs for vulnerable populations. The grant through Marshfield Clinic Health System that currently covers the costs ends in September.

Recent Guidance and Press Release

Local:

- [Public Notification Alert Issued](#) - August 11, 2020
- [Weekly Update to Local COVID-19 Data and County Risk](#) – August 14, 2020
- [Business Memo Re Business Memo RE Isolation and Quarantine of Employee AND Statewide Mask Mandate AND FAQs](#) - August 11, 2020

State:

- [Applications Open for COVID-19 Testing Pilot](#)
- [Executive Order #82, Emergency Order #1, and Face Covering FAQ](#) are available in English, Spanish, and Hmong
- [Webinar Slides](#) from EPA's "Let's Clear the Air – Using Ventilation Practices to Promote Healthy Indoor Air Quality in Schools"
- [New and Updated Materials Included in DPI's School Health Services Interim COVID-19 Infection Control and Mitigation Toolkit](#)
 - [COVID-19 Special Education Question and Answer Document](#)
 - [Considerations in Using Facial Coverings](#) When Supporting Students during In-Person Instruction
 - [Infection Control and Mitigation Tools](#) (Zip File), including isolation, health room, and main office set-up considerations
 - [Sample Back-to-School Letter for Parents](#)
 - [CDC Check-List for Parents](#)

National:

- CDC Morbidity and Mortality Reports for Week of August 7
 - [COVID-19-Associated Multisystem Inflammatory Syndrome in Children](#) - United States, March-July 2020
 - [Hospitalization Rates and Characteristics of Children Aged <18 Years Hospitalized with Laboratory-Confirmed COVID-19](#) - COVID-NET, 14

Questions

For general questions related to COVID-19, you can:

- Email Chippewa County Department of Public Health at covid@co.chippewa.wi.us,
- Call the Regional COVID-19 Call Center at 715-831-7425, or
- Contact Wisconsin 211 by dialing 211 or texting COVID-19 to 211-211.



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