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During the period, this station, as part of the network that makes up Wisconsin Public Radio, has served the public interest by producing and broadcasting diverse content which addresses national, statewide and regional issues. The following is a list of some of the produced or acquired programming or news stories aired in response to areas of concern to listeners served by Wisconsin Public Radio.

ISSUES OF COMMUNITY CONCERN:

- AGRICULTURE
- ECONOMY
- EDUCATION
- ENVIRONMENT
- HEALTHCARE
- POLITICS

NPR/Classical Music Network Quarterly Issues and Programs List April to June 2018		
AGRICULTURE	PROGRAM	DATE
China has hiked tariffs on 128 products from scrap metal to sparkling wine. Wisconsin growers and producers are concerned about what the tariffs may mean for their industries. (Duration: 44 sec)	Morning Edition	4/2/18 @ 5 am
Farmer groups in Wisconsin and across the country are calling on Congress to allocate more money for mental health resources. (Duration: 45 sec)	Morning Edition	4/10/18 @ 5 am
Organic food has grown into a 50 billion dollar industry. But some Wisconsin farmers say they no longer trust that all certified producers are meeting the industry's standards. (Duration: 4 min, 14 sec)	Morning Edition	5/3/18 @ 5 am
A new report from the US Department of Agriculture found farmers are receiving the smallest share of consumer food dollars in more than 20 years. Learn what the data means as Wisconsin farms continue to face low prices for their products. (Duration: 44 sec)	BBC News Hour	5/28/18 @ 3 pm
A recent study from the University of Wisconsin-Madison shows more intense rains brought on by climate change can worsen runoff from farm fields. Phosphorous from farm manure can then get into Wisconsin's waterways and fuel the growth of toxic algae blooms. (Duration: 39 sec)	Morning Edition	6/13/18 @ 5 am
ECONOMY	PROGRAM	DATE
A state agency says it's been told that Bon-Ton Stores is potentially closing twelve Boston Stores or Youngers locations in Wisconsin and its Milwaukee corporate office. More than 2,000 employees could be affected if the financially-troubled retailer doesn't find a buyer. (Duration: 47 sec)	All Things Considered	4/6/18 @ 5 pm
The Walker administration is defending the lack of workforce diversity requirements for construction and operation of the planned Foxconn factory in Racine County. (Duration: 44 sec)	Morning Edition	4/13/18 @ 5 am
Minnesota had more jobs than Wisconsin in 2017. It marked the first time in recent history that Wisconsin fell behind its Midwest neighbor. (Duration: 45 sec)	Morning Edition	5/23/18 @ 5 am
A larger share of Wisconsin companies expect to add workers in the next three months compared to the rest	Morning Edition	6/11/18 @ 5 am

of the country. (Duration: 45 sec)		
Wisconsin is getting its first new paper mill in 30 years. The owner of Green Bay Packaging announced the company is building a half-billion dollar mill in its namesake city. (Duration: 47 sec)	BBC News Hour	6/12/18 @ 3 pm
EDUCATION	PROGRAM	DATE
Wisconsin's only doctorate program in native studies will begin this fall at the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay. It's the first public campus in Wisconsin to do so. (Duration: 44 sec)	Morning Edition	4/3/18 @ 5 am
The pressure was on for about a dozen low-spending school districts that asked voters for their approval to raise property taxes through referenda. That's because a new state law designed to help those schools had doubled the stakes. (Duration: 45 sec)	Morning Edition	4/5/18 @ 5 am
About 50 people protested outside the state Capitol in Madison calling for increased funding for the University of Wisconsin System. The demonstration drew gubernatorial candidates and state politicians. (Duration: 42 sec)	BBC News Hour	5/9/18 @ 3 pm
Fewer high school graduates and an improving economy are pushing college enrollment down. According to the National Student Clearinghouse Research Center, Wisconsin was one of 34 states where 2018 spring enrollment declined. (Duration: 36 sec)	BBC News Hour	5/30/18 @ 3 pm
The Wisconsin Department of Justice has awarded more than \$1.3 million in school safety grants to 20 schools and districts. The awards range from about \$14,000 to \$280,000. (Duration: 44 sec)	Morning Edition	6/13/18 @ 5 am
ENVIRONMENT	PROGRAM	DATE
The University of Wisconsin Sea Grant Institute is awarding \$2.8 million to Great Lakes research and education projects. (Duration: 41 sec)	BBC News Hour	4/2/18 @ 3 pm
Two Wisconsin cities are pushing back on the federal government's move to roll back fuel efficiency standards for cars. (Duration: 44 sec)	All Things Considered	4/5/18 @ 4 pm
The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is narrowing areas of Wisconsin that will face tougher smog regulations. (Duration: 46 sec)	All Things Considered	5/1/18 @ 6 pm

An accident at a frac sand mine in Trempealeau County flooded a nearby valley with industrial processing water. (Duration: 42 sec)	BBC News Hour	5/22/18 @ 3 pm
Democrats have traditionally led the fight for electricity from renewable sources like wind and solar. But at least a few Republicans say they're coming on board. (Duration: 46 sec)	Morning Edition	6/17/18 @ 5 am
HEALTHCARE	PROGRAM	DATE
This month, Gov. Walker plans to ask for federal permission to subsidize insurance for Wisconsinites in the affordable care marketplace. The waiver would allow the state to offset rising premiums. (Duration: 43 sec)	BBC News Hour	4/5/18 @ 3 pm
The Wisconsin Counties Association says there are now 66 counties suing opioid manufacturers. Milwaukee and Dane County are taking on drug makers in separate federal lawsuits. (Duration: 44 sec)	All Things Considered	4/9/18 @ 5 pm
The Centers for Disease Control says disease from tick and mosquitoes has tripled in more than a decade. (Duration: 47 sec)	Morning Edition	5/1/18 @ 5 am
"Right to try" legislation is on its way to President Trump's desk. The bill bears the name of a Wisconsin woman who died from ALS. (Duration: 45 sec)	BBC News Hour	5/23/18 @ 3 pm
A Wisconsin resident is suing Kwik Trip and Del Monte Produce after she contracted a parasitic infection from a vegetable tray. (Duration: 47 sec)	All Things Considered	6/15/18 @ 4 pm
POLITICS	PROGRAM	DATE
The U.S. Senate is set to vote on a bill this week that environmental groups say will weaken clean water protections and leave the Great Lakes vulnerable to invasive species. But the shipping industry says the bill provides certainty and simplifies regulatory requirements. (Duration: 48 sec)	Morning Edition	4/17/18 @ 5 am
The Wisconsin Ethics Commission is considering a policy guiding what to do about political contributions made in bitcoin and other cryptocurrencies. (Duration: 46 sec)	All Things Considered	4/23/18 @ 5 pm
Longtime Wisconsin Supreme Court Justice Shirley Abrahamson, who is the first woman ever to serve on the court, has announced she won't seek re-election next year. (Duration: 47 sec)	All Things Considered	5/30/18 @ 5 pm

<p>Two progressive groups have been holding forums and online votes as part of an endorsement process in the 10-candidate Democratic primary for governor. They've narrowed it down to four candidates after the latest round of voting. (Duration: 43 sec)</p>	Morning Edition	6/10/18 @ 5 am
<p>A coalition of more than 130 U.S. and Canadian cities is speaking out against the trade dispute between the two nations. Local leaders want to work together on issues affecting both countries as tensions mount over U.S.-imposed tariffs on aluminum and steel. (Duration: 48 sec)</p>	Morning Edition	6/14/18 @ 5 am