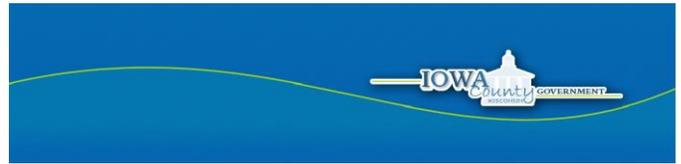


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Thank You for Social Distancing: Debut of Iowa County Dashboard

Dodgeville, WI – The Iowa County Health Department wishes to acknowledge the hard work of Iowa County residents during the “Safer at Home” strategy to reduce the spread of COVID-19. The results of everyone’s efforts shows. We want to preserve those efforts by following an evidenced based approach with how we continue to move forward in Iowa County. As we move forward, the health department invites you to monitor the status of our county along with us.

We have been working hard to identify metrics that will help inform recommendations regarding how and when people can interact safely. Iowa County status related to these metrics will be showcased in a “dashboard” identifying key measures that will help with decision making both today and in the future. We all know COVID-19 will stay a part of our lives for some time, especially until we have a safe and effective vaccine readily available.

The dashboard measures three broad types of data to include:

- **Epidemiology** - What is the picture of disease incidence and growth in cases locally?
- **Healthcare** - Can our public health and healthcare systems handle disease incidence?
- **Public health** - Are we able to contain infections that do occur and be sure we are operating in a non-critical state?

Iowa County Dashboard Metrics

Active monitoring of real-time data-based metrics is critical. If metrics are not met, mitigation strategies may be needed at the county level or on an even smaller scale (municipality, facility or business) to address an identified hotspot. The metrics will help guide our decisions moving forward.

Look for the Iowa County COVID-19 Dashboard on the Iowa County website at iowacounty.org or on our [Facebook page](#).

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