Influenza activity in Davis County remains at a low level. The school absentee rate for Week 47 (11.23%) is higher than what it has been in the past, which could be in part due to COVID-19 (see Figure 1). For the 2021-22 influenza season, several changes have been in the facilities that are tracked for the aggregated ILI to include facilities that are reporting timely and accurately. Updated ILI rates can be found in Figure 2.

Figure 1. Elementary School Absence Rate, Davis County, 2021-22, 2019-20, 5-Year Average

Figure 2. Influenza-like-Illness rate and Hospitalized Influenza Cases, by subtype and admission date, Davis County, 2021-22

Influenza-like Illness (ILI) is defined as fever (temperature of ≥ 100°F [37.8°C]), cough, and/or a sore throat without a known cause other than influenza.
INFLUENZA ACTIVITY IN UTAH*

Utah’s influenza severity estimate is currently at a low level during Week 47. There was one hospitalized influenza case reported during Week 47 in the state of Utah, with a total of eight hospitalizations so far this season.

Surveillance data for influenza testing in laboratories across Utah indicate that 40 specimens were positive for influenza during Week 47. The predominant virus currently circulating in the community is influenza A.

*For more information regarding influenza activity in Utah, please visit: https://bit.ly/3qPBrtH.

INFLUENZA ACTIVITY IN THE UNITED STATES**

During Week 46, influenza activity was low overall in the United States, however, zero states reported no activity. Thirty-five states reported minimal activity, ten states reported low (including Utah) activity, three states reported moderate activity, and two state reported high activity (see Figure 3).

Collaborating clinical laboratories across the United States reported that 1.0% of respiratory specimens tested were positive for influenza in Week 46. Of those, 93.7% were typed as influenza A and 6.3% as influenza B.

CDC performs genetic and antigenic characterization of U.S. viruses submitted from state and local laboratories. The specimens are also tested for susceptibility of influenza virus to antiviral medications. Virus characterization data will be updated later this season when a sufficient number of specimens have been tested.

**For more information regarding influenza activity nationwide, please visit: https://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/.

Table 1. Influenza Positive Specimens Tested by Utah Laboratories, 2021-22

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VACCINE INFORMATION

CDC recommends that all persons older than 6 months of age receive an influenza vaccine by the end of October.

Flu shots are available at Davis County Health Department at no out-of-pocket cost for those with contracted health insurance.

For those without insurance:
- Adults (19–49) can receive the flu shot for $35.
- Adults and Seniors (50+ years) can receive the flu shot for $70.
- Children and adolescents (<19 years) may receive the vaccine for an $8 fee.

For additional information, call the Immunizations Hotline at (801) 525-5020.

Figure 3. Weekly Influenza Activity Estimates, Week 46 (November 14 - 20, 2021)