

COVID-19 PANDEMIC HEALTH RESPONSE

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Pandemic Health Response priorities

- **Protect frontline healthcare worker**
 - Testing
 - Surveillance
 - Isolation, quarantine and hospital care
- **Optimize WA State health resources**
 - Ongoing pandemic response
 - Anticipated fall respiratory surge
- **Keep all Washingtonians safe**
 - Systemically underserved
 - COVID and non-COVID conditions



Areas of focus

- PPE
- Testing
- Long term care
- Fall surge plan



Current Overview



Confirmed case counts

COVID-19 in Washington State

Confirmed Cases and Deaths by Illness Onset Date, and Hospitalizations by Admission Date

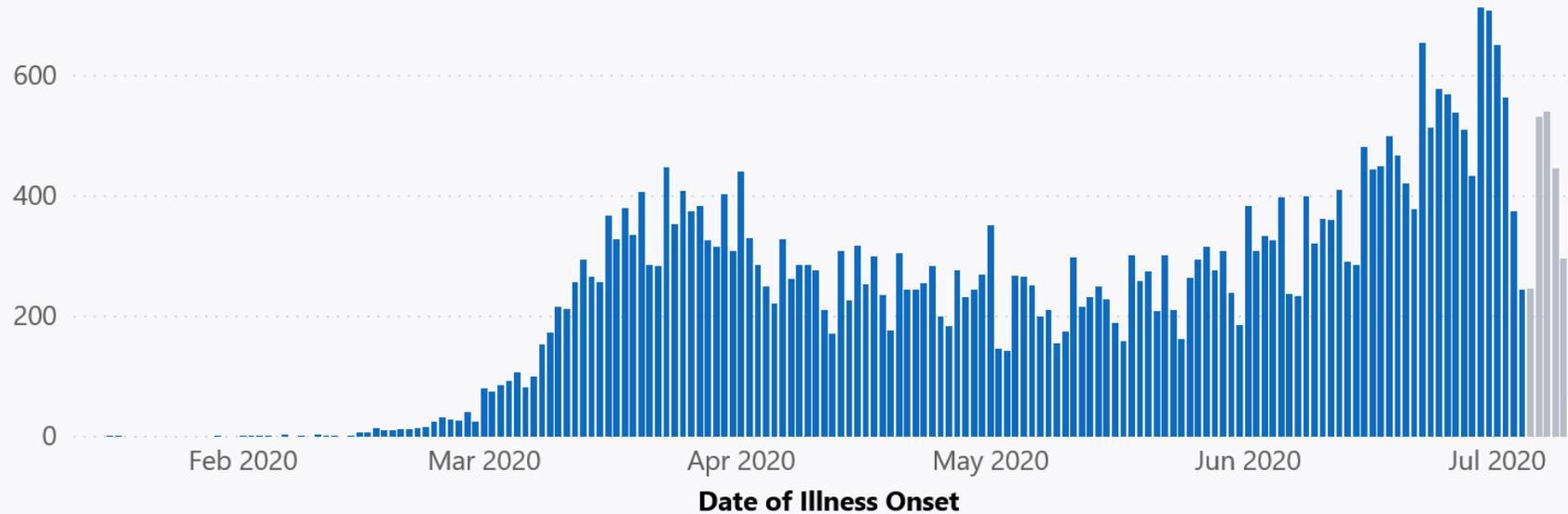
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Confirmed Case Counts

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137 of 40,656 confirmed cases do not have an assigned county. Illnesses from the last 4 to 7 days may not yet be reported.



Hospitalizations

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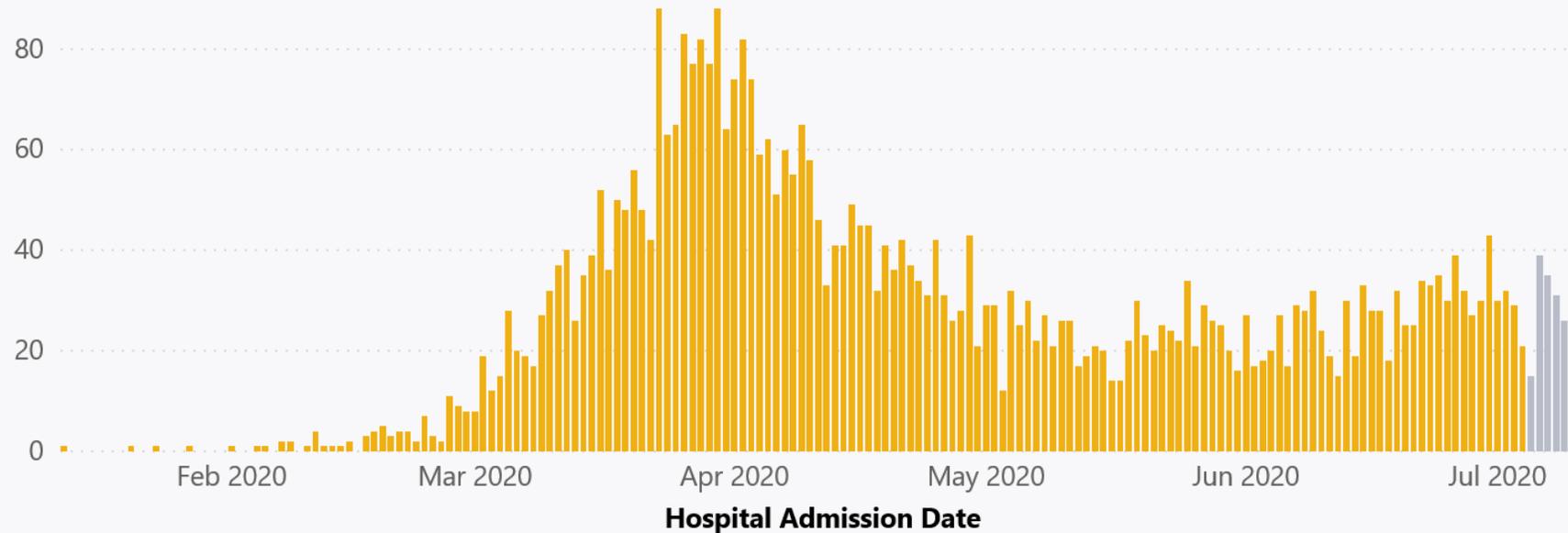
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86 hospitalizations don't have a hospital admission date available. 24% of statewide confirmed cases have unknown hospitalization status. Hospitalizations from the last 7 days may not yet be reported.



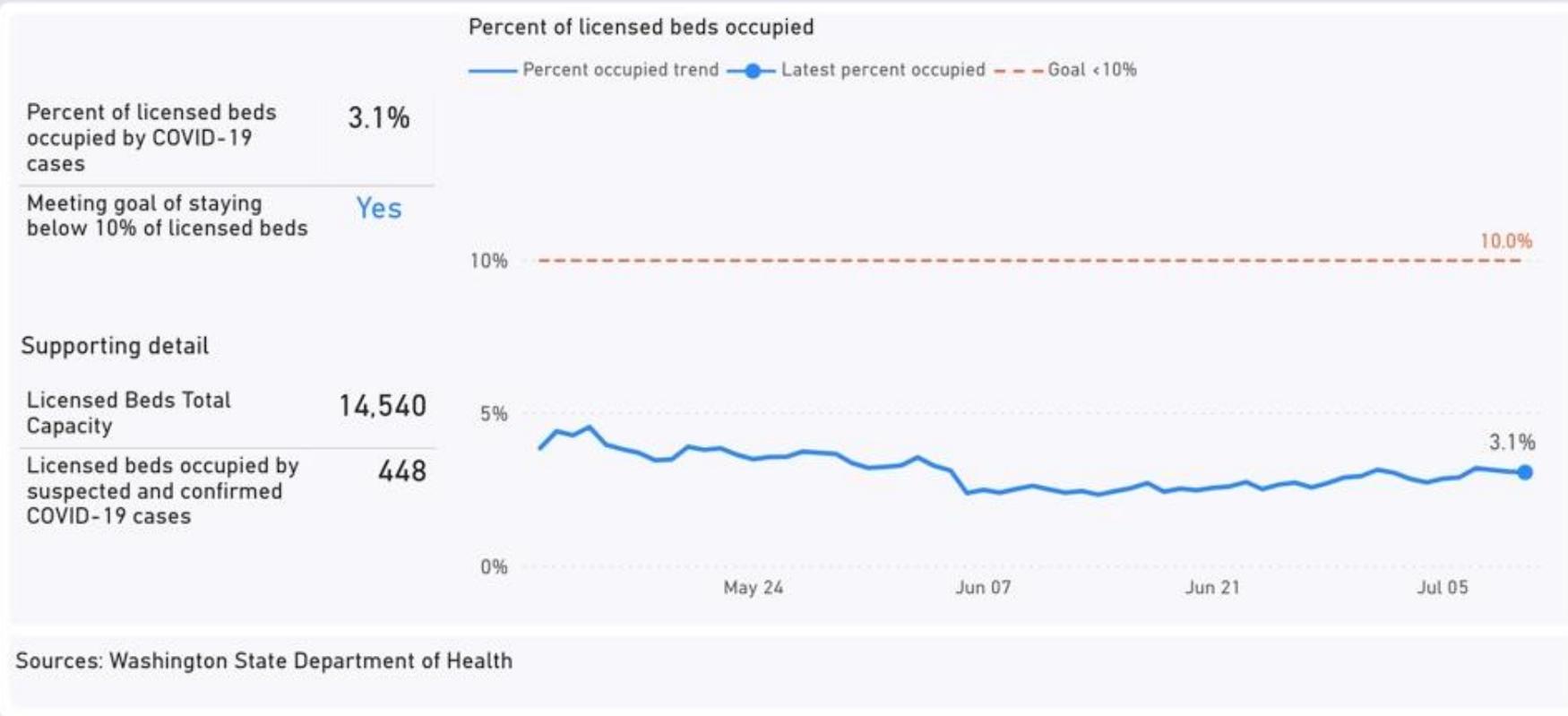
Occupancy rates

Healthcare System Readiness

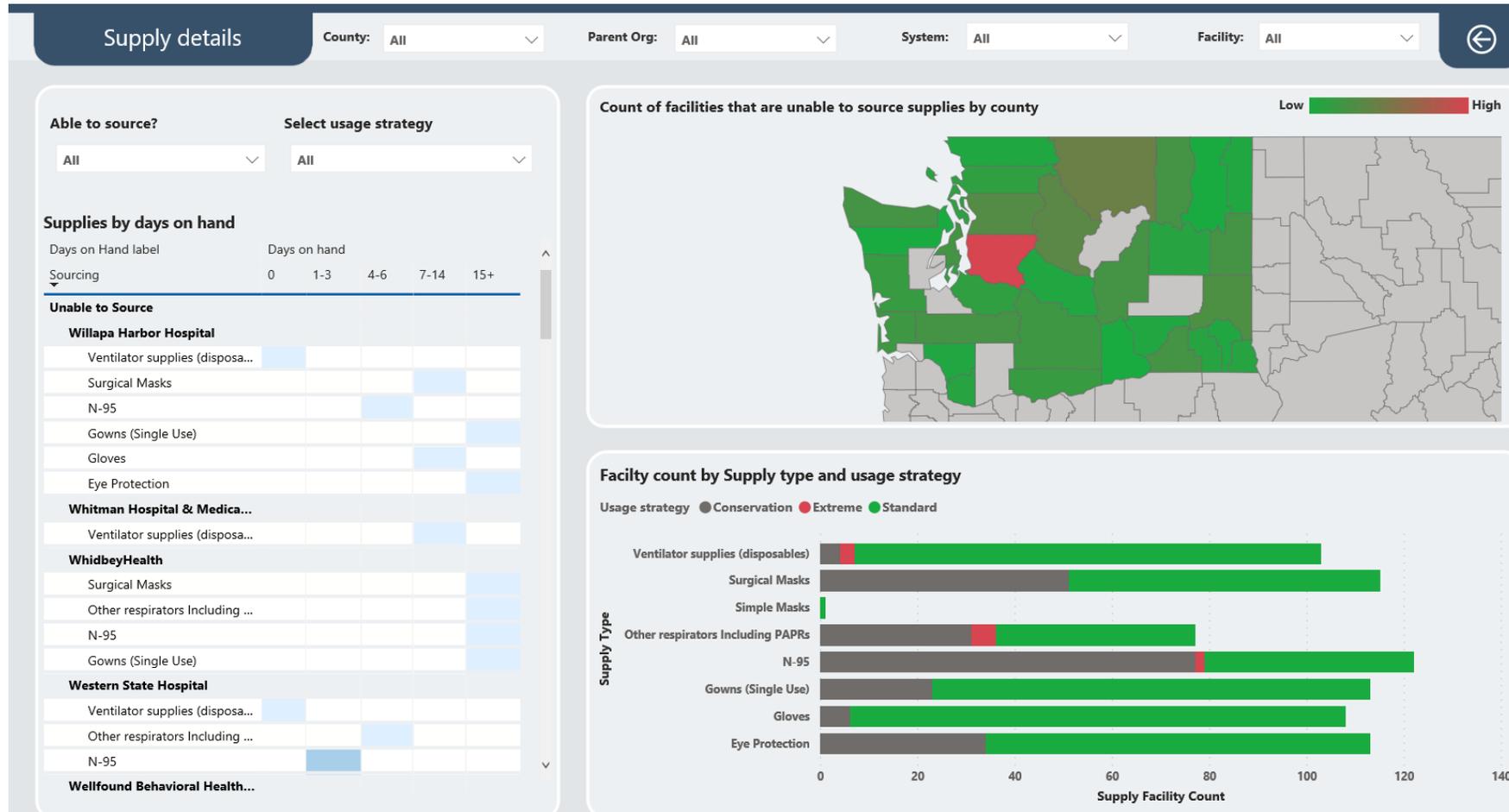
Licensed beds occupied by suspected and confirmed COVID-19 cases

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This chart shows the trend in the percentage of licensed beds occupied by suspected and confirmed COVID-19 cases. The Department of Health recommends a goal to stay below 10% of licensed beds occupied by confirmed and suspected COVID-19 patients. Data will be refreshed weekly.



PPE assessment



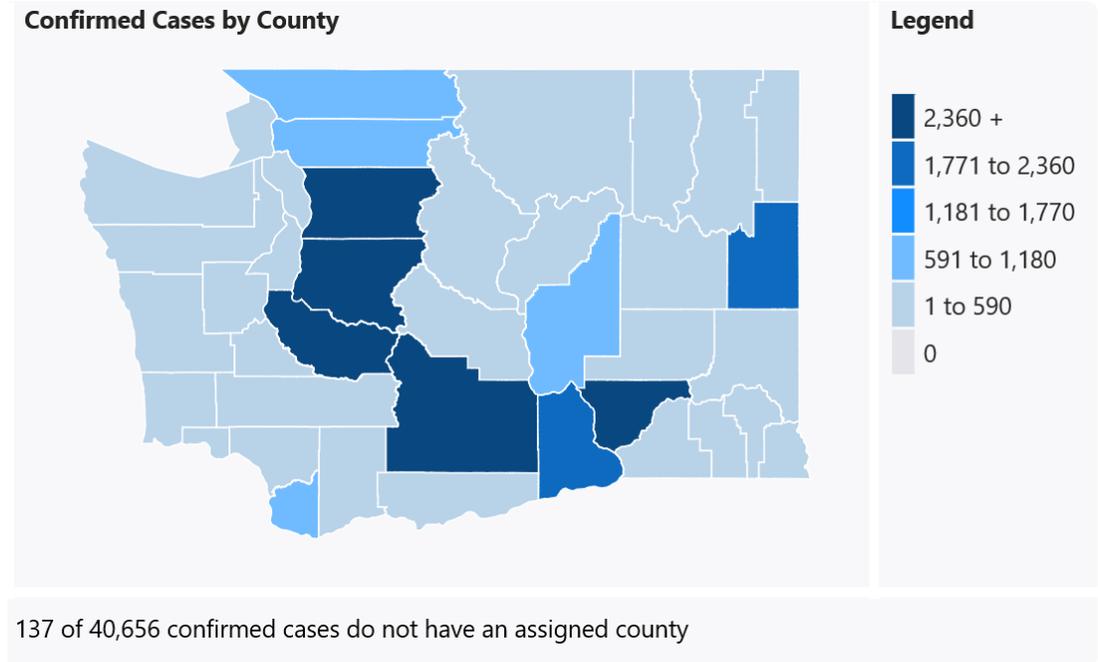
Today's topics

- Regional Operations Center
- Local public health
- PPE
- Transitional Care - Paramount



Regional Operations Center

- Yakima, Chelan, Douglas & Okanogan
 - Prevalence and COVID-19 activity
 - Local health demand
- Transports and transfers
 - Regional transport solutions
- Regional vs state approach
 - Coordination across regions



Local public health

- Support for local health on testing and contact tracing
- Enforcement of public health orders
- Local hospital testing
- Yakima sprint

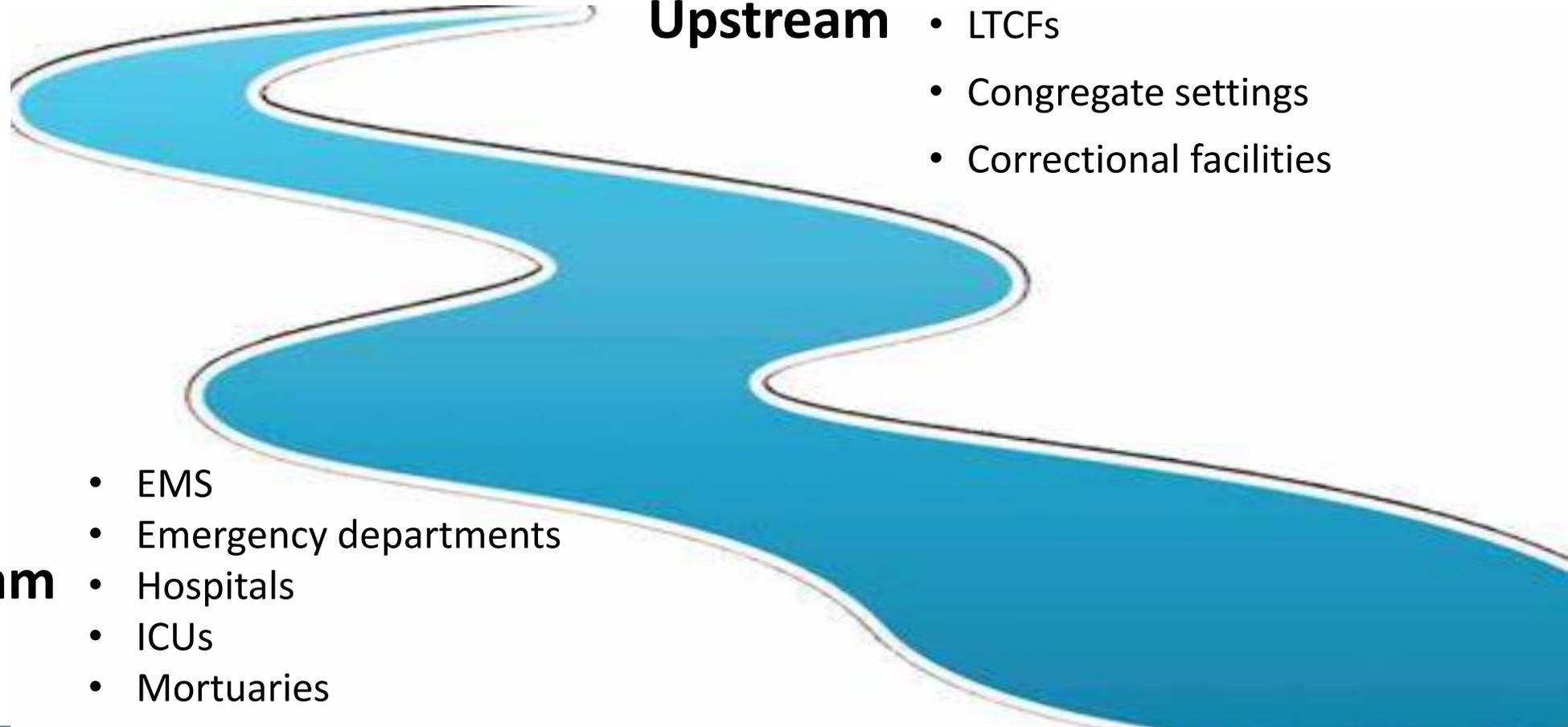


PPE assessment

- While total COVID-19 (+) case counts continue to increase, state-wide hospitalization capacity is currently sufficient to meet demand
- Opportunities to relieve stress on the healthcare system can be found in expanded testing and surveillance for early detection and isolation
- Testing capacity and supplies are currently being expanded
- PPE distribution needs to support testing expansion while maintaining conventional PPE utilization at hospitals



Upstream and downstream requirements for PPE and testing



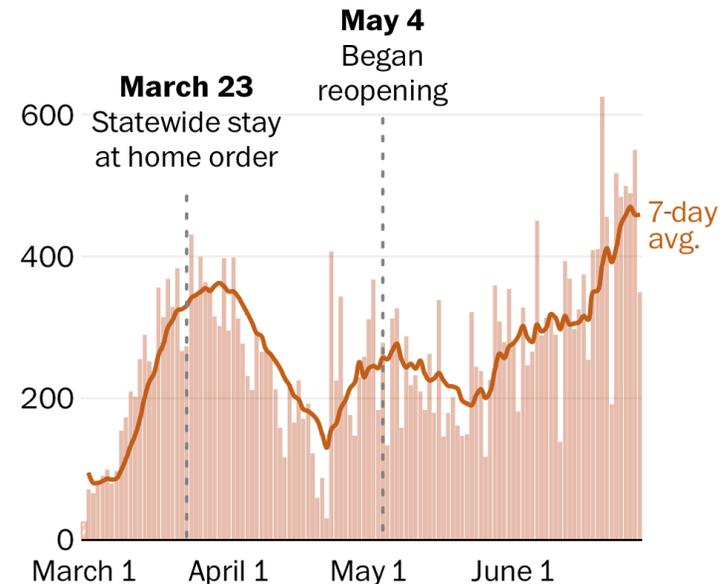
Assumptions

- WA State COVID-19 infections continue to increase
- Global supply chains remain attenuated
- The healthcare system's PPE supply chain has not rebounded
- Congregate populations amplify COVID-19 transmission
- There will be a fall respiratory surge
- Hospital PPE needs are not easily interchangeable (e.g. 3M vs. BYD K95)
- WA State will continue to play a role in PPE acquisition, procurement and distribution

Washington

Governor: Jay Inslee (D)

31,752 reported covid-19 cases since Feb. 29.



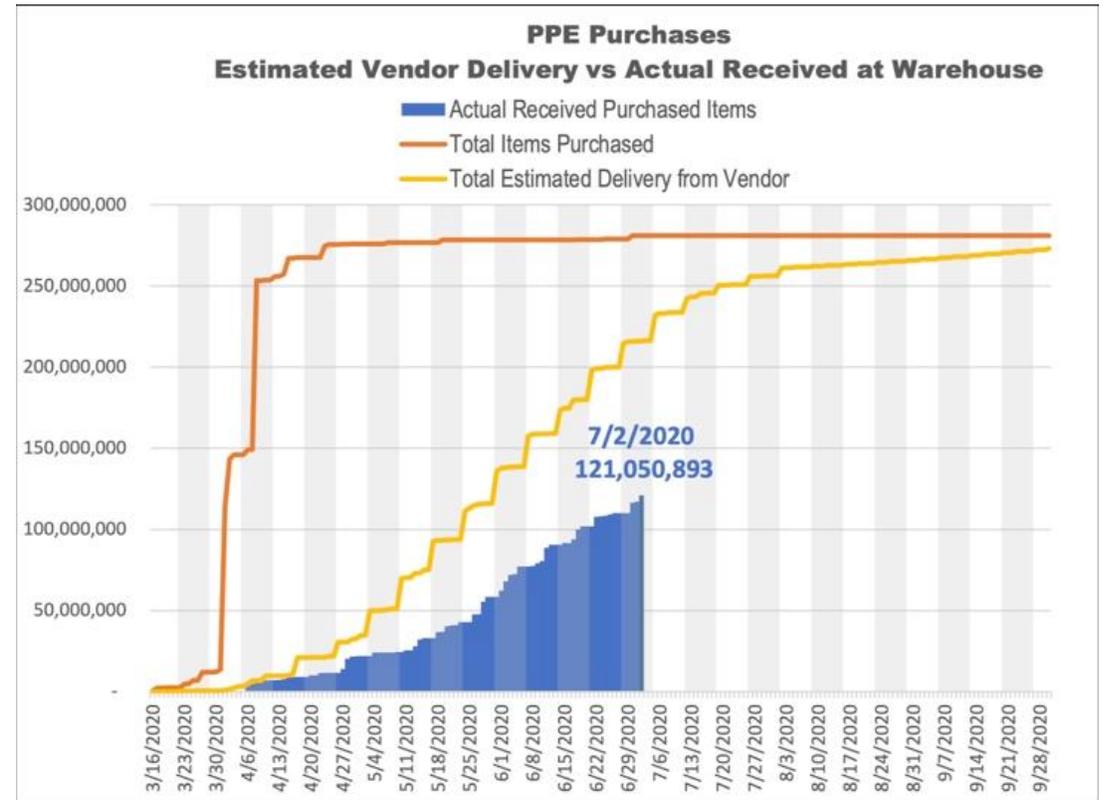
Washington Post



Challenges

As is:

- Supply chains slow to fill PPE purchase orders
- COVID-19 transmission increasing in several counties
- Surge in hospitalizations requiring patient transfers
- Testing rate below national testing rates
- Distribution of PPE to end users difficult to track



Pandemic Health Response objectives

- Pre-position for fall respiratory surge
- Sufficient PPE for testing, surveillance and hospitalizations
- PPE prioritized to support upstream requirements
- Support acquisition and procurement for less frequent PPE users
- PPE distribution that is transparent, timely and accountable



Healthcare system objectives

- Abundant supplies to minimize conservation or re-processing protocols
- Sufficient supplies for unconstrained testing
- Create inventory for future respiratory season patient surges
- Source from alternate, locally-sourced manufacturers



State PPE objectives

- Back-stop for emergent needs for government or tribal operations
- Support acquisition, storage and distribution to state agencies
- Work collaboratively with diverse stakeholder groups
- Facilitate access for non-traditional users or those with limited access



Collective objectives

- WA State is collectively positioned to handle all ongoing PPE requirements for testing, surveillance, hospitalizations and a fall respiratory surge
- WA healthcare system is fully open and operating at all levels for all types of care
- WA healthcare system is safe for both caregivers and consumers of care
- WA State EOC will primarily serve as a back stop for PPE supplies to tribal, county, state-sponsored activities and the WA healthcare system



PPE sync

- Current state and supply
- Shift to upstream focus
- Equity prioritization
- Ensuring adequate supply
- Working with hospitals to coordinate
- Changes to distribution system



Public-private partnership

- Bill Robertson and Sally Watkins



Transitional Care Center of Seattle update

- Close to opening doors in the next few weeks after remodel
- Waiting on final inspections
- Will operate with 4 residents for 2 weeks
- Then, certification survey with DSHS and State Fire Marshall
- Will open floor by floor (3 floors, 30 beds each)
- Full capacity expected by end of October 2020



Thank you

