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RACINE COUNTY COVID-19 UPDATE November 16, 2020

Confirmed coronavirus cases

United States: 11,114,151 confirmed, 246,758 deaths

Wisconsin: 316,758 confirmed, 2,009,148 negative, 2,649 deaths

Central Racine County Health Department: 6,014 confirmed (+937 from last week), 685 probable (+122), 50,242 negative (+1,892), 95 deaths (+9)

City of Racine Health Department: 5,138 confirmed (+606 from last week), 533 probable (+66), 35,946 negative (+1,610), 44 deaths (+2)

Racine County total: 11,152 confirmed (+1,543 from last week), 1,218 probable (+188), 86,188 negative (+3,502), 139 deaths (+11)

Positive test percentage: 11.4%

Updates for the week of November 16:

- The case rate in Racine County has grown exponentially since September. Here's a look at weekly positive case increases since September, as published in the Racine County JIC updates:
 - Sept. 14: **+78**
 - Sept. 21: **+250**
 - Sept. 28: **+376**
 - Oct. 5: **+359**
 - Oct. 12: **+361**
 - Oct. 19: **+535**
 - Oct. 26: **+752**
 - Nov. 2: **+994**
 - Nov. 9: **+1,777**
 - Nov. 16: **+1,543**
- We've also seen a notable increase in deaths in the past month:
 - From Sept. 14 through Oct. 19, we recorded a total of **nine deaths** in Racine county.
 - But from Oct. 26 through today, Nov. 16, we have recorded a total of **38 deaths** in Racine County.
- The City of Racine Health Department has ordered the closure of school buildings in its jurisdiction from Nov. 27 to January 15. [More information here.](#)
- Wisconsin National Guard COVID-19 testing sites in Racine and Kenosha counties [can be found here.](#)
- In an address to the state last week, Gov. Tony Evers called for unity and working together in battling the COVID-19 pandemic. He also announced an executive order advising Wisconsin residents to stay home, urging precautions if you must leave home,

and encouraging businesses to take additional steps to protect workers and customers.

[Read more here.](#)

- The State of Wisconsin reached 100,000 COVID-19 cases in seven months. It then took 36 days to reach 200,000 cases, and just 18 days after that to reach 300,000 cases.
- Health care leaders continue to voice concern over the surge, saying, “it is very difficult to sustain behavior change of the kind that we need,” [according to a Journal Sentinel story.](#)
- The statewide Stop the COVID Spread coalition, which includes business groups such as Wisconsin Manufacturers and Commerce, [released its fourth ad](#) on broadcast TV and digital platforms urging Wisconsin residents to do their part to reverse the public health crisis gripping the state.

Resources

For Racine County updates on the COVID-19 outbreak, please visit

www.racinecounty.com/coronavirus. The City of Racine coronavirus webpage can be found at www.racinecoronavirus.org. The Central Racine County Health Department’s COVID-19 page is www.crchd.com/covid-19.

For national information on COVID-19, please go to the Centers for Disease Control’s website:

www.cdc.gov/coronavirus.

You can also find current information on the Wisconsin Department of Health Services website, which has guidance that is updated regularly for travel, self-quarantine, and school districts, among other important information: <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/disease/covid-19.htm>.

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