

# COVID-19 Response

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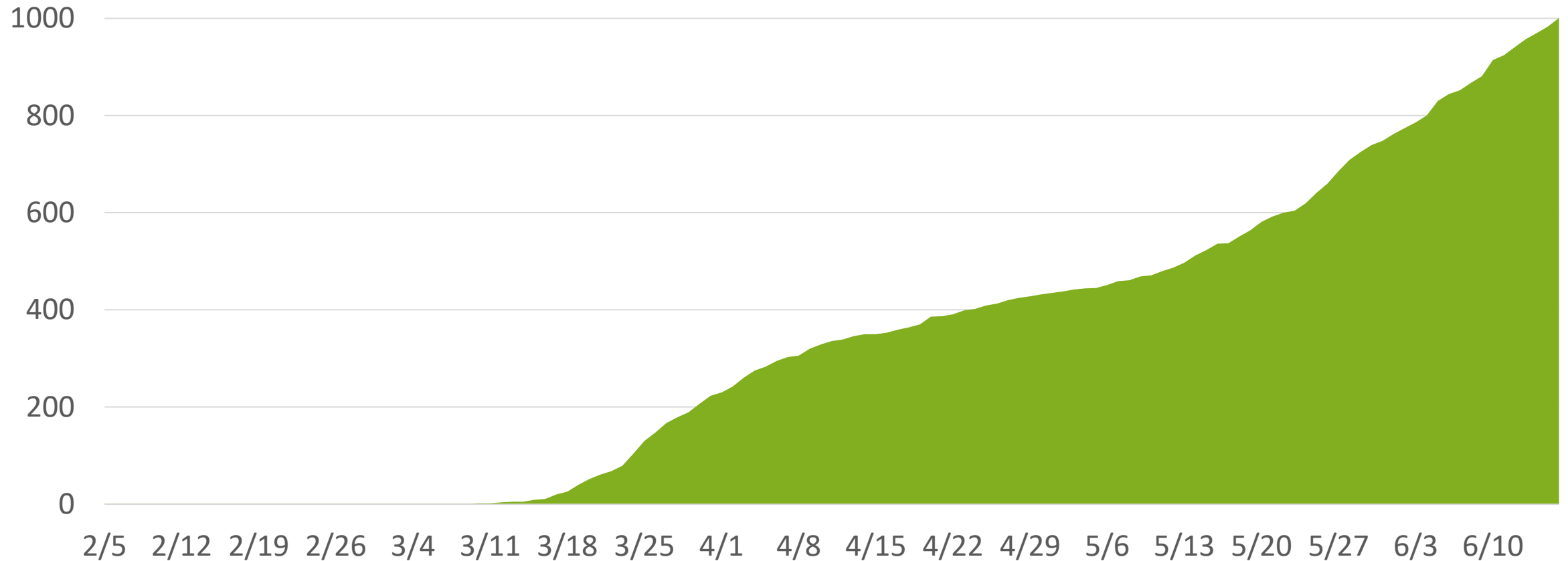
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# Cases Over Time

**FEBRUARY 5**  
First case identified

**JUNE 16**  
Surpassed 1,000 cases





# Metrics

## Epidemiology

### Percent Positive Tests

Below a threshold of 5% for positive tests as a percent of total tests averaged across most recent 14 days period



1%

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### Cases per Day

Below a low incidence threshold of 4 cases per day averaged over a 14 days period



16

# Metrics

## Healthcare

### Tests Conducted

Testing supplies and staff facilitate adequate testing for disease control and surveillance (goal of 800 in most recent 14-day period)



1220

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### Testing for Healthcare Workers

Robust testing in place for health care workers



100%

# Metrics

## Healthcare

### **Cases Treated without Crisis Care**

Treat all cases without crisis care, including facility use, staffing, and critical supply



100%

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### **Healthcare Workers with COVID-19**

Decreasing or stable numbers of infected health care workers



stable

# Metrics

## Public Health

### **Lab reporting timeliness and contact tracing**

All positive cases be reported and interviewed quickly to facilitate rapid isolation for disease control

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72%

### **Community Spread**

Proportion of contacted COVID-19 cases who don't know where they could have gotten COVID in most recent 14 day period



24%

# Metrics

## Public Health

### **COVID-like Symptoms**

Downward trajectory of COVID-like syndromic cases reported within a 14 days period



# Timeline of Events

**JANUARY 22**

First meeting to discuss response

**JANUARY 23**

Assemble Incident Command System response team

**FEBRUARY 5**

First case in Dane County is 12<sup>th</sup> case nationwide

**MARCH 13**

Issue first order restricting gatherings to 250 people

**MARCH 16**

Issue order closing schools and limiting gatherings to 50 people

**MARCH 17**

News release announcing community spread

**MARCH 25**

First Dane County death from COVID-19

**MARCH 25**

Statewide Safer at Home Order goes into effect

**MARCH 26**

Publicly available data dashboard goes live

**MAY 11**

Community test site opens

**MAY 13**

Statewide Safer at Home struck down

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Dane County Safer at Home order goes into effect

**MAY 18**

Forward Dane plan released, Prepare for Reopen order issued

**MAY 26**

Phase 1 order goes into effect which opens most businesses to 25%

**JUNE 5**

Issue order revising mass gathering criteria

**JUNE 15**

Phase 2 order goes into effect which opens most businesses to 50%



# Response Team



~10  
people



~140  
people



Increasing  
capacity

# Response Tools



## Public Health Orders

Minimizing opportunities for virus to spread

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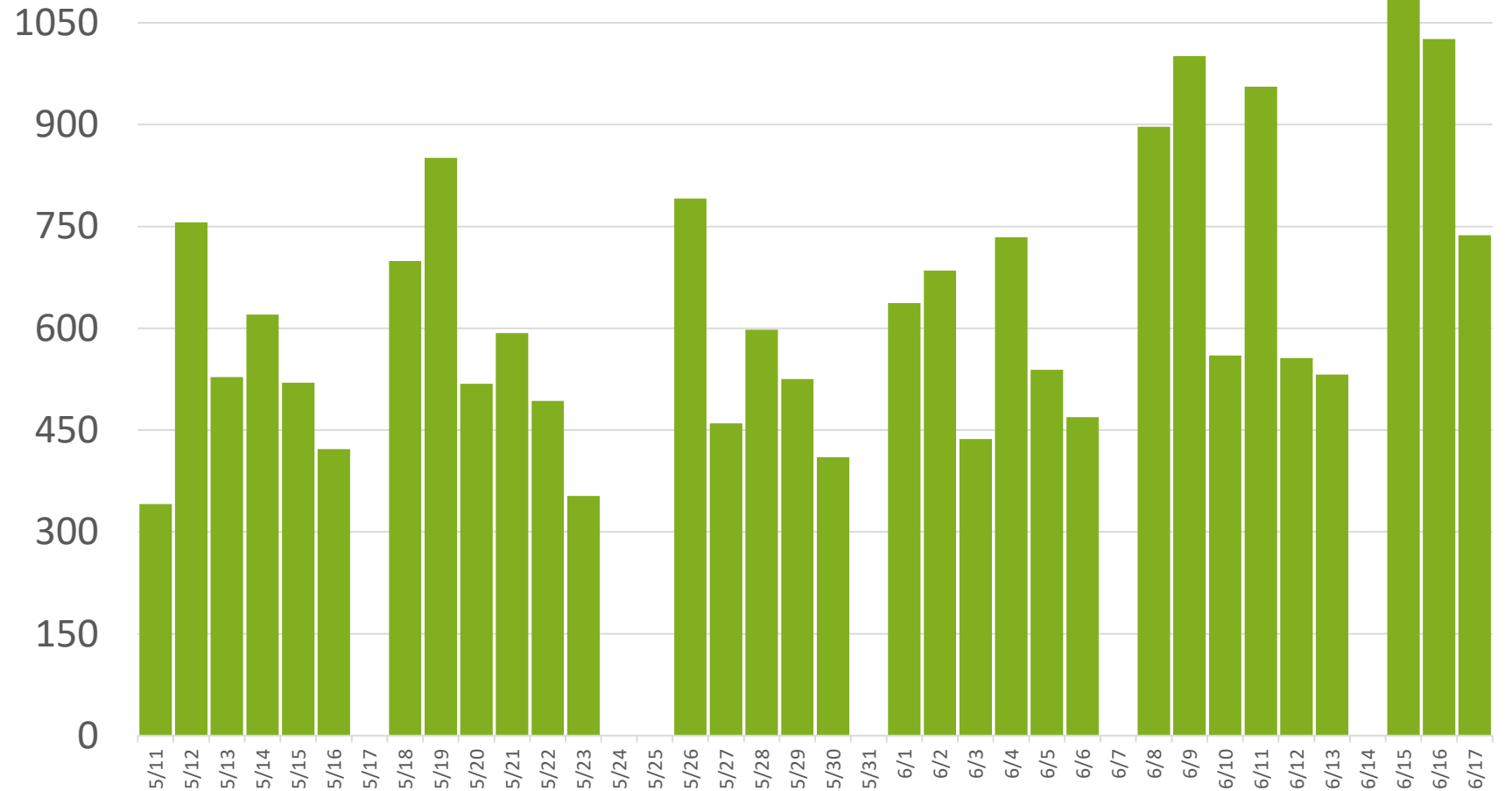
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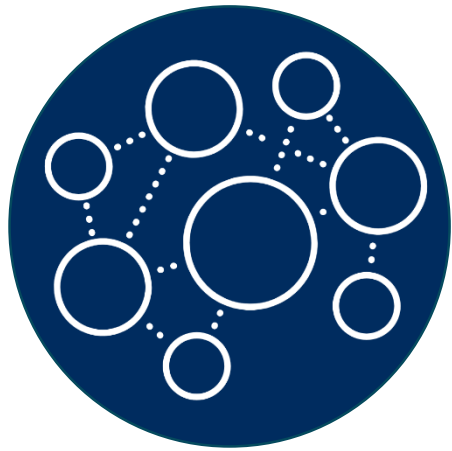
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Identifying new cases in our community



Tests completed at community test site by date

# Response Tools



## Contact Tracing

Containing spread  
of virus in our  
community

### 36 tracers

People doing contact tracing work

### 27 support staff

People coordinating, analyzing, and  
directly supporting contact tracing work

### 13 being hired

Currently hiring more tracers and infection  
control preventionists

# Response Tools



## Data

Collecting and analyze data to drive decision-making



## Communications

Crafting and sharing messages; responding to community questions



## Technical Assistance

Answer questions, develop guidance, connect with resources



# We are in Phase 2

**PREPARE  
FOR SAFE  
REOPEN**

(May 18 – May 25)

**PHASE 1  
IMPLEMENT**

(May 26 – June 15)

**PHASE 2  
MAINTAIN**

(June 15 - Present)

**PHASE 3  
SUSTAIN**

(TBD)

**PHASE 4  
NEW  
NORMAL**

(TBD)

# Looking Ahead

## TENTATIVE PLAN

### PHASE 3 SUSTAIN (TBD)

Most businesses open at 75% capacity; some may have additional requirements

Indoor gatherings (public or private): Increase in size with physical distancing

Outdoor gatherings: increase in size with physical distancing

# Rebound Metrics

## Burden + Case Trajectory

- 1 Average of over 20 cases per day over last two weeks
- 2 Significant increase in cases compared to previous week
- 3 Qualitative factors: Outbreak-related?  
Community spread?

## COVID- related hosp

- 1 Significant increase in hospitalizations
- 2 Qualitative factors: Are elective surgeries at normal levels? Are small hospitals in region sounding capacity alarms?



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