

COVID-19 Updates: Homelessness Forum

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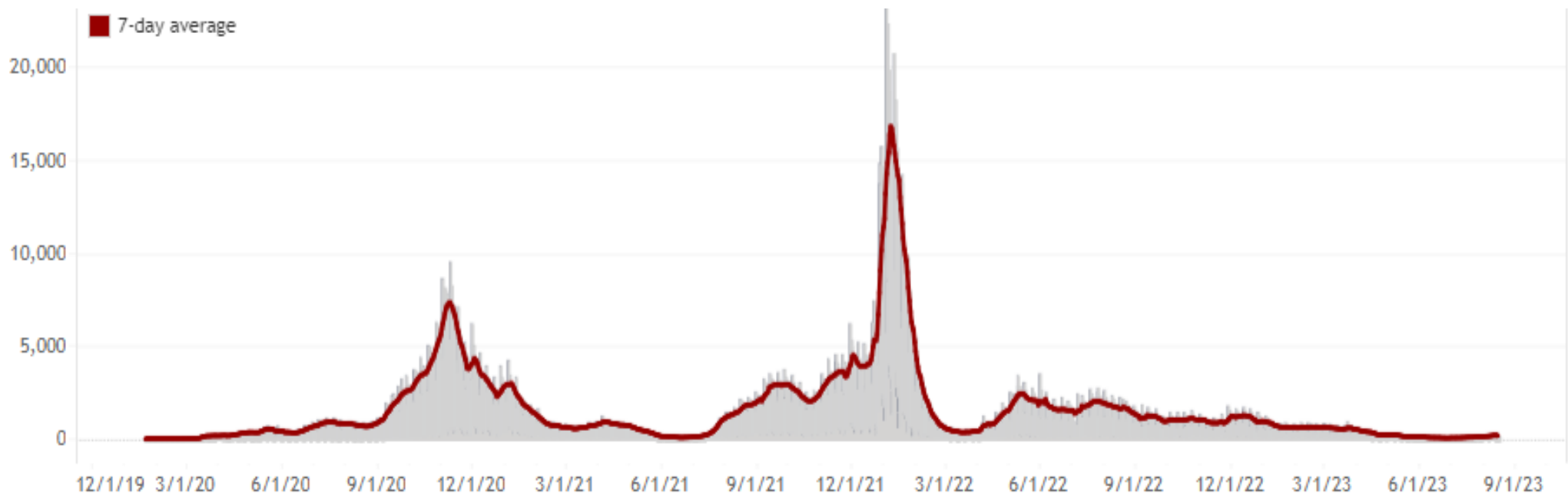
COVID-19 Recovery and Response Team

New COVID-19 Cases

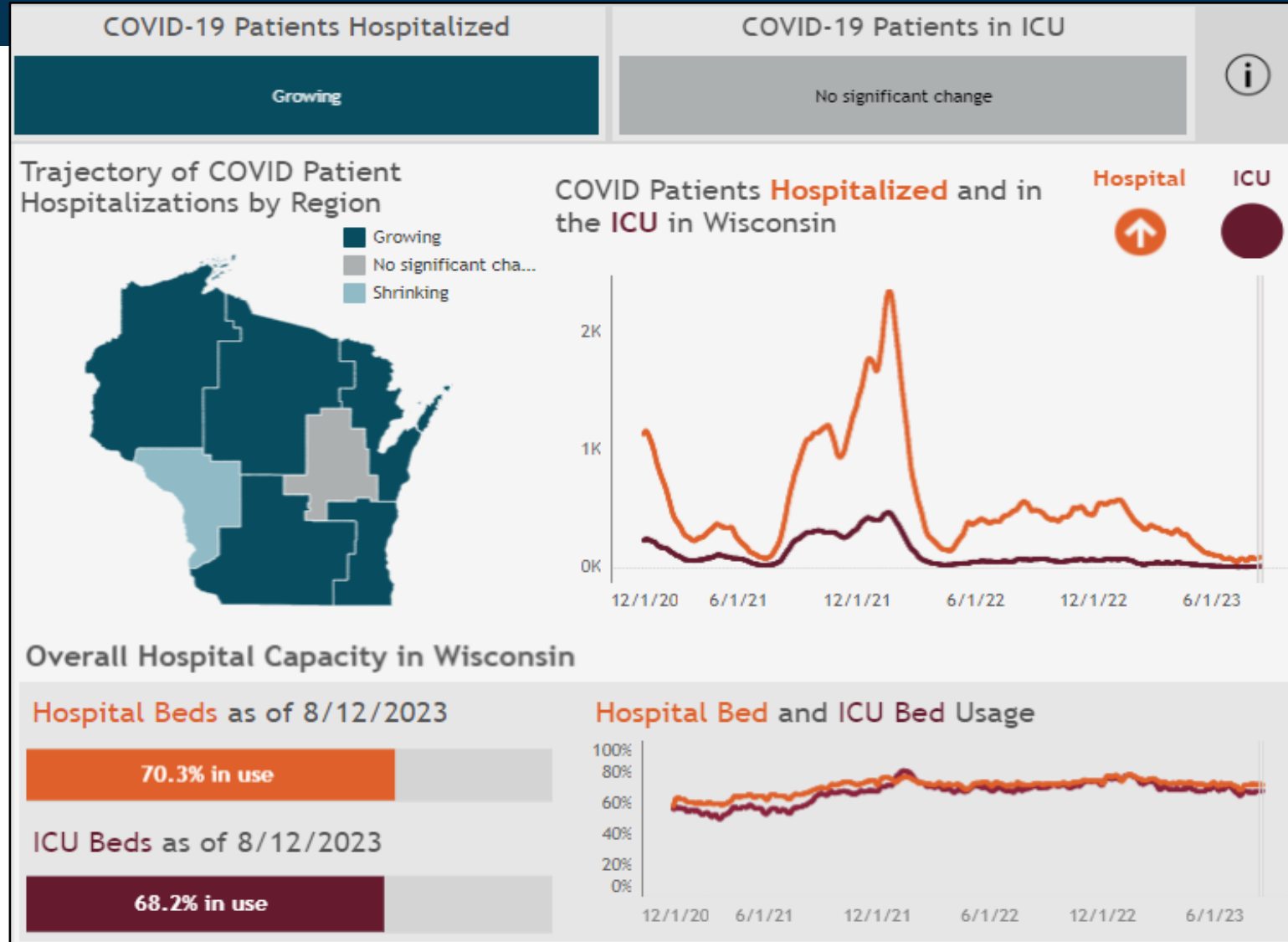
7-day average of
183
cases per day (8/15/23)

7-day
average
data on
last
webinar
(5/9):
178
cases
per day

Number of Reported Confirmed and Probable COVID-19 Cases by Date



Hospitalizations and Hospital Capacity



Wastewater Surveillance

- **Wastewater monitoring for COVID-19**
- **Early warning sign for COVID-19**
- **Targeted and quicker public health responses**

CDC Community Levels

CDC Community Levels have been retired

Moving forward, data on COVID-19 hospitalizations will be the primary surveillance indicator to guide community and individual decisions

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/your-health/covid-by-county.html>

CDC Hospital Admission Levels

Individual-Level Prevention Steps



LOW, MEDIUM, AND HIGH

At all COVID-19 hospital admission levels:

- [Stay up to date](#) on vaccination.
- Maintain [ventilation improvements](#).
- Avoid contact with people who have suspected or confirmed COVID-19.
- Follow recommendations for [isolation](#) if you have suspected or confirmed COVID-19.
- Follow the recommendations for [what to do if you are exposed](#) to someone with COVID-19.
- If you are at [high risk of getting very sick](#), talk with a healthcare provider about additional prevention actions.

CDC Hospital Admission Levels (Cont.)

Individual-Level Prevention Steps



MEDIUM AND HIGH

When the COVID-19 hospital admission level is Medium or High:

- If you are at [high risk of getting very sick](#), wear a high-quality mask or respirator (e.g., N95) when indoors in public.
- If you have household or social contact with someone at high risk for getting very sick, consider self-testing to detect infection before contact, and consider wearing a high-quality mask when indoors with them.



HIGH

When the COVID-19 hospital admission level is High:

- Wear a high-quality mask or respirator.
- If you are at high risk of getting very sick, consider avoiding non-essential indoor activities in public where you could be exposed.

CDC Hospital Admission Levels (Cont.)

Community-Level Prevention Steps



LOW, MEDIUM, AND HIGH

At all COVID-19 hospital admission levels:

- Promote equitable access to vaccination, testing, masks and respirators, treatment and prevention medications, community outreach, and support services.
- Ensure access to testing, including through point-of-care and at-home tests for all people.
- Maintain [ventilation improvements](#).
- Provide communications and messaging to encourage isolation among people who test positive.

CDC Hospital Admission Levels (Cont.)

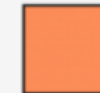
Community-Level Prevention Steps



MEDIUM AND HIGH

When the COVID-19 hospital admission level is Medium or High:

- Implement screening testing in high-risk settings where screening testing is recommended.



HIGH

When the COVID-19 hospital admission level is High:

- Implement healthcare surge support as needed.

Hospital Admission Level Resources



COVID-19 County Check

Find hospital admission levels and prevention steps by county. Data updated weekly.

Select a Location (all fields required)

Wisconsin

County

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<https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19/data.htm>

Select a Location (all fields required)

Wisconsin

Dane County

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Low

In **Dane County, Wisconsin**, the COVID-19 hospital admission level is **Low**.

- [Stay up to date](#) with COVID-19 vaccines.
- Maintain [ventilation improvements](#).
- Avoid contact with people who have suspected or confirmed COVID-19.
- Follow recommendations for [isolation](#) if you have suspected or confirmed COVID-19.
- Follow the recommendations for [what to do if you are exposed](#) to someone with COVID-19.
- If you are at [high risk of getting very sick](#), talk with a healthcare provider about additional prevention actions.

Reminder: Shelter Guidance Updates

- **Everyday Strategies vs. Enhanced Strategies**
- **Hospital admission data and facility specific risks should drive prevention strategies**
- **Current guidance can be found at:**
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/homeless-correctional-settings.html>

Vaccine Updates

Updated COVID-19 vaccines will be released this fall

Vaccines will target XBB variants – the most common omicron subvariants

Talk to your medical provider about receiving an updated COVID-19 vaccine

CDC Links

Hospital Admission Data:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/your-health/covid-by-county.html>

End of PH Emergency MMR:

<https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/72/wr/mm7219e1.htm>

Updated Shelter Guidance:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/homeless-correctional-settings.html>

Testing Resources

DHS Testing Support Page for Shelters:

<https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19/testing-shelters.htm>

Vaccination Resources

Vaccine Partner Resources:

<https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19/vaccine-resources.htm>

COVID-19 Vaccine Information (DHS):

<https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19/vaccine.htm>

COVID-19 Vaccine Information (CDC):

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/index.html>

Data Resources

Wisconsin COVID-19 Data

Summary data: <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19/data.htm>

Cases: <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19/cases.htm>

Hospitalizations: <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19/hosp-data.htm>

COVID-19 Variants: <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19/variants-info.htm>

<https://dataportal.slh.wisc.edu/>

Wastewater Monitoring: <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid19/wastewater.htm>

Vaccinations: : <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19/vaccine-data.htm>