



# CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL & PREVENTION RESEARCH

UW-MADISON: RANKED #8 NATIONALLY WITH \$1.3 BILLION IN ANNUAL RESEARCH EXPENDITURES

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is the nation’s public-health agency working to combat health, safety, and security threats, both at home and abroad. At UW–Madison, the awards we receive from the CDC support a broad array of public-health research, from continued efforts to fight COVID-19 to supporting school districts in their disease mitigation planning.

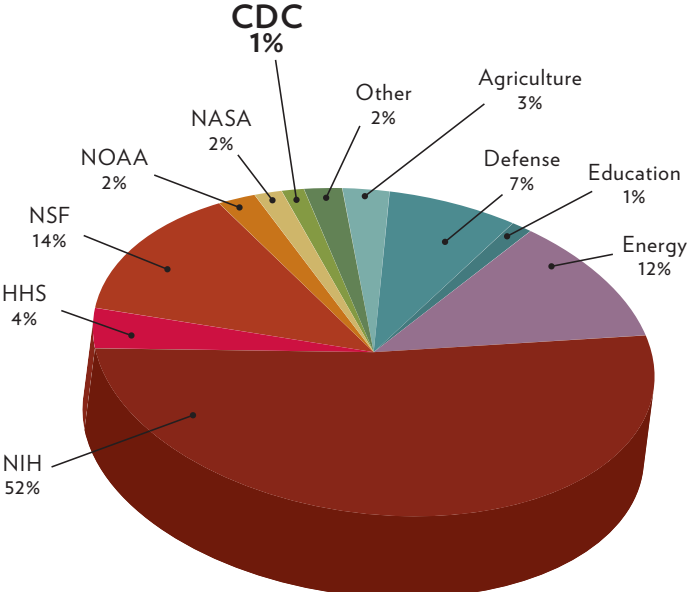
## EXAMPLES OF CDC RESEARCH AT UW-MADISON

### School of Medicine and Public Health

The Oregon Child Absenteeism Due to Respiratory Disease Study (ORCHARDS) has been helping families and schools in Oregon, Wisconsin track seasonal influenza and other respiratory illnesses since 2015. Now, scientists at UW–Madison are expanding the study to learn about the spread of COVID-19 and other illnesses in children and their families within home and school settings. Research from ORCHARDS can be used to help more schools in Wisconsin and beyond take proper precautions to limit the spread of disease. [More online.](#)

### AIDS Vaccine Research Laboratory, Influenza Research Institute

More than one year after receiving FDA approval, COVID-19 vaccines continue to remain extremely effective in preventing serious illness and death, yet scientists continue to study the transmissibility of COVID-19 among vaccinated individuals. A UW–Madison study of COVID-positive samples collected in Wisconsin showed no significant difference in viral load—the amount of virus present in the body—between fully vaccinated and unvaccinated people. The results show that vaccinated people can still be a source of infection and support the importance of maintaining public health measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19. [More online.](#)



# \$9.8 million

CDC federal research awards at UW–Madison in 2020–21

## WHY UNIVERSITY RESEARCH MATTERS

By supporting the CDC, you support research that promotes health, prevents disease, injury and disability, and helps prepare the nation for new health threats.

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