



HO-CHUNK NATION DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Communicable & Infectious Disease

Case Summary



This report was updated in Sept 2026 and includes data through Jul 2026.

Data for this summary is collected from the following sources:

- NextGen**, the Department of Health’s electronic record system
- WEDSS**, the Wisconsin communicable disease surveillance system

Reports include patients (tribal and non-tribal) who tested at Ho-Chunk clinics or voluntarily shared their home test results (indicated by plus sign) living in the Purchased Referred Care Delivery Area (PRCDA); select pathogens also include persons tested elsewhere and had their information forwarded to us (indicated by an asterisk). **All data is preliminary and is subject to change.**

Respiratory	2025 case count	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sept	Oct-Dec	2026 YTD
COVID-19 ⁺⁺	44	23	2			25
Influenza A [*]	76	34	0			34
Influenza B [*]	14	29	6			35
Strep	87	24	12			36

Respiratory	2025 case count	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sept	Oct-Dec	2026 YTD
Pertussis*	2	0	0			0
RSV*	1	0	0			0
STIs						
Chlamydia*+	18	7	8			12
Gonorrhea*+	2	2	0			2
Human Papillomavirus (HPV)	16	3	4			7
Herpes (HSV1 and HSV2)	0	2	2			4
Trichomoniasis+	5	0	1			1
Syphilis*	2	1	2			3
Hepatitis						
Hep A*	2	3	0			3
Hep B*	4	0	2			2
Hep C*+	6	1	0			2

Tickborne	2025 case count	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sept	Oct-Dec	2026 YTD
Babesiosis*	0	0	0			0
Ehrlichiosis/ Anaplasmosis*	1	0	0			0
Lyme Disease*	9	0	4			4
GI/enteric						
Campylobacter*	0	0	0			0
E. coli*	2	0	0			0
Norovirus	0	0	0			0
Rotavirus	1	0	0			0
Salmonella*	0	0	0			0
Shigella*	0	0	0			0

DATA CONSIDERATIONS & OTHER NOTES

Forwarded cases: These includes cases where patients tested elsewhere (a different clinic, home-test, etc.) and had their information forwarded to us. These are indicated by an asterisk (*) or plus sign (+)

- From other counties:
 - Asterisk (*): Indicates that any cases can be forwarded. This includes home tests and cases forwarded from other counties.
 - Reportable diseases: Per state reporting requirements, health facilities have a responsibility to report certain communicable diseases to stop the spread these diseases in our state. Some diseases are reported regardless of the patient's outcomes. Other diseases are only reported under certain conditions, including:
 - COVID-19: Associated hospitalization or pediatric death
 - RSV: Associated hospitalization or pediatric death
 - Influenza: Associated hospitalization, pediatric death, or influenza A novel subtype
 - E.coli: Includes the following strains- STEC, EPEC, EIEC, ETEC,
- From home tests: These include cases self-reported by patients. Home test results we might receive include COVID-19, chlamydia, gonorrhea, syphilis, or hepatitis.
 - Plus sign (+): Indicates case types that can be self-reported by patients from home test results.

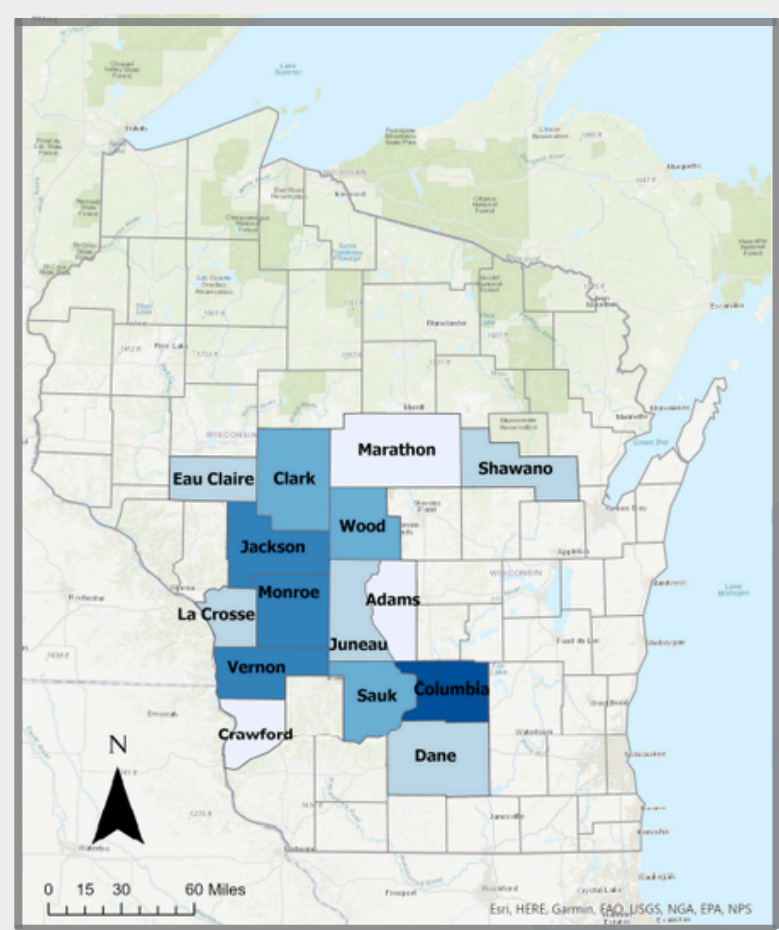


Case definitions. Cases include confirmed or probable cases, as defined by laboratory reporting and clinical guidelines. Cases include laboratory-run and self-reported home tests. Cases include new infections or historical infections. Historical cases occur when it's the first time we are managing the patient's care (made aware of past infection) or when first documented in the patient's chart:

- Hepatitis: As patients can experience chronic hepatitis infections, we only count cases if they are current infections (untreated), new infections, historical cases.
- Lyme Disease & Syphilis: As antibody tests can produce reactive results months to years after an active infection, we only count cases if they are current infections (untreated), new infections, or historical cases.
- E.Coli: Includes any of the following strains- STEC, ETEC, EPEC, EIEC, EAEC, DAEC

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In addition to state and national tribal populations, our PRCDA (Purchased Referred Care Delivery Area) is a designated area, assigned by Indian Health Services, that defines our service jurisdiction area. The Ho-Chunk Nation Department of Health often reports on state, national, and PRCDA populations due to funding and program requirements. This summary report focuses on cases from patients residing in one of our PRCDA counties. About 92% of all our clinic patients live in one of these counties:



NOTE: Houston County (MN) not pictured

There are **15 counties in Wisconsin** and **one county in Minnesota** which make up the **HCN DOH PRCDA area**:

- Adams
- Clark
- Columbia
- Crawford
- Dane
- Eau Claire
- Jackson
- Juneau
- La Crosse
- Marathon
- Monroe
- Sauk
- Shawano
- Vernon
- Wood
- Houston

