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**Winnebago County
Health Department**

Winnebago County Health Department COVID-19 Weekly Data Summary

April 15, 2021

Summary

In recent weeks, Winnebago County has been seeing a concerning increase in cases due to more contagious variants, increased travel by unvaccinated persons, and decreased social distancing. Only 25.5% of Winnebago County residents are fully vaccinated. Let's prioritize getting vaccinated and continuing to wear a mask. At the Sunnyview Expo Center next week we will be offering a walk-in COVID vaccination clinic on Wednesday, April 21st and an appointment based COVID vaccination clinic on Thursday, April 22nd. Visit www.wcvaccine.org for more info.

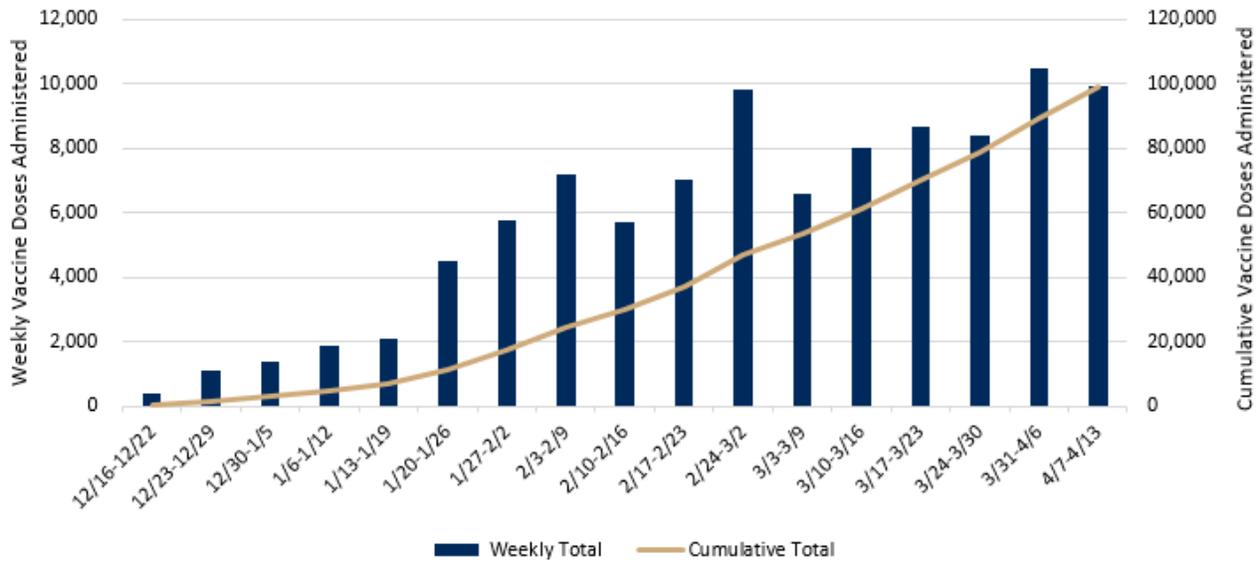
- **Our confirmed + probable case burden has increased for the third consecutive week and remains high.** The confirmed + probable case rate over the past 2 weeks for our jurisdiction is 201.0 cases per 100,000 people, an increase from 191.9 1 cases per 100,000 reported last week. The number of cases (confirmed/probable) in the first week of this 2-week timeframe was 122/42 and for this most recent week is 111/34.
- Wearing a mask is an easy and [effective way](#) to [stop the spread](#) of COVID-19. Regardless of [vaccination status](#), it is still important to continue to follow [masking](#), social distancing, and hand washing recommendations.
- [Anyone who feels they need a COVID test should get a test](#). Anyone with symptoms, with known exposure as well as those without symptoms but feel they have a need for a test should get tested. Testing resources are plentiful and the CDC encourages widespread testing to identify asymptomatic cases so measures can be taken to avoid the spread of COVID-19. [Sunnyview Expo Center](#) PCR test results have a quick turnaround (approximately 24 hours). [Department of Health Services](#) is also offering at-home saliva sample collection kits to test for current COVID-19 infection.
- [Wisconsin Department of Health Services](#) encourages everyone age 16 and older to schedule an appointment. Anyone that lives, works, or studies in Wisconsin can get vaccinated for free—even if you cannot provide proof of residency, do not have a valid state identification, or do not have insurance. Visit www.wcvaccine.org to schedule an appointment. *Pfizer is the only vaccine currently available for 16 and 17 year-olds.* Not [all locations](#) administer vaccines to those under 18 as not all carry Pfizer. When you do get vaccinated, please see these [tips](#).
- As of April 14, 98,800 COVID-19 vaccine doses have been administered to Winnebago County residents, and **3,537,688** doses of COVID-19 vaccine have been administered to Wisconsin residents.
- In the past two weeks, individuals aged 30-39 had the highest PCR confirmed case rates of 207.5 per 100,000. Rates were lowest in those aged 60+ (108.2 per 100,000). Individuals under 18 years old accounted for 20% of the 233 PCR confirmed cases from the past two weeks.
- There are currently 19 COVID-19 patients hospitalized in the Fox Valley.
- There has been a total of 186 confirmed COVID-19 deaths among confirmed and probable cases.
- Over this past week, 3.8% of [PCR tests in Wisconsin](#) were positive, 3.7% of PCR tests across all of Winnebago County were positive, and 3.3% of PCR tests across Winnebago County Health Department jurisdiction were positive. Over the past two weeks, 3.6% of PCR tests were positive in our jurisdiction. Many people with symptoms are only receiving antigen tests, which are excluded from the percent positivity calculation and likely leads to artificially lower percentages.
- Over the past two weeks, a daily average of 468 PCR tests were conducted among residents within the Winnebago County Health Department jurisdiction.

COVID-19 Vaccination Data

As of 4/14/2021, **3,537,688 doses** of [COVID-19 vaccine](#) have been administered to [eligible](#) Wisconsin residents with 38.0% of Wisconsin population having received at least one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine and 25.2% of Wisconsin population have been fully vaccinated.

As of 4/14/2021, **98,800 doses** of COVID-19 vaccine have been administered to Winnebago County residents with 35.6% of the county population having received at least one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine and 25.5% of the county population have been fully vaccinated.

Cumulative and Weekly Number of COVID-19 Vaccine Doses Administered (12/16/2020-4/13/2021)



This table shows the number and percent of Winnebago County residents who have received at least one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine by demographic breakdown. Data will differ slightly from what is posted on the [DHS website](#) due to differences in population estimates used and because the data is extracted at a different time of day.

		Number	Percent	Population			Number	Percent	Population
Ethnicity	Hispanic or Latino	1,147	16.3%	7,017	Sex	Female	34,122	40.4%	84,556
	Not Hispanic or Latino	56,416	34.5%	163,394		Male	26,291	30.6%	85,855
	Unknown	3,037				Unknown	187		
Race	American Indian or Alaska Native	239	23.7%	1,010	Age Group	16-17	415	10.1%	4,103
	Asian	1,260	26.5%	4,748		18-24	3,267	15.9%	20,491
	Black or African-American	423	10.9%	3,874		25-34	6,184	27.6%	22,442
	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	68	52.7%	129		35-44	7,587	37.7%	20,144
	Other Race	1,705	39.7%	4,291		45-54	8,298	37.1%	22,390
	White	53,110	34.0%	156,359		55-64	11,901	52.1%	22,846
	Unknown	3,795				65-74	13,136	87.3%	15,050
						75+	9,809	82.0%	11,964

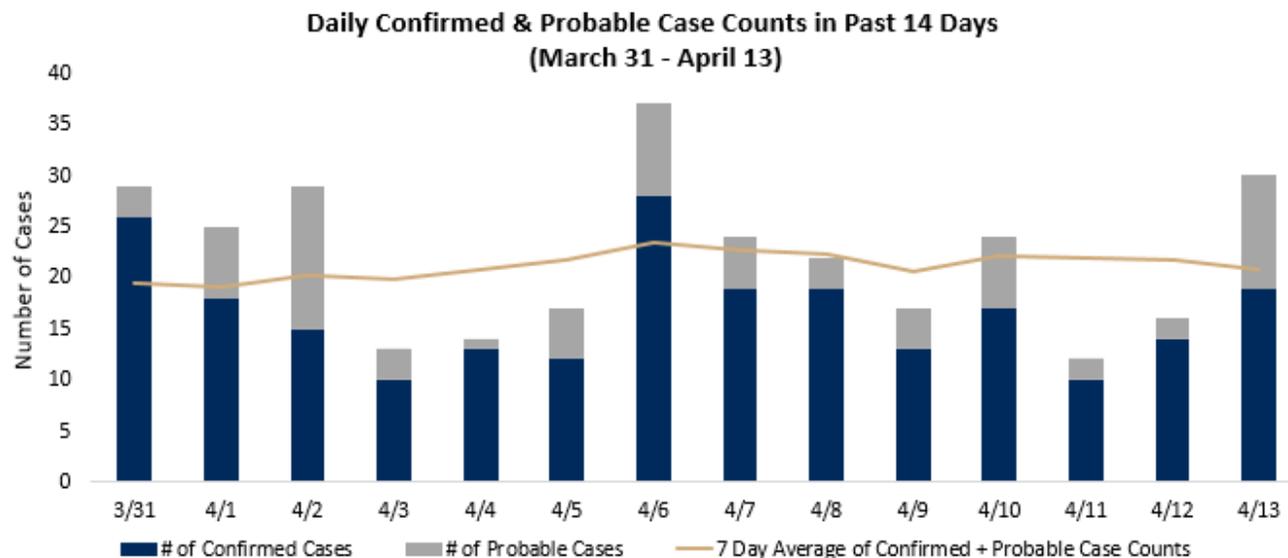
Reported Case Counts

	Case Counts for the Past 14 Days 3/31/2021-4/13/2021	Cumulative Case Counts 3/9/2020-4/14/2021
Confirmed Cases	233	14,755
Active Cases		177 (1% of cumulative cases)
Recovered Cases		14,415 (98% of cumulative cases)
Probable Cases	76	2,747
Negative Cases	1,817	83,514
Deaths**	0	186
Among Confirmed Cases	0	164
Among Probable Cases	0	22

**Death certificate must list COVID-19 (or the virus causing COVID-19) as a cause of death or a significant condition contributing to death. Healthcare providers and/or coroner determines cause of death. Data includes COVID deaths among PCR confirmed cases and probable cases.

Case Count by Day – Last 2 Weeks

When there is adequate testing in place, trending daily case counts show if the disease is spreading or shrinking and the overall burden of disease in our area. This graph shows the number of confirmed cases by test result date and probable cases by the date their case file was created. **There was an average of 22.1 confirmed and probable cases per day, which is an increase from 21.1 confirmed and probable cases per day reported last week. Total daily confirmed and probable cases ranged from 12 to 37 cases.** There was an average of 16.6 confirmed cases per day, which is an increase from 14.7 cases per day reported last week. There was an average of 5.4 probable cases per day, which is a decrease from 6.4 probable cases per day reported last week. The trend line shows the 7-day average for the combined total of confirmed and probable cases. For a full disease curve, see the [dashboard](#) on our [website](#).



Daily confirmed case counts presented here may differ from our situation update and the cases by day graph reported on our dashboard. This chart reflects the test result date instead of the date when the results are actually received by the health department.

A person is counted as a confirmed COVID-19 case if they had a positive test result using a confirmatory diagnostic test that detects the genetic material of SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19 (polymerase chain reaction (PCR) tests or nucleic acid amplification tests (NAT)). Reasons a person could be counted as a probable case include: a positive antigen test, positive antibody test, or diagnosis due to symptoms and known exposure to COVID-19.

Burden Status

Burden status is the total number of reported cases per 100,000 residents in the last two weeks.

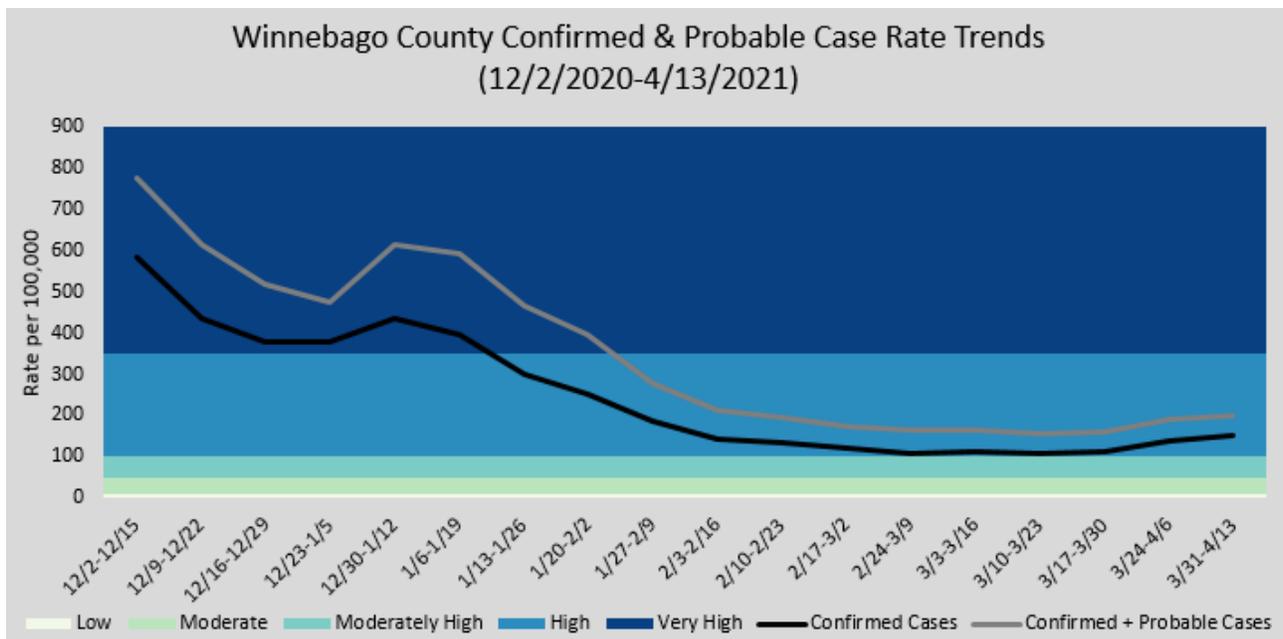
Dates	Confirmed Cases	Probable Cases	Total (Confirmed + Probable)
3/31-4/6	122	42	164
4/6-4/13	111	34	145
Total for last two weeks	233	76	309
Case rates for last two weeks (per 100,000 population)	151.5	49.4	201.0

Burden Status	Case Rate per 100,000 residents in the past two weeks	Number of Cases in the past two weeks
Low	Case rate is less than or equal to 10.	Less than 15 cases
Moderate	Case rate is greater than 10, but less than or equal to 50.	Greater than 15 cases, but less than or equal to 77 cases.
Moderately High	Case rate is greater than 50, but less than or equal to 100.	Greater than 77 cases, but less than or equal to 154 cases.
High	Case rate is greater than 100, but less than or equal to 350.	Greater than 154 cases, but less than or equal to 538 cases.
Very High	Case rate is greater than 350, but less than or equal to 1,000.	Greater than 538 cases, but less than or equal to 1,537 cases.
Critically High	Case rate is greater than 1,000.	Greater than 1,537 cases.

Case rate is determined by number of new confirmed cases in a particular group (such as an age group) during the past two weeks, divided by the population of that particular group, multiplied by 100,000. View the [DHS COVID Local Activity Level](#) page to learn more about burden status.

Biweekly Confirmed & Probable Case Rate Trends

The graphs below show confirmed case rate per 100,000 people and the confirmed + probable case rate per 100,000 people for the Winnebago County Health Department Jurisdiction. These case rates are based on confirmed and probable case counts during a two-week time span.

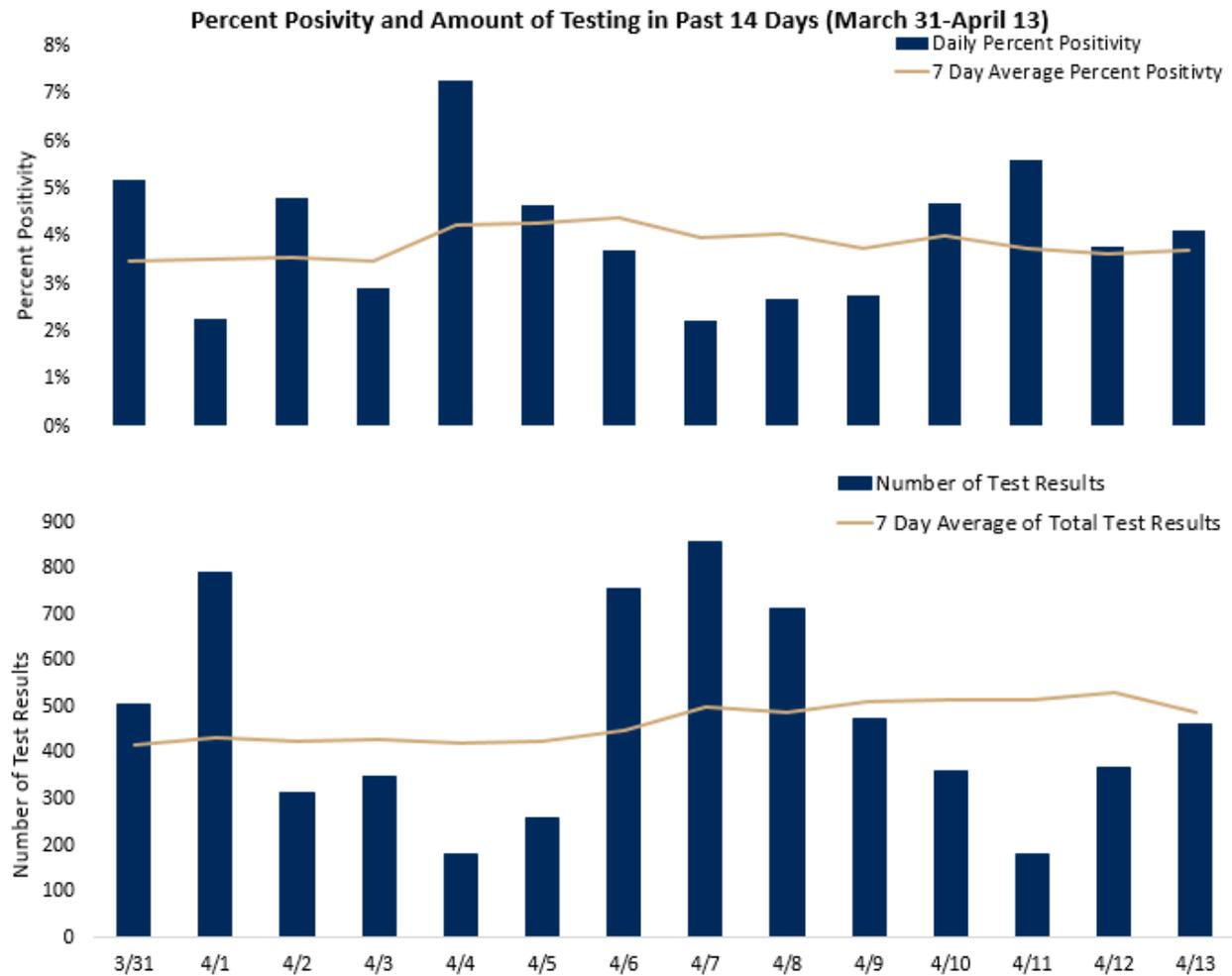


Amount of Testing and Percent Positivity

Adequate testing capacity and utilization are necessary for identification of active infections of COVID-19, and investigations into those positive cases helps prevent the spread of the virus. Higher disease activity requires more testing to identify and isolate enough infected people to slow the spread. The percent positivity helps determine if there is adequate testing. A high percent positivity may indicate an inadequate amount of testing, which limits the number of identified cases and subsequent contact tracing used to help reduce the spread of the virus. Our current goal is to have enough testing to keep the percent positivity below 5%. View the [DHS COVID Local Activity Level](#) page to see percent positivity for the state, counties, and regions.

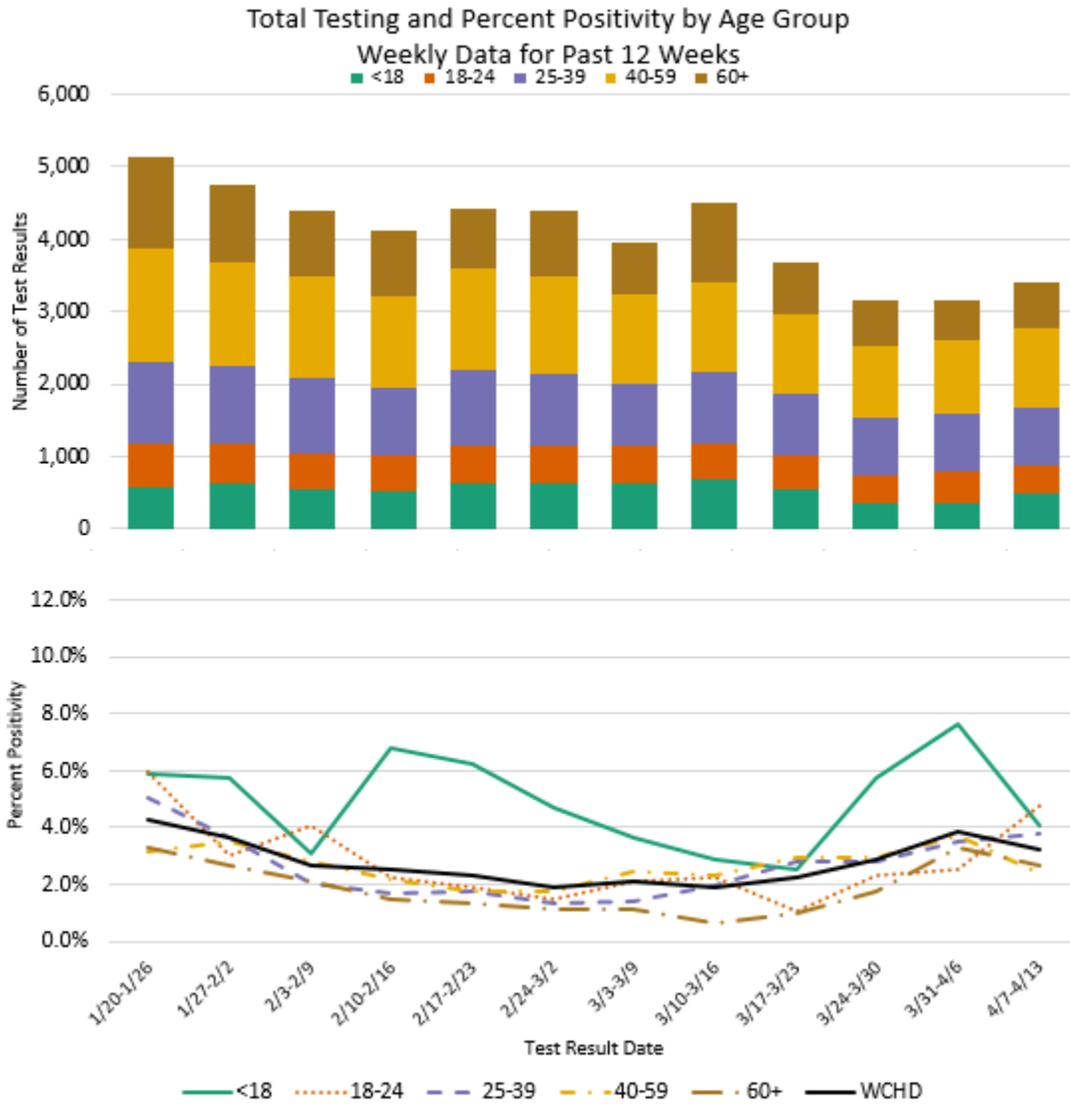
Over the past two weeks, **3.6% of PCR tests were positive**, which is a slight increase from the 3.4% positivity reported last week. Daily positivity ranged from 2.2% to 7.3%. Over the past two weeks an **average of 468 PCR tests** were conducted each day among residents within the Winnebago County Health Department jurisdiction. Antigen tests are not included in the testing numbers or the percent positivity calculation. A PCR confirmed case is only counted once in the percent positivity calculation, meaning a person with multiple positive PCR tests only counts as one confirmed case.

[Testing](#) is available at the [regional COVID-19 testing site](#) at Sunnyview Expo Center in Oshkosh as well as other locations including [CVS pharmacies](#) and multiple community test sites in [Oshkosh](#), [Neenah](#), [Menasha](#), and [Appleton](#).



Amount of Testing and Percent Positivity by Age Group

The figures below show the percent positivity and total testing numbers by age group. Antigen tests are not included in the testing numbers or the percent positivity calculation. A PCR confirmed case is only counted once in the percent positivity calculation, meaning a person with multiple positive PCR tests only counts as one confirmed case. **Over the past week**, individuals aged 18-24 had the highest percent positivity (4.7%) and individuals aged <18 had the lowest testing rate (1,600 tests per 100,000 individuals <18 years old).

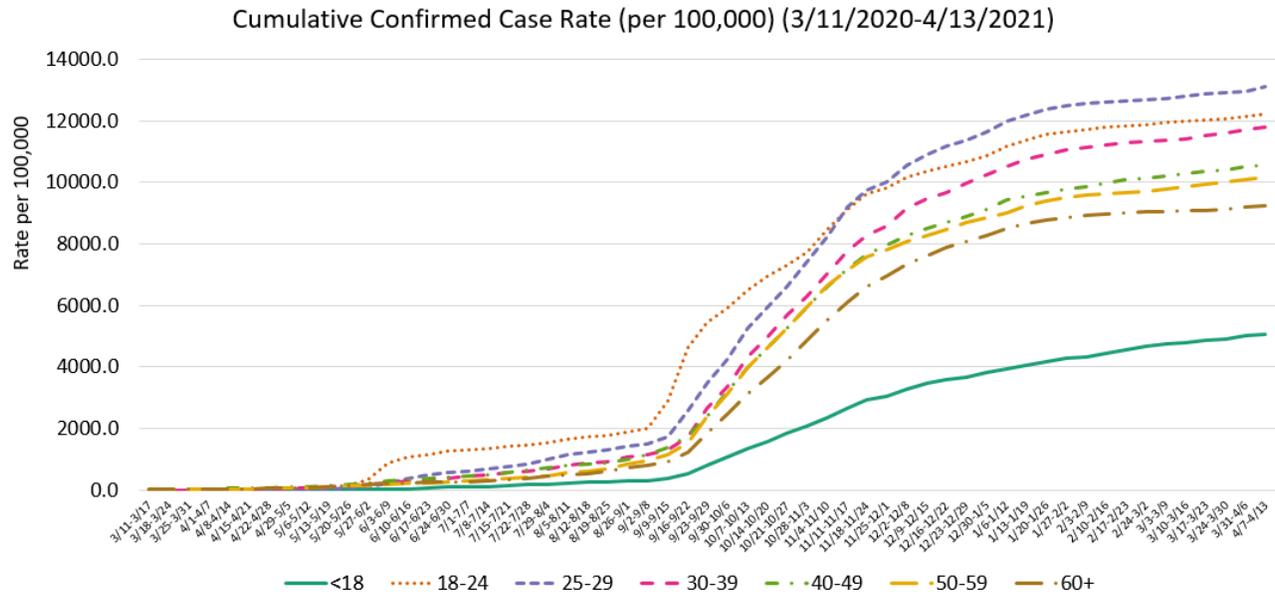


View national percent positivity trends [here](#).

4/7/21-4/13/21	<18	18-24	25-39	40-59	60+	Total
Percent Positivity	4.0%	4.7%	3.8%	2.4%	2.6%	3.3%
Testing Rates per 100,000 population	1,600	1,989	2,690	2,686	1,990	2,233
Number of Tests	495	380	791	1,104	644	3,414
Population	30,928	19,108	29,405	41,095	32,359	152,895

Trending by Age Group

This graph shows how cumulative confirmed case rates by age group have changed over time. Cumulative case rates will always trend upward; it is the rate of increase in that trend that helps us understand what populations are being impacted the most.



This table shows the case count and case rate by age group for the past two weeks and cumulatively. Over the past two weeks, **individuals aged 30-39 had the highest PCR confirmed case rate.**

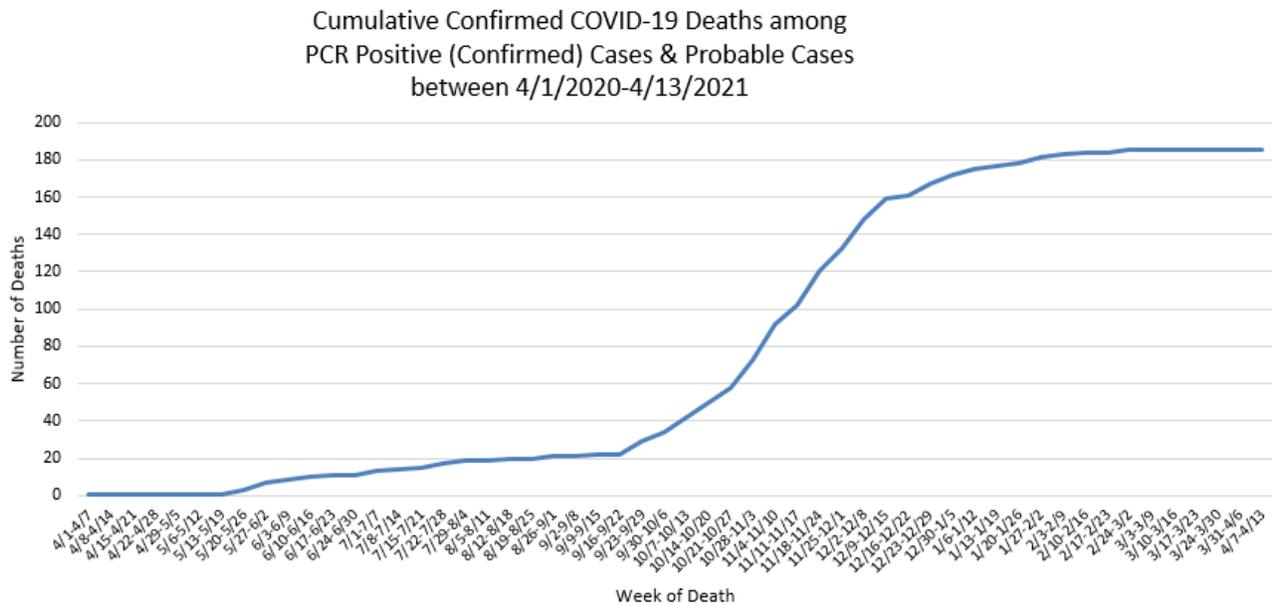
Age Group	Past Two Weeks (3/31/21-4/13/21)				Doubling Time (Days)	Cumulative Confirmed Case Count	Population***
	Case Count	Case Rate (per 100,000)	Percent increase in total cases in that age group	Percent of Cumulative Cases in that age group			
<18	48	155.2	3.2%	3.1%	315	1,567	30,928
18-24	29	151.8	1.3%	1.2%	785	2,337	19,108
25-29	17	167.8	1.3%	1.3%	760	1,327	10,132
30-39	40	207.5	1.8%	1.8%	552	2,275	19,273
40-49	27	147.8	1.4%	1.4%	696	1,931	18,269
50-59	37	162.1	1.6%	1.6%	610	2,323	22,826
60+	35	108.2	1.2%	1.2%	833	2,992	32,359

***Age Group Population Data comes from the [2018 census](#). Total Population size across all age groups (152,895) differs slightly from total population size used to calculate Winnebago County Health Department jurisdiction case rate (153,748) which was determined using 2020 population data from the [WI Department of Administration](#).

Confirmed COVID-19 Deaths

Confirmed COVID-19 deaths include deaths among PCR confirmed cases and probable cases. Confirmed COVID-19 deaths have a death certificate that lists COVID-19 disease or SARS-CoV-2 as a cause of death or a significant condition contributing to death. Healthcare providers or medical examiners/coroners determine cause of death. Public reporting of COVID-19 deaths lag while waiting for confirmation.

In the graph below, the data for recent weeks is preliminary and subject to change. Recent deaths are still pending as we await confirmation on cause of death.



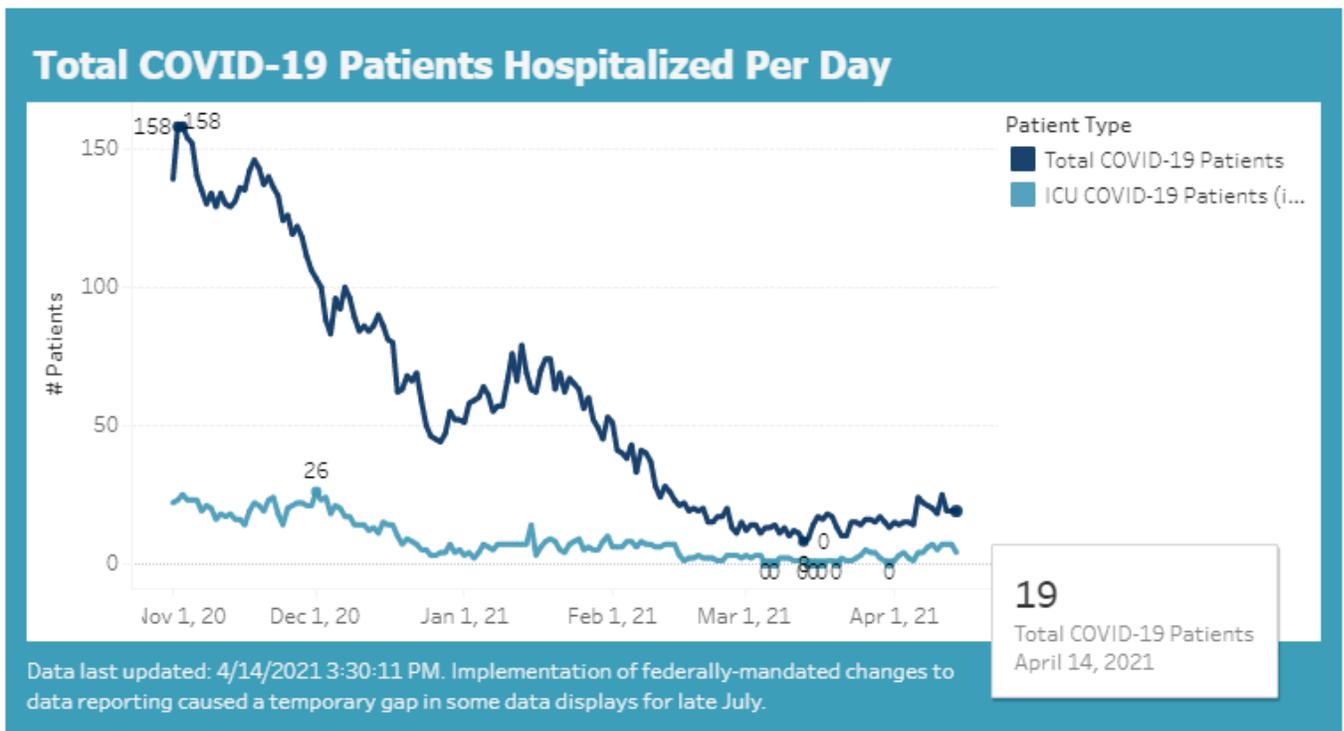
Healthcare Measures for the Fox Valley Area

The Fox Valley Area HERC Region includes Calumet, Green Lake, Menominee, Outagamie, Shawano, Waupaca, Waushara and Winnebago Counties.

It is vital that healthcare systems have adequate capacity to manage patient care in the context of a surge caused by COVID-19. Through adequate testing, case identification and investigation we can help keep case counts at levels that are manageable by our healthcare systems. When healthcare systems exceed their capacity, the ability to treat severe illness is compromised and patients do worse and/or do not get the care they need to survive the illness.

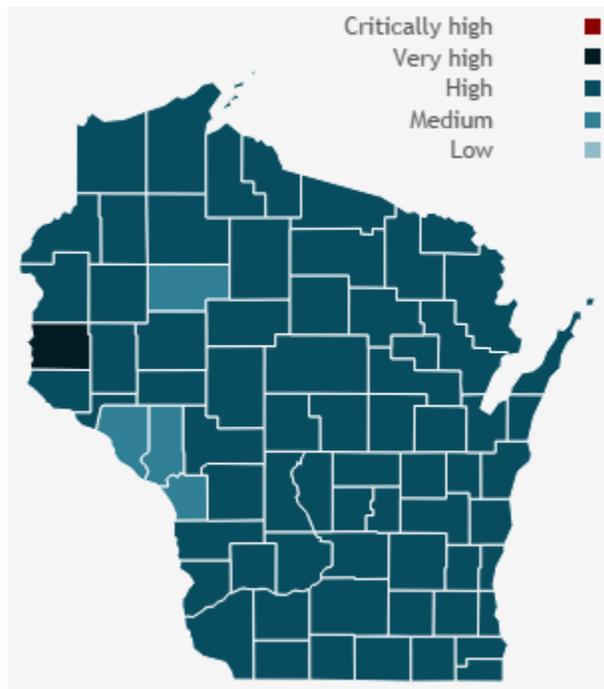
As of 4/14/2021, there were 19 **COVID-19 patients hospitalized** in the Fox Valley Area hospitals with 4 of those patients in the ICU.

To view more information on healthcare measures in the Fox Valley Area and across the state, please visit <https://www.wha.org/COVID19Update> and <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19/hosp-data.htm>



Burden, Trajectory, and Activity Level Across Wisconsin in Past 14 Days

Updated 4/14/2021



The Wisconsin Department of Health Services classifies regions and counties as critically high, very high, high, medium, or low activity levels for COVID-19 spread by combining the case burden (case rate) and trajectory (change in cases over time) indicators. The state updates this information weekly on Wednesdays by 5 p.m. As of April 14, 2021, Winnebago County**** and the Fox Valley Region are both classified as having a **high COVID-19 activity level**.

To view more information on these metrics, please visit <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19/local.htm>

Area	Case Count (Past 14 days)	Burden	Trajectory	Activity Level
Winnebago	310	183.1 High	36% ▲	High
Fox Valley Area	943	172.9 High	29% ▲	High
Outagamie	369	200.8 High	38% ▲	High
Wisconsin	10,392	179.8 High	25% ▲	High

A trajectory of N/A means there was no significant change in the percent change in cases for this week compared to the previous week.

****This data is provided by the [Department of Health Services](#) and may be different than the information provided by WCHD because the state reports data for the entire county, which includes the portions of Winnebago County that fall within the jurisdiction of the [City of Menasha Health Department](#) and [City of Appleton Health Department](#).

Background Information

This report provides *preliminary* data on confirmed COVID-19 cases from March 31, 2021 – April 13, 2021. A person is counted as a **confirmed** COVID-19 case if they had a **positive confirmatory laboratory test** (for example, polymerase chain reaction (PCR) tests or nucleic acid amplification tests (NAT) that detect genetic material of SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19). Antigen positive tests are counted as **probable** cases.

Dates utilized for all graphs and tables are based on test result date and may not represent final reported case counts. Data may be underreported for recent days because results can take multiple days to be reported to the health department. This means the number of tests and percent positivity may change in next week's report. As this is a weekly report for the past 14 days, there will always be a week of overlap between reports.

*The COVID-19 data provided in this report is specific to the Winnebago County Health Department (WCHD) jurisdiction (population: 153,748). It does not include the portions of Winnebago County that fall within the jurisdiction of the [City of Menasha Health Department](#) and [City of Appleton Health Department](#). As of October 3, 2020, data reports from the Winnebago County Health Department do not include test results from residents in Wisconsin Department of Corrections facilities, which includes the Oshkosh Correctional Institute. This data can be found on the Wisconsin Department of Corrections [website](#).

Data provided on the [Department of Health Services website](#) may be different than information provided by WCHD because the state reports data for the entire county based on address, which includes those portions of Menasha and Appleton as well as the correctional facilities.

For additional Winnebago County Health Department COVID-19 information:

- [WCHD COVID-19 Webpage](#)
- [Municipality Weekly Data Summaries](#)
- [School District Weekly Data Summaries](#)
- [Trend Data Graphs](#)